



Gajo Manojlovic

November 8, 1929 - April 30, 2015

Age 85, a longtime Lake County resident, passed away at his home on April 30, 2015.

He was born on Nov. 8, 1929, Markovac, Dalmatia, (Former Yugoslavia) to the Late Jovan & Bozica Manojlovic. Gajo was preceded in death by his loving Wife of 55 years, Marjorie, in addition to 6 Brothers, a Sister and Two Nephews.

He is survived by his three children Philip (Michelle) Manolovic, Maria (David) Wrobel, Diane (Charles) Smith, seven grandchildren Kyle, Max and Emma Manolovic, Jonathan and Christopher Wrobel, Jacob and Lucas

Ripley, one surviving sister Joka Jovanovich and many Nieces, Nephews, Kumovi and longtime family friends.

Near the final days of WWII in 1944, he left home at he age of 15. As part of the Chetniks Dinarska Division, he spent a number of months making his way to cross the Italian border. As a result, with many fellow Chetnik soldiers, Gajo was held in various Displaced Persons Camps. He spent three years in both Italy and Germany-- until 1948 when he was released into the British Zone in Germany and immigrated to England.

While settling there, he met his future wife Marjorie at a dance hall and they were married in 1955. In

1957 they immigrated to the United States on board the Queen Mary--with \$100

dollars their pocket and with the help of relatives settled in the Gary/Merrillville area to start their family.

Gajo was a lifelong, Founding Member of St. Elijah Serbian Orthodox Cathedral, and Member of the Movement of Serbian Chetniks--"Ravna Gora", Gary/Merrillville Chapter. He retired from Inland Steel Company, where he worked as a crane operator for more than 30 years. We would like to thank Harbor Lights Hospice for their services during his final months.

We would also like to send a heartfelt thank you to Milosava Vrbica for her six years of dedication and care of Gajo, giving him the opportunity to spend his final years in his home

Funeral Services will be Thursday, May 7, 2015, DIRECTLY at 9 AM at St. Elijah Cathedral, 8700 Taft St., Merrillville, with V. Rev. Aleksandar Novakovic, officiating. Interment, St. Sava Cemetery in Libertyville, IL. Visitation will be Wednesday from 4-8 PM at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. A Pomen Service will be offered at 6 PM. For further information, please phone Savich & Semplinski Directors at (219) 769-0044. May His Memory Be Eternal !

Tribute Wall

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“ Nancy Collett purchased the *Basket of Joy* for the family of Gajo Manojlovic.



Nancy Collett - May 05, 2015 at 11:31 PM



“ Sacred Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gajo Manojlovic.



May 05, 2015 at 07:52 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gajo Manojlovic.



May 04, 2015 at 09:48 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Gajo Manojlovic.



May 04, 2015 at 09:45 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Gajo Manojlovic.*



May 04, 2015 at 04:43 PM