

VanHorn, Francis E.

Francis E. VanHorn, 91, of Bradenton, Florida and formerly of Kingston, died Monday, February 26, 2007, in Hospice House, Bradenton, Florida. He was born March 12, 1915 in Kingston Township to John Edward and Lillian (Silvernail) VanHorn. He married Letitia Tallman on June 17, 1939 in Deford. She died October 11, 1991. He then married Laura M. Morrison on October 24, 1992 in Bradenton, Florida. She died October 7, 1998. Francis retired from the Department of Mental Health Wajamega (Caro Regional Center) after 30 years of work as a nurse attendant. He also farmed for over 30 years. Francis was an active member of the Free Methodist Church, the Deford United Methodist Church and the Bayshore Nazarene Church in Bradenton, Florida. He enjoyed music and photography. He was cared for by Laura's daughter, Sandra Peterson, in his last few years. Francis is survived by his stepdaughters, Sandra Peterson, of Bradenton, Florida, and Connie Borden, of Massachusetts; stepgranddaughters, Kellie (Lance) Karpp and Holly (James) Goodin; stepgreat grandchildren, Kayla, Sydney, Lainey, Alex, Mattie and Grant; sisters, Naomi (Robert) Barber, of Roscommon, and Geraldine (Howard) Conely, of Mayville; sister-in-law, Gladys VanHorn, of Deford, Juanita VanHorn, of Bradenton; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by an infant son, Francis Jr.; sisters, Mildred Trisch, Emma Jane Schiele, and Arlene Peterson; brothers, Theodore VanHorn and Alvin VanHorn; brother-in-law, Harold Peterson. A funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 2, 2007, in Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston, with the Rev. Paul Donelson, of Cass City United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment will be in Kingston Cemetery, Kingston. A memorial service will be conducted in Bradenton, Florida at a future date. Visitation is from 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursday at Kranz Funeral Home, Kingston. Memorials may be made to World Gospel Missions of Marion, Indiana. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.