



Joseph Pataconi

January 21, 1919 - December 1, 2013

Joseph Pataconi, 94, of Niagara, went to be with the Lord on Sun. Dec. 1, 2013 at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital. He was born on Jan. 21, 1919 in Iron Mountain, the son of the late Alessandro and Giovanna (Giovannotti) Pataconi.

Joseph worked in the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1935. He served in the U.S. Army from 1941-1945 and earned a Purple Heart during the Landing on Omaha Beach.

Joe married Dolores "DeeDee" DuBord on Sept. 9, 1950 at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Niagara. The couple celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary this year.

He worked at the VA Medical Center and was a member of Maranatha Assembly of God Church. Joe like to keep busy doing things around the house and working in construction. He also enjoyed fishing and gardening.

Joseph is survived by his wife Dolores "DeeDee" of Niagara, three children Janell (James) Casey of Canby, OR, Dwight (Judy) Pataconi of San Diego, CA, and Christella (Phil) Couch of Marathon, NY, one brother Robert (Mary Ann) Pataconi-Rehner of Indiana, seven grandchildren Brian (Anna) Casey, Heather (Brian) Duman, Daniel (Carolyn) Pataconi, David (Sandra) Pataconi,

Anthony Bemis, Adam Bemis, and Shawna (Aaron) Shephard, and seven great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers Rudy and Bill Pataconi, and three sisters Minnie Tavonatti, Elda Fiorucci, and Vilanda Sparapani.

Visitation will be Sat. from 10-11am at Maranatha Assembly of God Church. A memorial service will be Sat. at 11am at the church. Rev. David Wilton will officiate.

Now as we say farewell to our precious Husband, Dad, Grandpa and Great Grandpa and know that today we celebrate Joe's arrival into the arms of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Condolences to the family of Joseph Pataconi can be expressed online at ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Maranatha Assembly Of God
920 S. Carpenter Ave.
Kingsford, MI 49802

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

JA

“Dad was one of the kindest people you could ever need. His smile & laughter was contagious. He could convey his understanding without saying a word. He had laughing, dancing, loving eyes. I miss you, Daddy.

Janell - December 14, 2013 at 11:15 PM

RO

“Uncle Joe had a contagious smile and a warm and loving nature. He was liked by so many and had great times with Auntie Dee Dee. May you all as a family find comfort knowing he is at peace, Niece Rose

Rose - December 08, 2013 at 03:41 PM

DA

“The world will never be the same without him. It was an honor to be his grandson.

Dan - December 04, 2013 at 07:39 PM

DP

“I was blessed to spend time with Grandpa Joe and Grandma DeeDee last November. Will always remember his wonderful smile when my Dad and I were raking up leaves in the yard. Grandpa was on his scooter and faced me to his side while he was going straight, not even looking where he was going, keeping his gaze on me the whole time. He had the most warm smile upon his face as he looked at me, a smile of approval, love, happiness, and warmth. A sense of his pride for me was spoken without words. Joy filled my heart that day, and I will never forget that moment. I will miss him, but look forward to when I will see him again.

David Pataconi - December 04, 2013 at 07:18 PM

PT

“ You always hear people say, 'He's in a better place'...and he is! But this world was a much better place while he was in it! Goodbye, dear Joe, you will be missed! Our heart goes out to DeeDee and also to their children and grandchildren. Derrick and Pamla Tyner

Pamla Tyner - December 04, 2013 at 12:50 PM

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“ Heaven rejoices even as we miss Joe. He was such a special man, gentle with a big smile. Our church and we were blessed to know and love Joe and Deedee as a vital part of our " body"!

Roy & Sue Ruohomaki - December 04, 2013 at 11:18 AM