



## Stanley P. Stec

August 20, 1917 - January 27, 2015

Stanley P. Stec, 97, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke. Born in Thorndike on August 20, 1917, son of the late Cypron and Sophia (Wolak) Stec, he was educated in the Chicopee parochial and public schools. He worked at Chicopee Manufacturing Textiles for seventeen years and the Chicopee School System for 30 years, retiring in 1983 as Head of Maintenance at Chicopee High School. Stanley entered the US Army in 1941 in the 26th Yankee Division 104th Infantry. He served under General Patton and became a highly decorated WWII veteran, wounded in battle and receiving the Combat Infantry Badge, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Good Conduct, American Defense, American Campaign WWII Army Occupation, European Victory, European Army Occupation, and French Croix-de-guerre DeGuerd medals, an ETO medal with four battle stars, as well as a Regimental citation by the French and Belgian governments. Stanley was a member of the American Legion Post 452, D.A.V. Chap. 11, Westover, Holyoke VFW Chapter 308, Past Commander of the 104th Infantry Veterans' Association, Commander of the Yankee Division Veterans' Association, Jr. Commander for the 104th Veterans Association, and chaired annually at the services for Veterans' Day at Apremont Park in Westfield. Stanley was a communicant of the Basilica of St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr and a member of its Holy Name Society, and a member of the Chicopee Knights of Columbus Elder Council 69 and the Polish Alliance Group 711. He also volunteered at Lorraine's Soup Kitchen. Stanley was predeceased by his wife,

Helen (Swierad) in 2003 and his son, Raymond in 2002. Stanley leaves his daughter-in-law Linda (Jez) Stec, three grandchildren, Edward and his wife Elaine and two great-granddaughters of Westborough, David and his wife Kathleen and two great-grandsons of Grafton, and Karen (Stec) Boisvere and her husband Nicholas and one great-granddaughter, of Chicopee. Stanley also leaves many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brothers, Walter, John, Frank, Andrew and Leo Stec and sisters, Rose Izyk, Stephanie Ustach and Josephine Fortuna. Funeral services and Burial with Military Honors in St. Stanislaus Cemetery, Chicopee were private. Memorial contributions may be made to the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke, 110 Cherry St. Holyoke, MA 01040.

# Cemetery Details

## **St. Stanislaus Cemetery-**

800 Montgomery St.  
Chicopee, MA