

Leland Lloyd Carder, 89, of Bad Axe, MI died unexpectedly Friday, February 10, 2017. He began life's journey October 11, 1927 on a farm in Creighton, Nebraska, the youngest son of Truman and Annabel (Reese) Carder. After graduation, he enlisted in the Army and served during World War II, obtaining the rank of Sgt. before his honorable discharge. He then began an apprenticeship as a lineman, which would eventually bring him to Michigan, where he worked for Detroit Edison for over 30 years. He loved travelling and, once retired, was able to make numerous trips, especially to Texas and Nebraska. He enjoyed yard work and gardening, playing Euchre, meeting friends at the local coffee shop, and never missed an opportunity to watch his Detroit Tigers and Lions play. You could often find him tinkering in his workshop, and his carpentry skills were one of many that are evidenced in the renovations and additions made to his home. In recent years, one of his greatest joys was having his children gather each Fall at his home to celebrate his birthday; Terry (Kathy) Carder of Pontiac, Larry (LaDona) Carder of Fort Gratiot, Ronna (John) Romano of Brunswick, ME, Robert Carder of Bad Axe, Kelly (Cathy) Carder of Bakersfield, CA, and Penny (Michael) Gogolin of Elkton. His family also included 13 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Preceding him in death was Virginia, his wife of 44 years. In accordance with his wishes, there will be no services.