**Jerome J. Steinberg,** age 77 of Manistee, Michigan died unexpectedly Thursday, November 17, 2011 at West Shore Medical Center in Manistee.

He was born on June 28, 1934 in Manistee, Michigan son of the late Harry & Pearl (Boxell) Steinberg. He was a graduate of Manistee High School with the class of 1953. He served in the U.S. Navy for one enlistment, shortly after the Korean War. Jerome married Deanna L. Taylor on October 21, 1961 at St. Jean's Catholic Church in Muskegon, Michigan. They just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this past October.

He was employed for over 33 years at Akzo Salt Company in Manistee until his retirement. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening, cutting wood and anything that involved the outdoors. He was an avid bird watcher and did a lot of camping during his lifetime. He was a member of Guardian Angels Catholic Church of Manistee.

He is survived by his wife: Deanna L. Steinberg of Manistee, MI, his sister & brother-inlaw: Connie & Larry Hindman of Scottville, MI. Numerous nieces, nephews and his faithful companion Hope also survive him.

Mass from The Order of Christian Funerals will be celebrated Tuesday, November 22, 2011 at 11:00 AM at Guardian Angels Catholic Church in Manistee, with Reverend John McCracken celebrant. Cremation will follow the mass with final internment taking place at Mount Carmel Cemetery.

Relatives and friends will pray the Evening Vigil Service on Monday evening November 21, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Herbert Funeral Home in Manistee, where friends may begin calling at the funeral home, on Monday evening after 6:00 PM. The family will be at the funeral home on Monday from 6:00 to 8:00 PM to receive friends.

The family will also meet at the funeral home on Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. to receive friends up until time of procession to the church for the funeral mass.

A memorial has been established in Jerome's name for the Salvation Army. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

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