Rodda, Merville

Merville M. Rodda, 83, of Harbor Beach passed away Monday, July 8, 2002 in Port Huron Hospital following a short illness. Born in Hastings on April 9, 1916, he was the son of the late Matthew and Christy Ann (MacGregor) Rodda. Merville and Dorothy Kriewall were united in marriage on Nov. 25, 1939 in Mount Clemens. She preceded him in death on May 9, 2000. He was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church and was formerly active in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary in Sebewaing and the U.S. Power Squadron. Merville was a retired employee of the Fisher Body of General Motors, retiring in 1974 after working for 26 years. He is survived by his children, Carol Noble and her husband, Jack, of Harbor Beach, Beverly West and her husband, John, of West Chester, Pa., and Robert Rodda and his wife, Donna, of Lapeer; nine grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and three sisters, Ruth Malak of Westland, Katherine Shay of Livonia, and Jean Aird of Farmington Hills. Merville was preceded in death by a son, Douglas Rodda, and a sister, Georgina Higginbotham. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday July 13, 2002 in Zion Lutheran Church, Harbor Beach, with the Rev. Mark Girardin, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the Rock Falls Cemetery. There will be a scripture service at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Visitation will be from 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. Friday in the Ramsey Funeral Home, and at 10 a.m. until the time of services Saturday in the church.