

Thompson, Gerald

Gerald R. Thompson, 67, of Harbor Beach passed away on Wednesday morning, Sept. 12, 2001, at Harbor Beach Community Hospital. Born in Detroit on April 25, 1934, he was the son of the late Henry and Elsie (Fenning) Thompson. Dorothy Kosal and Jerry were united in marriage on Nov. 29, 1953, in Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Ruth. He was in the U.S. Marines for four years. Jerry was a former Harbor Beach Policeman during 1959 to 1965 and was employed by Chrysler for 6 years and was owner of the Thompson Oil Co. in Harbor Beach for 24 and a half years until his retirement in 1995. He enjoyed doing woodworking projects, especially building boats and ships. Jerry was a member of the VFW Post 9344 and the American Legion Post 197 both of Harbor Beach. Jerry is survived by his wife, Dorothy Thompson of Harbor Beach; children, Gary Thompson of Escanaba, Tracy Swartzendruber and her husband, Brian, of Three Rivers; an uncle, A. G. Thompson of Fla.; two aunts, Lucille Fenning of Troy and Lydia Tabor of Bad Axe; several nieces and nephews; a brother-in-law, Kenneth Kosal of Farmington Hills; five sisters-in-law, Bea Opalewski and her husband, Norbert, of East Pointe, Patricia Scripka and her husband, Dan, of Roseville, Doreen Grifka and her husband, Lavern, of Ubly, Judy Ulfing and her husband, Ken, of Ruth, and Cindy Pollum and her husband, Dan, of Ubly; and his mother-in-law, Agnes Kosal of Harbor Beach. Cremation has taken place at Sunset Valley Crematory in Bay City and a memorial service will be at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 16, 2001, in the Ramsey Funeral Home, Harbor Beach with Sr. Eileen Houlihan, IHM, pastoral associate of Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church officiating. Interment will be in the Rock Falls Cemetery. A Military graveside service will be conducted by the VFW and American Legion. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. until the time of services on Sunday in the funeral home.