



Gerald W. Koch

March 28, 1928 - October 6, 2009

Gerald W. Koch, age 81, of Highland, IL., died Tuesday, October 6, 2009, at Alhambra Care Center in Alhambra, IL.

He was born March 28, 1928, in Highland, IL., the son of Elmer J. and Corine R. Koch, nee Haas.

On May 30, 1956, he married Shirley M. Koch, nee Zurliene, who passed away May 30, 2006.

He was a member of Saint Paul Catholic Church, Highland, IL.

He was also a member of Knights of Columbus Council #1580, Highland, IL; Fourth Degree Assembly #0231 K of C, Highland, IL; American Legion/Lee Iten Post #439, Highland, IL (over 50 years).

Mr. Koch was born in Highland, grew up there; graduated from St. Paul High School 1946. Serviced with U.S. Army. In Early 1970's, Mr. Koch purchased Highland Pontiac which he and his brother operated for many years after taking it over from their father. Retired January 1989. Mr. Koch and his wife enjoyed vacations in Florida.

Survivors include Son-Thomas J. Koch of Highland, Ill., Sister-Esther (Edwin)

Pike of Milford, Conn.

He was preceded in death by Father-Elmer J. Koch, Mother-Corine R. Koch, nee Haas, Wife-Shirley M. Koch, nee Zurliene (DOD 05/30/2006), Son-Gerald Koch (Died in 1957 as an infant), Brother-Bernard O. \"Benny\" Koch (DOD 12/11/2002).

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, Ill.