

Roncka, Jack

Jack Roncka, 68, of Bad Axe, died Wednesday, December 29, 2004, at Saginaw St. Mary's Hospital after an eight month battle with cancer. He was born December 4, 1936 in Omaha, Nebraska, son of the late John and Eva (Casper) Roncka. Jack Roncka and Suzanne Cavanaugh were married October 31, 1963 in Detroit. Jack was a parishioner at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Bad Axe, an employee of Thumb Office Supply, a U.S. Navy veteran, and a member and past president of the Bad Axe Lions Club. He loved woodworking, cards, and spending time with his family. Surviving are his wife, Sue; two sons, John and his wife, Cori, of Grandville, and Mike and his wife, Melissa, of Chesterfield Township; two daughters, Kathy Szczesny and her husband, Steve, of Hudsonville, and Jean Gonsalves and her husband, J.J., of Valley Springs, California; 10 grandchildren, Alyssa, Danny, Lynn, Sam, Tylor, Haley, Jacob, Shawn, Sydney, and Paige; and two sisters, Jeanne Grier and her husband, Tom, of Carlsbad, California, and Judy Eisele and her husband, Bob, of Oceanside, California. At Jack's request, cremation has been conducted. Friends may visit with the family from 10 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, January 1, 2005, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Bad Axe, where a Memorial Funeral Mass will be conducted at 11 a.m. The Rev. James Carlson, pastor, will officiate. Private cremation burial services will follow. Arrangements are being directed through the H. W. Weitenberner Funeral Home, Bad Axe. Memorials may be made to the Bad Axe Lions Club.