August C. 'Gus' Gleitz

A funeral Mass for August C. "Gus" Gleitz, 77, of Logansport, will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday in All Saints Catholic Church.

He died at 10:55 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, 2004, in Logansport Memorial Hospital.

Born Aug. 18, 1926, in Niles, Mich., he was the son of August C. and Roxie Bell Gleitz. He was married Oct. 19, 1946, in Logansport, to Betty E. Thomas, who preceded in death on July 4, 2004.

Gus retired after 50 years of service as a union bricklayer. He was a life-member of the International Union of Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Local #4. Over the years, he worked on many buildings throughout the community.

A veteran of the U.S. Navy of World War II, he served aboard the U.S.S. Hornet. Prior to enlisting in the Navy, Gus had been a resident at Father Flanagan's "Boys Town" in Nebraska.

Gus was a member of the American Legion Post #60, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #3790, the All Saints Catholic Church, the Logansport Knights of Columbus and the Pulaski Assembly Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus.

Surviving are one son, August C. "Gus" Gleitz III, Brookston; two daughters, Kathy Rozzi and her husband, Randy, and Mary Kay and her husband, Mike Fincher, all of Logansport; two sisters, Doris LaBounty, Payne, Ohio, and Betty Gleitz, Niles, Mich.; nine grandchildren, Mike Fincher II, Michelle Fincher, Chet "Dutch" Fincher, Bryan Gleitz, Amy Rhea, Andrea Spurgeon, Matt Harris, Nick Rozzi and Bradley Gleitz; two stepgrandchildren, Brad Rozzi and Josh Rozzi; 13 great-grandchildren; eight stepgreat-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

One son, Alan Gleitz; and two brothers, Francis Gleitz and John "Jack" Gleitz, preceded in death.

Father Michael McKinney will officiate at the services. Burial, with military honors, will be in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. today in Kroeger Funeral Home, where the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus will stand guard from 6 to 8 p.m. A Scripture Service, followed by a Knights of Columbus wake service will be held at 7 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Girls & Boys Town, Boystown, NE 68010, and Gibault School, P.O. Box 2316, Terre Haute, IN 47802-0316.

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