

Florence W. Pruski, age 89 of Manistee, MI, died Thursday evening June 1, 2017 at Munson Healthcare Manistee Hospital. She was born June 11, 1927 in Manistee, MI and was the daughter of the late Chester A. & Jennie L. (Sandstedt) Gauthier. She was a graduate of Manistee High School with the class of 1946. Florence married Kenneth J. Pruski on February 18, 1950 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Onekama. He preceded her in death on March 30, 1988. Florence was a homemaker and devoted mother to raising her four daughters. She was an avid seamstress and also enjoyed needlepoint crafting and crocheting. Florence donated many of her crocheted items to various charities

around the Manistee area. She enjoyed gardening and canning, cooking and baking. Florence also enjoyed spending time playing BINGO and Pinochle at local organizations and the M.C.C. card parties. She was a member of Divine Mercy Parish of Manistee.

She is survived by four daughters, Carol (Paul) McIntosh-Lieffers, Darlene Carey, Joey (Jo Ellen) Sandstedt and Christie Stabile; nine grandchildren: Kevin (Wendy) McIntosh, Michele McIntosh (Terry) VanKleek, Jason (Jenny) McIntosh Christopher Wilsens, Melissa Wilsens; Matthew Mazany, Morgan, Sarah and Hannah Stabile; five great-grandchildren, Keenen and Mackenzie McIntosh and Caleb, Levi and Elijah VanKleek; one sister, Charlotte (Harlan) Kott; two brothers, Chester Jr. (Virginia) Gauthier and John (Brenda) Gauthier. Numerous nieces, nephews and cousins also survive her.

In addition to her parents and husband Ken, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Bernard, infant brother Charles, and Elwyn Gauthier and also her mother & father-in-law, Joseph and Clara (Kott) Pruski. She was also preceded in death by two sons-in-law, Michael McIntosh and Paul Wilsens and her sister-in-law, Daisy Gauthier.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 AM on Monday, June 12, 2017 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Rev. Richard Schaeffer celebrant. Burial will follow at Mt. Carmel Cemetery also in Manistee.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 to 8:00 PM Sunday evening at the Herbert Funeral Home in Manistee where a vigil service will be prayed at 7:30 PM. The family will also be present at the church one hour prior to Florence's funeral Mass on Monday at St. Joseph Catholic Church to receive friends.

Those wishing to remember Florence are asked to consider a memorial contribution in Florence's name to the charity of your choice. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home and also at the church on Monday morning.

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