



On Thursday, February 7, 2019, in Manistee, Richard (Dick) Kamaloski, age 90, peacefully passed away at home with his wife Pat, and their dog Abby, by his side.

Richard was born in Muskegon on April 9, 1928, to the late Peter and Irene Kamaloski. On September 10, 1955, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee, he married Patricia Adamski, and remained happily married for 63 years.

He worked for the Corps of Engineers, before and after proudly serving in the U.S. Army 45th Infantry Division during the Korean War, from October 13, 1950 until October 2, 1952.

He was well known as a dedicated and friendly United States Postal Service carrier throughout Manistee County, and was easily recognized by his license plate which read US MALE. He also worked evenings at Consumers Gas Company and often his children would enjoy taking turns working alongside him.

His hobbies included collecting coins, postage stamps, and beach glass and Petoskey stones as he enjoyed walks along the Lake Michigan shoreline. He was a member of Divine Mercy Parish of Manistee (St. Joseph Catholic Church) where he was a past Eucharistic Minister, and also a member of the Monsignor J. M. Steffes Council No. 853, Knights of Columbus of Manistee.

Dick was a loving husband, a proud father and grandfather who was ever encouraging, and whose kindness and gentleness will be forever remembered. He was blessed with six children: Ann (David) Gielczyk, Michael (Nan) Kamaloski, Jean (Bill) Knowles, Kathy Kamaloski, Karen (Oscar) Carlson, David (Wendy) Kamaloski; 16 grandchildren, one to which he was a father-figure for nine years; and five great grandchildren. In addition to his children, he leaves behind his sister, Arlene Brown, Shirley (Lane) Anderson, and sisters-in-law Betty Kamaloski, Joan (Jerry) Turbyville, Judy (Bob) Krueger, Lorraine Adamski, numerous nieces and nephews, and many close friends.

Over the past 25 years, one never knew who they might find staying at their house as Dick and Pat hosted many international students and missionaries. As Dick's health declined, he enjoyed a special bond with his most recent exchange students Dana Sturm (Germany), and Ethan Cheval (France), and they with him.

He was preceded in death by his parents Peter and Irene Kamaloski, and in-laws Michael and Tracy Adamski, his brothers Theodore (Peanuts) Kamaloski and Ronald Kamaloski, his sister Gloria Brown, his brothers-in-law Ralph Adamski and Frank Witucki, sister-in-law Dorothy Witucki, nephew Richard Kamaloski, and grandson Andrew Gielczyk.

Funeral services are scheduled for Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee. Visitation will be held beginning at 10:30 a.m., followed by Mass of Christian Burial at 11:30 a.m., with Rev. Zeljko Guberovic celebrant. Burial will follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery, where graveside military honors will be given by the Manistee County United Veterans Council Ritual Squad. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to Divine Mercy Parish, Right to Life of Manistee County or Manistee County Foundation - Top Ten Endowment Fund.

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