

Goniwiecha, Richard P.

Richard P. Goniwiecha, 85, of Harbor Beach passed away Saturday, April 18, 2009 at his home under hospice care.

He was born on Jan. 21, 1924 in Detroit to the late John and Catherine (Pyrek) Goniwiecha. He and Jeanette Susalla were united in marriage on Oct. 12, 1946 in Parisville. She preceded him in death on Dec. 18, 2006.

Richard was a retired Sigel Township Farmer. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church of Parisville. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was a life member of the VFW Post #5740 of Parisville where he belonged for nearly 63 years.

He is survived by his children, Tom Goniwiecha and his wife, Nancy, of Harbor Beach, Ann Depcinski and her husband, Albert, of Cass City, Patti O'Neil of Harbor Beach, and Michael Goniwiecha of Bad Axe; eight grandchildren, Dan, Randy (Katie) and Scott (Aimee) Goniwiecha, Andy, Steven and Heather Depcinski, Shawn and Megan O'Neil; two great-grandchildren, Nathan Goniwiecha and Mya Goniwiecha; one brother Ray Goniwiecha of Ruth; and one foster son, Bob Barrie.

Funeral services for Richard will be at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2009 in St. Mary's Catholic Church of Parisville with Fr. Peter Nwokoye officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Visitation for Richard will be from 3 to 9 p.m. Monday in the Ramsey Funeral Home of Harbor Beach. Visitation on Tuesday will begin in the church at 9 a.m. until time of services. A Parish Vigil Service will take place at 4 p.m. on Monday in the funeral home. Military Honors will be given in honor of Richard at the cemetery by the VFW Post of Parisville.