Obituary

Born: Friday, May 25, 1928
Died: Thursday, July 14, 2011

Richard A. Kirsch, 83, passed away Thursday in St. Joseph's Hospital. A life resident of the Syracuse area, he was a communicant of St. Matthews Church. He was a descendant of the Kirsch Dairy family in Mattydale. He was an AirForce veteran of the Korean War stationed in Newfoundland guarding the northern hemisphere. Richard attended Niagara University and Clarkson University and was employed as a Project Engineer with Bristol Myers Labs for 33 years before retiring in 1987. He was a member of the 25 year club at Bristol Labs. He was a member of his neighborhood bridge club and was an avid gardener, fisherman and golfer. He was predeceased by his brothers Raymond and Kenneth Kirsch. He is survived by his wife of 60 years Joan A. Maloney Kirsch; 3 sons Michael (Theresa) of Chittenango, Thomas (Amy) of E. Syracuse and Martin (Jodi) of Syracuse; 3 daughters Kathleen (Thomas) Polera of Plymouth, MI, Elizabeth (Gregory) Regulbuto of Canastota and Jean (Mark) Getsy of N. Syracuse; 8 grandchildren Jennifer, Susan, Katelyn, Meghan, Christina, Andrew, Sarah and Michael; 2 great grandchildren Madeline and Christina; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be Monday at 8:30 AM in MATHEWSON-FORANI FUNERAL HOME INC. and 9 AM in St Matthews Church. Burial will be in White Chapel Memory Gardens, Dewitt. Friends may call Sunday from 4 to 7 PM at the funeral home 206 Kinne St. E. Syracuse, NY. Donations in Richard's memory may be given to St Matthews Food Pantry 229 W. Yates St E Syracuse, NY 13057

Service Summary

Visitation
4:00 PM to 7:00 PM, Sun Jul 17, 2011
Mathewson-Forani Funeral Home, Inc.
206 Kinne St.
East Syracuse, New York 13057

Funeral Mass
9:00 AM Mon Jul 18, 2011
St. Matthew's Church
229 W. Yates St.
East Syracuse, New York 13057