

Denman, Joseph E.

Joseph E. Denman, 77, of Port Hope, and formerly of Port Huron, died Jan. 12, 2010 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital after a short illness.

He was born June 15, 1932 in Harbor Beach, and lived in Port Huron for most of his life. For the past 18 years, he has lived in Port Hope.

Joe loved to play baseball. He also enjoyed dancing and singing. He was a lifetime member of the VFW, and also was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 3702, and the Grindstone Port Hope Sportsman's Club.

He is survived by his loving partner of 18 years, Mary "Chum" McAuley of Port Hope, and her daughters, Diane (Dave) Reinke and Lynn Schave, his children, Joseph (Elke) Denman of Germany, Julie (John) Gielegem of Marysville, Jill Denman of Port Huron, Jane Harris of Kimball, Jean Ellul of Mio, Dawn (Mike) Scott of Marine City, Troy Robbins of Port Huron, Heather Robbins of Port Huron; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, brothers and sisters.

He was preceded in death by two daughters and several other family members.

Funeral service will take place at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 15, 2010 in the Smith Family Funeral Home – South, 1230 7th Street with the Rev. Louis Bishop of All Faith Fellowship Church in Smiths Creek officiating. A graveside committal service will follow in Woodland Cemetery under the auspices of the St. Clair County Allied Veterans. His grandsons will be pallbearers.

Visitation will be from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made at the discretion of the donor. www.smithfamilyfuneralhome.com.