

Ralph, Raymond James

Jim Ralph, 90, of Harbor Beach and formerly of Bay City, died Saturday, Aug. 10, 2002, at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe after a short illness. He was born Aug. 4, 1912, in Saginaw, son of the late Joseph and Marie (Lutch) Ralph. Mr. Ralph and Olive Martha Leigh were married Feb. 22, 1936, at Visitation Catholic Church in Bay City. She preceded him in death Aug. 24, 1994. He was the former owner of Bay City Welding, a parishioner at Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church in Harbor Beach, an avid golfer and a former Elks Club member. Surviving are two sons: Rex Ralph and his wife, Jennie, of Toms River, N.J., and Joseph Ralph and his wife, Judith, of Caseville; two daughters: Shirley Foco and her husband, Virgil, and Patricia Hollerback, all of Leesburg, Fla.; one son-in-law, Richard Arnold of Marquette; 15 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; 6 great-great-grandchildren; one brother, Charles Ralph of Duluth, Minn.; and two half-sisters, Grace Hamilton and Lou Cruz, both of Duluth, Minn. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Rosemary Arnold; five brothers, Edward, William, Floyd, Joseph, and Roger; and one sister, Rose. Services will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe. The Rev. John Killop, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Cemetery, Harbor Beach. A scripture service will be conducted at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the H.W. Weitenberner Funeral Home in Bad Axe. Visitation will be from 3 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. today and Wednesday at the funeral home, and from 10:30 a.m. until the time of service Thursday at the church. Memorials may be made to the family's choice.