



John Harry Jeruzal, age 73 of Scottville, Michigan, died Tuesday morning, September 12, 2023 at his home with his family at his side. He was born on March 23, 1950 in Manistee, Michigan, son of the late Harry and Eva (Edmondson) Jeruzal. John was a graduate of Manistee Catholic Central with the class of 1968. He married Joyce Ann Shimnoski on May 2, 1970 in Manistee, Michigan at St. Mary of Mount Carmel Shrine.

John served as a Tank Commander in the Michigan National Guard for a term of six years. He began his working career on his aunt and uncle's farm at the young age of 12. As a teenager he worked at his dad's gas station Mackin Service Station in downtown Manistee. He often spoke fondly of those days he worked alongside his father. Also as a youth, John worked at Wahr Hardware where he was able to earn enough money to purchase a Christmas present for each member of his family – a proud memory he held onto for his entire life. After high school John was employed at Packaging Corporation of America, Fuelgas, Shell Oil, Dial A Ride and ultimately retiring as the Operations Manager at Cal-Chlor of Ludington in March 2015.

He enjoyed spending time with his family, loved fishing and hunting, playing golf, camping, and taking care of his lawn. He was a member of the Catholic War Veterans, St. Mary of Mount Carmel Men's Group and the Friends of Ludington State Park.

He is survived by his wife Joyce A. Jeruzal, of over 53 years, three sons and daughters- in-law, Nathan (Lesley Solowczuk) Jeruzal of Byron Center MI, Andrew (Sena Riley) Jeruzal of Eau Claire, WI, and Jeremy (Laura Sullivan) Jeruzal of Whitmore Lake, MI, eight grandchildren, four sisters and brothers in-law, Kathy and Raymond Swidorski and Mary and Dennis Krusniak all of Manistee, MI, Eva and Jeff Rose of Traverse City, MI, and Deona and Steve Paine of Thompsonville, MI, his brother and sister-in-law, Michael and Linda Jeruzal of Onekama, MI, and his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Scotty and Barbara Shimnoski of Traverse City, MI. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive him.

John was preceded in death by his parents, Harry and Eva (Edmondson) Jeruzal, his father in-law and mother in-law, E. Michael and Mildred (Hall) Shimnoski, his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Philip and Mary Shimnoski and his brother-in-law, David Shimnoski, two nieces, Holly Shimnoski and Patti Hubbard, and his child and grandchildren who were angels born silent.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Saturday, September 23, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at Saint Simon Catholic Church, 702 East Bryant Road, Ludington, Michigan with Reverend Wayne Wheeler celebrant. The family will receive friends at the church on Saturday afternoon, one hour prior to the funeral mass. A funeral luncheon and time of fellowship, for family and friends will follow the mass, at the Victory Township Hall.

In Lieu of flowers, those wishing to remember John are asked to consider a donation in his name to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation or to the Friends of Ludington State Park. Envelopes will be available at the church on Saturday afternoon.

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