



## Jack Barthels

September 21, 1923 - September 21, 2013

Jack E. Barthels, 90, of Kingsford, went to his eternal rest on Saturday, Sept. 21, 2013, at the Golden Living Center in Florence, Wis.

He was born Nov. 16, 1922, in Bergland, son of the late John and Clara (Heinz) Barthels.

Jack graduated from Kingsford High School and served in the U.S. Army Air Corps in the European Theater from 1941-1945. He married Gladys Paupore on May 17, 1947, at American Martyrs Catholic Church in Kingsford.

He worked for almost 30 years at the Niagara paper mill. Faith and church were very important to Jack. He was a lifelong member of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church and read the Bible thoroughly many times.

Jack enjoyed gardening and reading, especially books on World War II and dogs. He was a dedicated family man. In his younger years he enjoyed camping and fishing with his children. He was also fond of his two golden retrievers, Maggie and Maggie II.

Jack is survived by his wife of 66 years, Gladys; five children, Sue Rochon of Kingsford, Karen (Jeffrey) Barnes of Pulaski, Wis., Debra (James) Sleik of Iron Mountain, John (Susan) Barthels of Grand Rapids, and Julie Barthels of

Kingsford; 15 grandchildren, Brian Rochon, Michael (Shannon) Rochon, Christopher (Brandy) Barnes, David (Eva) Barnes, Nicholas Barnes, John Sleik, Mick (Natalie) Sleik, Jamie Sleik, Katie Sleik, Sara (Travis) Johnson, Kristen Sleik, Paul Sleik, Jacob Sleik, Matthew Barthels, and Megan Barthels; 11 great-grandchildren, Chelsea and Alexis Rochon, Samuel, Emma and Luke Rochon, Vivien and Isabel Barnes, Caroline and James Sleik, Anthony Gallino, and Jack Bourdage.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Shirley Borden.

Visitation will be Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church.

Funeral services will follow Saturday at noon at the church. Rev. Thomas Mackey will officiate. Jack's grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery.

Condolences to the family of Jack E. Barthels may be expressed online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com).

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral home with the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **28.** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church  
420 W. Breitung Ave.  
Kingsford, MI 49802

## Funeral Service

SEP **28.** 12:00 PM (CT)

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