



James O. Marcum

August 29, 1929 - June 25, 2008

James O. Marcum, 78, of New Castle, died Wednesday evening in Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, Illinois following a brief illness. Jim was born August 29, 1929 in Zula, KY, a son of the late Charles and Ethel (Paige) Marcum.

For many years, Jim worked as an independent electrical contractor throughout New Castle and worked at Modernfold, Inc. in New Castle for 26 years. He retired from Modernfold in 1992. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean War and fought in the 1950 battle of the Chosin (Changjin) Reservoir in North Korea. He was a member of the V.F.W. and the Chosin Few. He enjoyed his grandchildren, politics, sports and the Chicago Cubs.

He is survived by three daughters, Patricia Brown of New Castle, Alesia (husband: Bob) Reese of Portland, Oregon and Kim (husband: Mike) Cavitt of Chicago, Illinois; five grandchildren, Joshua (wife: Hailey) Brown of Van Nuys, California, Lisa (husband: Matt) Kubiak of Vicksburg, Michigan, Meredith Reese of Portland, Oregon, David Reese of Corvallis, Oregon, and Abby Cavitt of Chicago, Illinois; one great-grandchild, Graham Kubiak of Vicksburg, Michigan; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 54 years, Carmen Nayda Marcum; his parents; his two sisters, Ora and Ollie Jane; and his four brothers, Sam, Robert, Riley, and Stanley Marcum.

The Graveside Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, June 30, 2008 at

Green Hills Memory Gardens with Father Joe Rautenberg officiating. Military Honors will be conducted by a contingent from the Henry County Honor Guard.

Friends may call from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Sunday at Sproles Family Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the St. Anne Catholic Church Rebuilding Fund with envelopes available at the funeral home. You may send the family a personal condolence at www.sprolesfamilycares.com.

Tribute Wall

TM

“ *Kim and Family: My thoughts are with you at this time. God has a wonderful plan for your Dad. He will give each of you the strength and courage to continue your life. We have gone through letting our parents go physically but they are forever loved and remain in our hearts. Kim you were a wonderful daughter and your Dad knows how much you loved him. We love you and will pray for your days ahead. God Bless, Tom and Paulette*

Tom &Paulette Mayer - June 27, 2008 at 05:16 PM