

Vesley Sterling Trail
Boss

Feb. 1, 1996

We regret to inform you of the death of Forrest Dowling, owner of DOWLING ENTERPRISES located at [Redacted] Brown City, Mi. 48416.

He suffered a sudden heart attack on January 12, after several weeks of fighting Pneumonia. He spent two weeks in Marlette Hospital and then a final week in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor.

I apologize for taking so long to inform you. It was an unexpected shock and a big loss to myself and our children.

Please a final billing for our account, so we may close out the business. Several people have showed an interest in purchasing the Chain Saw business. We will be advising them of our distributors, to help them continue the quality service that Forrest gave. If you are planning any sales or training sessions please send along a flyer.

Forrest was an avid sports fan, especially track, Peck Community Schools plans to set up a scholarship in his memory. Enclosed is the article from our local newspaper.

We have enjoyed doing business with your company.

Sincerely Yours,

Shirley Dowling
DOWLING ENTERPRISES



The Family of Forrest Dowling

would like to express their sincere appreciation for the wonderful outpouring of prayers, flowers, card, donations and food during our recent loss.

The comforting heartfelt words spoken by Pastor Hal Phillips touched each person present.

We are so thankful for the support from family, friends, neighbors and acquaintances.

The personal care given by Dr. Don Robbins, Dr. Saib Isterabadi, nursing staff of Marlette Community Hospital, EMS drivers, caring nurses, Oncology Unit-St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, Dr. John Nixon.

Special thanks to David Scott for his help, Janice, Philip, Jay and Becky Bartle, Ray Carman, Carman Funeral Home, my employers Brown City Banner and J&J Party Store and Margret, WMIC for their kind words, Speaker firemen, Omard ladies for the meal.

Your kindness will always be remembered.

A Memorial Fund for Peck track members is being set up in Forrest's honor.

May God bless each of you as we were blessed by a loving husband, father, grandfather.

Wife Shirley
Dan, Veronica, Trisha, Justin, William
Dallas and Terri
Jassen and Sherry Dowling

Obituary

Forrest S. Dowling

Forrest S. Dowling, 50, of Brown City, passed away suddenly Friday, January 12, 1996 in Ann Arbor.

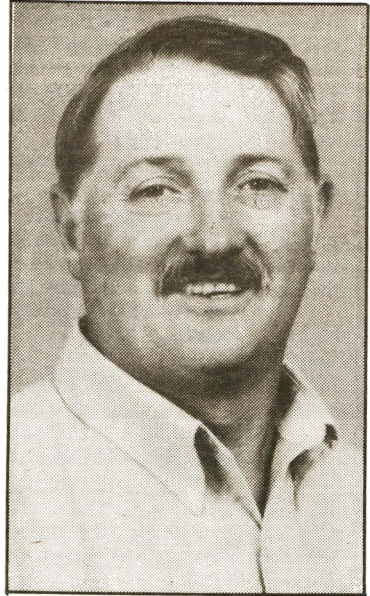
He was born May 10, 1945 in Lynn Township, son of Francis G. and Murl Callender Dowling.

He attended Sharpville and Brown City High Schools. After a brief stint in the Navy he returned home and married Shirley Hirons on October 26, 1963 in the Omard Methodist Church.

Owner of Dowling Sales & Service, he sold and repaired chain saws and RV trailers for the last 10 years. He also worked for the United States Post Office where he was a part-time mail carrier in Brown City and Peck. Prior to this he had worked for Vesley Corporation for 18 years where he was parts and service manager for Apache Manufacturing.

He had been a 4-H leader for over 30 years in Sanilac County and had received the Community Service Award in Peck. He was a member of the Omard United Methodist Church, the Speaker Township Fire Department, the Small Business Association and was a devoted fan and advocate for Peck High School sports. He was an avid sports and outdoorsman.

Surviving are his wife Shirley, Brown City; three sons: Daniel F. (Veronica), Brown City; Dallas W. (Terri), Newaygo; Jassen D., Augusta and his close friend Deanna Miller, Kalamazoo; a daughter, Sherry L. Dowling, Brown City; three grandchildren: Trisha, William and Justin; mother Murl, Prescott; special children Jay and Becky Bartle;



four brothers, Francis, Brown City; John (Barb), CA.; Charles (Shirley), Burton; Clark, Lapeer; five sisters: Anna (Bruce) Powell, Columbiaville; Leota (Richard) Kreiner, Luzerne; Vernita (Roger) Bowerson, Capac; Viona (Ray) Bowerson, Sterling and Lois Hilgendorf, Prescott, and many loving nieces and nephews.

Preceded by his father Francis and a brother William and an infant sister Duelda.

Funeral services were held Tuesday from Carman Funeral Home, Brown City, with the Rev. Hal Phillips, officiating.

Burial was in Fairview Cemetery in Melvin.

Casket bearers provided by the Speaker Township Fire Department were Bob Tesluck, Bill Kennedy, Don Kennedy, Charlie Stanley, Bob Woodruff, Charlie Birkett and honoraries Tom Murray, Ben Steinhoff and Elmer Knapp.

Memorials may be made to the family or favorite charity.