Baker, Edwin H.

Edwin "Bud" H. Baker, 81, a retired Oliver Township dairyman, died Friday afternoon, December 16, 2005, at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe. He was born June 1, 1924 in Oliver Township at the home of his parents, the late Robert and Susan (Schneider) Baker. Bud served in the U.S. Army in Europe during World War II. Shortly after returning home, he was united in marriage to Dorothy J. Alexander in Grayling on August 16, 1947. They lived and farmed in Oliver Township most of their lives, primarily in dairy. He sold the herd and retired in 1990. Dorothy passed away the following year on April 9, 1991. Bud was an active member of the Elkton VFW Carpenter-Dorsch Post 6013 and will be remembered for the many years of service to the Oliver Township Board, serving as trustee for over 33 years. After retiring, Bud did a lot of traveling, all over the U.S. and also went to Europe. Surviving are his daughter, Beverly (Walter) Stakvo, of Shelby Township; his son, Allen Baker, of Carthage, Indiana; four grandchildren, Kelly (Chris) Losh, Kristen Diem, Amanda Baker, and Crystal Baker; four great-grandchildren, Heath, Larissa, Makenna and Cecilia; and two sisters, Dorothy Armstrong, of Waterford, and Edith Snell, of Wayne. Preceding him in death were a brother, Robert Baker; and three sisters, Helen Ritter, Lydia Rosenthal, and Marguerite Miller. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday, December 22, 2005, at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton, with burial in Colfax Township Cemetery. Visitation from 2 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday and after 10 a.m. on Thursday. Memorials may be given to the Oliver Township Fire Department. Friends may sign the guest book at www.cfcElkton.com.