

Guinther, Harold

Harold I. Guinther, 77, of Cass City died in his home on Thursday, Jan. 3, 2002. He was born Aug. 23, 1924, in Redford Township to John and Marion (Brown) Guinther. He married Esther E. Eskilsen on Nov. 21, 1946, in Cass City. Harold served in the U.S. Army, serving three years in the Pacific Theatre during World War II. Harold worked for Reed and Patterson Meat Market, Wesley's Creamery and then worked as a meat inspector for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He was a former Little League coach, a member of the Cass City VFW Post No. 3644 and a volunteer fireman for 10 years. Harold served one term on the village council. He was a member of Cass City United Methodist Church and held several positions with the church as well as singing in the choir. He enjoyed hunting and sports of all kinds. He loved music, especially gospel. Harold loved to travel. Harold is survived by his wife, Esther; children, Beverly Terry and her husband, James, of Fort Wayne, Ind., Christine Weippert and her husband, Ron, of Cass City, and Thomas Guinther and his wife, Kay, of Cass City; grandchildren, Andrea Occhiuto and her husband, Charles, Angela Shepard and her husband, Scot, Pamela Kimmel and her husband, James, Lynn Adkins and her husband, Mike, Matthew Weippert and his wife, Lindsey, Kerry Guinther and Amanda Guinther; great-grandchildren, David, Christopher, Nicholas, Tyler, Ryan, Ashly, Jason, Carson and Jenna; brothers, Lyle Guinther of Caro, Stanley Guinther and his wife, Melva, of Cass City, Richard Guinther and his wife, Penny, of Cass City, and James Guinther and his wife, Joann, of Cass City; sisters, Irene Doerr and her husband, Jack, of Cass City, Norma Szarapski and her husband, Richard, of Cass City, and Marilyn Young and her husband, James, of Caro; sisters-in-law, Elfrieda Guinther of Cass City, Sharon Guinther of Caro, Rose Hancock and her husband, Dennis, of Cass City, and Lynda Guinther of Tucson, Ariz.; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by brothers John Jr., William, Roger, Lawrence and Charles Guinther; and a sister, Evelyn Gruber. Funeral services will take place at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 6, 2002, at Cass City United Methodist Church with Dr. Philip Rice officiating. Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery in Cass City. Veteran services will be under the direction of the Cass City VFW Post No. 3644. Visitation will be 7 to 9 p.m. this evening, and 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday at Kranz Funeral Home in Cass City, and 1 to 2 p.m. Sunday at the church. Memorials may be made to United Hospice of Marlette or Cass City United Methodist Church.