

OBITU

Roy C. Gokee, 79

Roy C. Gokee, 79, of East Jordan, died Thursday, Feb. 17, 2000, at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey.

Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 20, at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc., in East Jordan. The Rev. Robert H. Carter of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in East Jordan will officiate. Interment will be in Sunset Hill Cemetery, East Jordan.

Roy was born Dec. 11, 1920, in Montrose, Mich., the son of Claude and Josephine (Bailey) Gokee.

On April 11, 1942, he married Eldeva Woodcock in East Jordan. She preceded him in death on April 14, 1998.

Roy served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the South Pacific Theater.

He worked at the East Jordan Iron Works from 1946-1985.

Roy was a member of the East Jordan Fire Department from 1946-1991 and had served on the East Jordan Ambulance for more than 20

years. Roy also had been the owner and operator of Roy's Radiator Repair in East Jordan for numerous years. Most recently, he plowed snow in the area for many people.

He was a member of the Rebec-Hosler-Sweet Post No. 227 of the American Legion and was proud to have been active in its Firing Squad. He enjoyed fishing, sailing and loved flying planes and ultralights.

Roy is survived by his daughter, Judy (Barry) Snyder; his two granddaughters, Rickie Sue Snyder, of Las Vegas, Nev., and Erin Snyder of Traverse City; and two sisters, Ella Whitney of Brooksville, Fla., and Eleanor "Bunny" Lucius of Flint. He was also preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Malcolm Gokee.

The family will receive friends from 1-7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc., in East Jordan.

Memorials may be given to the Evangelical Lutheran Church.