Ronald Dale Staerz of Wheaton/Carol Stream: Funeral services for Ronald Dale Staerz, 58, a resident of Wheaton/Carol Stream since 1975, will begin at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, at Hultgren Funeral Home, 304 N. Main St., Wheaton, and continue with Mass at 10 a.m., at St. Mark Catholic Church, located on Cole Street, east of Main Street, in Wheaton. Born Sept. 28, 1941, in Madison, Wis., he died Sunday, March 26, 2000, at Alden Valley Ridge Rehabilitation Center in Bloomingdale. His place of rest will be in Assumption Cemetery, Winfield. Originally raised on a farm near Wonewoc, Wis., Mr. Staerz had attended Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wis., for two years and then enlisted in the Navy. He served as an electronics/radar specialist aboard the first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, the USS Enterprise, and traveled around the world twice. After his discharge in 1966, he began his career with the Burroughs/Unisys Corporation and was employed there for 31 years until his illness in May 1998. Surviving are his wife, Bonnie Staerz; daughters, Christy (David) Wilde of Hanover Park and Cathy Staerz of Carol Stream; grandchildren, Caitlin and Ethan Wilde of Hanover Park; mother, Marjorie Staerz of Reedsburg, Wis.; sister, Donna (Richard) Rick of Wonewoc; brothers-in-law, Edwin (Betty) Schroeder of Mazomanie, Wis., and Loren (Karen) Schroeder of Baraboo, Wis.; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Joseph Peter Staerz Jr., and his father- and mother-in-law, Fred and Iva Schroeder. Visitation will be from 4 to 9 p.m. today, at the funeral home. For information, (630) 668-0027, or www.legacy.com.

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