



DR. ROBERT F. BOSCH, age 91 of Harbor Beach, passed away Thursday, December 13, 2012 at his home under hospice care. He was born on August 20, 1921 in Dayton, Ohio, to the late Frank and Helen (Kroneberger) Bosch. Dr. Bob and Helen Fitzpatrick were united in marriage on January 15, 1947 in Alma. She preceded him in death on February 26, 2001. Dr. Bob enlisted in the US Army on August 1, 1942. Shortly there after he was inducted in to the Office of Strategic Services, now known as the Central Intelligence Agency. He spent time in India living in Tents and training to parachute into China, behind Japanese enemy lines, where they would be blowing up specific targets. He was even given a special "Pill" to take if he was captured, to kill himself so no information could be shared. Dr. Bob was discharged as a first lieutenant on October 19, 1945 earning one bronze star. He remained in the officers reserves until 1992. After serving during World War II, Dr. Bob attended the Illinois College of Optometry, which led him to his practice in Harbor Beach, and later Bad Axe, before retiring in 1985. Dr. Bob was a member of the Harbor Beach Lions Club, the American Legion Post 197 of Harbor Beach, the American Optometric Association, and the Harbor Beach United Methodist Church. He enjoyed golfing at Verona Hills Golf Club. He is survived by his children: Daughter Susan Rutkowski of Harbor Beach, and sons: Michael Bosch of North Augusta, South Carolina, and Brian Bosch and his wife Jeanne of Harbor Beach, 8 grandchildren: Sean, Kevin and his wife Chrissy, Meagan, Derek, Deryl and his wife Casey, Stephanie, Samantha and Zachary, 7 great grandchildren: Dylan, Haleigh, Spencer, Elliot, Sadie, Bradan, and Lucas. He is also survived by a sister-in-law Doris Bosch of Kalamazoo. Funeral Services for Dr. Bob will be Sunday, December 16, 2012 at 2pm in the Ramsey Funeral Home of Harbor Beach, with Rev. Mark Ryan officiating. Burial will follow in the Rock Falls Cemetery. Visitation for Dr. Bob will be on Saturday, December 15, 2012 from 1-5 & 7-9pm in the funeral home. Visitation on Sunday will begin at 1pm until time of services at 2pm. Military Honors will be given by the American Legion Post 197 of Harbor Beach.