

# THOMAS "EARL" RAPSON

1901-1990

Thomas "Earl" Rapson, age 88 of Pigeon, passed away Friday July 6 at Scheurer Hospital, after a long illness. He was born Aug. 23, 1901 in Bad Axe, son of the late James and Sarah (Nobel) Rapson. He was united in marriage to Dessalee Stickle on Nov. 1, 1924 in Kingston. She preceded him in death Nov. 21, 1982.

Mr. Rapson was a lifelong resident of Huron County. He helped to establish the Huron County Animal Control Center and served as a police officer for the city of Bad Axe and Pigeon. He was a co-owner of the Rapson Nursing Home in Bad Axe and Pigeon. He was also a farmer in Verona Township.

Mr. Rapson is survived by two daughters; Mrs. Onnalee Bensinger, Ubly, and Mrs. Richard (Marlene) Harbin, Marlette; three sons, Dale Rapson, Bad Axe, Tom Rapson, Pontiac and Darrel Rapson, Pigeon; 18 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; one brother, William Rapson, Battle Creek and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Mrs. Mildred MacDonald.

Funeral services were conducted 11 a.m., Monday from the MacAlpine Funeral Home with burial in the Colfax Cemetery.

Memorials may be given in his memory to the organization of the donor's choice.