



Joseph Nicklas

April 23, 1922 - January 17, 2005

Visitation for Joseph C. "Joe" Nicklas, 82, of Bonfield, will be from 4-8 p.m. Thursday at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, West Kankakee, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday. Rev. John Cross will officiate. Burial will be in Grand Prairie Cemetery, Bonfield. Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association or to Hospice of Kankakee Valley. He died Monday (Jan. 17, 2005) at the Illinois Veterans Home in Manteno. Mr. Nicklas retired in 1985 from Valspar Co. (formerly Mobil Chemical). He was born April 23, 1922, in Bradley, the son of Joseph and Amy Matheson Nicklas. His parents are deceased. Surviving are his wife, Cathryn Jean Nicklas; two sons and daughters-in-law, Dave and Elizabeth Mason Nicklas of Valley Center, Calif., John and Diane Nicklas of Spokane, Wash.; one daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Ron Charter of Bonfield; two stepdaughters, Sandra Petron of Minnesota, Patricia Smith of San Francisco, Calif.; one sister and brother-in-law, Helen and Harold Tobenski of Herscher; one brother and sister-in-law, Harley and Norma Nicklas of Lansing; 12 grandchildren, Zach, Bryanna, Amy, Jacob and Joseph Nicklas, Brandon, Ryan and Jared Charter, Kerri (Terry) Harmston, Celeste (Jody) Newmann, Matthew (Shea) Petron and Tao Laue; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Two sons, William and Christopher, are deceased. Mr. Nicklas served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was a member of the Chebanse VFW. He enjoyed gardening, woodworking, painting, nature and was a Cubs fan.

Tribute Wall



“ We wish we could be there with you.

 Grandpa Joe
memory alive and tell

 his grandkids all about him. You are
give you strength and comfort you. You are
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