Rozek, Joseph M.

Joseph M. Rozek, 82, of Sand Point died Tuesday, June 9, 2009 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Howell.

He was born July 10, 1926, in Detroit to the late George and Agnes (Albiniak) Rozek. Joe entered the U.S. Army during World War II and served with the 44th Infantry Division through out the European Theater, receiving a Purple Heart and Bronze Star.

Upon returning to Detroit in 1947, Joe joined the Detroit Police Department serving on the Mounted Division and later as a detective. While with the police department, Joe was taking law classes in the evening.

On June 18, 1954, he was united in marriage to Beverly A. White at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Dearborn. They made their home and raised their family in Detroit and later moved to Livonia.

In 1963, he received his law degree from the University of Detroit. That year, he began his law career with General Motors retiring in 1980, and in 1991, he and Bev moved to Sand Point. He was a member of St. Roch Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus 4th Degree, Caseville Eagles, Caseville American Legion and the American Bar Association.

Joe loved the water along the Point, he was able to go boating and fishing when ever he got the urge. He also loved sports, especially watching his grandchildren play hockey. He was an avid reader and enjoyed visiting with family and friends.

Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Beverly; three sons, Scott (Laurie) of Livonia, Rob (Kathy) of Commerce Township, and Bill (Lisa) of Brighton; seven grandchildren, Danny, Julie, Katie, Joey, Michael, Sarah and Jessica Rozek and two sisters, May Hudson of Chesterfield Township and Joanne Matusz of Mount Clemens.

Funeral Mass will take place at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 13, 2009 at St. Roch Catholic Church, Caseville.

Burial and military honors by the Caseville American Legion will be at St. Roch Cemetery. An Eagles ritual will be conducted at 6 p.m. and a K of C rosary at 7:30 p.m. on Friday at the Champagne Funeral Chapel of Caseville where friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. on Friday. Memorial may be directed to St. Roch Building Fund.

Words of condolence may be shared at <u>www.cfcCaseville.com</u>.