William "Uncle Bill" Romus

ROMUS – William "Uncle Bill," 83, died Dec. 13, 2009, in Hartford, Conn., where he resided for many years. Born Jan. 7, 1926, in Cairnbrook. Preceded in death by parents. Joseph and Mary Romus; loving wife, Cynthia (McGraff), in 1968; and his beloved only child, Patricia, in July 2009. Bill was a very devoted father to "My Patty," who was his sunshine and joy. Also preceded in death by brother, Joseph Romus; sisters, Mary Callahan, Penny MacCleary, Bertha Dressick, Patricia Ciecura and Helen Bednar; and nieces, Mary Louise, Kathleen and Joey. Survived by brother, Frank (Lu) Romus, Cairnbrook; sister, Rose Kovak, Richfield, Ohio; and many nieces and nephews. Bill was a World War II U.S. Navy veteran, having served aboard the USS Fleming and USS O'Bannon, and was very patriotic and marched in many parades carrying the flag. He belonged to many fraternal organizations, Hartford Carpenters Union Local 43, Polish clubs in Hartford and Pennsylvania, VFWs and Elks. Bill was an avid hunter and fisherman, and made countless visits to his beloved Pennsylvania Mountains to enjoy the woods and streams with his brother, Frank. Bill loved "Lu's cooking." A special thank you to his niece, Anne Romus, who devoted much loving care to her "Uncle Bill" and made him his favorite Polish foods, including pierogies and kielbasa and kraut. Friends will be received from 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Mulcahy Funeral Home, Central City. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday at Our Lady Queen of Angels Church, Central City, Father Maurizio. Committal, Sacred Heart of Jesus Cemetery. Graveside military rites by Central City American Legion Post 449. Out of town arrangements by Baxter and Dillon Funeral Home, Hartford, Conn.