

Wojtalewicz, Gerald

Gerald Wojtalewicz "Jerry White", 66, passed away on Tuesday, November 22, 2005. Beloved husband of Loretta (nee Grifka) for 46 years. Loving father of Damian, Craig (Lynda), Terry (John) Hensler, Tracy (Drew) Zehnder, Kathy (Michael Norrito) Wojtalewicz, and Kristin (Kevin) Parks. Proud grandfather of Alaina, Laura, Vanessa, Rhianna, Danielle, and Caroline. Dear brother of Dennis (Theresa). Also survived by many adoring nieces and nephews. Gerald has proudly served as a Detroit Police Officer for the past 42 years, but nothing had made him more proud than his family and his six granddaughters. Gerald was inducted into the Michigan State Polka Music Hall of Fame in October 2002 and was a well known musician in the metropolitan area. He was very active in his community belonging to the Detroit Police Officers Association, St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree, St. John Neumann Assembly 4th degree, SNPJ Northern Home, Slovene American Club, Polka Boosters Cub of America, National Cleveland-Style Polk Hall of Fame, and the Elks Club Lodge No. 2544. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Monday, November 28, 2005, at St. Kieran Catholic Church, 53600 Mound Road, in Shelby Township. Visitation will be from 3 to 9 p.m. on Sunday at the Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons Funeral Home, located at 54880 Van Dyke Avenue at 25 Mile Road in Shelby Township. There will be a 7 p.m. Knights of Columbus Rosary Service. He will lie in state at the funeral home beginning at 9 a.m. until a procession leaves for the 11 a.m. Mass at the church. Share memories, thoughts and prayers with the family in the on-line guest book at WujekCalcaterra.com.