



John Andrachek

October 23, 1918 - September 29, 2010

John Andrachek, Jr., 91, of Belle Vernon, passed away peacefully at the home of his daughter Marsha, in Richmond, Virginia on Wednesday September 29, 2010. A son of the late John and Mary A. Chemsak Andrachek, he was born in Monessen on October 23, 1918. John retired in 1981 after 42 years with Wheeling Pittsburgh Steel Monessen Plant. He was a lifelong member of St Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church of Monessen, and was a member of American Legion Post 659, Belle Vernon. A veteran of World War II, having served in the Army Air Corps, where he was a crew chief on a C47 and flew over Normandy. He and his late wife enjoyed traveling and visiting with their children. In later years, John also enjoyed going to the casino to play the penny slot machines. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Helen A. Sobosle Andrachek in 2008, a daughter, Margaret ""Susie"" Dempsey in 2004 and two sisters, Anna Panzo and Peggy Lyons. Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Evans Andrachek of White Lakes, Michigan; three daughters and sons-in-law, Marsha and Walter Dinsick of Richmond, Virginia, Patricia ""Peppy"" and Terry Chambers of Spokane, Washington, and Pauline and Jack Bosko of Derry, New Hampshire; seven grandchildren; nine great grandchildren; and two brothers, George and Elmer Andrachek, both of Monessen. Friends will be received 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 P.M. Sunday in the Ferguson Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc., 700 Broad Avenue, Belle Vernon, (724-929-5300). www.FergusonFuneralHomeAndCrematory.com. A Parastas service will be held 2:30

pm Sunday in the funeral home. A Panachida service will take place 9:15 am Monday in the funeral home followed by a Divine Liturgy at 10 am in St. Mary's Church, with Fr. Stephen Wahal officiating. Entombment will follow in Belle Vernon Cemetery. American Legion Post 659 will hold services at 7 pm Sunday in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations to a charity of your choice.