

**Emeline H. Kroll**, age 94 of Manistee died in peace, Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at the Manistee County Medical Care Facility surrounded by her loving Family.

She was born on July 21, 1919 in Manistee, Michigan daughter of the late Joseph J. and Blanche (Stuff) Kukla. Graduating from Manistee High School in 1936 at the age of 16, Emeline began work at the Glen of Michigan and took pride in the fact that she modeled clothes for the company while working in the office. Emeline married Harry Robert Kroll on June 21, 1941at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee. He preceded her in death on October 16, 1957. She became a homemaker and stay at home

mom until after Harry's death, when she returned to the workforce as a cashier at the A&P Store in Manistee until its closing in 1975. After that, she attended West Shore Community College, and received her Associates degree in business in 1978. She then worked in the offices of Memorial Hospital in Onekama and at the Hardy Salt Company, where she made many wonderful friends. After her retirement, Emeline became a member of the St. Joseph Church Monday Club. The Monday morning ladies became dear friends to her and she had special memories of their time together.

She was a lifelong communicant of St. Joseph Catholic Church, a member of St. Joseph Rosary Society, and Manistee Catholic Central Mom's Club, serving as vice president for many years. She was one of the founding members of the M.C.C. Music Boosters, serving as president, and was also a member of the West Shore Hospital Auxiliary for 40 years, and the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary, where she also served as president. She was inducted into the M.C.C. Hall of Fame in 2000 and was one the biggest Saber fans in Manistee, never missing a broadcast of any athletic event.

Despite living as a widow for 57 years, Emeline always looked at her life optimistically. Her children and grandchildren will always remember her as "the glass half full" woman. Her life was fulfilled by family, and also with friends she treasured until the day she died.

She is survived by two sons, Harry (Jeanne) Kroll of Rhinelander, WI, and Phillip (Rhonda) Kroll of Manistee, MI, one daughter, Patricia(John) Herbst of Traverse City, MI, grandchildren, Cory (Lori) Herbst of Gun Lake, MI, Meredith (Scott) Schmidt of Suttons Bay, MI, Andrea (Paul) Kroening of Brooklyn Park, MN, Lisa (Robert) Netzer of Bloomington, MN, Alan (Trisha) Kroll of Brighton, CO, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Nicholas Kroll of Serra Vista, AZ, Mackenzie Kroll of Zeeland, MI, and Logan Kroll of Mt. Pleasant, MI and fourteen great grandchildren, whose birthday's she lovingly remembered with cards until her death. She is also survived by nieces, Donna Jankwietz and Mary Ann Brzezniak, both of Manistee.

Emeline was pre-deceased by her parents, brothers, Anthony and Emery, and twin sisters, Blanche and Blondine, loving Sister Marion B. Holowinski, stepmother, Clara Kukla, husband Harry, and granddaughter Kristin Herbst.

Mass from The Order of Christian Funerals will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, February 17, 2014 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend John McCracken celebrant. Burial will follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery.

Relatives, friends and the members of the Saint Joseph Rosary Society will pray the Rosary Sunday evening, February 16, 2014 at 7:30 PM at the Herbert Funeral Home in Manistee, where the Evening Vigil Service will also be prayed at 8:00 PM. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Sunday evening from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM, and at the church on Monday morning, one hour prior to the funeral mass.

A memorial will be established in Emeline's name for Manistee Catholic Central Schools. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home and at the church on Monday morning.

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