

Engel, John F.

John F. Engel, 84, of Hume Township, passed away Monday, January 10, 2005, at Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe. He was born June 14, 1920 to the late August and Emma (Kraase) Engel in Bad Axe. John was united in marriage to Edna Townley on October 22, 1949 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Kinde. They enjoyed 55 years of marriage together. He was a lifelong resident of the Kinde area. John was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church where he served on the finance committee and was a member of the St. Peter's Men's Club. He also was active in the Good Sam's Camping Club, the Port Hope Retiree's Club and the Thumb Sportsmen Club. John, at one time farmed, drove a school bus, was a mechanic for Frank Minnick, worked at the Bad Axe and Port Austin elevator, Tate Implement and McDonald's Food and Family Center. He is survived by his wife, Edna; two daughters, Darlene Rinnert and her special friend, Tom Carlen, of Shelby Township, and Marsha Maschke and her husband, Charles, of Port Hope; one son, Larry Engel and his wife, Margaret, of Hemlock; seven grandchildren, Erik and Colleen Rinnert, of Mount Clemens, Holly Rinnert, of Clinton Township, Jason Maschke, of Port Hope, Jeremy and Shelia Maschke, of Caseville, Jonathan Maschke, of Port Hope, Angela Engel, of Hemlock, and her fiancée, Jason Oliver, of Saginaw, and Kelly Engel, of Hemlock; three great-grandchildren, Dakota Eckert, Austin Rinnert, and Kathleen Rose Maschke; one brother, Herbert Engel and his wife, LaDona, of Bad Axe. He was preceded in death by an infant brother, Charles; and a sister, Beatrice Hass. Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday, January 13, 2005, at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Kinde. Officiating will be the Rev. David Putz, pastor. Burial will be in the Colfax Township Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. today at MacAlpine Funeral Home-Gage Chapel in Kinde and from 10 to 11 a.m. on Thursday at the church. Memorials may be offered to St. Peter's Lutheran Church general fund.