



## Edward R. Zech

September 23, 2011

Wantage - Edward Richard Zech, age 69, passed away on Friday, September 23, 2011 at Morristown Memorial Hospital. Born and raised in Jersey City, he had lived in Lake Hopatcong before moving to Sussex County. Mr. Zech had served in the United States Navy. He had been a Police Officer for twelve years for the Lake Hopatcong Police Department before he became a Corrections Officer for New Jersey State Department of Corrections at the Annandale Facility, where he retired from in 1991. Mr. Zech was a member of the Kittatinny Masonic Lodge #164 F & A M in Branchville. He had a passion for the ocean and was not an extravagant man, but had a very giving and thoughtful soul. He is survived by his loving wife, Judith; his son, Richard "Ricci" Zech of Wantage; and his two grandchildren. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, September 28, 2011 at 11 a.m. at the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex. Interment will follow at Holy Name Cemetery in Jersey City. Friends may pay their respects to the family one hour before the funeral service on Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations may be made to the Wantage Township First Aid Squad, 888 State Route 23, Wantage, NJ 07461. Online condolences may be offered to the family on [www.PinkelFuneralHome.net](http://www.PinkelFuneralHome.net).