

Dell, Patrick A.

Patrick A. Dell, 79, of Caseville, passed away Sunday, July 26, 2009 at Genesys Medical Center in Grand Blanc following a long illness.

Pat was born Jan. 27, 1930 in Highland Park, to the late Brian and Stella (Brandimore) Dell. He grew up in Detroit and graduated from Lincoln High School.

In 1950, he moved to Caseville. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, stationed in Germany. On July 20, 1957, he married Barbara Ann Himmel, of Caseville, at St. Roch Church. After leaving the service in 1953, he returned to work as a welder in Owendale, and then was hired as the first employee at Pigeon Manufacturing, retiring in 1989. In 1962, he won a Ford Falcon Wagon in a national car give-away sponsored by Ford. He was a member of the Caseville American Legion.

He enjoyed tinkering and fixing things around the house, fishing, flying remote control planes, and most of all, making people laugh and enjoying the company of his family and friends.

Surviving are his wife, Barbara; children, Tamera (Cliff) Cook, Rick and Brice, all of Caseville. He was preceded in death by his brothers, George and Brian; and sisters, Shirley Wilding and Gay Ann Wilcox.

Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 30, 2009 at St. Roch Catholic Church, Caseville, with Fr. Robert Pare presiding. Burial with military honors will be in St. Roch Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 29, 2009 at the Champagne Funeral Chapel of Caseville. There will be a scripture service at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Memorials may be directed to the family. Condolences may be shared at www.cfcCaseville.com.