



Francis J. "Fran" Polski

June 23, 1917 - April 14, 2011

Francis J. "Fran" Polski, age 93 of Gravois Mills, passed away, Thursday, April 14, 2011, at the Warsaw Health and Rehabilitation Center. He was born June 23, 1917, in St. Paul, Minnesota, the son of the late Peter and Helen Falkowski Polski.

On February 17, 1942, he was united in marriage to Martha Ellen Berrian, who preceded him in death on May 22, 2005.

Fran served from 1940 to 1952 in the Army Air Corps and Air Force during WWII and the Korean Conflict.

He was a member of the Gravois Mills VFW Post #5178, the Osage Community Elks Lodge #2705 in Laurie, and the American Legion Zack Wheat Post #624 in Sunrise Beach. He was also treasurer of the Fire Department, where he and his wife donated the land for the helipad for Fire Station #7 in Gravois Mills.

Fran was of the Catholic faith. He enjoyed gardening, and his flowers.

He is survived by his daughter, Judy Dorsey and husband Jim of Kansas City, Missouri; two grandchildren, Jimmy Dorsey and Crystal Dorsey; his brother, Peter Polski of Palm Harbor, Florida; his sister, Helen Canine of Centerville,

Minnesota; and his caretakers, Jim and Linda Graham of Warsaw, Missouri. In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Jerome Polski and Paul Polski.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m., Monday, April 18, at the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel with Father Patrick Dolan officiating. Graveside services and interment with full military honors will be held in Greenmore Memorial Gardens in Barnett. The family will receive friends from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m., Monday, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions are suggested to the S.T.A.F.F. Animal Shelter in Sunrise Beach.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 18. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home - Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel
417 Silvey Rd.
Laurie, MO 65038
(573) 374-7688

Service

APR 18. 2:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ My condolences to Judy and her family, and to Fran's friends in Missouri.

I remember Uncle Fran, my father Jerome's brother, coming to visit Minnesota when I was growing up. It was always a time of excitement in the Polski family when Fran, Martha, and Judy would arrive. We liked listening to Uncle Fran talk, because in Minnesota we thought he had a southern drawl. In more recent years, I remember participating in lunch with Fran and his sister Helen, where there was a lot of very happy and animated discussion among the family. Fran and Martha would entertain us with their family geneology findings.

Bill Polski

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