



Alfons Will

May 6, 1926 - May 26, 2010

RACINE-Alfons Will, 84, passed away at Wheaton Franciscan Health Care-All Saints on Wednesday May 26, 2010. Alfons was born in Reuschagen, Germany on May 6, 1926 the son of Joseph and Agnes (nee: Wolki) Wilkowski. He was united in marriage to Ellie Stickel on August 22, 1953 in Goettingen, Germany. While living in Germany, Alfons worked on the railroad learning many skills, including communicating in Morse Code. He served in the German Army during World War II, becoming a Prisoner of War for 18 months, released in October of 1946, which was the happiest day of his life. In May of 1952 Alfons volunteered to come the United States, where he saved his money and was able to fly back to Germany and marry his wife, Ellie in 1953.

Alfons was employed as a Foreman at Howard International for 20 years then moving on to Twin Disc retiring after 15 years of service as a Quality Control Inspector. He was a longtime member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, The German Club, and The Dank Club. Alfons found great enjoyment in playing music including various instruments and most of all traveling back to Germany to visit family and friends.

Alfons is survived by his wife, of almost 57 years, Ellie of Racine, one daughter, Nancy (Bill) McCabe of Whippany, New Jersey, one son, Ralph (friend, Betty Clarke) Will of Racine; grandson, Jason Will, step grandson,

Dean Smith, one great granddaughter, Haley Will of Racine: sisters, SR Cyrila and Monika: brother, Otto and his family all of Germany. He is further survived by other relatives and many dear friends in Racine and Germany.

Alfons was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services for Alfons will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Wednesday June 2, 2010 at 11 a.m. with Rev. Ronald Crewe of Sacred Heart Catholic Church officiating. Alfons will be laid to rest at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery, Hwy #32. There will be a visitation at Sturino Funeral Home on Tuesday June 1, 2010 from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. and on Wednesday from 10 a.m. until service time at 11a.m.