

Esch, Clemence

Clemence H. Esch, 79, of Sebewaing died Saturday, Oct. 14, 2000, at his home. He was born May 7, 1921, to Ernest J. and Martha A. (Pobanz) Esch. He married Grace Hercliff on Jan. 25, 1947, in Sebewaing. Clemence began farming at the age of 14. He was a very active member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church. Clemence was the last member of the building committee for the church that was built in 1950. He was a faithful member of the church and held the offices of Elder, Trustee, treasurer and a school board member. Mr. Esch also was a member of the Sebewaing Lions Club and was a past member of the Ricardo Ranch Club. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, traveling and spend the past 16 winters in Yuma, Ariz. Clemence is survived by his wife, Grace; his children Daniel Esch and his wife, Janet, of Yuma, Ariz., Philip Esch and Timothy Esch, both of Sebewaing, and Lois Sorenson and her husband, Jon, of Dillingham, Ark.; grandchildren, Ruth Sorenson, Laura Sorenson, Brian Esch and Erik Esch; and a twin brother, Clarence Esch and his wife, Marilyn, of Sebewaing. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17, 2000, at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Bach with the Rev. Ernest Wendt officiating. Interment will be in Northlawn Cemetery. Pallbearers for Mr. Esch will be Robert Fritz, Wayne Fritz, George Kovach, Michael Zagata, Andrew Zagata and Keith Nitz. Visitation will be noon to 9 p.m. today at Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing, and 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesday at the church. Memorials may be made to St. Peter's Lutheran Church Music Fund.