

Merchant, Clarence

Clarence Leslie Merchant, 88, of Cass City died Sunday, July 30, 2000, in Huron Memorial Hospital, Bad Axe. He was born Aug. 15, 1911, in Greenleaf Township, Sanilac County, to William and Gertrude (Lundy) Merchant. He married Maxine J. DeLong on Oct. 28, 1939, in Cass City. She died May 24, 1995. Clarence was a crop and dairy farmer. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church, Order of the Eastern Star, Caro Royal Arch Masons, Cass City Council Tyler Lodge No. 317, and Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Bay City Consistory. Clarence enjoyed driving truck and tractor. Clarence is survived by his sons, D. Larry Merchant and his wife, Judy, of Cass City, and Grant Merchant and his wife, Vickie, of Gagetown; grandchildren, Mark, Kirt, Aimee, Michael and Rick Merchant; a sister, Margaret Law and her husband, Clinton, of Cass City; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brothers Charles and Frank Merchant; and sisters Jessie Merchant, Flossie Mitchel and Hazel Martin. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2, 2000, at the First Presbyterian Church in Cass City with the Rev. Mark Morningstar of Sandusky Presbyterian Church officiating. Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City. Visitation will be 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. today at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City. Memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church or Rawson Memorial Library.