

Gloria Susan Mucha of Manistee, passed away Sunday, June 22, 2014 at her home. She was born at Mercy Hospital in Manistee, daughter of the late Richard "Shorty" and Carol (Severson) Mucha.

Gloria was known and loved by the many people she met while walking her dog, Mr. Wiggles. A lifelong resident of the Northside, Gloria will be greatly missed by all of the dogs and humans she had befriended. Her pets were her pride and joy. She loved being a volunteer at Homeward Bound Animal Shelter in Manistee and also Circle Rocking S Children's Farm in Freesoil and was dedicated to the care of all animals. Gloria was very active in the Lakeshore Choir. She also participated in the Special Olympics as a member of the Manistee Magic Basketball Team. In her youth she played on a girl's fast-pitch softball league. She previously worked as a checkout cashier at Shorty's Take Out. Gloria was a caregiver for both her mother and father for many years. She was also a reliable pet sitter for many in the neighborhood.

Gloria is survived by her brother, David (Sue) Mucha; her nephew Jason (Aimee) Mucha and great niece & nephew, Lilliana & Nathaniel Mucha, all of Manistee. Gloria's beloved pets, Mr. Wiggles, Persia and Sunbeam also survive her.

She was preceded in death by her beloved mother and father, and her dear "children" Skippy, Dusty and Sunshine.

Mass from The Order of Christian Funerals will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, June 30, 2014 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Shrine Catholic Church in Manistee with Rev. John McCracken celebrant. Burial will take place at Mt. Carmel Cemetery also in Manistee.

The family will be at the church one hour prior to Gloria's funeral Mass to receive friends.

A memorial has been established in Gloria's name to Homeward Bound Animal Shelter of Manistee. Envelopes are available at the funeral home and will also be available at the church on Monday.

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