Buckminster, Philip N.

Philip N. Buckminster, 88, of East Lansing, died on Monday March 7, 2005, at the Sparrow Hospital in Lansing. He was born July 27, 1916 to the late Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Buckminster in Wilcott, New York. He married Eleanor McIntyre in December 1969 in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Philip was a graduate of University of Michigan and Wayne State University. He served in the United States Army from 1939 to 1945. Philip was employed by Ford Motor Company for about seven years and was employed at Chrysler company until his retirement in 1978. Mr. Buckminster was a member of the St. Thomas Aguinas Catholic Church in East Lansing. He was active in many service organizations and clubs in Washington, D.C., and the Kiwanis Club of East Lansing. Philip was an avid reader, enjoyed gardening, and spending time with his extended family. He is survived by his loving wife, Eleanor (McIntyre) Buckminster, of East Lansing; one daughter, Ellen Clarke Buckminster, of Washington, D.C.; one sister, Yvonne B. Hartley, of Wolcott, New York; five sisters-in-law, Dee McIntyre, of Okemos, Faith Livingston, of Shelby Township, Sharon Morrison, of Napa, California, Maria Kroha, of Dansville, California, Jeannie Pfister, of Howell; one brother-in-law, Charles McIntyre, of Danville, Connecticut. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews and grand nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Friday, March 11, 2005, at the St. Columbkille Catholic Church in Sheridan Township. Visitation will be from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday at the MacAlpine Funeral Home in Bad Axe, and from 9 a.m. until the time of service at 10 a.m. on Friday at the church. Burial will be in the St. Columbkille Catholic Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the donor's favorite charity.