

## William D. Bennett, 74

William D. Bennett, 74, of East Jordan, died Jan. 26, 1995, at his home.

Funeral will be 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 30, at the Paullin Funeral Home in East Jordan. Officiants will be the Rev. Robert Herbon, the Rev. Richard Vonesh and the Rev. Dr. Mark Mollidrem. Interment will be in Sunset Hill Cemetery, East Jordan.



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Mr. Bennett was born March 3, 1920, in Echo Township, Antrim County, the son of Delbert and Lyla (MacMillan) Bennett. He grew up in East Jordan and graduated from East Jordan High School in 1938.

On Oct. 21, 1941, he married Lillian Peterson in Napoleon, Ohio. From 1941 until 1945, Mr. Bennett served in the U.S. Army as a medic stationed in France.

He was an avid community volunteer and was involved with many organizations, including the American Legion Rebec-Sweet-Hosler Post No. 227, for which he held several offices including District Commander. Mr. Bennett was also a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 7580, the National Association of Postmasters of the United States, East Jordan Fire Department and the Charlevoix County Veterans Affairs Committee.

He served as president of the

East Jordan Rotary Club during the 1968-69 year, and was a Paul Harris Fellow. In 1992, the club named him Father of the Year.

Mr. Bennett was also a past president of the East Jordan Chamber of Commerce. He was the East Jordan postmaster for 20 years until his retirement in 1980, after which he was frequently called upon to work on small constructions projects for his family and friends.

In his spare time, Mr. Bennett enjoyed spending time with his family, as well as fishing, hunting, mushrooming, and making trips to Rawhide Lake in Canada and Pine Stump Junction in the Upper Peninsula. He was also a devoted crossword puzzle fan.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian Bennett, of East Jordan; his daughters, Connie McKenney of Mattawan, Shirley Mollidrem and her husband, Mark, of Mondovi, Wis., Donna Inman and her husband, Ron, and Cindy Johnson and her husband, William, all of East Jordan; eight grandchildren; his brother, Robert Bennett, of Livonia; and three sisters, Doris Petrie and Helen Hazelmeyer, both of East Jordan, and Lucille Nowland of Detroit; as well as many friends, nieces and nephews. Mr. Bennett was preceded in death by one brother, George Bennett in 1974, and by two sisters, Erma Kraemer in 1989, and Rosetta "Rose" Boring in 1994.

Friends may call from 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28; from 1-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29; and from 10 a.m. until the time of service on Monday, Jan. 30, at the Paullin Funeral Home in East Jordan.