



Anthony Joseph Panka

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Pawleys Island Anthony J. Panka Anthony Joseph Panka, age 85 of Port Rush Loop died Saturday, September 10, 2007 at Grand Strand Health Care. Born March 29, 1922 in Elizabeth, NJ, he was the son of the late Anthony and Gertrude Savonis Panka. Mr. Panka was a US Air Force serving in the World War II in the European Theater and was a member of the 8th Air Force 339th P-51 Fighter Group. He was a member of the American Legion Post 0517 in NJ and the VFW Post 10420 in Murrells Inlet. He was a member of St. Pius the X Catholic Church in Forded River, NJ for more than 40 years where he served as head usher and greeter. Mr. Panka was a member of the Knights of Columbus 11028 in Pawleys Island and participated in fund raising activities and Special Olympics. He was an outstanding athlete and with his brother John formed Panka's Boat Works where they built and repaired boats. Surviving are a sister, Anne F. Krug and her husband Tom of Pawleys Island; loving nephews, Joseph Starr and wife Rose Marie of Valdese, NC, Jerry Krug and wife Lorraine of Linden, NJ and John Krug and wife Candy of Valparisano, IND and a niece, Maryanne Krug of Crown Point, IND. Services will be Noon on Saturday at Precious Blood of Christ Catholic Church. Interment will follow in Hillcrest Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 7:00 to 9:00 PM on Friday at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Litchfield-Pawleys Island Chapel. Memorials may be made to Precious Blood of Christ Catholic Church, 1633 Waverly Road, Pawleys Island, SC 29585. Many thanks to Covenant Hospice, especially Mrs. Jane and LaTonya for their faithful care.

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