Champagne, Edmund

Edmund P. Champagne, 55, of Sebewaing died Monday afternoon, Sept. 11, 2000, in Brian's House in Essexville following an eight-month illness. He was born Jan. 19, 1945, in Bad Axe, son of Virginia (Heleski) Champagne and the late Edmund F. Champagne. He was united in marriage to Sondra E. Dutcher on Aug. 8, 1964, in Bad Axe. Ed was employed at Acme Roll Forming in Sebewaing for 21 years and later at Metal Technologies, Northern Tube Division, in Pinconning for 15 years. He was an attendant on the Sebewaing Ambulance for many years and also was on the Sebewaing Fire Department. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and loved plaving with his three grandchildren. Surviving are his wife, Sondra, of Sebewaing: two sons, Edmund P. Champagne, Jr., and his wife, Kathy, of Owendale, and Kevin M. Champagne and his friend, Katherine Kelley, of Fairgrove; his mother, Virginia Barker of Bad Axe; three grandchildren, Edmund Grant, Hunter Lee and Janel; one sister, Deanna Braun and her husband, Richard, of Gaylord; three brothers, Gerald Champagne and his wife, Michaeline, Bill Champagne and his wife, Patty, all of Bad Axe, and Eugene Champagne and his wife, Betty, of Elkton; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, 2000, at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing. The Rev. Alice Sheffield will officiate with burial in the Silverlawn Cemetery in Sebewaing. Visitation will be 7 to 9 p.m. this evening, from noon to 9 p.m. Wednesday and from 9 a.m. until the time of services Thursday at the funeral home.