Chiotti, Albertus

Albertus J. "Al" Chiotti, 76, of Bay Port, died Monday evening, Aug. 27, 2001, at Bay Medical Center in Bay City following a lengthy illness. He was born on Feb. 15, 1925. in Elkton, son of the late John and Mildred (Johnston) Chiotti. He was united in marriage to Ruth A. Blasi on Feb. 15, 1947, in Kilmanagh. Al had been employed by the Department of Natural Resources for the State of Michigan as assistant manager of Sleeper State Park in Caseville and Port Crescent State Park in Port Austin for 27 years before retiring Nov. 1, 1983. He was a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Berne, the Caseville Rod and Gun Club and was an avid hunter and fisherman. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Surviving are his wife, Ruth; five daughters, Joyce McGathy of Rochester Hills, Jean Maynard and her husband, Roger, of Lapeer, Jill Terrian and her husband, Dan, Mary Sting and her husband, Kevin, all of Bay Port, Tamara Schweitzer and her husband, Jerry, of Pigeon; three sons, Thomas Chiotti and his wife, Sue, of New York, Randall Chiotti and his wife, Cindy, of Port Hope, A. Mark Chiotti and his wife, Ilene, of Bay Port; 21 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; one sister, Frances Schramke, of Saginaw; one sister-in-law, Onnallee Chiotti, of Bay Port; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by four brothers, Darl, Waldo, Elmer, and John Dale Chiotti. The funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, at St. John Lutheran Church, Berne. The Rev. James A. Gorsegner will officiate with burial in St. John Lutheran Cemetery in Sebewaing. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursday at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing. He will lie in state at the church from 9:30 a.m. on Friday until the time of service. Memorials may be made to St. John Lutheran Church, Scheurer Hospital or the charity of the donor's choice.