

Piorunek, Joseph

Joseph Piorunek, 73, of Lapeer died Wednesday, March 28, 2001. He was born on March 12, 1928, in Merrill to Mitchell and Anna (Pawlus) Piorunek. He married Barbara Thourlby on Sept. 6, 1950, in Detroit. She preceded him in death in 1990. Mr. Piorunek was a funeral director who started his career at Piorunek Funeral Home in Kinde. He finished out his career in Lapeer after 30 years. Joseph truly enjoyed cooking, fishing, hunting, and gardening. Most importantly he was a loving father and grandfather. He is survived by six daughters, Jeni Schlaud and her husband, Ken, of Iowa Park, Texas, Mary Billington and her husband, Gerald, of Waterford, Rebecca Newman and her husband, Dave, of Lapeer, Barbara Hobson and her husband, Roger, of Attica, Monica Flagg and her husband, Steve, of Auburn Hills, and Julie Somerville and her husband, Kim, of Attica; three sons, Leo J. Piorunek of Burton, James Piorunek of Davidson, and John Piorunek of Clifford; 15 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; four sisters, Ann McLellan, Mary Dreffs, Emily Filary, and Francis Brandon; and one brother, John Pronek and his wife, Lil. He was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara; and his parents. The funeral will be conducted at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 31, 2001, at St. Louise Chapel of Immaculate Conception Church, 3477 S. Louise Road, Metamora, with Father Janusz Iwan officiating. Burial will be in Mount Loretto Cemetery. Visitation will take place from 2 to 8 p.m. today at the Muir Brothers Funeral Home, 1021 S. Main St., Lapeer. For more information, call the funeral home at (810) 664-8111. Memorials may be made to Immaculate Conception Church Building Fund, or the Elks Lodge in Lapeer.