

**Eberlein, Arthur J.**

Arthur J. Eberlein, 88, died Thursday, June 8, 2006, at TenderCare of Cass City following a one-month illness. He was born June 6, 1918 in Sebewaing, son of the late Leonard C. and Clara (Rummel) Eberlein. He was confirmed at Immanuel Lutheran Church in 1932 by Rev. L. List. He was a 1936 graduate of Sebewaing High School and in 1940, he graduated from Central Michigan University. Art served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was united in marriage to Dorothy E. Lange on September 20, 1942 in Sebewaing. He was an instrumental music teacher in Clayton and Romulus, and came to the Unionville school system in 1952 and later to the Unionville-Sebewaing area school system before retiring in 1980. He had many music program achievements and always strived for perfection from his students. In 18 of 21 years, his senior bands achieved "1" rating at the state level of competition. At the USA High School, he was the first recipient of the Hall of Fame Award. He was the director of the Unionville-Sebewaing Area Music Alumnus and was invited to conduct the University Band at CMU homecoming festivities. Mr. Eberlein was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebewaing, serving as organist, elder and secretary of the congregation. Surviving are his wife, Dorothy, one son and two daughters and their spouses, Michael (Judy Eberlein) Haslett; Gretchen (Robert) Becker, Unionville, Kathryn (Robert) Pilarski, Bay City; 10 grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; also one sister, Flora Golomb, Saginaw; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one sister, Ruth Wilson. The funeral service will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, June 12, 2006, at Immanuel Lutheran Church. Rev. Daniel Hahn will officiate with burial in Northlawn Cemetery. Visitation will be from noon to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. today at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing. He will lie in state at the church from 10 a.m. on Monday until the time of the service. Memorials may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church, the Bethesda Home or the charity of the donor's choice.