

**John Joseph Wisneski “Big John”** age 91 passed away Wednesday, December 29, 2010 at the Manistee County Medical Care Facility after a long illness.

He was born on July 10, 1919 in Filer City, Michigan son of the late Joseph & Blanche (Olejniczak) Wisneski. On July 25, 1939 he married Genevieve Miller at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee, she survives him. John served as a Corporal in Company B, 335<sup>th</sup> Regiment, 84<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division of the United States Army during WWII from August 15, 1944 until May 1 1946. John was employed with Manistee Welding Company as a supervisor most of his life, retiring in 1981.

John is survived by his wife of 71 years, Genevieve Wisneski of Manistee, MI, his children, Carol (Harry) Conway and Darrell (Sue) Wisneski all of Manistee, MI, his sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Alice & William Stapleton of Fremont, MI and his sister-in-law, Grace Wisniski of Manistee, MI, his grandchildren, Cindy (Glen) Steinberg, Cheryl Besemer, D.J. Wisneski and Merrlene Wisneski, four great grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren. Several nieces and nephews also survive him.

He was preceded in death by his sister & brother-in-law, Lucille & Floyd Anderson, his brothers & sister-in-law, James “Slug” Wisniski, and Joseph and Phyllis Wisniski, his brothers in-law and sisters in-law, Clarence & Doris Miller and John & Rita Miller.

Mass from The Order of Christian funerals will be celebrated Monday, January 3, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend Sylvestre Obwaka celebrant. Burial will follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery in Manistee where graveside military honors will be conducted by the members of the V.F.W. Walsh Post #4499 Ritual Squad.

The family will be present at the church on Monday morning to receive friends one hour prior to the funeral mass.

Memorials have been established in John’s name for St. Joseph Catholic Church or Manistee Catholic Central Schools. Envelopes will be available at the church.

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