

# LOWELL RENE DUFTY

1932 - 1999

Lowell R. Dufty age 67, owner of Dufty's Blue Water Inn died Tuesday morning, December 21, at Covenant Cooper, Saginaw.

He was born April 15, 1932, in Bad Axe, the only son of late William and Alys (Chappel) Dufty.

On October 31, 1953 he was united in marriage to Janet E. Whitcomb at the Methodist parsonage in Caseville.

Lowell lived and farmed in Chandler Twp. most of his life. In 1984 the opportunity presented itself to buy the old Normey's Blue Water Inn which had been closed for a time. With a lot of work he and Janet were able to reopen it under the name of Dufty's. They were both very active in the Chamber of Commerce and all aspects of promoting downtown Caseville.

He attended the Caseville United Methodist Church, was a member of the Caseville Eagles, Caseville Rod & Gun Club, started the Caseville Auto Festival, enjoyed antique cars and playing pool.

Surviving are his wife Janet, three daughters, Gwen (Gary) Summers of Grayling, Jill Dufty of Caseville and Lori (Todd) Wisenbaugh of Pigeon; eight grandchildren, Brandon, Carrie Jo, Jason, Kelly Jo, Kristin, Kayla, Alyssa and Ciara and a great granddaughter, Cierra. Preceding him in death was his son, Patrick Dufty.

Funeral services will be conducted 12 noon Monday, December 27, at St. Roch Church. Rev. Michael Quayle, pastor of the Caseville United Methodist Church will officiate with burial in Caseville Twp. Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the:  
United Methodist Church.