



Reta E. Racine age 60 of Manistee, Michigan died suddenly, after a short illness on Friday, April 23, 2010 at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City, Michigan. She was born January 20, 1950 in Manistee, Michigan and was the daughter of the late Erford D. and Evelyn G. (Patterson) Edmondson.

She was the great-granddaughter of the late Joseph Edmondson, who came to Manistee in 1863 and he was the Sesquicentennial Pioneer of Manistee County. Reta was baptized, confirmed and married at St. Mary's of Mt. Carmel Shrine Church in Manistee. She graduated from the 8th Grade at the Guardian Angels Catholic Elementary School and from Manistee Catholic Central High School with the class of 1968. She had been inducted into the Manistee Catholic Central Hall of Fame for her countless hours of teaching religious education. Reta married Michael Fisher in 1969 and later Steve Racine in 1978. She had moved to Fort Wayne, Indiana and lived there from 1980 until 1988. She was an active member of the Most Precious Blood Roman Catholic Church of Fort Wayne, Indiana and St. Mary's of Mt. Carmel Shrine Church in Manistee where she was a past Eucharistic Minister. She was also a member of the American Legion Post #10 of Manistee and a Moosette of the Loyal Order of Moose, Chapter #2315 of Manistee. Reta was an avid bowler having bowled in many of the local bowling leagues during her lifetime. She also enjoyed playing bingo, playing cards, crocheting and most of all spending time with her grandchildren.

Reta is survived by her son Chad (Chris) Fisher of Kansas City, Missouri and by her daughter and son in-law, Mary and Jason Beasley of Manistee, four grandchildren Shambliss, Zakiah, Jamari and Zaya Beasley all of Manistee, her sister Mary Moskalski of Manistee, MI, six brothers and sisters in-law, Dale and Dora Edmondson, Lynn and Mary Esther "Essie" Edmondson, James and Sharon Edmondson, Roy and Hilda Edmondson all of Manistee, MI, and Larry and Rosemary Edmondson of Wellston, MI, and George and Susan Edmondson of Manistee, MI, her son in-laws mother Debra Beasley of Manistee, MI, two aunts, Jean Edmondson of East Lake, MI, and Eleanor Edmondson of Manistee, MI. Reta is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her brother in-law, Walter Moskalski and her sister in-law, Sharon Edmondson and by her father in-law and mother in-law, Chuck and Eunice Racine.

Mass from The Order of Christian Funerals will be celebrated Wednesday, April 28, 2010 at 11:00 AM at St. Mary's of Mt. Carmel Shrine Catholic Church in Manistee with Rev. John McCracken celebrant. Cremation will follow the funeral mass.

Relatives and friends will pray the Evening Vigil Service at 8:00 PM Tuesday evening at the Herbert Funeral Home in Manistee, where friends may begin calling Tuesday afternoon after 2:00 PM. The family will be at the funeral home on Tuesday from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and 7:00 to 9:00 PM to receive friends.

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