

Cieslinski, Eugene R.

Eugene R. Cieslinski, 73, of Caseville, died Wednesday evening, May 30, 2007, at his winter home in Port Charlotte, Florida while under hospice care. He was born January 18, 1934, in Bay City to the late Anthony and Theresa (Musialowski) Cieslinski. On June 2, 1951, he was united in marriage to Joan D. Cichocki at St. Hyacinth Catholic Church, Bay City. Gene lived in the Bay City area and was employed as a maintenance supervisor with General Motors. In 1968, they moved to Caseville with their family. He then started Cieslinski & Sons Trucking in 1975 and retired from General Motors in 1979. Gene operated the trucking business until retiring in 1988. As a couple, they enjoyed traveling the country by motor home and in 1983, they started spending their winters in Florida. Joan passed away on November 23, 1990. Several years later, he met and married Barbara Ann (Musselman) Chiotti on July 18, 1992 in Bay Port. They continued traveling in the motor home he built. Gene spent a lot of his free time hunting, fishing and boating both here and in Florida. Surviving are his wife, Barbara; his children, Diane (Keith) Wiechert, of Caseville, Don (Ruth) Cieslinski, of Bad Axe, Linda Cieslinski, of Caseville, and Dale Cieslinski, of Saginaw; his grandchildren, Kim, James, Carrie, Kelly, Kalie, Nicki, Chris, and a great granddaughter, Emily. Also surviving five stepchildren, Marty (Margaret) Chiotti, of Bullhead City, Arizona, Randy (Beth) Chiotti, of San Diego, California, Ken (Lisa) Chiotti, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Rick Chiotti, of San Diego, California, and Julie Chiotti (Dave), of Owendale; stepgrandchildren, Alexandra, Randal, Rusty, and Dallas; two brothers, Ronald (Debbie) Cieslinski, of Fort Pierce, Florida, and Tom (Rose) Cieslinski, of Houghton Lake; his sister-in-law, Donna Hanson, of Bad Axe, and many nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death were his sister, Delores Sleeper and his brother, John Cieslinski. A funeral mass will be conducted 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 5, 2007, at St. Roch Catholic Church, Caseville. Rev. Fr. Kenneth Yaroch, pastor, will officiate. Friends may call at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Caseville, from 2 to 9 p.m. on Monday and after 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday. Memorials may be given to the Caseville Public Schools or the American Heart Association.