

Betty L. Hamilton, age 65 of Bear Lake, died Monday August 23, 2010 at her home. She was born November 23, 1944 in Ypsilanti, MI the daughter of the late Edgar Franklin and Dorothy Irene (Kirchmeyer) Burns.

She was a communicant of St. Mary of Mount Carmel Shrine in Manistee. Betty was a member of the Manistee Pool League. She loved watching birds, especially hummingbirds, and enjoyed playing Yatzee and cribbage.

Betty is survived by her children, Steve Hamilton, Larmie (Elke) Hamilton, Letha (Rick) Polk and Mike (Johanna) Hamilton; grandchildren, Rachelle Hamilton, Ariana Hamilton, David Dankowski, Samantha Hamilton, Danae Hamilton, Riley Kay Burns, & Michael Hamilton; great-granddaughter, Aaralyn Kitchen; siblings, Evelyn (Harley) Thies, Jean Gutowski, Jerry (Diane) Burns, Jim (Kathy) Burns, Chuck (Rose) Burns & Bill (Lucy) Burns; and hundreds of nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her ex-husband and close friend, Larmie Hamilton, and his family, Marjorie Hamilton, Louis (Marion) Hamilton, Larry Hamilton, Elmond Hamilton, Caroline (Dwayne) Adams, Lloyd (Roberta) Hamilton, Bert (Debbie) Hamilton, Rosetta Cain, David (Patty) Hamilton, and Terry Hamilton.

She was also preceded in death by her brother-in-law, David Gutowski; mother & father-in-law, Harry Dorsey & Violet Denise (Jones) Hamilton, and brothers & sisters-in-law, Harry Hamilton, Lee Dawn (Letha) Hamilton, and Lorraine Knudsen.

A Memorial Mass from the Order of Christian Funerals will be celebrated at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, September 4, 2010 at St. Mary of Mount Carmel Shrine in Manistee with Father John McCracken celebrant. The family will receive friends at the church from 10:00 A.M. until time of service. Final interment will be in Gateway to Heaven Cemetery, 13437 Pak Road in Bear Lake.

Memorial donations in Betty Hamilton memory may be made to Munson Hospice or the Manistee Senior Center.

The family has entrusted funeral arrangements to Oak Grove Cremation Center.