

Dale T. Slonecki, age 88 of Manistee, Michigan, died Wednesday evening, September 10, 2025 at his home, surrounded by his family.

He was born on November 22, 1936 in Manistee, Michigan, son of Zygmund and Marie (Stanek) Slonecki. Dale was a graduate of Manistee High School with the class of 1956. He married the love of his life, Hazel L. Blodgett at Saint Leo's Catholic Church in Hilton, New York on October 29, 1960. After graduation from high school Dale was employed at the Al Lyman Standard Gas Station and later was employed at the Packaging Corporation of America in Filer City, Michigan for 40

years, until his retirement. Dale enjoyed antique and classic cars and was a founding member of the Custom and Classic Car Club of Manistee. He also loved to spend his time camping and watching Lower Lakers anywhere. He was a member of Divine Mercy Parish of Manistee (Guardian Angels Catholic Church).

Dale is survived by his wife of over 64 years, Hazel L. Slonecki of Manistee, MI, two daughters and sons-in-law, Lisa and Mark Bezjian of Manistee, MI, and Lori and Greg McClintock of Zeeland, MI, three grandchildren; Mathew and his wife Heather N. Bezjian of Manistee, MI, Heather Lynn Bezjian of Lynnwood, Seattle and Mitchell McClintock of Zeeland, MI, and twin great grandchildren, Hunter and Miah Bezjian of Manistee, MI. Several nieces and nephews also survive him.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents, and his brother and sister- in-law; Harlen and Barbara Slonecki.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, September 18, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. at Guardian Angels Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend James Bearss celebrant. Burial will follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery also in Manistee. The family will receive friends at the church on Thursday morning, one and a half hours prior to the funeral mass.

Those wishing to remember Dale are asked to consider a donation in his name to the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital or the Guardian Angels Restoration Fund. Envelopes will be available at the church on Thursday morning.

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