Davidson, Bobby

Bobby Morris Davidson, 82, lifelong resident of Owendale, died Monday, May 26, 2003, at his home following an extended illness. He was born on Dec. 20, 1920 to the late Thomas and Ida Maye (Farson) Davidson. He married Judith Draper on Aug. 16, 1986. She survives him. Bobby was a 1940 graduate of Owendale High School. He served in the United States Navy from 1940 to 1945 as a boatman's mate in the Phillipines. He was a lifelong farmer. Bobby was a state champion welterweight, a state champion pony puller for two years and softball catcher for three counties. Mr. Davidson was a life member of Tyler Masonic Lodge No. 317 F. & AM Cass City. He was also a life member of the Cass City VFW Post No. 3644. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and square dancing. Mr. Davidson is survived by his wife, Judith; one sister, Harriet Haley and her husband, William J., of Midland; one son, Charles "Bud" Davidson and his wife, Nancy, of Reese; one daughter, Cordelia Owens and her husband, Bill, of Unionville; one step-daughter, Shereen Mulrath and her husband, Keith, of Kingston; 19 grandchildren; 15 greatgrandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Joyce (Thornton) Davidson; two sons, Jeffrey and Byron Davidson; seven brothers, Alex, Marvin, Russell "Hap", Arthur, Roland, Leslie, and Willard "Bill"; and one sister, Lona Rockefeller. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 30, 2003, at MacAlpine Funeral Home in Bad Axe. Pastor Allen Bishop from Hope Community Church in Peck will officiate. Burial will be at Grant Township Cemetery in Gagetown. Visitation will be from 6 to 9 p.m. today, from 2 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, and from 10 to 11 a.m. on Friday at the funeral home. Tyler Masonic Lodge No. 317 F & AM of Cass City will present a Masonic memorial service at the funeral home at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday. Military graveside services will be offered by the Cass City VFW Post 3644. Memorials may be offered to Marlette United Hospice Service, 2770 Main St., PO Box 307, Marlette, MI 48453.