

Patrick, Max S.

Max S. Patrick, 93, died peacefully Wednesday, September 6, 2006, at the Marlette Hospice Residence in Marlette. Mr. Patrick has lived in Marlette since 1946 and was previously from the Kingston and Detroit areas. He was born February 21, 1913 in Flint, son of the late Russell and Lottie (Dunsford) Patrick. He attended Kingston Schools and was drafted into the U.S. Navy in 1942, spending most of his time at a submarine base in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii in the engineering and repair division. He and Bess Green, of Kingston, were married June 8, 1946 in Cass City. In 1946, he established Marlette Roofing and Sheet Metal Company, which has remained a successful family-owned commercial-industrial roofing business for more than 60 years. Max was a charter member of the Marlette Lions Club where he remained active in the club in many capacities. He also was one of the driving forces behind the Marlette Pool and Park which was built in 1953. He was a long time member of the Marlette First United Methodist Church, where he will be remembered for his many hours of service working on boards and many church projects. He was a member of the Michigan Steelheaders Association. Max enjoyed boating, fishing, bowling and most of all his family. He and his wife spent the last 21 winters on Nettles Island in Jensen Beach, Florida, where he was a member of the Men's Club. In 2000, he and his wife were honored as Marlette Citizens of the Year. Max is survived by his wife of 60 years, Bess; son, Bruce (Dianne), of Orange, California; daughter, Sharon Parks, of Farmington Hills; and son, Sam (Barbara) Patrick, of Sand Point; nine grandchildren, Chris, Brad, Kevin, Brenda, Matt, Ben, Jennifer, Kate and Alex; 22 great-grandchildren; and sister-in-law, Lucille Patrick, of Essexville. He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Jean Patrick, in 1963; two brothers, Leonard and Bruce Patrick; two sisters, Ruth Herron and Evelyn Long. A funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 9, 2006, at Marlette First United Methodist Church, with Pastor Daniel Bowman and Pastor John Allen officiating. Burial will be in the Marlette Cemetery in Marlette. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. on Friday at the Marsh Funeral Chapel in Marlette and from 10 a.m. until the time of the service on Saturday at the church. Memorials may be donated to the Jean Patrick Student Loan Fund or Marlette First United Methodist Church.