

Eleanor G. Lijewski, age 95, of Manistee, Michigan, died early Saturday, May 6, 2017.

She was born on November 1, 1921 in Manistee, Michigan daughter of the late Frank A. and Anna (Krajkiewicz) Tomaszewski. Eleanor married Jerome L. Lijewski on May 11, 1946 at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee. He preceded her in death on February 23, 1992. Eleanor was employed in a local manufacturing plant making parts for tanks during World War II to support the war effort and would later spend many years in the garment industry working for the Glen of Michigan.

She loved spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She also enjoyed quilting, donating many to local charity events and bingo, as well as being an avid reader. She was a member of the Divine Mercy Parish and attended Saint Joseph Catholic Church of Manistee.

Eleanor is survived by her children Patricia (Tony) Wilkosz of Rogersville, TN, Gary (Diane) Lijewski of Grand Rapids, MI, Dennis Lijewski, Butch Lijewski, Daniel (Debbie) Lijewski and John Lijewski all of Manistee, MI. Her grandchildren Todd Wilkosz, Craig Wilkosz, Scott Lijewski, Heather Glidden, Joe Lijewski, Tricia Carlson, Keith Edmondson, Shane Mitchell, Matthew Lijewski, Kristina Barrett, Shadye Lijewski, Shelby Lijewski, Sydney Lijewski, and great grandchildren Liam, Grace, Reannon, Grette, Lexie, Lindsie, Chandler, Myelah, Eli, Nicole, Ayden, and Shawn. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive her.

She was preceded in death by her husband Jerome, grandson Jeremy ,and her daughter-in-law Patricia "Patty" Ann Jones. She was the last surviving member of her birth family "Closing a Chapter in History" preceded by her brothers Barney, Casmier, Joseph and Frank "Bud" Tomaszewski, and her much loved sisters Frances Tomaszewski, Helen Gentz, Irene Lijewski and Theresa Miller.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 11:00 AM at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend Scott Lawler celebrant. Burial will follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery also in Manistee.

Relatives and friends will pray the Rosary on Wednesday evening at 8:00 PM at the Herbert Funeral Home in Manistee where friends may begin calling Wednesday after 6:00 PM. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Wednesday evening from 6:00 to 9:00 PM and on Thursday morning from 10:00 AM until leaving for the church at 10:40 AM.

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