

### **Essenmacher, Lloyd K.**

Lloyd K. Essenmacher, 81, of Harbor Beach passed away Monday, March 9, 2009 peacefully at his home with family at his side while under the care of hospice.

He was born Nov. 23, 1927 in Harbor Beach to the late Joseph and Virginia (Warner) Essenmacher.

Lloyd and Marilyn Booms were united in marriage June 20, 1953 at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Helena.

Lloyd was a Sergeant in the U.S. Army, serving as a paratrooper in the Eleventh Airborne Division at the end of World War II and in the occupation of Japan. Following his military service, he completed electronics school, ran a successful television business, and completed his career at Sears through retirement.

Lloyd loved animals and nature and thoroughly enjoyed spending time in the woods. He was very active in sports, and was always up for a game with his kids or in the community. He was an avid card player, with euchre and pedro often being played around the home. Lloyd was a member of Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church of Harbor Beach.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn, after 55 years of marriage; 11 children, Thomas (Charlet) Essenmacher of Los Lunas, N.M., Douglas (Vickie) Essenmacher of Cadillac, Audrey (Steve) Schock of Calgary, Canada, Karen (Mark) Sfara of Youngstown, Ohio, Duane (Chantella) Essenmacher of Katy, Texas, Dale Essenmacher of Augusta, Kan., Neal (Pauline) Essenmacher of Harbor Beach, Timothy (Courtney) Essenmacher of Lathrup Village, Joseph (Tami) Essenmacher of Shelby Township, Renae (David) Paulson of Webster, Wis., Kevin Essenmacher and friend, Jamie, of Lansing; 34 grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one brother, Richard (Anna) Essenmacher of Bad Axe.

Lloyd was preceded in death by his brothers, Earl, George, Maurice, Donald, and Warner.

Funeral Mass will be conducted at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, March 12, 2009 at Our Lady of Lake Huron Church in Harbor Beach. The Rev. Donald Eppenbrock, pastor, will preside. Burial will be in the church cemetery. A parish vigil service will be at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Ramsey Funeral Home in Harbor Beach.

Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and from 10 to 11 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home.