



William Leo Schmitz

February 25, 1914 - March 31, 2002

Schmitz, William 88 of Lansing, Michigan, died Sunday, March 31, 2002. Mr. Schmitz was born February 25, 1914 in Bloomington, Illinois, the son of Henry and Ora (Holland) Schmitz. He was employed by Morris Auto Parts in Lansing and formerly worked for the Lansing Police Department and C & J Transport. He is survived by son, Lee W. "Spike" (Arlinda) Schmitz of Grand Ledge, Step-son Eugene (Mona Raye) Towsley of Charlevoix, Step-daughters Ellen (Barry) Ewing of Grand Ledge, Linda (Rex) Bebee of Oak Harbor, Washington, 13 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren, 1 great great granddaughter, brother Marvin of Farmer City, Illinois, sisters Wanda (Kenneth) Cook of Normal, Illinois and Ione Utter of Clinton, Illinois. He was preceded in death by his wife Harriett (Copin) Schmitz on March 16, 2002. Family and friends are invited to a Family Affirmation Service at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, April 4 at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte with R. Raymond Rossell serving as facilitator. Visitation will be 9-11 a.m. on Thursday before the service. Interment will be at Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix. If desired, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association and the Hospice of Lansing.