

Thayer, Frank

Frank E. Thayer, 88, of Caro died Thursday morning, Feb. 28, 2002, at Caro Community Hospital. He was born Nov. 26, 1913, in El Paso, Texas, to the late Frank and Josephine (Quinn) Thayer. He moved to Detroit with his parents as a young boy. On July 19, 1941, he was united in marriage to Jean A. Cross at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Detroit. They moved to Elkton in 1955, where he took a position at Active Industries, Inc. In 1967, they left Elkton and went to Vassar as he became maintenance supervisor at Vassar Manufacturing, retiring in 1977. Frank and Jean moved to Caro in 1980. Frank was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Caro and the men's choir. He enjoyed hunting, reading and puzzles, but mostly spending time with his family. Surviving are his wife, Jean; two daughters, Jackie Smith and her husband, Lloyd, of Gordonville, Texas, and Kathy Murdoch and her husband, Jim, of Caseville; two sons, Jim Thayer and his wife, Liz, of West Olive and Tom Thayer and his wife, Debbie, of Lewisville, Texas; 11 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his sister, Nona Thayer. A funeral mass will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 2, 2002, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Caro. Fr. Dennis Kucharczyk, pastor, will officiate with burial in St. Francis Catholic Cemetery, Pigeon. Visitation will be 9:30 to 11 a.m. Saturday at the church. Memorials may be given to the Fr. Solanus Guild, 1780 Mount Elliot, Detroit, MI 48207. Arrangements were handled by Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton.