

Polk, Norbert

Norbert E. Polk, 73, of Kinde passed away Monday, April 1, 2002, at the Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe. He was born on Sept. 18, 1928, in Verona, son of the late Thomas and Clara (Longuski) Polk. He and Johanna Baranski were married on May 6, 1950, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Port Austin. Norbert was a very active member of the Knights of Columbus in Bad Axe where he was a member of the fourth degree color corp as well as a past Grand Knight. He was also a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Port Austin and of the Ubly Fox Hunters. He was an avid hunter and enjoyed playing cards, bingo, and working at the fish fry events at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Norbert also sailed the Great Lakes as a wheelsman for the Columbia shipping line. He is survived by his wife, Johanna; six children, Theodore Polk and his wife, Carol, of Fillion, Theresa Rumsey and her husband, Russ, of Smiths Creek, Anthony Polk and his wife, Barbara, of Akron, Timothy Polk of Ruth, and Tamara Schulze and her husband, Thomas, of Pigeon; eight grandchildren, Garrett and Brenda Polk, Amy Hess, Renee Acree and her husband, Curtis, Dylan Polk, Tonikay Polk, and Michael and Michelle Schulze; one brother, Thomas Polk and his wife, Pat, of Bad Axe; three sisters, Virginia Onufrak and her husband, William, of St. Clair Shores, Velma DeWitt and her husband, Robert, of Arkansas, and Violet Vertin of Clawson; and one sister-in-law, Evelyn Miller and her husband, Al, of Ubly. He was preceded in death by an infant granddaughter; six brothers, Orville, Harvey, Stanley, Alton, Donald and James; and three sisters, Verla, Vivian and Evelyn Ann. Funeral mass will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 4, 2002, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Port Austin. The Rev. Robert Pere' will officiate. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. St. Mary's Men's Club of Parisville will lead a rosary at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Knoblock Funeral Home in Kinde. A joint rosary by the Daughters of Isabella and the Knights of Columbus will be at 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, from 2 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, and from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home.