



Joseph Herman

September 26, 1916 - May 26, 2008

JOSEPH HERMAN IRON MOUNTAIN - Joseph George Herman of Iron Mountain, passed away May 26, 2008 at his home. Joe was born in Norway, on September 26, 1916, the son of the late Charles and Emily (Geldmeyer) Herman. He grew up on the family farm that was located on west side of Section St at Stadium Rd. Joe attended the Vulcan and Norway schools. Even though they were both born in the Norway Penn Hospital, Joe did not meet his wife, Genola Cretton of Niagara Wisconsin, until after they had both moved to Chicago, IL where mutual friends from back home introduced them. They were married on May 10, 1941. Erwin Massa of Norway MI was Joe's best man. Joseph served his country in the U.S. Navy as a gunnery instructor during WWII stationed at two locations in Florida including Pensacola. He was a member of the American Legion since 1948, first with the Ardennes Post of Chicago IL and then Hall-DeWinter Post #145, in Norway, who presented Joe with a certificate for 60 years of continuous membership. Joe held various offices and received the Gold lifetime membership card. He was a member of the Belgian-American Club of Chicago, IL, where he held various offices and for many years was the Bulletin Editor (their newsletter). Joe was also a member of Janitor's Union Local # 1 of Chicago, IL. Joseph and his wife lived in Evanston, Illinois for 30 years where he was a Janitor for several residential buildings simultaneously. Joe enjoyed fishing, bowling, golfing, refurbishing old clocks, making new clocks and birdhouses, and woodworking. He loved and cherished his grandchildren and great-grandchildren very much. He is

survived by his wife Genola (Cretton) Herman; children Karen Jo Herman of Iron Mountain; Barbara and Jim Mulka of Mundelien, IL/Sanibel Is, FL; three grandchildren John Allen (Trish) Herman of Sanibel Is, FL, Tina (Sean) Fenniman of Stuart, FL, and Wally Mulka (Becky) of Sanibel Is, FL; six great grandchildren Kaitlyn, Kylie Noel Herman, Grace, Isabelle and Arabelle Fenniman, and Audrey Mulka. Joseph was preceded in death by his parents Charles and Emilee Herman (Heirman), his brothers: Edward (Louise Cheli) Herman, Alfonse (Eleanor Kozlowski) Heirman, Henry Herman; sisters: Annie (Carl) Bjorkman, Martha Herman, Margaret; and a son Allan Joseph Herman. Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 29 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Miner-Ortman Funeral Home in Norway. Prayers will be held on Friday, May 30 at 10:30 a.m. at the Miner-Ortman Funeral Home. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday at 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Church in Norway, with Fr. James Roetzer, presiding. Interment will follow at the Norway Township Cemetery.

Tribute Wall



“ *Just heard of Uncle Joe's passing Saturday So sorry for your lost.
Know your in my thoughts. Love Doreen*

Doreen LaRoche - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM