

Verne A. Maschke
(March 17, 1920 – April 23, 2011)

Verne A. Maschke, 91, of Bad Axe, passed away on Saturday, April 23, 2011 at his home.

He was born on March 17, 1920 in Port Hope, son of the late Henry and Hannah (Schlack) Maschke.

He married Rosey Hass on July 12, 1947 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bad Axe.

Verne was a dairy farmer in Colfax Township for many years. He was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bad Axe and a member of the VFW No. 116 Bad Axe-Port Austin Post. He was a past president of the former Stanton School in Colfax Township and former president of the Tip-of-the-Thumb Dance Club. He enjoyed the fiddle, the guitar, dancing, and playing for weddings and other occasions. He served in the U.S. Army during WW II in the North Pacific.

Verne is survived by his wife, Rosey Maschke of Bad Axe; two sons, Randall (Janet) Maschke of Lowell, Gary (Julie) Maschke of Yorktown, Va.; one daughter, Judy (Gary) Gardner of Elkton; five grandchildren, Ken (Mary Ann) Maschke of Chicago, Ill., Dennis (Trish) Maschke of Gilbert Ariz., Chad Gardner of New Haven, Conn., Corey Gardner of East Lansing, Nancy Maschke of Blacksburg, Va.; one great-granddaughter, Sophie Maschke of Chicago, Ill.

He was predeceased by two brothers, Walter and Ervin Maschke; and two sisters, Dorothy Schelke and Violet Maschke.

Services will be conducted at noon on Tuesday, April 26, 2011 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bad Axe. Officiating will be The Rev. Kenneth Lueke, pastor. Burial with military honors will be in Colfax Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until the time of service at the church only on Tuesday.

Arrangements by the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe.