

Mattice Sr., Clayton

Clayton Alger Mattice, Sr., 75, of Bad Axe, died Sunday, April 25, 2004, at Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe. He was born January 8, 1929 in Harbor Beach to the late Robert and Cora Mae (Hughes) Mattice. He married Ileen Arntz on July 1, 1955 in Harbor Beach. She survives him. Clayton worked 23 years at Michigan Lumber in Elkton. He also worked for Liberty Tool in Bad Axe. As a teen, he served as a fireman on ships in the Great Lakes for two years. He served in the U.S. Marines from 1946 until 1952. He boxed in the Golden Gloves as well as in the Marines. Mr. Mattice was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 446 in Muskegon. Clayton enjoyed spending time with his family, watching sports, playing horseshoes, and playing cards. He will be greatly missed. Clayton is survived by his wife, Ileen; three sons, Patrick Mattice and his wife, Judy, of Bad Axe, Clayton Mattice, Jr. and his wife, Maria, of Bad Axe, Kevin Mattice and his wife, Becky, of Bad Axe; one daughter, Vicky Lawrence and her husband, Bill, of Montana; nine grandchildren, Crystal, Matthew, Jason, David, Caitlyn, Samantha, Renan, Camilla, and Alex; five great-grandchildren, Taylor, Bryan, Angelina, Nicole, and Julia; and 34 nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by seven brothers, Roy, Ray, Robert "Leslie", Leland, Lloyd, Warren, Richard "Lester"; and four sisters, Lillian "Viola", Mary "Leona", Dorothy "Mae", and Cora. Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be conducted at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, April 28, 2004, at MacAlpine Funeral Home in Bad Axe. The Rev. Jerry Sutton will officiate. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until the time of service at 3 p.m. on Wednesday. Visit the web tribute for Clayton at www.macalpine.yourtribute.com/ClaytonMattice.