



FRANCIS "JINKS" JENNINGS

December 10, 1919 - June 4, 2013

Francis "Jinks" Jennings, 93, of Caledonia, died Tuesday, June 4, 2013 at his home. He was born December 10, 1919, in Caledonia to Frank and Esther (Davy) Jennings. Francis served in the U.S. Army during WWII from 1942-45. He married Marlys Anderson on August 14, 1954 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Caledonia.

Francis worked at Trane Co., LaCrosse for over 32 years, retiring in 1983. He was a member of St. Mary's Church, Caledonia American Legion Post 191 and the VFW. He loved gardening and spending time with his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife Marlys of Caledonia; his four children, Carolyn (Mike) Fitzpatrick of Caledonia, Kathryn (Stephen) Palen of Rochester, MN, Michael (Colleen) Jennings of Manchester, IA, and Ann (Chris) Diersen of Caledonia; 13 grandchildren, Christopher Fitzpatrick, David (Jenny) Fitzpatrick, Jeni (Jon) Slama, Adam (Leah) Palen, Lyndsey (Nick) Crossley, Jill (Stephen) Tacl, Alyssa Palen, Alexa Palen, Jestin (Lindsay) Jennings, Grace Jennings, Reese, Riley and Henry Diersen; great grandchildren, James, Emily and Lilly Fitzpatrick, Zachary and Addison Palen, Jack Jennings, and Callen Crossley

He was preceded in death by his parents, a grandson, Jeremee Jennings, and

2 brothers, Melvin and Joseph Jennings.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 am on Friday, June 7, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Caledonia. Fathers Gregory Leif and Thomas Jennings will officiate and burial with military honors will be in Calvary Cemetery, Caledonia. Visitation will be from 10 to 11 am Friday morning at the church. Memorials may be given to St. Mary's School, Caledonia. McCormick Funeral Home, Caledonia is assisting the family with arrangements.