

## **Recker, Bernard**

Bernard A. Recker, 66, of Alma passed away at his home Sunday, Jan. 7, 2001. He was born June 29, 1934, in Alma to Vernon Sr. and Beatrice (Sumner) Recker. He married Kathleen Kipfmueller in June 1953. She preceded him in death in 1972. He then married Elaine Fox in January 1973. She preceded him in death in September 2000. He was a member of St. Patrick's Church. He had worked at Central Michigan University Public Safety Department, retiring after 26 years of service and most recently was a courier for the Bank of Alma. He also was a farmer all of his life. He is survived by three sons, August (Gus) Recker and his wife, Lucy, of Ubly, Steve Recker and his wife, Kim, of Alma, and Tom Recker and his wife, Theresa, of Shepherd; one daughter, Sue Jensen and her husband, Mike, of Vestaburg; three stepsons, Charles, Robert and Ronald Haywood, all of Lansing; 15 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; his mother, Beatrice Recker, of Alma; four brothers, Ronald Recker and his wife, Alice, of Macosta, Duane Recker and his wife, Sandra, of Alma, Jerry Recker and his wife, Colleen, of St. Louis, and Vernon Recker, Jr., and his wife, Linda, of St. Louis; and a sister-in-law, Carol Goodwin of Alma. He was preceded in death by his father, Vernon, Sr.; and a brother, Donald Recker. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2001, at St. Patrick's Church in Irish Town, near Shepherd, with Fr. Rob Howe and Deacon John Wilberding officiating. Interment will be in St. Patrick's Cemetery. There will be a scripture service at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Berry Funeral Home, 106 Wright Ave., in Shepherd. Visitation will be 7 to 9 tonight and 2 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Gratiot Area Hospice or the Leukemia Foundation.