



James Vavra

August 27, 1929 - August 18, 2011

James Edward Vavra

RACINE- James E. Vavra, husband, dad, grandpa, great grandpa, and friend passed away at his son Jim's residence on Thursday, August 18, 2011 in Pleasant Prairie at the age of 81. James was born in Cadott on August 27, 1929 the son of the late, Joseph and Christina (nee: Burich) Vavra. He was united in marriage to Iris Woodford in Minneapolis, Minnesota on February 8, 1947. James was employed as a supervisor at American Motors/Chrysler from 1950 until his retirement in 1982. After his retirement he was employed at Habelman's Cranberry Marsh in Milston, from 1982 until 2008. He was a member of St. Sebastian's Catholic Church in Sturtevant and St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Sparta.

James will be deeply missed by his wife of 64 years, Iris, and six children, Conny (Mike) Erlenbaugh, Suzanne (Jeff) Tilidetzke, Christine (Paul) Mueller, Dawn (Steve) Hutchins, James Vavra and Joel (Michelle) Vavra. He we be sadly missed by his grandchildren, Alison (Jamie) Jennings, Nicole (Gabe) Fuentes, Jessica (Tracy) Pinager, Zachary (Alison) Harter, Nicholas (Sara) Vavra, Melissaa Kruescher, Kyle (Kristy) Vavra, Justin Mueller, Derek Finley, and Elizabeth Valley, great grandchildren, Trenton, Chase, Diego, Kennedy, Mateo, Titus, Jameson, Luca, Andrew, Lucas, Aubrey, Skylar, Garrison, and Austin. James is further survived by one brother, Ben (Lois) Vavra and sister-in-law, Gladys Vavra, along with other relatives and dear friends in Racine, Kenosha, and Northern Wisconsin. He was preceded in death by his parents,

one brother, Frank and one sister, Eleanor.

Mass of Christian Burial for James will be held at St. Sebastian's Catholic Church, 3030 95th Street, Sturtevant, on Monday, August 22, 2011, at 11:30 a.m. with Rev. Paul Raczynski officiating. James will be laid to rest at West Lawn Memorial Park following mass. Visitation will be held at church on Monday from 9:30 a.m. until mass.

Cemetery Details

West Lawn Memorial Park

9000 Washington Ave
Racine, WI 53406

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **22**. 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Sebastian's Parish
Sturtevant, WI

Funeral Service

AUG **22**. 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Sebastian's Parish
Sturtevant, WI