



Emil Valentine Czehura

February 14, 1927 - November 6, 2022

Emil Valentine Czehura passed away Sunday morning, November 6, 2022 at his home in Butte. He was born on St. Valentine's Day, Monday, February 14, 1927 in Rockville, Connecticut to Polish immigrants, Ignatz and Magdalena (Mucha) Czehura. He was trained as a paratrooper during World War II and was honorably discharged on October 9, 1944.

Emil worked his way west as a gandy dancer for the Northern Pacific Railroad and settled in Lombard Montana where he met the love of his life. Emil married Harriette Rena Tulloch on April 24, 1949 in Helena and she preceded him in death on September 18, 1999. The couple built a new home in Lombard, the first house to boast indoor plumbing with a private well. After completing correspondence courses from Dri Electronics School in Sacramento California, Emil was offered a job in LA. However, the couple chose to move to Helena rather than LA, and Emil continued working for the railroad. In the early 1960s, he was elected as a Union Steward. In 1966, he was promoted from Assistant Foreman to Foreman in Helena, but was immediately bumped. In the ensuing years, however, he worked as a Foreman in Cascade, Helena, and Butte retiring from the railroad in January 1985. He was proud to have been a "Railroad Man" his entire life. He loved rebuilding cars and always had a project car in the garage.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Steve and Dorothy (Hicklin)

Czehura of Butte, grandson, Michael Czehura and his wife Tammi (Miller) of Butte and, great-grandchildren, Berkley, Kinley, Bridger, and Khloe Czehura.

Cremation has taken place. Graveside interment services will take place in Sunset Hills Cemetery in Bozeman. A private memorial service, as requested by the deceased, will be conducted in Butte.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be sent to the Butte Food Bank.