Edwin J. Gajeski, age 79 of Freesoil, Michigan died Friday morning, May 18, 2012 at the Manistee County Medical Care Facility in Manistee.

He was born on February 8, 1933 in Chicago Illinois, son of the late Michael & Theresa (Pepera). Edwin married Marilyn O'Handley in 1957 in Manistee, MI. She preceded him in death on August 22, 2011.

Ed was a graduate of Freesoil High School. He served our country as a member of the United States Army during the Korean Conflict. He was employed with the Excello Corporation until its closing and later as a general contractor. He was a member of St Mary of Mount Carmel Shrine Church of Manistee.

He is survived by two daughters & one son-in-law: Priscilla & Victor Pipars of White Bear Lake, MN and Christine Gajeski and Desi Longcore of White Pigeon, MI, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren; 3 brothers: Jim (Ruth) Gajeski, Phillip (Jenny) Gajeski & Joe (Deb) Gajeski; 4 sisters: Theresa (the late Bob) Jacobson, Gertrude Grycki, Dorothy (the late John) Rhodea and Mary Rood, one sister-in-law: Sue (the late Tom) Lindeman of Stronach, MI. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive him.

In addition to his parents and wife Marilyn, he was preceded in death by 1 sister, Bernadette Hoadley and 1 bother, Norbert Gajeski.

According to his wishes, cremation has taken place and a Memorial Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 22, 2012 at the Manistee County Medical Care Facility with Reverend Sylvestre Obwaka celebrant.

The Herbert Funeral Home of Manistee is in charge of funeral arrangements.