

Henne, Ralph

Ralph E. "Pat" Henne, 84, of Bay Port died Thursday, March 23, 2000, at his home following a six-year illness. He was born Aug. 4, 1915, in Bay Port, son of the late Herman E. and Kathleen (Cullen) Henne. He was united in marriage to Clara A. Baur on March 4, 1940, in Sylvania, Ohio. Ralph received a degree in business administration at Ferris State University and a degree in chemical engineering from Michigan State University. He was employed at Wallace and Morley Elevator and then Blunt's in Bay Port for many years before retiring in 1971. He was a member of Bay Port United Methodist Church. He was a pilot and was an avid reader. He also loved spending time with his grandchildren. Surviving are his wife, Clara A. Henne of Bay Port; three sons, Dennis Patrick Henne and his wife, Jan, of Bay Port, John Garland Henne of Beijing, China, and Herman Edward Henne of Bay Port; seven grandchildren, Timothy Schafer, Layne Henne, Michele Lauth, Shelly Wurst, Jenifer Henne, Erik Henne and Misty Henne; great-grandchildren Shannon Schafer, T.J. Schafer, Derik Henne Wurst, Kalyn Wurst and Lauren Lauth; four sisters, Isabelle Kuhl of Berkley, Jane Wooley of Mount Pleasant, Frances Jeroue of Midland, and Kathleen Hailey of Oklahoma; a special friend, Bonnie Henne of New York; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers and three sisters, Warren and James Henne, Anna Treat, Willo Anker and Ruth Sullivan. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Monday, March 27, 2000, at Bay Port United Methodist Church. The Rev. Alger Lewis will officiate with burial in the New Bay Port Cemetery. Visitation will take place from 5 to 9 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday at Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebawaing. He will lie in state from 9:30 a.m. until the time of services Monday at the church. Memorials may be made to Bay Port United Methodist Church Lift Fund or the charity of the donor's choice.