



Thomas Nowak,

January 4, 2010

IRON MOUNTAIN - Thomas C. Nowak Jr., 85, of Iron Mountain, died on Monday, Jan. 4, 2010, at Freeman's Nursing and Rehabilitation Community in Kingsford.

He was born on Dec. 29, 1925, in Niagara, Wis., the son of the late Thomas Sr. and Valeria (Socha) Nowak. He was a lifelong resident of the area. He attended the Kingsford schools, graduating from Kingsford High School. Upon graduating, he joined the United States Marine Corp. serving during World War II.

He married the former Thelma Hart on Oct. 20, 1951, at St. Mary and St. Joseph Catholic Church in Iron Mountain. Tom worked as a truck driver for Clairmont Transfer for 35 years, retiring in 1983.

He was a member of St. Mary and St. Joseph Catholic Church, the Uren-Cooper-Johnson American Legion Post 50, Association of Retired People, and the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare. He loved hunting, fishing and spending time at camp. He enjoyed bowling and cards, especially cribbage.

He is survived by his wife of more than 58 years, Thelma of Iron Mountain; two sisters, Helen Flaminio of Kingsford and Bernice Altobelli of Iron

Mountain; and many nieces and nephews.

Tom was preceded in death by two brothers, George and Frank Nowak.

Visitation will be Thursday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at St. Mary and St. Joseph Catholic Church.

The funeral Mass will follow Thursday at 11 a.m. at the church. Fr. Daniel Zaloga will offer the Mass of Christian Burial.

Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

Pallbearers will be Jeff Hart, Tony Hart, Jimmy Hart, David Hart, Craig Nowak, and Steve Altobelli.

Condolences to the family of Thomas C. Nowak can be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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