

Graves, Robert

Robert J. Graves, 72, of Sebewaing died unexpectedly on Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2001, at his home. He was born May 16, 1929, in Sebewaing, son of the late Robert F. and Vera (Truesdale) Graves. He was united in marriage to Ruth L. Bailey on Oct. 3, 1984, in Bad Axe. Bob was employed at Michigan Sugar Co. in Sebewaing for 37 years before retiring in 1991. He also was a self-employed commercial fisherman for many years. Surviving are his wife, Ruth, of Sebewaing; two sons, Ronald Graves and his wife, Mary, and Gary Graves; one daughter, Shelly Heckroth and her husband, Randy, all of Caro; two stepsons, William Bailey and his wife, Liz, of Salinas, Calif. and James Bailey; two stepdaughters, Wanda Koch and Jean Bailey, all of Phoenix; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two sons, James and David Graves; and one brother, Clarence Graves. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, 2001, at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing. The Rev. Gordon Burger will officiate with burial in Silverlawn Cemetery in Sebewaing. Visitation will be 2 to 9 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. until the time of services Saturday at the funeral home.