

Marvin C. Garthe

1914 – 1999

Marvin Clarence Garthe, age 84 of Pigeon, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, July 7 at his home.

He was born in Detroit on December 8, 1914, the son of the late August and Clarisa (Zimmer) Garthe. He was united in marriage 58 years ago to Helen M. Schumacher, on September 1, 1940 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Berne. She survives him.

Mr. Garthe was a 1932 graduate of Detroit Eastern High School. He was a World War II Navy Veteran, serving in Idaho, Oklahoma, and Pensacola, Florida.

He worked for 40 years as parts manager at the Goebel Chevrolet-Cadillac automobile dealership in Bad Axe. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather as well as a faithful, active member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Berne, where he sang in the choir.

He is survived by his wife, Helen; two grandchildren, Trisha (Paul) Baareman of Grand Rapids and Philip M. Garthe, Jr. of New York City, New York; twin great-grandchildren, Blake and Olivia Baareman; and a sister, Margaret (Harold) Heisner of Sterling Heights. He was preceded in death by a son, Philip M. Garthe on August 18, 1982 and a brother, Howard.

Funeral Services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 11 from the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, with Rev. James Gorseger, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church.

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