



James E. Sanderson Jr.

April 29, 2011

James Edwin Sanderson Jr, age 74, of Rapid City, died Friday, April 29, 2011 at Kalkaska Memorial Health Center of Kalkaska. Jim was born in Ypsilanti on Dec. 23, 1936, the son of James and Virginia (Kruse) Sanderson. He married Olga Lee Owens on Aug. 21, 1961. He married Marjorie Louise Dunn in Miami, FL on Feb. 4, 1996. Jim worked as a fireman, owner of Rapid River Motel and Kalkaska County Corrections, but his passion was woodworking. He was a navy veteran. He is survived by his wife of 15 years, Marjorie; sister, Sharon Marrs of Belleville; children, James (Patricia) Sanderson III of Freeland, Cheri (Doug) Ashley of Cedar Springs; step children Patricia Rahn of Lewiston, Kathy (Dale) Frederick of Detroit and Barb (Mike) Carlisle of Pennsylvania; 13 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a granddaughter Kelsey Mae Knoll. Visitation will be from 6-8 pm, Thursday, May 19 at Kalkaska Funeral Home, Kalkaska. Funeral services will be held 11 am, Friday, May 20, 2011 at M-72 Church of Christ, Kalkaska. Burial to follow at Evergreen Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association. Please sign Jim's online guestbook at www.kalkaskafuneralhome.com. Arrangements are by Kalkaska Funeral Home, Kalkaska.