

Gehring, Elmer

Elmer "Joe" Gehring, 81, of Bad Axe, passed away Saturday, May 7, 2005, at Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe following an extended illness. He was born on March 8, 1924 in Harbor Beach, son of the late John and Cecelia (Rogers) Gehring. He married Grace Allan on January 15, 1955 in Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe. He had formerly been employed by Mueller Brass Company in Port Huron and by Buick in Flint. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and the VFW. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and in the Marines during the Korean Conflict. He is survived by his wife, Grace, of Bad Axe; one son, John Gehring, of Davison; one grandson, Jason Gehring, of Royal Oak; one brother, Edward Gehring, Sr. and his wife, Marianne, of Harbor Beach; one sister, Marie Ryckman, of Port Huron; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his stepmother, Edith Zmich; one brother, John Gehring; two sisters, Evelyn Gehring and Elizabeth Dutcher. Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 10, 2005, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Officiating will be Fr. James Carlson, pastor. Burial will be in Colfax Township Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. on Monday at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe, and from 10 a.m. to the time of service on Tuesday at the church. A parish vigil service will be offered at 7:30 p.m. on Monday at the funeral home. Memorials may be offered to Heartland Hospice.