Reiche, Elmer Earl

Mr. Elmer Earl Reiche, 87, of Minden City passed away Thursday, Aug. 30, 2007 at his residence after a short illness.

Elmer was born Feb. 11, 1920 in Delaware Township, to the late John and Rebecca (Wurm) Reiche. He married Helen Fritzsche on March 1, 1941 in Detroit.

Elmer was an eighth grade graduate of the Linwood Country School. He was a retired farmer and was a member of many card groups over the years. Elmer loved playing cards, being in the woods and cutting wood.

Elmer is survived by his wife of 66 years, Helen of Minden City; one grandson, Jeffery Woodworth and his family of Illinois; two granddaughters, Sherry Kanich and her family of Harrison and Jennifer Zinch and her family of Port Huron; two sisters, Edith Weber of Kinde and Ruth Sorice of Lapeer; one sister-in-law, Esther Fritzsche of Eastpointe.

Elmer was preceded in death by one son, David; one daughter, Norma Woodworth; four infant children; and one sister, Dorothy Kirsch.

Funeral service will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2007 at the Smigielski Funeral Home in Minden City. The Rev. Ellen Burns, pastor of the Ubly United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Rock Falls Cemetery of Harbor Beach.

Visitation will be from 2:30 to 9 p.m. Monday and from noon until the service at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

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