Bernard John Zatarga, age 87, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, July 6, 2016 at Meadowlark Retirement Village in Sparta. Bernard was born, raised and built a home on Nelson Street in Manistee. He spent his working years as a Tool and Die Maker, he was a life member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee. He was on the Filer City Fire Department for 25 years. He was preceded in death by his son, Ron; infant daughter, Joyce; three sisters and two brothers. He is survived by his daughter, Linda Gogocha; grandchildren, Chelsey Gogocha, Heather and Steven Thrash, Christopher and Ashley Zatarga; brother, Richard Zatarga; several nieces and nephews. As Bernard had wished cremation has taken place and no services are being planned at this time. Inurnment of cremains in Mount Carmel Catholic Cemetery will be held later this summer. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to The Filer City Volunteer Fire Department, Filer Township, 2505 Filer City Road, Manistee, MI 49660. Services by Hessel-Cheslek Funeral Home, 88 E. Division St. Sparta, MI 49345