

Andrews, Melvin

Melvin C. Andrews, 83, of Port Hope and formerly of Harbor Beach, passed away on Sunday, Feb. 17, 2002, in Mercy Hospital in Port Huron following a brief illness. He was born on Feb. 7, 1919, in Harbor Beach to the late Frank and Myrtle (Swackhamer) Andrews. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served during World War II. He married Laura Brzezinski on Sept. 28, 1940, in Ubyly. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and trapping. In 1984, Melvin retired from Hercules, Inc. after 32 years of employment. He was a member of Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church in Harbor Beach, past commander of VFW Post 9344 and past commander of American Legion Post 197, both in Harbor Beach. He was a founding member of the Harbor Beach Credit Union and was a long-time Boy Scout leader and past president of Local 812 union. He is survived by his wife, Laura Andrews; three daughters, Evelyn Gainor and her husband, Dennis, and Lorraine Wolford and her husband, Robert, all of Harbor Beach; Ruth Rosdail and her husband, Jay, of Knoxville, Iowa; one son, John Andrews and his wife, Vonda, of Port Hope; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one sister, Hilda Burns of Dundee. She was preceded in death by a brother, Clifford Andrews; a sister, Mary Pustey; grandson, Kurk Wolford. A funeral mass will take place at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2002, in Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church in Harbor Beach with the Rev. Charlie Hammond officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery with military honors. A parish vigil service will take place at 8 p.m. on Tuesday at the Ramsey Funeral Home in Harbor Beach. Visitation is from 7 to 9 tonight and 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home and 10 a.m. until the time of service Wednesday at the church.