Schroeder, Norman H.

Norman H. Schroeder, 79, of Rochester Hills and formerly of Sebewaing, passed away Friday morning, January 2, 2004 at Crittenton Hospital in Rochester Hills following a nine-month illness. He was born October 28, 1924 in Long Prairie, Minnesota, son of the late John and Louise (Denene) Schroeder. He was united in marriage to Olive "Ollie" Jacobson on February 12, 1955 in Iron Mountain. She preceded him in death on October 18, 1995. He then married Elizabeth Wood on May 10, 1997 in Frankenmuth. Norm had served as president of Farmer and Merchants State Bank in Sebewaing and later First of America Bank. He then was vice president at Signature Bank in Sebewaing before retiring in 1992. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in both Europe and Pacific Theatres. Norm was a member of the St. John Lutheran Church in Rochester Hills and formerly a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebewaing, serving various church offices, and serving on the Missouri Synod Mission Board. He was a former member of the Sebewaing Chamber of Commerce, Frankenmuth Rotary Club, a Paul Harris Fellow. He had been active in Huron County Big Brothers and Big Sisters and was one of the co-founders of the Sebewaing Sugar Festival. Surviving besides his wife, Elizabeth, are five daughters: Connie Spannagel and her husband, Ed, of Unionville, Sharon Krauss and her husband, Rolly, of Lake Odessa, Julie Schroeder, of Boston, Massachusetts, Sue Cornelius and her husband, Chris, of Long Grove, Illinois, Linda Luther, of Sebewaing; one son, Chris Schroeder and his wife, Luanne, of Mason; 13 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; one sister, Edna Harrington, of Long Prairie, Minnesota; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers: John and Victor Schroeder. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. on Monday, January 5, 2004, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebewaing with the Rev. Daniel Hahn officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. 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. until the time of service on Monday. Memorials may be made to the Sebewaing Rotary Club Paul Harris Scholarship Fund, Huron County Big Brothers and Big Sisters or the charity of the donor's choice.