Wilcox, Etsel

Etsel Daniel Wilcox, 79, of Deford died Friday, Oct. 19, 2001, at his home after a long illness. He was born Jan. 1, 1922, in Kingston to William D. and Mary (Stickel) Wilcox. He married the love of his life, Margaret F. Shaver, and together they resided in the Kingston and Deford area for over 55 years. Etsel worked for the Kingston Elevator and did custom thrashing. He was a dairy farmer while working at Pontiac Motors. He worked for the Tuscola County Road Commission as a heavy equipment operator, retiring after 30 years. Etsel loved hunting, fishing and camping with family. He was a very active member of Deford Community Church, serving in many positions over the years, including trustee, church board member and a greeter up until his illness prohibited it. Etsel is survived by his wife, Margaret; daughter Etselene Dorland and her husband, Jim, of Deford; granddaughter Shelly Chambers and her husband, Bill, of Deford; stepgrandchildren Ryan Dorland and Kyle Dorland; great-grandchildren Shane Bloomfield and Shania Chambers; step-great-grandchildren Nick Chambers, Heather Chambers and Tammy Chambers; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; son-in-law Darold TerBush; and brothers Lester, Burwyn and Basil Wilcox. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 22, 2001, at Deford Community Church with Pastor David Mercer officiating. Interment will be in East Dayton Cemetery, Caro. Pallbearers for Mr. Wilcox will be Shane Bloomfield, Randy Shaver, Tim Shaver, Cliff Shaver, Barry Shaver and Jerald Shaver, Visitation will be 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. today at Kranz Funeral Home in Cass City, and 10 to 11 a.m. Monday at the church. Memorials may be made to Deford Christian Academy.