

Bauer, Raymond

Raymond J. Bauer, 65, of Sebewaing, passed away Thursday morning, Jan. 31, 2002 at his home following a ten month illness. He was born March 12, 1936, in Sebewaing, son of the late Albert and Emma (Wissner) Bauer. He was baptized on April 12, 1936 at Immanuel Lutheran Church by G.F.L. List and confirmed on April 2, 1950 by Rev. Donald H. Heitner. He attended the Immanuel Lutheran School through the eighth grade and then was a graduate from Sebewaing High School in 1954. He was united in marriage to Betty Arlene Seibel on Aug. 30, 1958 in Unionville. Ray had served in the U.S. Army in the Signal Corp. and 1st Cavalry in Korea from 1956 to 1958. He began his banking career in 1956 at Farmers and Merchants State Bank of Sebewaing and later for Signature Bank of Bad Axe. After 35 years in banking he retired in January of 2000. He was an active member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebewaing, serving as financial secretary, treasurer, vice chairman and president throughout a 30 year period. He also had been member of the Sebewaing Chamber of Commerce, Sugar Festival Committee and served on the USA School Board of Education for twenty years. Surviving are his wife, Betty of Essexville; two sons, Dean Bauer and his wife, Louise, of Chicago, Daniel Bauer and his wife, Becky, of Duluth, Ga.; four grandchildren, Alec and Ethan of Chicago, Ill., Michael and Meredith of Duluth, Ga.; two brothers, Fred Bauer and his wife, Alice, of Sebewaing, Arthur Bauer of Clinton Township; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one sister, Leota Robinson and three brothers, Elmer, Wilbert and Clemence Bauer. Cremation has taken place at Sunset Valley Crematory in Bay City. A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m Saturday, Feb. 2, 2002 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebewaing. The Rev. Albert Bahr will officiate. Interment was in St. Peters Lutheran Cemetery near Bach. Memorials may be made to the Immanuel Lutheran Church or St. Paul Lutheran Church in Brookfield, Ill. Arrangements are being handled by the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing.