

### **Braden, Russell**

Russell Lee Braden, 69, of Bad Axe, passed away on Sunday, May 4, 2003, at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe following an extended illness. He was born on Sept. 9, 1933 in Bad Axe, son of the late Russell D. and Beulah (Pangborn) Braden. He married Dorothy Weber on Nov. 24, 1956 in Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Ruth. He owned and operated the former Braden Oil Company, Inc. of Bad Axe, retiring in 1996. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe, the Grindstone-Port Hope Sportman's Club, and Michigan Petroleum Association. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict. He enjoyed hunting and fishing. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Braden, of Bad Axe; two sons, Daniel Braden and his wife, Roxanne, of Bad Axe, Bradley Braden and his wife, Christy, of Elkton; two daughters, Sandra Kinney and her husband, Raymond, of Bad Axe, Susan Deering and her husband, Darrin, of Bad Axe; five grandchildren, Rebecca Kinney, Alison Braden, Benjamin Braden and Emily Deering, all of Bad Axe, Sydney Braden, of Elkton; two nieces, Ruth Ann Etzler, of Bad Axe, Debbie Heiskill, of Houston, Texas; one nephew, David McPhail and his wife, Janie, of Fond Du Lac, Wis.; one brother-in-law, Jack Etzler, of Bad Axe. He was preceded in death by two sisters, Evelyn Jacks and Virginia Etzler. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 8, 2003, at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe. Father John Killop and Mr. Arnold Messing will officiate. Burial will be in the Sacred Heart Cemetery. A parish scripture service will be offered at 7 p.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday and from 10 a.m. until the service time at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be offered to the American Lung Association.