

### **Emerick, Delbert F.**

Delbert F. Emerick, 82, of Port Hope passed away Friday, Aug. 31, 2007 in the Lakeview Extended Care and Rehab Center of the Harbor Beach Community Hospital. Born in Port Hope on July 26, 1925, Del was the son of the late Stanley and Bessie (Hagerty) Emerick.

On Jan. 15, 1944, Delbert and Lucille Dhyse were united in marriage in Port Hope.

Del was a retired Journeyman Plumber working for Schmalz Plumbing and Heating in Harbor Beach for 43 years before retiring in 1990. He was an active member of the United Methodist Church in Harbor Beach serving as the Chairman of the Board, Financial Secretary and an usher. He was a Master Mason and Life Member of the Verona-Huron Lodge F&AM in Bad Axe, a member of the Port Hope Retirees Club and an original member of the Rubicon-Gore Water Board.

Del enjoyed his family, social activities, he was a hunter, fisherman and enjoyed his garden.

Surviving are his wife, Lucille Emerick of Port Hope; and a daughter, Ruth Ann Kutzera and her husband, Joe, of Harbor Beach; four grandchildren, Debora Kutzera and friend, Dennis Arntz, Belinda Zack and her husband, Michael, Jeffery Kutzera and his wife, Nancy, and Todd Kutzera and his wife, Jessica.; and seven great-grandchildren, Jennifer, Jason, Josh, Joe, Jessica, Samantha and Morgan; and one great-great-grandchild, Mason. Also surviving are his brothers, William, Raymond, Jack and Steven all of Port Hope; and his sisters, Loretta Ahler of Croswell, Jane Wilson of Lapeer, Karen Woodward of Almont and Mary Rabideau of Cass City.

Del was preceded in death by two brothers, Eugene and Roy; and two sisters, Kay Franzel and Alma Mann.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 3, 2007 in the United Methodist Church, Harbor Beach, with the Rev. Paula Timm officiating. Burial will be in the New River Cemetery, Huron City.

Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday at the Ramsey Funeral Home in Harbor Beach and from 10 a.m. until the time of service Monday at the church. A Masonic Service will be conducted at 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

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