



Harlan Laverne Kott, age 88 of Manistee, Michigan, died on Sunday, September 17, 2023 unexpectedly in Manistee, Michigan.

He was born on June 10, 1935 in Manistee Township, son of the late George & Eleanor (Meister) Kott. Harlan married Charlotte R. Gauthier on September 22, 1956 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Onekama, Michigan.

Harlan was employed with Lake MI Car Ferries and Domres Construction Co. for 27 years and also Harland's Landfill until his retirement. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church of Onekama where he was on the Parish Council and assisted with BINGO. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree Tri Council #16643 of Onekama, a leader of Manistee County 4H. Harlan and Charlotte were also caretakers, where they maintain and manage the Newland School.

He is survived by his wife of over 66 years, Charlotte R. Kott of Manistee, MI, three daughters & two sons-in-law; Lynn (Phil) Miller, Mary (Todd) Reed and Sharon Appicelli, five sons & two daughters-in-law; Donavon Kott, Duane Kott, Douglas (Jane) Kott, Darryl Kott and Steve (Amy) Kott, 21 grandchildren, 27 great grandchildren and 8 great-great grandchildren, one sister, Shirley Britton, one brother Peter Bentoski Jr. and a brother & sister-in-law, John & Brenda Gauthier. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive him.

He was preceded in death by a daughter-in-law, Teresa Kott, son-in-law Christopher Appicelli, two grandchildren, Grace & Mable Kott, three sisters, Judy, Carol and Beverly and three brothers, Dale, Donavon and Eddie.

Mass of Christian Burial will take place on Friday, September 22, 2023 at 12:00 noon at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Onekama with Reverend Rubén Muñoz celebrant. Burial to follow in St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery in Onekama.

Visitation for Harlan will be held at Herbert Funeral Home in Manistee on Thursday, September 21, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., with a Rosary at 7:30 p.m. and a Vigil Service at 8:00 p.m. The family will also receive friends at the church on Friday morning one hour prior to the Mass.

Those wishing to remember Harlan may do so by making a donation in his name to St. Joseph Catholic Church of Onekama. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

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