

ROBERT A. NEUMAN

1935 - 1982

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon, Sept. 12, for Robert A. Neuman, 47, publisher of the Sebewaing-Unionville Blade-Crescent for the past 14 years, who died at his home in Sebewaing on Thursday afternoon, following an illness of two years.

He was born in Sebewaing on May 5, 1935, the son of Albert and Linda (Bitzer) Neuman. A graduate of Sebewaing High School in the class of 1954, he had by that time already worked four years in the mechanical department of the Blade-Crescent. He and Barbara Carrick G. Carrick were married at Houghton Lake on June 24, 1961. In January of 1967, they became publishers of the Blade-Crescent, and he continued as co-publisher at the time of his death. When Thumb Web Offset, Inc., of Caro, was re-organized in 1969, he became a shareholder and director, which he also continued until his death.

A lifelong member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, he was active for many years in the choir, and served various terms on the Immanuel School board of education, youth board, finance board and the church Couple's Club. In community activities, he was a member of the Sebewaing Fire Department for many years, until his death, and he was a past member of Sebewaing Ambulance Service and past board member of the Chamber of Commerce.

Surviving are his wife, Barbara; three sons, Timothy, Thomas and John, and one daughter, Angela, all at home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Neuman of Sebewaing and one sister, Mrs. Donald (Alice) Wissner of Owendale.

A prayer service was conducted at Schultz Funeral Home followed by committal, and then a memorial service at Immanuel Lutheran Church at 3 p.m. The Rev. Darold Deterding and the Rev. Edward Arle; pastors at Immanuel, officiated at the services.