

Jerome P. Niemiec, age 94 of Victory, Michigan, died Monday, February 5, 2018 at the Oakview Medical Care Facility in Ludington, Michigan.

He was born on June 29, 1923 in Free Soil, Michigan and was the son of the late James and Mary (Jagielska) Niemiec. He served in the United States Army Air Force with the 773rd. Bombers Squadron, 463rd. Bombers Group during World War II from June 16, 1943 until November 5, 1945. Jerome married Phyllis Cabot on October 25, 1947 at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee. She preceded him in death on October 24, 1994.

Jerome and Phyllis owned and operated the Salty Dog Tavern in Manistee, retiring in 1970. After Jerome retired from the tavern he was seasonably employed at the Manistee Golf and Country Club. Jerome and Phyllis loved to dance, especially the polka. One of his favorite past times was fishing on Lake Michigan in his boat.

He is survived by two brothers; Henry Niemiec of Ludington and Edwin Niemiec of Manistee and by his sister Emily Froehlich of Lakewood, CA. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive him.

He was preceded in death by his wife Phyllis, two sisters Eleanor Forbes and Vicky Sanborn, and by two brothers Bronzil and Raymond Niemiec.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday, March 15, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend Larry Sergott celebrant. The family will receive friends at the church on Thursday morning, one hour prior to the funeral mass at 11:00 AM. Burial of Jerome's cremated remains will take place at Mount Carmel Cemetery in Manistee, in the early summer of 2018. Immediately following Mass on Thursday, a luncheon will be held for family and friends at the Saint Joseph Parish Center also in Manistee.

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