Pelant, Joseph

Joseph B. Pelant, 79, of Lake Township near Caseville, died Monday evening April 15, 2002, at Hills & Dales General Hospital in Cass City. He was born Dec. 2, 1922, at the home of his parents, the late Joseph and Frances (Pucek) Pelant in Caseville. Joseph attended Rock City Country School and Caseville High School. He was a dairy farmer and lived all his life on the family farm. In the 1950s, Joe was actively involved in the planning of, cutting of timber and construction of the Calvary Baptist Church in Caseville where he was a charter member. In past years, he taught Sunday school and greatly enjoyed singing the hymns of the church. All his life, Joe had a keen interest and knowledge of the outdoors and conservation. From boyhood, he loved trapping, fishing and hunting. He made much of his own equipment. Almost to his passing, Joseph continued to have an excellent knowledge of lakes, rivers and wildlife across northern Michigan and even throughout Canada. He is survived by his sister, Mary Depner and her husband, John, of Caseville; several nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death were two brothers, Edward and an infant, Jerry. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 19, 2002, at the Calvary Baptist Church in Caseville. The Rev. Michael Goforth, pastor will officiate with burial in the Caseville Township Cemetery. Visitation is from 3 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Champagne Funeral Chapel in Caseville and after 10 a.m. Friday at the church. Memorials may be given to the Calvary Baptist Church. Words of condolence may be left online at www.champagnefuneralchapel.com.