

Wood, Burton

Burton O. Wood, 81, of Harbor Beach died Friday, April 28, 2000, at Harbor Beach Community Hospital Long Term Care. He was born May 20, 1918, in Grindstone, son of the late Robert and Lottie (Minard) Wood. Mr. Wood graduated from the Harbor Beach High School and served in the United States Navy. He was employed at Hercules in Harbor Beach as a shift supervisor. He married Dorothy Schmanski and she preceded him in death. He then married Verna (Essenmacher) Childers on Sept. 4, 1971. Burton enjoyed fishing and visiting with family and friends. Surviving are his wife, Verna, of Harbor Beach; one daughter, Kathleen Anderson and her husband, Ken, of San Clemente, Cal.; one son, Richard Wood and his wife, Judy, of Plymouth; one stepson, Clayton A. Childers and his wife, Jan, of Rantoul, Ill.; one daughter-in-law, Karen Wood, of Harbor Beach; five grandchildren, Lianna Varnum and her husband, Paul, Annie Anderson, Austin Anderson, Robert Wood and his wife, Barb, Steven Wood and his wife, Stephanie, of Bad Axe; three great-grandchildren, Raechael Varnum, Robert Wood, Nathan Wood, two step-grandchildren, Jamie L. Childers of Bay City and Clayton Childers Jr., of Champagne, Ill.; one brother, Emerson Wood and his wife, Ruth, of Independence, Mo.; four sisters, Margaret "Peg" Blashill of Harbor Beach, Berniece Kloska of Harbor Beach, Barb Hammond and her husband, Wallace, of Lansing, Ruth Turner of San City, Ariz.; several nieces and nephews. In keeping with his wishes, cremation has taken place at Sunset Valley Crematory. A memorial service will be conducted at a later date. MacAlpine Funeral Home in Bad Axe is handling the arrangements. Memorials may be made to the donor's choice and mailed to MacAlpine Funeral Home, 302 N. Hanselman, Bad Axe, MI 48413.