

Kenneth Richard Holm, age 69 of Manistee, MI died Monday, January 28, 2013 unexpectedly at his home.

He was born on September 16, 1943 in Manistee, Michigan son of the late Kenneth G. and Joan (Janowiak) Holm. He attended Guardian Angels School thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade and went on to graduate from Manistee High School with the class of 1961. On May 20, 1966 he married Marilyn J. Richwalski at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee. Ken was employed with the Manistee County Savings Bank from 1962 to 1965 and then with the Morton Chemical Company as a Lab Technician from 1965 thru 2001. He was a member of Guardian Angels Catholic Church, the National Rifle Association, the Manistee Clan Muzzleloaders as well as the Manistee County Historical Society.

Ken loved all animals and pets that he ever had, from the fish, mice, hamsters, gerbils, duck and his dogs. He would even take a bug outside rather than crush it.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn Holm of Manistee, MI, a daughter & son-in-law: Natalie J. & Douglas LaVerdiere of Rockford, MI, his grandchildren, David J. LaVerdiere and Jonathan D. LaVerdiere both of Rockford, MI, his sisters in-law & brothers-in law, Elaine and Donald Forbeck of Great Falls, Montana, Audrey and Gerald Boyson of Lansing, MI and E. Robert Richwalski of Scottville, MI and his uncle, Roger (Ellen) Holm of Manistee, MI. Cousins, nieces and nephews also survive him, as well as his pet beagle "Chessy".

According to Ken's wishes, cremation has taken place and funeral services will be held at 12:00 noon on Saturday, February 2, 2013 at the Herbert Funeral Home in Manistee with Reverend John McCracken Officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery also in Manistee.

The family will be at the funeral home on Saturday at 10:30 a.m. up until time of services to receive friends.

Memorials will be established in Ken's name for Guardian Angels Catholic Church and for the Homeward Bound Animal Shelter. Envelopes are available at the funeral home.

Ken is finally free of pain after battling a lifelong illness with Crohn's Disease.

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