



David Rigozzi, Jr.

November 26, 1923 - May 27, 2010

passed into eternal life on Thursday, May 27, 2010, at Meadow Woods Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, Bloomingdale. The son of sharecroppers, he was born November 26, 1923, in Bangor to David and Angeline Rigozzi, Sr. David graduated from Bangor High School in 1942 and was inducted into the US Army and served in the Pacific Theater, where he was awarded several medals, including the Purple Heart. He was an active member of Sacred Heart Church, Bangor and the Bangor community, where he served as mayor; through his participation in several civic organizations, he left his mark on the City of Bangor. As a charter member of the Lions Club, he and his fellow Lions saw that the creation of Lions Park came to fruition. As a WW II veteran, David envisioned a veterans memorial for the City of Bangor and made that park a reality; with the help of his wife, Julia, they raised funds for the creation of Bangor's park known as "Kids' Place." Surviving are his wife of 64 years, Julia; 3 children, Susan and Al Reading of Kalamazoo, Mary and Bob Phillips of Kentwood, David and Shirley Rigozzi III of Bangor; eight grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; 2 brothers, Angelo and Phyllis Rigozzi of Bangor, Reno and Colette Rigozzi of South Haven; 1 sister, Lucrezia and Claude Robertson of Bangor; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Patricia Elliot, and a brother, Arthur. The family suggest memorials to Sacred Heart Church, Hospice at Home, South Haven, or the Wilcox, Eastman, Salinas American Legion Post, Bangor. The family will meet friends on Tuesday from 4-8 PM at the Bangor Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home

with a rosary at 7:30 PM, and also after 10:00 AM Wednesday at Sacred Heart Church where Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 AM with Fr. Gordon Greene celebrant. Interment will be in Ft. Custer National Cemetery, Augusta.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 1. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bangor Chapel
258 West Monroe Street
Bangor, MI

Service

JUN 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Church
201 S. Walnut
Bangor, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *David & Shirley & all of Rigozzi family,
Sorry to hear of your loss. May God comfort you at this time.
Geralyn###imported-begin##Geralyn Waldschmidt###imported-end##*

June 04, 2010 at 07:58 AM



“ *To the Rigozzi Family:*

I read of Dave's passing and he will be missed. You all are in my prayers. I will always remember him in my heart as he was a special man. I'm thinking of you all. Adeline###imported-begin##Adeline Starks###imported-end##

June 01, 2010 at 04:45 PM



“ *To the Rigozzi family,
My mom and I are sad to hear of Dave's passing. He was a very kind, friendly and caring man. I understand the past few years have been extremely difficult for you all. Remember him as the wonderful man, dad, husband and brother he was with the memories, smiles and the love he gave. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.###imported-begin##Suzie (Ghidotti) Traudt & Joan (Ghidotti) Lull###imported-end##*

June 01, 2010 at 04:01 PM



“ To the Rigozzi family- Sorry to hear of your loss. he was a great man- he done so much for the comm. thoughts and prayers are with the family- he will be missed. *connie###imported-begin###connie nower-smidt###imported-end##*

June 01, 2010 at 12:19 PM



“ To all my family and extended family - Know that Uncle/Dad/Grandpa/Great-Grandpa is at peace. He was a great man and his memories will live forever in my heart, and in the hearts of all those he touched in his long and fruitful life. God Bless and I will be with all of you in thought and prayer. Love, *Chris###imported-begin###Chris Rigozzi-Griffioen###imported-end##*

June 01, 2010 at 10:19 AM



“ *Mary and family,*

Our hearts go out to you during this time of loss and our thanks to your father for his service to our country.###imported-begin###John and Lynn Hagenbush###imported-end##

May 31, 2010 at 10:31 PM



“ *To Lu and family,*
Sorry to read of your brother, David's passing. Know your many friends up there, have you (and his wife and family)in their thoughts and can give you comfort and may you also know, those who are far away ,also have you in their prayers..God Bless.###imported-begin###Richard and Emma Adams###imported-end##

May 29, 2010 at 03:01 PM