



Rev. Robert James Matteson

September 3, 1916 - August 18, 2012

Rev. Robert James Matteson, 95, of Fremont Township, passed away Saturday, August 18, 2012 at Port Huron Hospital.

He was born in Petoskey, September 3, 1916, the son of the late Loren and Ella (Pagel) Matteson.

His marriage to Arlene Guilliat was September 24, 1947 in Cass City. The couple enjoyed 61 years of marriage before Arlene passed away on July 1, 2009.

Robert was a minister for over 40 years at several local churches, including Greenwood E.U.B. Church, North Street Baptist Church, and Bethel Missionary Church, where he attended. At a younger age, he was employed with his father's business at Matt's Shoe Repair in Yale, later worked as a bus driver and custodian at the Croswell-Lexington schools, and was a builder of homes and cabins. Robert enjoyed woodworking and loved to read whenever possible.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Charles and Sharon Matteson of Yale, and a daughter and son-in-law, Cindy and Steve Zook of Indiana; seven grandchildren, Ben (Angela), Nate (Lisa Jacot), Danielle, and John Robert (fiancé, Elizabeth Monroe) Matteson, Sara (Jeshua) Franklin, Chuck (Gabi) Zook and Katie Rose Zook; four great grandchildren, Timur, Lucas and Tyler Matteson and Abby Franklin, as well as many nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by an infant son, James Matteson, grandson, Robert Steven Zook, and brother, Homer Loren Matteson.

His family honors the memory of Robert and invites you to visit and share memories Monday 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Kaatz Funeral Directors, Yale. Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. Tuesday with 10:00 a.m. visiting at Bethel Missionary Church, Fremont Township. Rev. Richard Matteson, nephew, and Rev. Brent Kriesch will co-officiate. Burial will be in North Fremont Cemetery, Fremont Township.

Memorials are suggested to Bethel Missionary Church of Fremont Township or Brown City Camp.

Previous Events

Service

AUG **21**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethel Missionary Church
7799 Bricker Road
Melvin, MI

Tribute Wall



“ Chuck and family my sympathy to all on the passing of you dad he left me with fond memories as a person, great school bus driver and neighbor. I was glad I had the chance to see and talk to him last summer. He was truly a great man.##imported-begin##Robert Gleason##imported-end##

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“ I was saddened to hear of Mr. Mattesons passing, but he lived a very long fruitful life and that should be celebrated. He was my bus driver from when I was in kindergarten till we moved into Yale when I was in 11th grade, when our house on Brown Rd burnt. He was a fixture at Fremont Elementary School and basically a major player in my precious childhood memories. I love him for those memories, even if he made me sit in the front seat with my brother Gary for a whole school year! I would love to tell him that I'm also a school bus driver now in Canada.##imported-begin##Sherri McClellan Robichaud##imported-end##

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