

Buss, Charles

Charles O. Buss, 69, of Bad Axe died Sunday, April 28, 2002, in his home. He was born on Dec. 16, 1932, in Hudson, Ind., son of the late Ancil and Lucile (Libey) Buss. He married Linda Klink March 11, 1956, in Hudson, Indiana. Charles served in the United States Army at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri from 1953-55. He was a graduate of Salem Center in Hudson and of Tri-State University in Angola, Indiana where he earned a bachelor of science degree in business administration. In 1964, Mr. Buss moved to Bad Axe where he was district manager for Occidental Chemical Co. serving in Bad Axe, Elkton, Applegate and Fairgrove. In 1969, he purchased Ace Hardware in Bad Axe. He served on the Bad Axe board of education. Charles was a devoted husband, father, and he was a recent grandfather. He enjoyed his many friends. He was a member of Bad Axe First Baptist Church where he served as financial secretary for many years. He was a member of the Thumb Area Antique Auto Club, also. He enjoyed making homemade ice cream for the benefit of the Octagon Barn Fall Family Days and other special events. He is survived by his wife, Linda, two sons, Bradley Buss and his wife, Ann, of Bad Axe and Patrick Buss and his wife, Susan, of Oakland, Calif.; two daughters, Linda Chumbler and her husband, Michael, of Harbor Springs and Beckie Miller and her husband, Eric, of Bad Axe; three sisters, Mildred Brand of Fort Wayne, Ind., Catherine Schmidt and her husband, Doyle, of Angola, Ind. and Ruth Holden and her husband, Carol, of Corunna, Ind.; one grandson, Eli Charles Buss; many nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, May 1, 2002, at the First Baptist Church in Bad Axe. The Rev. Jay Barsaleau will officiate. Burial will be in Colfax Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. today at the MacAlpine Funeral Home in Bad Axe and from 10 a.m. until the time of the service on Wednesday at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Bad Axe First Baptist Church, Bay Area Hospice or the American Cancer Society.