



Otto Cleveland

June 23, 1923 - May 5, 2012

Otto Spencer Cleveland, Jr., age 88, passed away at Kalkaska Memorial Health Center – L.T.C., on December 29, 2011 of congestive heart failure. Spencer was born on June 23, 1923 in Highland Park, youngest child and only son of Otto S. Cleveland, Sr. and Emilie (Komm) Cleveland. When his father was alive, his mother called him Junior and the other family members called him Spencer. Spencer was a handsome lad with wavy red hair and a temper to match. He attended Highland Park High School and worked very hard on the Cleveland farm near Port Huron on weekends with his dad and uncles. Spencer married Angela M. Burnat on October 22, 1942. Seven months later, he joined the US Army on May 25, 1943 and was a member of the Battery 342D Armored Field Artillery Battalion. His son Kenneth was born December 27, 1943. Spencer received an honorable discharge and returned home on November 29, 1945. On September 20, 1946 he started working for the New York Central Railroad System of Michigan. Seven days later Angie gave birth to their daughter Norma. Otto began as a locomotive fireman and advanced his career to being the locomotive engineer on June 15, 1951. Otto was an active member of the American Legion Post 480 and the Moose International Organization in Kalkaska. He loved to hunt, go fishing, and play cards. We extend a very special thank you to Linda and Mark Garred for all their TLC and friendship and to everyone else who helped with Otto's care while living at home. Otto is survived by his daughter Norma J. (Spencer) Artman; daughter-in-law, Bonnie L. Cleveland; three beautiful granddaughters,

Julie K. Cleveland, Christine A. Davis, and Alison M. (Brian) Stigall; two great-grandsons, Luke M. Stigall and Adam T. Stigall; his oldest sister, Flodelle Donna Mae Goehmann; and numerous nieces and nephews. Otto was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Walda and Georgian; his son Kenneth; and most recently, his loving wife Angie. In addition, Otto outlived other dear friends and Cleveland relatives. Otto's family will receive friends and family from 10 – 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 5, 2012 at Wolfe O'Neill Funeral Home in Kalkaska. A celebration of Otto's life will immediately follow at the funeral home. Interment will then follow at Oliver Township Cemetery with military honors. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in memory of Otto S. Cleveland may be made to Pride and Honor Flights MI, Inc.-WW II Veterans, (www.rc.net/org/prideandhonorflight), 4302 Cornwell Lane, Whitmore Lake, MI 48189, or to LSSM – Alison House, 813 E. Jefferson Avenue, Detroit, MI 48214, or to Bear Lake Christian Church, East Bear Lake Road, Kalkaska, MI 49646. Condolences may be left online at www.wolfeoneill.com. Arrangements were made by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours.

Tribute Wall



“ *Otto Cleveland*

January 30, 2023 at 04:02 AM



“ *Otto Cleveland*

January 30, 2023 at 01:03 AM