Schumacher, James

Mr. James Howard Schumacher, 69, formerly of Minden City, died Sunday, Feb. 25, 2001, at his son's residence in Barryton under hospice care. He was born on April 11, 1932, in Minden City to the late Joseph and Emma (Halifax) Schumacher. He was a graduate of Minden City School. He worked as a grave digger for many area cemeteries and labored for Surface Mausoleum Co. for 27 years before he retired. He was a former parishioner of St. Mary's Catholic Church and former fire chief of Minden City. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and playing cards with his friends. The family would like to acknowledge a special thank you to Emma "Trotter" Bush for the exceptional care she administered to our Dad during his bout with cancer. He is survived by six sons, Robert Schumacher and his wife, Matsuko, of Lake, Kenneth Schumacher and his wife, Bernadette, of Minden City, James Schumacher of Flint, David Schumacher and his wife, Karen, of Lennon, John Schumacher and his wife, Marlea, of Waterford, Mark Schumacher and his wife, Rhonda, of Flushing; four daughters, Rose Marie Medrano of Flint, Arlene Brown and her husband, Charles, of North Branch, Barb Walsh and her husband, Douglas, of Flushing, Lisa Copenhaver and her husband, Marvin, of Burton; 37 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; several brothers and sisters. He was preceded in death by two grandchildren, Rebecca and Joseph Schumacher; one great-grandson, Albert Vogel; one daughter-in-law, Virginia Schumacher; one sonin-law, Alfonso Finateri. Funeral services will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2001, at the Smigielski Funeral Home on Cass Avenue in Minden City with the Rev. Charles Hammond, pastor of St. Mary Catholic Church of Parisville, officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery in the spring. Visitation will be from 1:30 to 9:30 p.m. today and from 9 to 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home.