

Rolph, Duane

Duane G. Rolph, 74, of Elkton died Monday morning, Dec. 12, 2001, at his home while under hospice care. He was born Oct. 2, 1927, in Meade Township south of Pinnebog and moved to Elkton at age 6 with his parents, the late George and Estella (Jeroue) Rolph. He attended Elkton High School and was a 1947 graduate. After high school he was inducted into the U.S. Army and served during the Korean War. On April 2, 1956, he was united in marriage to Geraldine E. Jock at St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church in Pigeon. Duane was employed at Active Industries, Inc. in Elkton for 32 years as a security guard, retiring May 20, 1991. He was a member of the Tip of the Thumb VFW Post No. 2236 in Pigeon, attended St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church, and loved to hunt, fish and work in his yard. Surviving are his wife, Geraldine; four daughters, Becky Arntz and her husband, Larry, of Pinnebog, Denise Rolph of Cass City, Nanette Rolph of Grand Rapids and Mona Rolph-Ripley and her husband, David, of Sault Ste. Marie; eight grandchildren, Duane, Shelly, Jennifer, Ben, Alex, Lorelei, Amber and Jeremy; four great-grandchildren, Linsey, Kiersten, Kaydee and Christopher; and his sister, Wanda McIntyre of Venita Springs, Fla. He was preceded in death by his son, David; his brother, Eugene; and his sister, Elgeretta LeDuc. A memorial mass will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, 2001, at St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church in Pigeon, where the family will receive friends after 10 a.m. Fr. George Serour and Sr. Theresa Fox will officiate with burial at St. Felix Cemetery in Pinnebog. In keeping with his wishes, there will be no visitation. Arrangements are being handled by Champagne Funeral Chapel in Elkton. Memorials may be given to the church.