

Santhany, Nelson

Nelson Joseph "Sonny" Santhany, 87, of Gotts Corner died Friday afternoon, April 6, 2001, at Courtney Manor, Bad Axe. He was born March 27, 1914 at the home of his parents, the late Nelson and Mary Jane (Stinson) Santhany in Pinnebog. On February 19, 1944 he was united in marriage to Mary Irene Soper at St. Felix Catholic Church, Pinnebog and lived on the family farm north of Gotts Corner in Lake Township. Sonny and his father cleared that land around Rush Lake that he farmed until retiring in 1979. Sonny was a member of St. Felix Catholic Church, Pinnebog. He was an avid gardener and superior euchre player. He was also a woodsman and trapper along the shores of Rush Lake all his life. Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Irene; his daughter Mary Nicholson and her husband, Ed, of Fairgrove; his son, Paul Santhany of Gotts Corner; five grandchildren, Cheryl, Wendy, Heidi, Marcy and Lisa; his sister Clara Kuhn of Florida, also many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a son Don on Aug. 23, of 1999; four sisters and their husbands Mary Florence Santhany, Hazel McCormick and her husband, John, Helen Reilly and her husband, Martin, and Eileen Peterson and her husband, Bates. A funeral mass will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday April 11, 2001 at St. Felix Catholic Church. Sr. Mary Schwartz, and Fr. Dennis Kucharczyk will officiate with burial in the church cemetery. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton and for 10 a.m. until the time of service on Wednesday.