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## James A. Henderson

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ESCANABA - James A. Henderson, 79, 3890 L.15 Lane, Escanaba, passed away early on Wednesday, Nov. 26, 2008, at St. Francis Hospital.

James was born on Dec. 22, 1928, in Detroit, the son of James and Lenore (Guerin) Henderson Sr. At the age of two, the Henderson family moved to Sault Ste Marie, Mich., where he graduated from high school. He then attended the University of Detroit, earning a bachelor's degree in philosophy.

James enlisted in the Army on Oct. 1, 1951, serving during the Korean Conflict. He earned the Korean Service Medal with two Bronze Service Stars, United Nations Service Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, and one Oversea Bar. James was honorably discharged on June 20, 1953.

On Feb. 23, 1952, James A. Henderson married the former JoAnn Baker in Ft. Riley, Kan.

He worked as a claims adjustor for Citizens Insurance Company until his retirement in 1992. They lived in the Escanaba area for 50 years.

James loved classical music and playing the clarinet. He enjoyed boating at his beloved cottage on Lake Superior where the Henderson family has summered for six generations.

He was a member of St. Anne's Church.

Among the survivors include: his wife, JoAnn of Escanaba; three children, Maryanne (Charles) Olsen of DePere, Wis., Jim (Marilyn) Henderson of Escanaba, and Michael Patrick Henderson of Howard, Wis.; grandchildren, Adam Olsen, Christopher Olsen, James Henderson, Kristin Watson and Erin Heddem; seven great-grandchildren; a brother, Patrick Henderson of Escanaba; and a sister, Mary Noel Henderson of South Padre Island, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be on Monday, Dec. 1, from 3 to 5:30 p.m. at the Crawford Funeral Home in Escanaba. The Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 6 p.m. at St. Anne's Church with Rev. Janusz Romanek officiating. A luncheon will follow the service in the church fellowship hall.

Burial will be in Brimley, Mich.

The Crawford Funeral Homes are assisting the Henderson family with arrangements.

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