

### **Claerhout, Lawrence**

Lawrence M. "Joe" Claerhout, 78, of Unionville, died Friday morning, May 2, 2003, at his home following a lengthy illness. He was born on Nov. 21, 1924 in Bay City, son of the late John and Catherine (Beeckman) Claerhout. He was married to Maxine M. Badour on Jan. 5, 1946 in Essexville. She preceded him in death on Sept. 10, 1991. Joe had been a farmer in the Unionville area for many years. He was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Sebewaing, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Eagle's Club and the American Legion in Bay City. Surviving are two daughters, Linda Jacobs and her husband, Greg, and Catherine Gaeth and her husband, Gordon; three sons, Joseph Claerhout and his wife, Suzie, David Claerhout and his wife, Laurie, all of Unionville, and Donald Claerhout and his wife, Sheri, of Sebewaing; 11 grandchildren; one great-grandson; special friend, Pearl Monroe, of Unionville; two sisters, Rose Hutter and her husband, Andy, of Bay City, Irene Maternoski and her husband, Richard, of Krakow, Wisc.; one brother, Leo Markel and his wife, Rose, of Reese; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one son, Larry Claerhout; one grandson, Matthew Claerhout; four sisters; and three brothers. The Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 6, 2003, at Holy Family Catholic Church in Sebewaing. Fr. George Serour will officiate with burial in the church cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Monday at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing. He will lie in state at the church from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service on Tuesday. There will be a scripture service conducted at the funeral home at 7:30 p.m. on Monday. Memorials may be made to United Hospice of Marlette, American Cancer Society or the charity of the donor's choice.