



Alphonse P. \"Phonse\" Ripperda

March 22, 1933 - September 1, 2008

Alphonse P. Ripperda, age 75, of Highland, IL., died Monday, September 1, 2008, at Saint Joseph Hospital in Highland, IL.

He was born March 22, 1933, in Germantown, IL., the son of William and Louise (Bach) Ripperda.

On June 27, 1959, he married Janet M. Ripperda, nee Reding, who survives.

He was a member of St. Paul Catholic Church, Highland, IL; Lee Iten Post 439, American Legion, Highland, IL; Greater Carlyle Bowling Assoc.; United Steel Workers Union #4294, Sauget, IL.

Born at Germantown, IL; grew up at Germantown and St. Rose, IL. Served active duty with the US Army, during the Korean War; stationed at Tulle, Greenland. Worked at the Cerro Copper and Brass Co. before entering the service, returned to Cerro and retired in 1996, after 43 years of service. He was the sexton for St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery for 6 years, he also cut grass for Barton Electric, St. Morgan, IL.

He enjoyed playing cards, going to the \"boats\" and Las Vegas, Stock car races every Saturday night in Highland, bowling in mixed leagues at HiTop and Poplar Junction bowling alleys and the outdoors. He restored a 1965

Chevrolet pick-up truck, he was a \"Mister Fix-it\" and devoted to his family.

Survivors include Wife-Janet M. Ripperda of Highland, Ill., Son-Russell L. (Bonnie) Ripperda of Sparta, Ill., Daughter-Tamera L. (special friend Mary K. Burk) Ripperda of Millstadt, Ill., Grandson-Kyle M. Ripperda of Saint Jacob, Ill., Grandson-Kory M. Ripperda of Saint Jacob, Ill., Brother-Joseph (Virginia) Ripperda of Aviston, Ill., Brother-Jerome F. Ripperda of Quincy, Ill., Brother-Vincent H. (Elinor) Ripperda of Highland, Ill., Sister-Catherine Buscher of Aviston, Ill., Sister-Wilhelmine B. (Alvin) Schroeder of Bartelso, Ill., Sister-Mary Ann Brueggemann of Belleville, Ill., Sister-Josephine A. (Alex) Hood of Troy, Ill., Step Father In-law-Stanley Bauer of Saint Jacob, Ill., Sister In-law-Margaret Ripperda of Pocahontas, Ill., Sister In-law-Lola (Charles) Missey of Saint Jacob, Ill., Sister In-law-Sherry (Charles) Bresnahan of St. Louis, Mo., Sister In-law-Marilee Reding of California, Brother In-law-Darwin (Cheryl) Reding of Highland, Ill., Brother In-law-Scott (Lynn) Novak of Highland, Ill.

He was preceded in death by Father-William Ripperda, Mother-Louise Marie (nee Bach) Ripperda, Brother-Edward J. Ripperda, Brother-John B. Ripperda, Brother-Raymond Ripperda, Mother In-Law-Stella Reding Novak Brauer (nee Gruenenfelder), Sister In-law-Maryanne Schulte, Brother In-law-Clarence Reding, Brother In-law-Herman Buscher