



## Joseph Leonard Filipiak

December 3, 1915 - August 3, 2008

Joseph Leonard Filipiak

92, of Sanilac Township, passed away Sunday, August 3, 2008 at his home. He was born December 3, 1915 in Detroit, the son of the late Joseph and Petranella Filipiak.

His marriage to Victoria Lesniak was October 2, 1948 in Detroit. Victoria died July 27, 2000.

Joseph was a lifelong Avoca Farmer and a parishioner of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Emmett. He was a master welder for 30 years at Wilson Automation before retiring in 1978. Joseph served his country in the U.S. Navy from 1940 to 1942, was a member of the American Legion Post #525, Smiths Creek and loved polka dancing.

Surviving is a son and daughter-in-law, Joseph and Sherry Filipiak of Applegate, daughter and son-in-law, Elaine and Joe Chester of Talbot, Tennessee; three grandchildren, Joseph, Courtney and Daniel; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

He is preceded in death by a son, Gerard (2003) and sisters Wanda and Helen.

His family honors the memory of Joseph and invite you to visit and share Tuesday 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Kaatz Funeral Directors, Yale. Rite of Christian Burial will be 11:00 a.m. Wednesday at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Emmett, with 10:00 a.m. visiting. Fr. Brian Cokonougher, pastor of St. Stephen Catholic Church, Port Huron, will officiate. Burial will be in Our Lady

of Mt. Carmel-Kenockee Cemetery, Emmett.  
Memorials are suggested to "Donors Choice".

For information and Guest Book  
[kaatzfunerals.com](http://kaatzfunerals.com)

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church  
10828 Brandon Road  
Emmett, MI 48022  
(810) 384-1338

# Tribute Wall



“ *Elaine, I was so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you. He was a great man and I have many good memories of him, he sure loved to polka! God Bless, Judy*###imported-begin###*Judy Puralewski*###imported-end##

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August 07, 2008 at 11:31 AM



“ *Joseph Leonard*  
*Dear Filipiak Family, I would like to extend my sincere condolences to each of you. Although we are not acquainted personally, we share the pain of losing a loved one in death. May you find comfort in knowing that just as Jesus received power from his heavenly Father to raise back to life his close friend Lazarus (John 11;43,44), he will soon use that same God-given power to resurrect our loved ones sleeping in the graves to live forever under peaceful conditions right here on earth. (John 5;28,29; Rev. 21;3,4; Psalm 83;18) While grief at the loss of Joseph is great, joy at receiving Joseph in the resurrection will be greater. (Mark 5;42) Please read and find peace in God's loving promises during this difficult time and the days to come. Take care,*###imported-begin###*valerie thompson*###imported-end##

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August 06, 2008 at 12:21 PM



“ *Dear Joe and Elaine,*  
*We are sorry to hear of Uncle Joe's passing. Out thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Chuck, Judy, Julie and Chuck III*###imported-begin###*Chuck, Judy, Julie, and Chuck III Wytrychowski*###imported-end##

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August 06, 2008 at 11:22 AM



“ Elaine, I am sorry to read about your Dad's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Love, Brenda and Bernie##imported-begin##Brenda##imported-end##

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August 05, 2008 at 10:59 AM