



## Marcellus J. \"Weakie\" Potthast

March 18, 1927 - April 14, 2009

Marcellus Joseph Potthast, age 82, of Pocahontas, IL., died Tuesday, April 14, 2009, at Saint Elizabeth Hospital in Belleville, IL.

He was born March 18, 1927, in Pocahontas, IL., the son of Henry and Ida (Koch) Potthast.

On January 12, 1954, he married Eleanora B. \"Ellie\" Potthast nee Ribbing , who survives.

Marcellus was born on a farm South East of Pierron and grew up there. He attended Immaculate Conception Grade School. After his school he helped operate the family dairy farm. After he married he quit the dairy and raise grain and beef cattle. He drove for the teamsters and owned M.J. Potthast Truck Service, and owned Pierron Oil Co. He was the Burgess Township Highway Commissioner for 20 years. He enjoyed playing cards, bowling, spending time with his grandchildren and great grandchildren, coordinated the PIC Park Halloween Party, and he never met a stranger.

He was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

He was also a member of Highland Optimist Club

Pierron Improvement Club

Holy Name Society

Former Teamster Memberer .

Survivors include Wife-Eleanora B. \"Ellie\" Potthast nee Ribbing of Pocahontas, Ill., Daughter-Donna J. Straube of Pocahontas, Ill., Daughter-Elaine M. (Alan) Kruep of Highland, Ill., Son-James M. (Theresa \"Terry\") Potthast of Pocahontas, Ill., Son-Gerald R. Potthast of Highland, Ill., Son-Jeffrey J. (Kristin) Potthast of Pocahontas, Ill., Brother-Velmar J. (Helen) Potthast of South Bend, Ind., Sister-Sister Mary E. \"Mitz\" Potthast S.S.F. of Wheaton, Ill., Sister-Imelda G. \"Milly\" Bosshart of Chicago, Ill., Grandchild-Melissa S. (Aaron) Nehrt of Highland, Ill., Grandchild-Tiffany A. (Tim) Wesselmann of Carlyle, Ill., Grandchild-Chelsie L. (Fiance Craig Wiegmann) Straube of Pocahontas, Ill., Grandchild-Brandon A. (Heather) Kruep of Chatham, Ill., Grandchild-Ashleigh E. (Special Friend Josh Cain) Kruep of Highland, Ill., Grandchild-Jamie M. (Special Friend Jay LoBello) Potthast of Pocahontas, Ill., Grandchild-Amanda N. (Fiancee Kyle Korte) Potthast of Highland, Ill., Grandchild-Kaylee A. (Special Friend Jason Zobrist) Potthast of Pocahontas, Ill., Grandchild-Megan M. (Michael) Coling of Greenville, Ill., Grandchild-Gavin M. Potthast of Highland, Ill., Grandchild-Madelyn R. Potthast of Highland, Ill., Grandchild-Deklyn M. Potthast of Pocahontas, Ill., Gr Grandchild-Kylee A. Wesselmann of Carlyle, Ill., Gr Grandchild-Angeleen R. Wesselmann of Carlyle, Ill., Gr Grandchild-Walker J. Nehrt of Highland, Ill., Gr Grandchild-Logan A. Kruep of Chatham, Ill., Gr Grandchild-Jaydon J. LoBello of Pocahontas, Ill., Gr Grandchild-Due in December Kruep

He was preceeded in death by Father-Henry J. Potthast, Mother-Ida E. Potthast nee Koch, Daughter-Tammy Sue Potthast died 4/30/2005, Son-In-Law-Jonathan F. Straube died 12/11/2001, Brother-Raymond W. Potthast, died 1/10/86, Brother-Clarence H. Potthast, died 3/2/07, Sister-Valeria J. \"Fay\" Goestenkers, died 9/30/93, Sister-Eleanor C. Goestenkers

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