

WARD, George W.

(06/00/08)

- Age 94, of Flint, died Wednesday, June 7, 2000 at Parkview Hospital in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, June 10, 2000 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Miller Road Chapel, 8138 Miller Rd., Swartz Creek. Rev Bruce Denton officiating. Burial in Sunset Hills Cemetery. Visitation will be held 7-9 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Diabetes Association or the American Cancer Society. George was born May 22, 1906 in Midland County, the son of Louis and Hattie (Hayden) Ward. George graduated from Midland High School in 1925 and from Sandusky School of Pharmacy in 1928. He started a business known as Ward Browning Drug Company in 1928 and in 1933 the business became known as Ward Pharmacy, which he ran until 1972 when he sold out to Meijer's Thrifty Acres. George was hired by Meijer's for a year to develop their beer and wine business. On January 16, 1937 he married Mildred L. Sheldon and they had 3 children. Mildred passed away in 1972 which was a great shock and loss to the entire family. Mr. Ward was a member and past president of the Genesee County Pharmaceutical Association and of the Leach Miller Creek Sportsman Hunting Club in Hillman, MI. He was also a member of the Michigan Pharmaceutical Association for over 50 years and was an active member of the Wally Byam Caravan Club for Airstream trailers for over 25 years. He was also a member and past officer of the Genesee County Amateur Radio Club and a member of the Calvary United Methodist Church. George had many hobbies including deer hunting, fishing, camping and woodworking. George had a hunting cabin and 40 acres in Hillman, where he spent as much time as he could. George was a resident of Flint for over 50 years, due to ill health he moved to Regency Place Nursing Home in Ft. Wayne, IN. At the nursing home, one of his favorite activities was winning at bingo. Surviving George are: 3 children, Kenneth G. and wife Joann Ward of Cape Coral, FL, Martha A. and husband Dave Miller of Ft. Wayne, IN, Robert S. and wife Barbara Ward of Ft. Wayne, IN; 6 grandchildren, Kelly of Seattle, WA, Christina of Jacksonville, FL, Patrick of Cape Coral, FL, Thomas of Ft. Wayne, IN, Gregory of Indianapolis, IN, Jennifer of Bloomington, IN.