



Jerome Roszczpika

August 19, 1916 - April 5, 2012

Jerome Roszczpika died on Thursday, April 5, 2012, at his daughter's home in Hilton Head, SC. Jerry was born August 19, 1916 and lived most of his life in Toledo.

He attended St. Hedwig's and Woodward High School. For many years he was employed by the Electric Autolite Company. Jerry was a veteran of World War II, landing in Normandy on D-Day+2 and remaining in the European Theater for the duration. He was discharged from the 503rd Ordnance Company earning 4 Bronze Stars.

When Autolite left Toledo, Jerry worked for the Lucas County Engineer Road Maintenance Department until his retirement.

He was married for 53 years to the late Margo Baker of Kentucky, having sons Greg and Mark and daughter Antoinette. Jerry was a member of St. Clement Parish over 50 years, being a fixture as the "best dressed" usher at the 7:30 evening Mass some 30 years. Jerry was a 3rd Degree Knight of Columbus.

He was an avid volunteer with the Boy Scouts of America for 45 years holding many leadership positions and receiving numerous awards of appreciation.

He saw his greatest reward as the opportunity to serve the youth and adult leaders of the local council counting many as dear and valued friends. After a stroke, Jerry spent the last 11 years living in Hilton Head, SC, enjoying the sun and observing nature.

Jerry is survived by his sister, Rita Flynn, as well as his children, daughter-in-law Wendy Bertolina and grandsons, Noah, Tobias and Jonah. He lived life as

if dining at a sumptuous banquet with friends. Being satisfied he has left the table fully expecting his friends to continue the joyous feast. He was a great father, a good friend and a spiritual guy. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Erie Shores Council of the Boy Scouts of America or another charity of choice. As a tribute, volunteer several hours and serve those among whom you live.

Friends may call at the Coyle Funeral Home 1770 S. Reynolds Road Sunday from 2 thru 5 p.m. where a Rosary will be recited at 4:30 p.m. A memorial Mass will be celebrated Monday, April 23 at 10 a.m. in St. Patrick of Heatherdowns Church.

Tribute Wall



“ *Fond remembrance of Jerry. Prayers and condolences to all the family.*

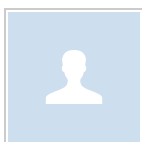
*Fr. Jim Auth###imported-begin###Fr. Jim Auth
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April 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Family of Jerry, Thank you for the beautiful obituary for Jerry. I remember him very well at the 7:30 mass, because I have been doing the folk mass music at St. Clement since 1975. I remember seeing Jerry at his usher's post and can't believe it has been so many years since his stroke. Our late bass player, John Takas, used to joke that he and Jerry were sometimes taken for brothers, so John would say to Jerry, "Hi Brother". My sincere condolences to you all. Jerry is remembered fondly. Sincerely, Mary Pat Perlinski and the St. Clement 7:30 Folk Group.###imported-begin###Mary Pat Perlinski mperlinski917@hotmail.com###imported-end###*

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“ *Dear Greg and Wendy,*

I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your dad. The few times I met him, I remember him being very warm and kind and telling me some interesting stories about WWII. You and your family are in my thoughts.

Katie###imported-begin###Katie Jesse###imported-end###

April 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Greg, Mark and Ann, I was saddened to learn of Your Dad's passing, I have very fond memories of Him, as a young child I remember sitting every afternoon in Your side yard on Tremainsville rd. and after work for the county He would give me a ride to my house on his tractor and stop and talk Polish to my Dad, He was a very kind and gentle soul and will be greatly missed. My Family's thoughts and prayers are with all of You at this time.##imported-begin##Ronnie Gradomski##imported-end##

April 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Greg,
So sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Know that you and your family will be in my prayers. May GOD hold all of you in the palm of HIS hands and may HIS LOVE turn your mourning into joy, trusting that your dad is now happier than we can even imagine. GOD'S PEACE and COMFORT to all of you.##imported-begin##Gerry Gospodarek##imported-end##

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“ Greg, Though it has been many years since the scouting days, I was saddened to read of his passing. He helped to influence the kind of person I am Today. He was a great leader, and a lot of fun too ! Condolences to you and your family.##imported-begin##Rob Cook cookr60@bex.net##imported-end##

April 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear of your loss. Jerry was a fun and wonderful person. Remember most his infectious laugh and humor. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family at this time of need.

Sincerely,

The Janowicz family##imported-begin##George & Anna Janowicz and family heidij@bex.net##imported-end##

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“ Dear Greg, Wendy, Noah, Toby, Jonah,
We have so many fond memories of Jerry, he so dearly loved his grandchildren and coming over to babysit, (half the time our kids were over there too) and they loved Jerry. When the kids were outside with mine he would put his towel down on the driveway and layout in the sun, he loved getting his tan. We have so many fond memories. RIP Jerry##imported-begin##Scott##imported-end##

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“ To the family of Jerry Roszcapika,

Jerry lived across the street from my parents, Eleanor and Bill Grime for many years. He was truly the best neighbor they could have had and always went out of his way to help. We have many memories of Jerry and Margo and even after his stroke, he still was there to help. I cannot go by the house without thinking of them.

We are truly sorry for your loss but know that your dad was what we all should strive to be, a good Christian who served others. Prayers,
Anne Grime Malone

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