



## Charles Toth

August 12, 1919 - March 19, 2011

Charles L. (Louis) Toth, 91, of Toledo, Ohio passed away Saturday, March 19, 2011 at Hospice of Northwest Ohio, Toledo, Ohio. He was born on August 12, 1919 to John and Judith (Krumholz) Toth in Toledo, Ohio. He was married May 1, 1948 to Mary (Horvath). She preceded him in death in 1989. Also preceding Charles were his beloved sisters and brothers, Hazel (Joseph) Lengel, Steve (Fern) Toth, John (Irene) Toth, Joseph (Rose) Toth, Vilma (Joseph) Rittman, and Frank (Marge) Toth. Surviving are four generations of nieces and nephews, all of whom are blessed with many memories of the unconditional love and support Charles (Uncle Chuck) provided them through the years. Special appreciation is extended to his great nephews and nieces Mike (Vicki) Laurell and Jason (Janell) Toth for their loving and unselfish care during his final days. Charles was a 1937 graduate of Clay High School, Oregon, Ohio where he played baseball under beloved coach Harold Potter. He was a WWII veteran, serving in Papua, New Guinea. He was honorably discharged in 1946 and has been a member of the Maumee American Legion, Post #320 for 45 years. He worked in delivery for Lamson's Department Store, Toledo, Ohio. He attended Blessed Sacrament Parish with his wife Mary and for many years after her passing. Charles is also survived by cousins from the Vargo family in Cleveland and the Varanyi and Oremus families in Europe. Proud of his Hungarian heritage, Uncle Chuck hosted many family Christmas parties dressed in a traditional Hungarian vest, a souvenir he obtained with his wife Mary and brother Frank during a European tour of his immigrant parents'

homeland. His parents were founding members of Calvin United Church of Christ, Birmingham, and Charles regularly purchased seasonal pastries and kolbasz from the church to distribute to his family for holiday meals. His preferred role during summer family gatherings was at the fire pit frying bacon for Hungarian greasy bread, a tradition that has spanned many generations and will continue to span many more. Every person who has ever known him described Charles as "a good man". His friendships were many and lasting, and he was the kindest, most generous, and most loving man anyone ever had the pleasure to meet. Gracious to the end, he will be greatly missed by all who loved him. "And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand." Arrangements are entrusted to the Ansberg West Funeral Home, Toledo, Ohio. A graveside service for friends and family will be held at Restlawn Memorial Park, Genoa Road, Perrysburg, Ohio on Saturday, March 26, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. The entire family would like to thank the health care professionals at Toledo Hospital, Lifestar Ambulance, and Hospice of Northwest Ohio for their compassion, kindness, and support. Memorial contributions can be made in honor of Charles L. Toth to establish a scholarship in his name for the Clay High School Baseball Team, or can be given to a charity of the donor's choice.