

Edward W. Gorch, age 82, a long time citizen of Manistee, was called to be with the Lord on Sunday, May 23, 2010 at Texhoma Christian Care Center in Wichita Falls, Texas.

He was born on January 10, 1928 in Manistee, Michigan to the late Victor and Stella (Wenzel) Gorch. He worked various jobs until he was of age to join the United States Air Force, proudly serving our country for 22 years. He was a member of the American Legion, V.F.W., D.A.V. and the Moose Lodge. He also bartended and participated in many activities with the American Legion Post # 10 for 20 years.

Edward is survived by his daughter, Edwinna & Patrick Gilbert, two grandchildren, Patrick Gilbert Jr. and Kayla Gilbert, all of Burkburnett, TX; Brother Frank Gorch C.S.C. of Notre Dame, Indiana; one niece; Debi & Lee Yates of Traverse City, Michigan; one nephew, George & Chris Goodrich of Manistee, Michigan. Numerous cousins also survive him.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers Raymond and Harry; and two sisters Elizabeth (Betty) Gorch and Josephine Goodrich.

Cremation has taken place and a Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, June 1, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. at Guardian Angels Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend Joe Muszkiewicz Celebrant. Burial will follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery in Manistee where Graveside Military Services will be conducted by the V.F.W. Walsh Post # 4499 Ritual Squad. The family will receive friends at the church on Tuesday morning one hour prior to the Mass.

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