

Patterson, Archie L.

Archie "Pat" L. Patterson, 88, of Ubly, passed away Thursday, July 8, 2004, at Courtney Manor Nursing Center, Bad Axe. Mr. Patterson was born September 4, 1915 at Sheridan Township to the late Neil and Isabelle (Leitch) Patterson. He and Marie Graves Diefenbach were married August 10, 1968 at Cass City. The couple made their home in Ubly the past 35 years. Archie attended a country school; was a World War II U.S. Army Veteran and served in the European Theater; life member of the National Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a carpenter and for a time was employed at Hogan Construction Company, Bad Axe. He enjoyed reading, was a Tiger baseball fan and noted story teller. Mr. Patterson is survived by his wife, Marie; one daughter, Judy Gibbs and her husband, Cecil, of Quimbly, West Virginia; three step-daughters, Donna Howe-Wilson and her husband, William, of Patrickburg, Indiana, Pauline Diefenbach, of Harbor Beach, and Mary Diefenbach, of Port Hope; three step-sons, James Diefenbach and his wife, Patrice, of Highland, California, Daniel Diefenbach and his wife, Jeraldine, of Clyde Park, Montana, Robert Diefenbach, of Florida; three grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and six step-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Archie was preceded in death by two brothers, John and Neil Patterson; and two sisters, Margaret Crumback and Janet McDowell. According to the wishes of Mr. Patterson, there will be no visitation or services. Cremation has taken place at Sunset Valley Crematory, Bay City. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to Mrs. Archie Patterson, 4455 Queen Street, Ubly, Michigan 48475 or to MacAlpine Funeral Home, 302 N. Hanselman Street, Bad Axe, Michigan 48413. Memorials may be offered to Courtney Manor Nursing Center.