

Krueger, Wilbert E.

Wilbert Earl Krueger, 78, of Harbor Beach, passed away Sunday, March 13, 2005, at his home following a short illness. He was born April 13, 1926 in Harbor Beach, son of the late Oscar and Loretta (Pochert) Krueger. On May 15, 1948, Wilbert married Betty Lou Learman at the First Presbyterian Church in Harbor Beach. Throughout their joyous 58 years together, they enjoyed numerous community social organizations and activities with their friends. Wilbert farmed for many years and was a rural mail carrier for the Harbor Beach Post Office for 33 years retiring in 1999. He was a faithful member of the Zion Lutheran Church in Harbor Beach, a dedicated member of the Harbor Beach Lions Club and served as an officer for many years, and he was a charter member of the Harbor Beach Jaycees. A devoted father, Wilbert attended many sports activities and continued to follow the Harbor Beach Pirates in many sporting events after his children graduated. He will be affectionately remembered by his friends and neighbors for his generous nature and love of life, as well as the fact that he was one heck of a Euchre and poker player. He is survived by his adoring wife, Betty Lou Krueger, of Harbor Beach; three children, Paul Krueger and his wife, Mary, of Grayslake, Illinois, Keri Green and her husband, Curt, of Livonia, Phil Krueger and his wife, Diane, of Owosso; daughter-in-law, Nancy Krueger, of Harbor Beach; eight grandchildren, Keith and Erik Krueger, Lynn Booms and her husband, Fred, Ryan, Sean, Collin, and Katelyn Krueger, and Alicia Davis; and by four great-grandchildren, Derek, Brenden, and Nathan Booms, and Zackery Clark. Wilbert was preceded in death by his son, Kurt Krueger, in 1983; brother, Melvin Krueger; and sister, Dorothy Krueger. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, March 16, 2005, at Zion Lutheran Church in Harbor Beach with the Rev. Mark Girardin officiating. Burial will be in the Rock Falls Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. today at the Ramsey Funeral Home in Harbor Beach, and at 10 a.m. until the time of the service on Wednesday at the church. A scripture service will be conducted at 7:30 p.m. today at the funeral home. Memorials may be given to the Harbor Beach Lions Club, Zion Lutheran Church, or any charity of your choice.