**Marlene M. Mauer**, age 79, of Tecumseh passed away suddenly on Friday, July 27, 2012. She was born on June 22, 1933, in St. Louis, Mo., the daughter of August and Carita (Ramaker) Brockmeier.

On June 23, 1951, she married Norbert Mauer and was married for 49 years. He preceded her in death on Sept. 18, 2000.

Marlene retired from Edwards Brothers in Ann Arbor in 1989. She was looking forward to spending time with her grandchildren. She was a member of the Tecumseh United Methodist Church for years but in later years never missed a week of church service on the radio. She was a loving, caring, dedicated mother and grandmother that devoted her life to her family and those in need. Marlene had a big heart, a sensitive soul, a sense of humor, and everything she did was with a genuine passion from her heart. Since the birth of her first grandchild, Marlene thrived on the love that she gave them and her life's fuel was renewed from the love she received from them. She loved spending time at the "library" and on the computer making her own personal cards for family and friends.

Marlene is survived by three children, Larry Mauer of Tecumseh, Lori (Dave) Render of Manchester and Wendy (Marty) Nelson of Manistee; seven grandchildren, Chelsea (26), Devin (24), Coyle (20), and Cody (18) Render and Alex (18), Joseph (15) and Elizabeth (12) Nelson and her special cousins.

Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 1, 2012 at J. Gilbert Purse Funeral Home in Tecumseh with the Rev. David Bucholtz officiating. Interment will follow at Brookside Cemetery, Tecumseh.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 31, 2012, at J. Gilbert Purse Funeral Home in Tecumseh. Memorial contributions can be made to the Humane Society of Lenawee County. Condolences may be made to the family online at <u>pursefuneralhome.com</u>.