

Elizabeth M. “Betty” Skiera, died peacefully around family while in hospice care in Lansing, Michigan on September 30, 2016.

She was born on November 20, 1929 daughter of the late Henry & Elizabeth (Sprader) Wojciechowski. On September 15, 1951 she married Richard “Dick” Skiera at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee. He preceded her in death on November 17, 1996. Betty, as she was called, enjoyed watching Michigan State sports, football and basketball and enjoyed rooting for her favorite NASCAR driver Tony Stewart, when not outside enjoying her gardens. She would watch football on Sundays when the Packers or Vikings were playing.

Betty was a woman who lived simply and worked hard at various jobs in her lifetime including the Manistee Shoe Factory, Jebavy Canning Factory and Hardy Salt Company. She had a deep faith which showed in her generosity to various religious organizations and her commitment to St. Joseph Catholic Church and Parish.

Betty is survived by her daughter Cyndi (Jim) Oleniczak. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive her.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her son Wayne Skiera in 2009 and a sister Marie Borucki in 2008.

According to Betty’s wishes, cremation has taken place and Mass of Christian Funerals will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Friday October 14, 2016 at the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend Scott Lawler officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery also of Manistee. The family will receive friends at the church on Friday morning, one hour prior the funeral Mass.

Memorials have been established in Betty’s name for St. Joseph Catholic Church and Hospice House of Mid-Michigan. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home and also at the church on Friday morning.

The Herbert Funeral Home of Manistee is in charge of funeral arrangements.