Ronald John Patulski, age 60, of Muskegon, Michigan, formerly of Manistee, MI died Wednesday morning, April 18, 2012, at Sanctuary at the Shore in Grand Haven, Michigan.

He was born March 19, 1952 in Manistee, Michigan, son of Eleanore B. (Majchrzak) Patulski and the late John J. Patulski. Ron was an honor student and a graduate of Manistee High School. He then attended Alma College where he received a dual bachelor's degree in mathematics and languages and also a teaching certificate. While attending Alma College, Ron spent some time abroad as a foreign exchange student in France and also enjoyed being active in community theatre. After college Ron was a self-employed contractor residing in Wisconsin. He spent time thoughout the years also employed by various organizations, most recently with Johnsonville Sausage Company and the Amway Corporation. Ron spent a lot of his time reaching out to those in need. He was willing to help anyone struggling, from the homeless to recovering alcoholics to providing rides and meals for those in need. Ron had a heart of gold and was always willing to drop everything if he could lend assistance.

Ronald is survived by his mother Eleanore Patulski of Cypress, TX and Manistee, MI; 4 brothers and sisters-in-law: Jerome & Carolyn Patulski and Floyd & Sandy Patulski of Manistee; Robert & Elizabeth Patulski of Freesoil, MI; Gary & Christine Patulski of Cypress TX; 1sister and brother-in-law: Judy & Michael Carl of Spring Lake, MI. Numerous nieces and nephews; special cousins of the Willard family, along with his best friend, his dog "Sunny" also survive him.

Ronald's father John preceded him in death on August 18, 1971.

Mass from The Order of Christian Funerals will be held at 12 noon on Monday, April 23, 2012 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend John McCracken celebrant. Burial will follow at Mt Carmel Cemetery also in Manistee. Family will be at the church one hour prior to the time of the Funeral Mass to receive friends.

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