

**Floyd E. Wetherell**, age 83, of Manistee, Michigan died Saturday morning, November 19, 2011 at the Faith Hospice Home in Byron Center, MI.

He was born on November 26, 1927 in Manistee, Michigan, son of the late Roy and Virginia (Tyron) Wetherell. He was a lifelong resident of Manistee and graduated from Manistee High School. Floyd served as a sergeant in the United States Army during World War II from February 20, 1946 until July 29, 1947. He married Jane E. Gunn on June 30, 1951 at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee. She preceded Floyd in death on February 1, 2001. He was employed by the City of Manistee as a policeman and served most of those years as the Assistant Chief of Police until his retirement from the force in 1988. During his career as a policeman, Floyd also took continuing education courses in "Police Leadership" at Michigan State University in Lansing. After his retirement he was employed by the City of Manistee for twenty three more years, as a Bridge Tender of the Maple Street Bridge. Floyd was known for always reaching out to some of Manistee's less fortunate and under-privileged by providing them with care, part- time jobs and meals.



He was a member of Guardian Angels Catholic Church and the Walsh Post #4499 Veterans of Foreign Wars both in Manistee. He had also served one term as a Manistee County Commissioner, was a member of the Manistee Dial a Ride Board, past treasurer and board member of the Senior Citizens Center, board member of Century Terrace Apartments and a Senior Board member of the Manistee Public Employee's Credit Union

Floyd is survived by his daughter and son in-law, Cathy and Mark Thibeault of Apex, North Carolina, and by two sons and daughters in-law, Allen and Laura Wetherell of Wyoming, MI and Richard and Teresa Wetherell of Cary, North Carolina, his grandchildren; Matthew Wetherell, Heather Wetherell Waldrop and her husband Andrew Waldrop, Alex Wetherell, Sean Wetherell, Ashley Wetherell, Zach Landis, Cameron Thibeault, McKenna Landis, and Halle Landis, his sister and brother in-law, Grace and Tom Lindenbaum Montembo of North Muskegon, MI, his brother, William Wetherell of Muskegon, MI, and his special friend, Jean O'Dell of Manistee, MI. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive him. Floyd was also preceded in death by his infant son, Jeff Wetherell.

Mass from The Order of Christian Funerals will be celebrated Wednesday, November 23, 2011 at 9:00 AM at Guardian Angels Catholic Church in Manistee with Rev. John McCracken celebrant. Burial will follow in Mount Carmel Cemetery in Manistee, where graveside military honors will be conducted by the Ritual Squad of the VFW Walsh Post #4499 of Manistee.

Relatives and friends will pray the Evening Vigil Service on Tuesday evening, November 22, 2011 at 8:00 PM at the Herbert Funeral Home in Manistee, where friends may begin calling at the funeral home on Tuesday evening after 6:00 PM. The family will be at the funeral home on Tuesday evening from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM to receive friends.

Those wishing to remember Floyd, are asked to consider a donation in his name, to the American Heart Association of West Michigan or to Faith Hospice – Trillium Woods, 8214 Pfeiffer Farms Drive, SW, Byron Center, Michigan 49315. Envelopes are available at the funeral home.

**The Herbert Funeral Home of Manistee is in charge of funeral arrangements.**