

# **REX F. CRAWFORD**

**1948 - 1987**

Rex Frederick Crawford, age 39 of Bay Port, passed away Thursday evening, Oct. 29 in the National Institute for Health, Cancer Research Center, Bethesda, Md., after a seven-month illness.

Mr. Crawford was born in Port Huron on June 14, 1948, the son of Mrs. Helen (Miller) Kern and the late Leland E. Crawford. He was a 1966 graduate of Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port High School, and served in the U.S. Navy for 20 years, retiring on July 31, 1965. He then attended Ferris State College and received his associate degree in machine tool detailing in May, 1967.

On April 7, 1973, he was united in marriage to Lucy G. in Long Beach, CA. He was a member of the Catholic faith, a member of National Sojourners Chapter 439 of Hawaii, Masonic Lodge No. 8, F&AM of Brunswick, ME, A&A Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Honolulu, HI, and a member of the US Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Surviving besides his wife, Lucy, are his mother, Mrs. Helen Kern of Bay Port, stepfather, Edward C. Kern of Bay Port; one sister, Mrs. Ronald (Lee E.) Harris of Alconbury, England, one brother, Edward L. Crawford, in the US Navy in Virginia Beach, VA, his grandmother, Mrs. Rex (Ada) Miller of Port Huron, step-grandmother, Mrs. Rose Kern of St. Louis, MO, one aunt, Mrs. Marge McEvoy of Port Huron, two uncles, Charles and Francis Kern, both of Port Huron, and cousins, nieces and nephews.

The mass for Christian burial will be conducted at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4 in St. Francis Borgia Catholic Church, Pigeon. Rev. Fr. Ben Skornia will officiate, with burial in Sebewaing Assembly of God Cemetery, Sebewaing.

Northern Star Lodge 277 F&AM conducted a Masonic service at Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home, Sebewaing, which handled funeral arrangements, and VFW Post 4115 will conduct graveside services.

Memorials may be made to the National Institute of Health, Cancer Research, Bethesda, MD.