

Carl James Nowak, age 79 of Manistee, passed away at home on September 20, 2017. He was born February 3, 1938 in Manistee, Michigan, son of Casmir and Lillian (Wilkosz) Nowak. He was a graduate of Saint Joseph Catholic High School Class of 1956.

He honorably served on Active duty in the United States Army. He also sailed on the Great Lakes on the Ship S.S. Cornell. He was employed at the Morton Salt Company in Manistee for over 41 years.

Carl enjoyed being in the outdoors and tending his garden. He was an avid sports fan of basketball and soccer in the sports his granddaughters played. He was a former member of the Saint Joseph Civic Club and Eagles Club, and bowled in the Eagles bowling league.

He married Patricia L. Schimke at Saint Joseph Catholic Church. He is survived by his wife Patricia, son Robert L. (Jill) Nowak of Manistee, granddaughters Ashley (Brody Jackson) Nowak of Akron, Ohio; Chelsey (Chris) Peplinski of Bellaire, Michigan; Brother Frank (Delores) Novak of Manistee; Sister Lucille Bronkema of Grand Rapids and one brother in-law Rick Schimke of Manistee and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents Casmir and Lillian, in-laws Selma (Mattson) and Arthur Schimke; sister-in-laws and brothers-in-law Darlene and Lyle Cunningham, Barbara Kott, Darwin Schimke and Wayne Schimke.

Cremation has taken place and funeral services will be held on Monday, September 25, 2017 at the Herbert Funeral Home in Manistee at 11:00 AM with Reverend Pablo Martinez officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery also in Manistee.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Monday morning one hour prior to Carl's funeral service.

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