



Joseph David Polcyn, age 95 of Manistee, Michigan, died Sunday morning, November 28, 2021 at the Maples Benzie County Medical Care Facility in Frankfort, Michigan.

He was born on January 27, 1926 in Manistee, Michigan son of the late John and Victoria (Kowalczyk) Polcyn. Joe served in the United States Army during World War II from April 25, 1944 until April 20, 1946. He married Hazel Marie Merkey on May 3, 1947 in Manistee, Michigan. Hazel preceded Joe in death on October 23, 2018 after 71 years of marriage together. Joe began his working career as a union pipefitter with Manistee Welding, and then did plumbing with Radtke Plumbing in Manistee, before starting his own business Polcyn Plumbing and Heating, in June of 1961, as a master plumber and heating contractor, until his retirement in 1991. After his retirement Joe worked with his son Richard, who took over the business in 1991.

He was a member of Divine Mercy Parish of Manistee (St. Joseph Catholic Church). He was a strong supporter of Manistee Catholic Central Schools, having been involved with the building of Saber Stadium and working on the chain gang for all home football games, and drove the school bus for many sporting events and class trips. He was inducted into the MCC Hall of Fame in 1998. Joe was also a former member of the St. Joseph Civic Club, where he held several different offices, and the B.P.O. Elks Lodge #250 of Manistee. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed sports as some of his favorite past times.

He is survived by his children: Judy (Richard) Niesen of Portage, MI, Lynn (Arden) Bradford of Bear Lake, MI, Richard (Julie) Polcyn and Ronald (Terri) Polcyn all of Manistee, MI, his son-in-law Michael Bjorkquist of Stronach, MI, 18 grandchildren, 51 great grandchildren and six great-great grandchildren. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive him.

Joe was preceded in death by his wife Hazel, his daughter Mary Jo Bjorkquist, his sisters and brother's-in-law: Bernadine and George Keson Sr., and Jeanette and Ralph Wojciechowski; his brothers and sister's-in-law: Donald and Lorraine Polcyn, Edward and Doris Polcyn, Anthony and Barbara Polcyn, John and June Polcyn and Floyd and Bonnie Polcyn.

A private memorial service will be held in the spring of 2022.

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