

Kelly, Martin

Martin J. Kelly, 82, of Caseville, died Sunday morning, June 29, 2003, at Covenant Harrison in Saginaw. He was born Nov. 15, 1920 to the late Thomas and Emma (Klein) Kelly in Cleveland, Ohio and moved to Bay Port in his youth. On June 15, 1941, he was united in marriage to Virginia Weeks in Bay Port. She preceded him in death on March 8, 1962. Mart was a commercial fisherman at the Bay Port Fish Company until June of 1944, when he was inducted into the U.S. Army and served in Italy during World War II. When he returned home in 1946, he worked several places before taking a position with Consumers Power in Saginaw. On May 11, 1963, he married Florence (Portice) DeLoach in Saginaw, where they made their home until he retired in 1979 after 22 years of service. He was a member of the Bay Port United Methodist Church, the Caseville Eagles, Sebewaing VFW Post and the Caseville Retirement Club. His big passion in life remained fishing. Surviving are his wife, Florence; two children, Pat Shabluk and her husband, Bob, of Saginaw, Dave Kelly and his wife, Julie, of Bay City; nine grandchildren, Mike and his wife, Lisa, Steve and his wife, Amy, Dave and his wife, Billie Jo, Jennifer and her husband, Matt, Sean, Emily, Abigail, Catherine and David; five great grandchildren; brother, Frank Kelly and his wife, Pauline, of Bay Port. Preceding him in death were four brothers, Fred and Charles Mann, James and Melvin Kelly; sister, Anna Hoermann. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Wednesday at the Champagne Funeral Chapel in Caseville with burial and military honors by the Sebewaing VFW at the Caseville Township Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. today and after 10 a.m. on Wednesday. Memorials may be given to the Bay Port United Methodist Church or the American Cancer Society. Friends may sign the guest book and leave words of condolence at www.CFCcaseville.com.