

Orr, John

John F. Orr, 78, of Pigeon, passed away Tuesday, March 30, 2004, at Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon following a short illness. He was born in Pigeon on December 22, 1925, son of the late Robert H. and M. Ethel (Striffler) Orr, and served with the U. S. Air Force during World War II. On June 14, 1948, he was united in marriage to Frances G. Novy in Detroit. She preceded him in death on February 11, 1998. Mr. Orr was a 1948 graduate of Wayne State University and was a second generation owner of Orr's Drug Store in Pigeon. He owned and worked at the business as a pharmacist for 40 years, retiring in 1995. He was a charter member of the Pigeon Chamber of Commerce, a member and past master of the Hubbard Winsor Lodge No. 420 F&AM, and a former Boy Scout leader. He was also a member of the First United Methodist Church in Pigeon. He enjoyed boating, hunting, and gardening. He is survived by two sons, Frederick Orr and his wife, Donna, of Pigeon, and Robert Orr and his wife, Gale, of West Caldwell, New Jersey; two daughters, Frances Burdsall and his husband, Kenneth, of Gloucester, Massachusetts, and Susan Wagner and his husband, Mark, of Fremont, California; six grandchildren, Robert Orr, Heather Orr, John Orr, Patricia Orr, Laura Wagner, and Catherine Wagner; two sisters, Marjorie Orr and Ethel Fetting, both of Saginaw; a sister-in-law, Betty Orr, of Livonia; and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a brother, Robert S. Orr. The funeral service will be conducted at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 3, 2004, at the Meyersiek-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, with the Rev. Margaret Passenger, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Pigeon, officiating. Burial will be in Elkland Cemetery, Cass City. Visitation will be from 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. on Friday and from noon until the time of the service at 1 p.m. on Saturday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Scheurer Hospital or the charity of the donor's choice.