

Coulston, Melvin

Melvin A. Coulston, 87, formerly of Harbor Beach, passed away Tuesday, March 13, 2001, in the Leelanau Memorial Health Care Center in Northport following a short illness. He was born on Feb. 2, 1914, in Harbor Beach to the late Neal and Marion (Ramsey) Coulston. He was a graduate of Harbor Beach Community Schools and attended Michigan State College. Melvin and Lucy Hubbard were united in marriage on Oct. 21, 1937, in Port Hope. He is a former employee of the Harbor Beach Creamery and was a 33-year employee of the Detroit Edison Co. retiring as plant superintendent in Harbor Beach in 1974. Melvin was an avid woodworker hobbyist, building many furniture pieces as well as other woodworking projects. Melvin was a former member of the First Presbyterian Church in Harbor Beach, the Harbor Beach Community School Board and of the Harbor Beach Lions Club. He is survived by his wife, Lucy Coulston, of Suttons Bay; a daughter, Janice Gorrell and her husband, Gerald, of Glen Arbor; two sons, Dale Coulston and his wife, Patti, of Suttons Bay, and Wayne Coulston and his wife, Marilyn, of Perrysburg, Ohio; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and two brothers, Elwin Coulston of Niles and Russell Coulston of St. Clair. Melvin was preceded in death by a sister, Evelyn Howe; and a brother, Bruce Coulston. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, March 19, 2001, in the Ramsey Funeral Home in Harbor Beach with the Rev. Theresa Cutler, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will be in Rock Falls Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. on Sunday and from noon until the time of services on Monday at the funeral home. Memorials may be given to First Presbyterian Church in Harbor Beach or to the donor's choice.