



Francis E. Stanchina

May 9, 1921 - March 10, 2011

FRANCIS STANCHINA NORWAY- Francis Everett Stanchina, age 89 of Norway, died Thursday, March 10, 2011 at Dickinson Co. Memorial Hospital in Iron Mountain, MI. He was born on May 9, 1921 in Loretto, the son of the late Emil and Lina (Richards) Stanchina. Francis served his country in the U.S. Army during World War II, as a corporal in the Military Police Tank Division. He married Elizabeth Moraska on February 23, 1952 at St. Barbara's Church in Vulcan. He worked as a sales man for 50 plus years, served as a part-time deputy for the Sherriff Department, Norway Township constable and prior member of the Mounted Horse Patrol. Francis enjoyed his camp, hunting and fishing, spending time with his family, his horses and dogs, going on casino trips with his numerous friends, especially Ray and Sandy Pouilot, Pat and Nancy Hohol and Michelle and Donna Winters. Francis is survived by his loving wife of 59 years Elizabeth Anne Stanchina; daughters Glory (Tim) Augustine, Mary (Mike) Opolka and Tina (Al) Bjorkman; grandchildren Jodi Skoglund, Angela (Paul) Vivio, Luke (Jenifer) Mott, Kristy Opolka and Michael Opolka; step-grandchildren Candace Rogers and Dustin Bjorkman; great grandchildren Anthony and Makayla Vivio, Tyler Gayan, Kody and Riley Hendricks; sister Clarice "Dolly" Orlor; many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his granddaughter Nicole Skoglund; brothers Edward and Junior Stanchina; and sisters Bernice Morin and Elaine Rokotz. Please help our family to keep our fathers memory alive and rejoice in the loving and gentle way the Lord took him home to dwell with him in heaven for all eternity.

Private family services will be held. Interment will be at the Norway Township Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear of Franny's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with your whole family. give Lizzie a hug for me. God be with you all.

Debby Sullivan - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I just read of your loss, I'm so sorry to hear of this. May you take comfort in the memories you shared over the years. Words never seem enough at a time like this. My sincere sympathy.

Missy (Dierkens) Spade - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Heather & Art Plemel - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Sandy & Greg Hendricks - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM