



## Matthew R. Michalski

December 9, 1916 - June 3, 2011

Matthew R. Michalski age 94 of Grand Ledge passed away June 3, 2011. He was born December 9, 1916 in Milwaukee, WI to the late Andrew and Victoria (Suda) Michalski . Matthew was a WW II Army Veteran and retired from Oldsmobile in 1986. He enjoyed gardening, fishing, and spending the cold months in Winter Haven, Florida. Matthew is survived by children, Rick (Audrey) of Canton, Vicki (Randy) Williams of Grand Ledge; grandchildren Derek (Cynthia) Watson and MSG Todd Williams; step-children, Terry and Julie Ranshaw and numerous great nieces and nephews. He will also be missed by his companion dog Miss Ellie. A Funeral Mass will be held Tuesday, June 7, 2011, 2:00 pm at St. Michael Catholic Church, Grand Ledge with The Reverend Fr. James Eisele, Celebrant. A Rite of Committal will follow with military honors at West Carmel Cemetery, Carmel Twp., Eaton County. The family will receive friends at the church Tuesday one hour prior to the Mass. Memorial contributions may be given to Eaton Community Hospice. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Online condolences may be made at [www.holihanatkin.com](http://www.holihanatkin.com)

# Cemetery Details

## West Carmel Cemetery

5016 Carlisle Highway  
Charoltte, MI 48813

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 7. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Saint Michael Catholic Church  
345 Edwards Street  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

## Service

JUN 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Matthew R. Michalski*



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**Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home** - June 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *Memories of Christmas Eve services and communion. He would tell mom he would drink all the wine cause he was thirsty! LOL..Mom would tell him he better not than he would laugh! Many Christmas Eve's when the family that could got together for lunch and the memorable poker games! He enjoyed the family doings with all of us. God loves you Matt,and so does your family!*

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**JULIE RANSHAW** - August 21, 2011 at 12:34 AM

TS

“ *Mr. Michalski and I met last summer through his daughter Vicky. I was very impressed with his kind demeanor and his obvious love for his daughter. A true gentleman. My heart goes out to all who loved him. May God fill your hearts with peace and comfort.*

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**Terri J. Sotala** - June 07, 2011 at 08:09 AM

JR

“ Matt has been a stepdad to Terry and to me for a good share of our lives. When our children came along he loved them as his own. For Rochelle and Monique..my daughters,he will be remembered, among many times,for the Halloween Hot Dog roasts and the trips to Houghton Lake with him,grandma and who ever else wanted to go! When he lost mother he still went to Florida but her stuff stayed as he told me it made him not so alone. The home here he got all the pictures out that he said mom had hide away..lol..and put them out. It made him feel better. I know he was lonely especially after he could not work his huge garden which over the years had feed all of us one time or other. Now he can be with mom and the rest of his family and friends..of which he had many. He leaves behind to miss him Rochelle's 2 boys..Alex Kill and Ryan Kill. Monique's children..Lucas Kill...Lance Kill...Lacey Kill..Ken&Monique's sons...Collin Smith..Gage Smith. Also 2 great grandchildren...Jayden and Jocelyn...Lucas' children. Terry's son..Lee Jr...He will leave a place in our lives open that we will never be able to fill but our memories will always be there. May you rest in peace and know that we all love you.

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**Julie Ranshaw** - June 05, 2011 at 12:27 AM

RP

Grandpa.....I know that you are now with Grandma and that you picked up your lives in a place of love and happiness. I will forever remember the many, many summers that I spent out to the farm with you and Grandma, the garden, the chicken coop and picking eggs, the rope swing in the barn and when you and Dad taught all of us kids one by one to ride the Honda50 motorcycle down the lane and back. Unfortunately my sons didn't get to have as much time with you as I did, but we all LOVE you just the same. You will forever be in on our minds and in our hearts Grandpa....Eternal love to you and Grandma.....you're oldest granddaughter Rochelle and great-Grandsons Ryan and Alex.

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**Rochelle M. Peterson** - June 27, 2011 at 11:18 AM