

Pobanz, Keith W.

Keith W. Pobanz, 70, of Cass City, died unexpectedly Saturday, Jan. 2, 2010 in St. Mary's Medical Center, Saginaw.

He was born Oct. 20, 1939 in Detroit to Clarence and Evelyn (Kalin) Pobanz.

He married Joann Schwartz on June 7, 1958 in St. Agatha Catholic Church, Gagetown.

Keith worked as a car salesman for Chrysler dealerships in Cass City since returning from the service until his retirement. In his retirement he earned his Real Estate license and worked for Kelly & Company Realty. He was a very active member of St. Pancratius Catholic Church where he served as lector. He was also a member of Cass City/Gagetown Knights of Columbus #8892. Keith enjoyed golfing, bowling and playing cards. He and Joann were a member of a card group for over 40 years. Keith truly loved and enjoyed his children and grandchildren. He attended all the sporting and band concerts he was able to. He was a former little league coach for Cass City Little League. Keith loved to travel including trips to Florida, Colorado, Washington, color tour trips and casino trips. They recently returned from an Alaskan cruise they took with their family for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Keith is survived by his wife, Joann; children, Suzanne Pobanz of Bremerton, Wash., Kelly Ann (Kelly) Smith of Cass City, Keith (Laura) Pobanz of Columbus, Vickie (Tim) Sontag of Silverdale, Wash., Ann Heckroth of Cass City, Rick (Joyce) Pobanz of Bremerton, Wash.; special nephews and their families, Dale (Dana) Rabideau of Omaha, Neb., Dean (Tena) Rabideau of Cass City, Dave (Jen) Rabideau of Snover, Darin (Patricia) Rabideau of Morganton, Ga.; grandchildren, Nicholas, Jacob, Joshua, Alexandria, Emily, Stephanie, Marie, Cole; special great-nieces and great-nephews, Delores, Ashleigh, Leah, Dean (D.J.), Isabella, Hannah, Elsa, Bryan and Shiloh; brother, Kenneth (Rita) Pobanz of Mainesville, Ohio; sisters, Marjorie Baker of Caldonia, Kathleen (Tom) Wojciechowski of Troy; many nieces and nephews; sisters and brothers-in-law, Mary Jane (Ken) Pincoski of Manton, Janet (Derald) Caister of Elkton.

He was preceded in death by his parents; grandson, Christopher Heckroth; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Jacob and Genevieve Schwartz; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Delores and Dale Rabideau.

Funeral service conducted at 3:15 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2010 in St. Pancratius Catholic Church with the Rev. Donald Eppenbrock and Sr. Maria Dina Puddu MC officiating. Pallbearers for Mr. Pobanz: Dale Rabideau, Dean Rabideau, Dean (DJ) Rabideau, Dave Rabideau, Darin Rabideau, Kelly Smith, Tim Sontag, Nicholas Smith, Jacob Sontag and Joshua Sontag. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Kranz Funeral Home in Cass City and from 2 to 3:15 p.m. on Wednesday at the church. K of C Rosary will be at 6:30 p.m. and Vigil service 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday in the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to St. Pancratius Catholic Church. Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.