



Walter John Szymanski

June 24, 1919 - January 14, 2009

Walter John Szymanski

89, of Lake, MI and formerly of Emmett, died Saturday morning February 14, 2009 at home.

He was born June 24, 1919, in Detroit the son of the late Stephen and Karolina Urbanska Szymanski.

Walter served his country with the United States Army Air Force during WWII from 1942 to 1945

His marriage to Olga Rosin was Saturday, June 28, 1947 in Detroit and moved to Emmett in 1954 and 15 years ago moved to Farwell.

He was a 40-year parishioner of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Emmett, Grand Knight and Faithful Navigator of the Knights of Columbus, Richmond Council #2667, charter Grand Knight of Fr. Farrell Council #7918, Emmett, and also was a member of the Richmond Assembly # 0480 4th Degree.

Surviving in addition to his wife Olga of 61 years are two sons and daughters-in-law, Steve and Billie Sue of Port Huron and Christopher and Ronda of Texas, three daughters and sons-in-law, Linda and Dennis Carfore of Fort Gratiot, Carol and Martin Redden of Richmond, and Cindy and Chuck Edwards of Farwell; 18 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sisters, Virginia Tarnowski of AZ, and Cecelia Swantek of Roseville; and several nieces, nephews and friends.

His family honors the memory of Walter and invites you to visit and share Friday 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Kaatz Funeral Directors, Richmond, with rosary devotions by the Richmond Knights of Columbus will be 7:00 p.m. Rite of Christian Burial will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday February 20th, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Emmett, with 10:00 a.m. visiting. Fr. Paul Czarnota, pastor, will officiate. Inurnment will be in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel-Kenockee Cemetery, Kenockee Township.

Memorials are suggested to MidMichigan Hospice 3007 North Saginaw Road, Midland, MI 48640

For information and Guest Book
kaatzfunerals.com

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **20**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kaatz Funeral Directors - Richmond
71235 Memphis Ridge Road
Richmond, MI

Service

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

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

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Olga and Family. It's times like this when I wish we were not so far away and can't be there with you. We want you to know we are there in spirit.
Walt was a good man and we have many good memories with you and him at so many LOP functions. You have our deepest sympathy and love and prayers. Dave and Mary Ann##imported-begin##David and Mary Ann Shipton##imported-end##

February 20, 2009 at 10:20 PM



“ Dear Szymanski Family
Our thoughts and love go out to you all. Wish we could be there to give you each a hug at this difficult time. Know that we are thinking of you and will keep your Dad in our prayers.
Take care and love to all

Bill and M.J.##imported-begin##Bill and Mary Jane Cline##imported-end##

February 19, 2009 at 10:02 PM



“ I write this with a heavy heart and cloudy mind. We lost one of the few good ones. I'm writing this to help me through the grieving process and to let everybody know exactly how much this whole family and in particularly Dziadzi means to me. I woke up this morning at around 5:30 E / 6:30 C (kind of eerie i know) and couldn't fall back asleep, I started thinking about all the good memories we have all had and ones that aren't written yet and kind of lost it so I decided to write this so my thoughts at this moment in time could be shared with everyone and not be buried away causing mental and physical anguish. I know I am not very good at expressing my thoughts and emotions verbally so I'm using this forum as a way to collect my thoughts and express them without holding back. My mind is trying to stop me back from writing this, my hands feel like tingly like circulation to them has been cut off, but i'm not going to let my body win this one, cause I know you will all love me now matter what happens. I don't really know what to say other than I wish I could have been there to share in the moment and say my good byes and tell him how much I love and will miss him. Let me tell you all that I fell privileged to be part of the most wonderful family to ever walk on Gods beautiful yet somber Earth and will never stop loving each and everyone of you no matter what path you take in life or what happens to you in the future. I've heard that everyone has been celebrating Dziadzi's life by sharing their favorite stories with each other and so I wanted to share mine. I don't have one particular memory that stands out but a collection of all the summers I spent at Lake of the Pines with the cousins Wishin (Fishing), as Dziadzi so lovingly put it, stuffing myself with Roma frozen pizza's, and instigating fights between Christopher, Eric, and Luke. Those are my fondest memories and I will cherish them forever. Stay strong, live to love, and cherish the time we have together. Lots of Love, Michael##imported-begin##Michael Carfore##imported-end##

February 19, 2009 at 08:36 PM



“ *Dziadzi will always hold a special place in my heart. I will always treasure the dance we shared at my wedding. Busha, you are my hero and I love you so much, please know that you are always in my thoughts. You and Dziadzi never treated me any different than any other grandchild and it meant the world to me, it still does today. I love you both and Dziadzi will continue to live on through all of his family.*###imported-begin###Tricia LaScott###imported-end##

February 19, 2009 at 03:27 PM



“ *Dear Olga and family, Sorry to hear of walt's passing. Jim always like talking with him about the old days in Emmett. He will be sadly missed. Let us know if we can be of any help. Sherri*###imported-begin###Jim and Sherri Bosman###imported-end##

February 19, 2009 at 11:02 AM



“ *My thoughts are with your family in this time of your loss. Walt was always nice to us, when we lived in lake of the pines.*###imported-begin###Emily & Mike McMillen###imported-end##

February 19, 2009 at 01:34 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of Walters passing. please know that our prayers are with you all.*###imported-begin###Susan (Gajda) Dickson###imported-end##

February 18, 2009 at 02:37 PM



“ To Carol and everybody,

I'm so sorry for your loss. I hope you all find some peace and comfort during this trying time. If there is anything that Annette and I can do to help, please don't hesitate to ask.

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going. John 14:1-4

God bless.##imported-begin##Mike Mercatante##imported-end##

February 18, 2009 at 10:53 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.##imported-begin##Mr & Mrs Don Prechtel##imported-end##

February 18, 2009 at 10:29 AM