

Diller, Clayton V.

Clayton V. Diller, 82, of Bay Port died unexpectedly Tuesday morning from injuries received in an automobile-pedestrian accident near his home near Bay Port

He was born July 4, 1927 in Bay Port, son of the late Adam W. and Edith (Wolf) Diller.

He was united in marriage to Aileen M. Henne Feb. 19, 1949 in Bay Port.

Clayton had been employed at the Bay Port Standard Gas station, Wallace Stone Quarry and had been a mechanic for the Laker school district for many years before retiring in the early 1990's. He also farmed in the Bay Port area.

He was a member of the Bay Port United Methodist Church. He was very active with the Fairhaven Fire Department. He also served on the Fairhaven Twp. Board for many years. He enjoyed tinkering with old cars and loved driving his 1932 Ford in local parades.

Surviving are his wife, Aileen; children, Sue and Dennis Schweitzer, Bay Port and Keith and Diane Diller, Galesburg; two grandchildren, Chad and Tracy Schweitzer and Adam Schweitzer, all of Bay Port; one great-grandson, Alex Schweitzer; also one sister, Fern and Bill Branum of Florida; one brother, Lyle and Donna Diller of Gaylord; sister-in-law, Barbara Diller of Caseville; several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Vern and Clyde Diller.

The funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 15, 2010 at the Bay Port United Methodist Church. The Rev. Douglas Mater will officiate with burial in New Bay Port Cemetery. Friends may call from 5 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and from 2 to 9 p.m. Thursday at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebawaing and he will lie in state at the church from 10 a.m. until the time of service Friday.

Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the Bay Port United Methodist Church.