



## John Hemeleski

October 13, 2011

John L. Hemeleski      Age 90      Iron River, MI died Thursday  
October 13, 2011 at the Oscar G. Johnson Veterans Medical Center, Iron  
Mtn., MI

Born: December 18, 1920 in Iron River, MI

The son of the late Walter and Bernice (Novassautka) Hemeleski was a  
lifelong resident. He attended the Iron Lake School and Iron River High  
School.

He was a U.S. Army Veteran serving during WW II in the European, African,  
and Middle Eastern Theatre.

He married the former Dora Bartolini June 7, 1947 in Crystal Falls, MI and  
the couple made their home at Iron Lake. The couple celebrated their 41st  
Wedding anniversary. Dora preceded him in death Oct. 12, 1988.

He was employed by the M.A. Hanna Mining Company as a welder at the  
Homer Wauseca Mine for 33 years retiring in 1981.

John was an avid fisherman, hunter, outdoorsman who enjoyed riding on his  
four wheeler. John's passion was his garden. He started his seeds and in  
early spring transferred them to the greenhouse he built. He was known to  
share his garden vegetables with friends and family. He also spent time  
canning his garden vegetables.

He was also preceded in death by his brothers, Ray and Stanley and  
granddaughter Alexandra Hemeleski.

He was a member of St. Agnes Catholic Church and former member of the

Assumption Catholic Church, St. Mary's Club and the VFW Ottawa Post #3134.

Survived by his son Michael (Judith) Hemeleski of Iron River  
Daughter, Jean (Pat) Sartori of  
Culpeper, VA Sister, Stavy Brunelli of Neenah, WI Four  
Grandchildren, Robert and Katarina Hemeleski and John and Bethany  
Sartori. One Great Granddaughter Eleanor Nieces, nephews and  
extended family

Visitation: Wednesday October 19, 2011 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. at the  
Jacobs Funeral Home, Iron River.

Funeral Service; Wednesday October 19, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Agnes  
Catholic Church, Iron River with Rev. Gregory Veneklase to offer the Mass of  
Christian Burial.

Interment: Resthaven Cemetery, Iron River

The West Side Veterans to accord Military Rites

Funeral arrangements by the Jacobs Funeral Home, Iron River.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Mike and Judi, so sorry to hear of your loss. John was a great guy! I would get the biggest kick out of him wearing those "Five Star" pants. I always enjoyed chatting with him both at the store and the dealership. He will be missed in the community, as he was one of the good ones. May God bless you and your families, Sincerely, Rex.

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**Rex Angeli** - October 17, 2011 at 11:31 AM

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“ Mike&Jeannie Sorry to hear about your dad. Great times growing up in our neighborhood. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God Bless.

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**barbara marcell &family** - October 16, 2011 at 03:38 PM