



## Joseph "Joe" West

December 7, 2006

Joseph "Joe" West, 87, of Butler, PA, died at 1:45 PM on Thursday, December 7, 2006 at Butler Memorial Hospital with complications of pneumonia.

He was born Sunday, June 29, 1919 in Butler ,PA. He was the son of the late John West and the late Sophie (Kovolcic) West.

He was a graduate of Butler High School. He was a master sargent in the US Army during WW 2 when he served in the European Theater as well as playing horn in the US Army Band. The son of Polish immigrants, Joe spoke several Slavic languges and acted as a military translator for Displaced Persons during WW 2. He was an expert welder at Spang & Co.for many years and later for Butler Area Sewer Authority. Member of the Am Vets and County Worker's Union.

Surviving are his wife, Martha (Brandon)West whom he married December 31, 1941; 2 Daughters, Marva West Tan of Timonium , MD, Rebecca West of Chicago, IL; Son, JB West & wife Kay Odegard of Woodinville, WA; Sister, Nellie Hill of Cleveland, OH; 2 Nephews, Robert Brandon of Butler, Ronald Brandon of Butler; Niece, Mrs. Peter (Kathy) Rogers of Butler.

Private funeral and burial. A memorial service is being planned for a later date.

Contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 300 Penn Center Blvd. Suite 602, Pittsburgh, PA 15235.

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