

Henne, Kenneth

Kenneth J. Henne, 78, of Frankenmuth and formerly of Bay Port, died Friday, February 6, 2004, at the Lutheran Home in Frankenmuth following a lengthy illness. He was born July 28, 1925 in Bay Port, son of the late William and Erma (Beaver) Henne. He was united in marriage to Mary Louise LeClair on May 4, 1946 in Bay Port. She preceded him in death on June 19, 1983. Ken owned and operated a dairy farm near Bay Port until 1975. He then worked for ADI distributors as a warehouse manager between 1975 and 1977; also Farm Bureau as a warehouse manager between 1977 and 1983; and Frankenmuth Pretzel Factory from which he retired in May 1995. He will be remembered by all who knew him as a hard-working, kind, loving and charismatic man who embraced his life, family and friends with a calm strength and dignity. He brightened lives with his humor and always had a wave and smile for everyone. We were blessed with the time we were given with him and he will be with us forever. Surviving are three sons, one daughter and their spouses, Kent Henne and his wife, Mary Ann, of Pigeon, Leon Henne and his wife, April, of Bay Port, Carl Henne and his wife, Pam, of Clarkston, and Julie Durkee and her husband, Richard, of Birch Run; 12 grandchildren, Deborah, Tammy, Michele, Matthew, Samantha, Derek, Aubrey, Eric, Jeff, Alan, Melanie and Allison; 10 great-grandchildren, Stephanie, Christian, Patrick, Dorian, Devon, Jenna, Adam, Kyle, Emily and Michaela; one brother, two sisters and their spouses, Glenn Henne and his wife, Audrey, of Bay Port, Letha Chamberlain and her husband, Bill, of Saginaw, Grace McGillivray and her husband, Floyd, of Clio; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one grandson, Jason Henne, two brothers, baby brother, Gilbert Henne, Roland Henne; four sisters, LeEtta Lupp, Hilma McCaskey, Dolores Lukasiak and Lorraine Kohl. The funeral service will take place at 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 8, 2004, at Bay Port United Methodist Church. The Rev. Douglas Mater will officiate with burial in New Bay Port Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1:30 p.m. on Sunday until the time of service at the church.