

WILLIAM J. DUFTY

1909-1991

William J. Dufty, retired farmer in Lake and Chandler Townships, died Sunday, June 9 at Bay Medical Center, Bay City after a long illness.

He was born Feb. 4, 1909 in Bad Axe, son of the late Thomas and Ada (McIlmurry) Dufty.

He and Alys Chappel were married Aug. 2, 1930 in Cincinnati, Ohio. The couple celebrated 60 years of marriage in August, 1990. He and his wife retired from farming in 1975.

Mr. Dufty was a member of Caseville United Methodist Church, where he served as trustee and member of the administrative board.

He attended Rock City Country School and Holly High School. He served as Township Supervisor for Chandler Township for 20 years.

Surviving are his wife, Alys, Caseville; one son, Lowell R. Dufty, Caseville; three grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; four sisters, Violet (Earl) Eldt, Mill Valley, Calif., Margaret Heck, Hendersonville, N.C., Geraldine Dirkes, Leesburg, Fla. and Leone (Orville) MacAlpine, Asheville, N.C. and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a grandson, Patrick Dufty; a sister, Leta Osborne and a brother, Roy Dufty.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 12 at Caseville United Methodist Church. The Rev. Gregg Mayberry, pastor, will officiate with burial in the Colfax Cemetery.

Friends may call at the MacAlpine Funeral Home, Bad Axe, from 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and at the church from 10 a.m. until the time of service on Wednesday.

Memorials may be made to the church or the Sunday School Library Fund.