

Mr. George W. Hiller

Mr. George W. Hiller, 95, lifelong resident of Harbor Beach, passed away Thursday, Jan. 12, 2012 at his residence, surrounded by his family under hospice care.

He was born Nov. 4, 1916 in Grant, to the late William and Effie (Lang) Hiller. He married Fannie Zinger June 14, 1949 in Harbor Beach. She preceded him in death Oct. 13, 1990.

George served in the U.S. Army during World War II in Normandy and the campaign in France. He was a member of the Bad Axe Masons for more than 70 years. He worked as a production operator for G.D. Serale before he retired in the late 1970s. George's true passion was sawing lumber. He also enjoyed hunting deer, deer camp, antique shows and thrashing machines.

George is survived by one son, Dale Hiller and his wife, Angeline, of Harbor Beach; one step daughter, Beatrice "Pee Wee" Matton and her husband, Floyd, of Florida; four grandchildren, April (Mark) Smurda, Crystal Hiller, George (Kristen) Hiller and Barbie (Jan) Hess; three great-grandchildren, Alex, Liam and Morella; and one step-great-granddaughter, MacKenzie.

He was preceded in death by two sons, James and William; sister, Catherine Barker; and one brother, Louie Hiller.

The funeral service will be at 11 am, Monday, Jan. 16 at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly. Pastor Dennis Cupery of the Lighthouse Assembly of God Church in Harbor Beach will officiate. Burial will be in Rock Falls Cemetery in Harbor Beach.

Visitation will be from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday and 9 to 11 a.m. Monday at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly.

There will be a Masonic lodge service by the Verona-Huron Lodge #365 F&AM at 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Please visit www.smigielskifuneralhomes.com to sign the guest book for George's family.