



David Joseph Bladzick, age 92 of Manistee, died Thursday December 11, 2014 at West Shore Medical Center.

He was born December 3, 1922 in the Manistee the son of the late Joseph and Sallie (Bartoszek) Bladzick. He graduated from Manistee High School in 1941 and married Marian Mack on November 8, 1941 at St. Joseph Catholic Church. He served in the U.S. Navy from April 29, 1944 to January 25, 1946 where he was awarded a Purple Heart in the Pacific Theatre during World War II. He was employed as a machinist at Excella in Manistee for 44 years.

Dave played baseball with the Manistee Saints for 20 years, golfed at the Manistee Golf and Country Club for 40 years, enjoyed bowling, and was an avid deer hunter. He also was an avid fan of Detroit Sports Teams and Michigan Collegiate Teams. He was inducted in the Manistee Saints Hall of Fame and the Manistee Bowling Hall of Fame. He was a life-member of VFW Walsh Post # 4499, Manistee Eagles Aeries # 1765, and the Catholic Community of Manistee.

He is survived by his wife of 73 years, Marion Bladzick; three sons, Allen Bladzick and Darwin (Patricia) Bladzick both of Manistee, Michael (Amy) Bladzick of Ionia; nine grandchildren, Jeffrey Bladzick of Manistee, Kelly (James) Zoltowski of Northville, Matthew (Nicole) Bladzick of Milford, Michael Bladzick of Ionia, Nicole (Bryant) Bradley Claycomb of Ionia, Eric Bladzick of Manistee, Duane (Debra) Stendel, Kevin Stendel and Terry (Shawn) Smith; 14 great-grandchildren, Allison & Jordan Bladzick, Andrew, Alex & Aiden Zoltowski, Camryn and Mila Bladzick, Kristal Bladzick, Heather & Nicole Stendel, Curtis Stendel, Amanda (David) Shears, Derek & Preston Blehm; three great-great-grandchildren; two brothers, Joe (Elaine) Bladzick of East Lake, Dale Bladzick of Manistee; three sisters, Jean Schrader, Ruth Niemerowicz and Harriet (Kenneth) Sielski all of Manistee.

He was also preceded in death by his daughter, Judith Stendel; daughter-in-law, Patricia Bladzick; and brother, Dennis Bladzick.

Cremation has taken place and a Memorial Mass from the Order of Christian Funerals will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Father John McCracken, celebrant. Final interment will be in Mount Carmel Cemetery. Military honors will be conducted by the Manistee United Veterans' Council Ritual Team following the service. The family will receive friends at the church from 10:00 a.m. until time of service.

Memorial contributions in Dave's name may be directed Manistee Catholic Central Schools. Please visit his personal page of memories at [www.oakgrovefh.com](http://www.oakgrovefh.com) to share a photo or memory with his family.

The family has entrusted funeral arrangements to Oak Grove Funeral Home & Cremation Center in Manistee.