

**Marcel Naert**  
**(June 1, 1917 – February 24, 2011)**

Marcel Naert, 93, of Caseville, died Thursday, Feb. 24, 2011 at Bay Regional Medical Center in Bay City of complications from a recent stroke.

Marcel was born on June 1, 1917 in Detroit to the late Alex and Helen Naert. He graduated from Detroit Wilbur Wright High School. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II as a flight officer.

He was hired onto the Detroit Fire Department in 1941 and retired as Chief in 1977. Having vacationed in Caseville for many years, he moved there permanently in 1981. He was a member of the Detroit Retired Police and Firefighter's Association, Moose, American Legion, AmVets and a proud 35 year member of the Caseville Eagles FOE No. 3690. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends at the Eagles and at his cabin near Rudyard.

Surviving are his twin sons, William (Pamela) of Detroit and Joseph (Korene) of Caseville; daughter-in-law, Alice of Caseville; grandchildren, Michael, David, William, Kelly, Craig and John; and great-grandchildren, Jenna, Michael, Daniel, Katelyn, Jake, Joe and Alex.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lena (nee Trotter); son Michael; brother, Maurice; and sister, Marceline.

A celebration of his life will be at noon on Saturday, June 4, 2011 at the Caseville Eagles, 7017 East Park St. in Caseville, followed by military honors and a luncheon.

Memorials may be made to the Fraternal Order of Eagles Diabetes Research Center.

Champagne Funeral Chapel of Caseville is handling the arrangements. Condolences may be shared at [www.cfcCaseville.com](http://www.cfcCaseville.com).