



Carolyn E. Gutowski, age 84 of Manistee, died Sunday May 4, 2014 at the Manistee County Medical Care Facility.

She was born May 18, 1929 in Manistee the daughter of the late John and Cecelia (Sass) Najdowski. She was a 1947 graduate of St. Joseph High School and attended Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, where she majored in liberal arts. She married Gerald Gutowski on November 26, 1949 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee; he preceded her in death on April 4, 1997.

Carolyn was employed by Michigan Bell Telephone Company for 13 years before starting her own catering business which she operated for 35 years, prior to her retirement in 1997. She was a communicant of St. Joseph Catholic Church where she was also a member of the Rosary Society.

She enjoyed hunting, fishing, bowling and cooking for her family and friends. She is survived by sons, Gerald Allen (Elsa) Gutowski of Manhattan Beach, CA and Dennis Lee Gutowski of Manistee; daughter, Lani Rozga of Grosse Ile; grandsons, Brandon Rozga and Talon Gutowski; granddaughter, Angela (Don) Adams; brother, Dick (Louise) Najdowski of Manistee; sister, Jean (Patrick) Teets of Grant; step-sister, Virginia Elko of Bloomington, MN; uncle, Tony (Kathy) Sass of Muskegon; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her siblings, Rosalie Mack, David Najdowski, Monsignor John Najdowski, and Theresa Osborn.

A Memorial Mass from the Order of Christian Funerals will be celebrated at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, May 10, 2014 at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Father John McCracken, celebrant. The family will receive friends at the church from 10:00 A.M. until time of Mass. A private graveside service was held on Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at Mount Carmel Cemetery with Father Gaylord Shimnoski officiating.

Please visit Carolyn's personal book of memories page at [www.oakgrovefh.com](http://www.oakgrovefh.com) to share a story or photo with her loved ones.

The family has entrusted funeral arrangements to Oak Grove Funeral Home & Cremation Center in Manistee.