

Dast, Roland

Roland H. "Rollie" Dast, 83, longtime Elkton businessman, died Tuesday, July 17, 2001 at his home of an apparent heart attack. He was born June 21, 1918 in Bay Port to the late Henry and Ida (Daus) Dast. Rollie grew up in Bay Port, where he worked for Gillinghams at the docks cleaning and packing fish in salt. In 1936, he graduated from Bay Port High School and continued his schooling at the City College of Beauty in Detroit. When he returned to the area he worked for Lula Leroy in Caseville for one year. Then in February of 1912 he started Rollie's Beauty Salon in Elkton, retiring in the mid-90s. He was a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Elkton, past member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Berne, and the Michigan Cosmetology Association. He enjoyed painting, photography, traveling and visiting with friends. Surviving are two sisters, Ida Graham and Willowbelle Buck, both of Saginaw; four nephews; two nieces; his great nieces and nephews and his godson, Roland Gazaleh of Bethlehem, Israel. In keeping with his wishes, there was no visitation or funeral service. A graveside memorial service will be conducted by the Rev. Elton Bickel, pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church, at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 11, 2001 at the New Bay Port Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by Champagne Funeral Chapel of Elkton.