

John J. Misico

(January 5, 1916 - October 28, 2012)

Mr. John J. Misico, 96 of Ubly, passed away Sunday, October 28, 2012 at his residence under hospice care.

John was born on January 5, 1916 in Detroit to the late Jack and Barbara (Korobko) Misico. He married Lila Shevchenko on September 3, 1938 at Immanuel Lutheran Church of Sebewaing. She preceded him in death on September 14, 1997.

John's true passion was art. He enjoyed it in every aspect of his life and wanted to be known for his art and inventions. He created the Forever Soaring Sculpture including the tables, benches and landscaping surrounding it. He also enjoyed oil painting and sketch drawings. John loved to invent things. He held three patents for the Bean Knife Enhancement, the Peanut Harvesting Fingers and the Dry Bean Direct Harvesting System, which he invented in 2008. He was a previous owner of Ubly Welding and Machine Shop and the Ubly Bean Knife Manufacturing and Peanut Blade Inc. in Manistee. John was a past member of the Masonic Lodge in Cass City and a past member of the Eastern Star, being names Worthy Patron several times. He was a member of the Ubly Lions Club earlier in life. He loved ice fishing and made and instructed how to hand hammer to make Russian ice fishing hooks.

John is survived by one son, John Edward (Lois) Misico of Manistee; two daughters, Leila Korotounov of Ubly, Marie (Robert) Stoeckley of Eureka, Montana; one daughter-in-law, Wanita Misico of Tampa, Fla., one brother-in-law, Richard Shevchenko of Saginaw; 10 grandchildren, Joseph F. Misico of Alhambra, CA, Darryl S. Misico of Millageville, Georgia, Scott Misico of Georgia, Phillip (Sally) Abbot of Minneapolis, MN, MacKenzie Stoeckley of Eureka, Montana, Shari Hellman of East Lake, MI, Wendy Ruth Staffeld of Manistee, L. Chantrelle Stoeckley of Seattle, Alyssa Stoeckley of Cleveland, Tenn.; 13 great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one son Phillip, one sister, Mary Thompson and two brothers, Michael and Alex Misico.

The funeral service will be 12 noon, Thursday, November 1 at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Chapel in Ubly. Rev. Pam Barnett, pastor of the Ubly United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in the New Bay Port Cemetery.

Visitation will be at the funeral home on Wednesday from 3-9 pm and Thursday from 11am until the service at 12 noon. There will be a Masonic service Wednesday evening at the funeral home at 7 pm by the Verona Huron Masonic Lodge #365 F & AM.

Memorials have been requested to John's inspiration, Forever Soaring, Inc. either at the funeral home or mail to, Forever Soaring Inc., P.O. Box 201, Ubly, MI 48475.