



Louis W. Hess

December 14, 1924 - December 5, 2007

Louis W. Hess, age 82, of Highland, IL., died Wednesday, December 5, 2007, at Saint Joseph Hospital in Highland, IL.

He was born December 14, 1924, in Saint Jacob, IL., the son of William and Theresa (Strubhart) Hess.

On October 4, 1951, he married Janette A. Hess, nee Buchmiller , who survives.

Louis was born in St. Jacob and grew up on the farm where Mick's Lake is. He attended St. Paul School. He joined the US Army, and was attached to the 143rd Infantry Division. He toured North Africa, Italy, France and was wounded 20 miles from the German border, and was awarded the Purple Heart. He spent 18 months in an Army Hospital. After his discharge he worked at Highland Machine until November of 1989 and worked at the Highland VFW until his health forced him to retire. Louis was a life long #1 Cubs Fan. He was a member of Saint Paul Catholic Church-Highland, IL.

He was also a member of Charter member of Highland VFW#5694

Former President of Board of Directors.

Survivors include Wife-Janette A. Hess, nee Buchmiller of Highland, Ill., Daughter-Karla H. (Ronald) Smith of Highland, Ill., Son-Kurt W. Hess of Pocahontas, Ill., Grandchild-Jason K. (Christie) Smith of Highland, Ill., Great Grandchild-Jennifer Gerwel of Highland, Ill., Brother-Lawrence Hess of Chesapeake, Va., Brother-Anthony Hess of Fullerton, Calif., Brother-Alvin (Joanne) Hess of Las Vegas, Nev., Brother-Paul Hess of Godfrey, Ill., Sister-Esther Reddinger of Kansas City, Mo., Sister-Loretta Marti of Highland, Ill., Sister-Dorothy (John) Tanner of Baldwin, Mich., Brother In-law-Don Buchmiller of Highland, Ill., Nieces&Nephews-Many .

He was preceded in death by Father-William --- Hess, died 2/24/1960, Mother-Theresa J. Hess, nee Strubhart, died 6/27/1955, Sister-Marcella Widlun

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