



Raymond Paul Guernsey, Sr.

June 2, 1921 - June 16, 2009

Raymond P. "Red" Guernsey, Sr. Age 88, of Valparaiso, formerly of Gary & Hebron, passed away on Tuesday, June 16, 2009.

Red attended Edison High School and Emerson Tech in Gary. He was a veteran of WWII – U.S. Navy. He was a former member of the Knights of Columbus, St. Thomas Council and a member of the Friendly Sons of Erin. He was the 1939 – 1940 Golden Gloves Welter Weight Champion. He was a former employee of the E.J.&E. Railroad. He was a former firefighter on the Gary Fire Department. He was a former member of Holy Rosary Church Gary and St. Helen Church in Hebron.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 66 years Mary T. (nee Hojcus) Guernsey; brothers Harold, Jim, Donald, John, Gene and Mike; sisters Elaine, Dorothy and Alice.

He is survived by 2 sons, Raymond Paul (Janice) Guernsey, Jr. of Crown Point and Lawrence P. Guernsey of Lombard, IL; 3 grandchildren, Scott, Sherry Carter and Stephen; 4 great grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Yolanda Guernsey and Dorothy Guernsey; many nieces, nephews, great niece and great nephews.

Funeral services will be held Friday, June 19, 2009, 12:00 noon, at the Burns

Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point with Deacon Dennis Guernsey officiating. Interment Calumet Park Cemetery, Merrillville. Friends and relatives may visit with the family at the Burns Funeral Home on Thursday from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. The family would like to thank the staff at Golden Living and Hospice