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**Royal J. Houk**

March 1, 1921 – March 18, 2005

Royal J. Houk, age 84, died Friday, March 18, 2005, at his residence in Eagle.

He was born March 1, 1921, in Dousman, to George and Margaret (Waters) Houk. On March 24, 1945, he married the late Cliobell Pease in Sullivan.

Royal was retired from Waukesha Motor Co. where he was employed for 43 years. He was a retired member of the Eagle Fire Department, a member of the Eagle Village Board and a member of St. Theresa's Catholic Church in Eagle. He enjoyed cards, bowling and golf.

He is survived by his children, Harold of Eagle, Jackie (William) Adams of Eagle, Mark (Penny) of Eagle and Russell of Sullivan; grandchildren, Jeffrey Adams and Michele (Jeff) Auberger; great-grandson, Nicholas; brothers, Claire (Miriam) Houk of Mukwonago and Edwin (Frances) Houk of Aurora, Ill.; and nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Cliobell, and his brothers, Gerald and Leon.

A Mass of Christian burial will be said at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 23, at St. Theresa's Catholic Church in Eagle. The Rev. Dennis Ackeret will officiate with burial at St. Theresa's Cemetery in Eagle. A visitation will be held after 4 p.m. Tuesday at Mealy's Funeral Home, 103 Eagle St. in Eagle.

If desired, memorials to St. Theresa's Catholic Church are appreciated.

Mealy's Funeral Home, 594-2442, is serving the family.

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