Kerr, Clarence

Clarence E. Kerr, 82, of Lake City, formerly of the Bad Axe area, died Sunday afternoon, Aug. 20, 2000, following a long illness. He was born Nov. 29, 1917, in Bad Axe to the late Benjamin and Hazel (Little) Kerr. He moved to the South Lyons area when he was a young man and joined the U.S. Army. Clarence was stationed at Pearl Harbor during the bombing and served in the South Pacific in World War II. He was an active member of the Harrisville VFW Post No. 6466. On April 10, 1945, he was united in marriage to Betty Ann Downing in Howell. They lived in Brighton for 35 years. While in Brighton, he was employed by Vagabond Mobile Homes for 27 years until they closed. Then he was with the City of Brighton maintenance department for 12 1/2 years, retiring in 1979. In 1981, they moved to Black River and last year to Lake City near Cadillac. Surviving are his wife, Betty; two daughters, Betty Lanabille and her husband, John, of Howell, and Patricia Gibson and her husband, Jerry, of Novi; three grandchildren, Bill, Christian and Jennifer; and two great-grandchildren, Lindsey and Dylan. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Richard and Frank in 1991; and a sister, Matilda Briody in 1988. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2000, at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton, with burial in Colfax Township Cemetery. Visitation will be 3 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and after 10 a.m. Wednesday morning at the funeral home.