

Caroline Rose Shack, age 89 of Manistee, Michigan died Friday, July 20, 2012 at the Manistee County Medical Care Facility.

She was born March 8, 1923 in Freesoil, Michigan and was the daughter of the late Joseph J. and Caroline (Simrak) Knizacky. Caroline married Paul Joseph Shack on September 28, 1946 at Saint John Cantius Catholic Church in Freesoil, Michigan. Paul preceded her in death on November 14, 1996.

She was the Bar Manager at the Manistee Elks Lodge #250 for many years, retiring from her position in 1988. Caroline enjoyed being with her children and grandchildren and cooking for all of the family gatherings, as well as spending time in her flower and vegetable gardens. She was a member of Saint Joseph Catholic Church of Manistee and a member of the Saint Joseph Rosary Society.

Caroline is survived by four daughters and three sons in-law: Joan Shack of Albany, New York, Jean and Michael Urban and Janet and Dean Etheridge all of Manistee, MI, and Joyce and John Miller of Rockford, MI, one son Chester Shack of Manistee, MI, eleven grandchildren; Joshua (Andrea) Shack, Jodie (Jake) Sell, Michael and Jennifer Devereaux, Heidi Loura, Chris (Tracy) Urban, Danielle Urban, Paige and Brooke Etheridge, Amanda and Tom Shack, ten great grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren, one sister and two brothers in-law; Vickie and Ray Thompson of Freesoil, MI, Gilbert Hoffman of Galesburg, MI, three sisters in-law; Virginia Kovar and Lucy Knizacky both of Freesoil, MI, and Regina Demock of Flushing, MI, and her special caregivers; Marlene Lijewski and Kathy Hunt. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive her.

She was also preceded in death by her sister; Theresa Hoffman and by her four brothers; Joseph, Robert, Francis and Steve Knizacky.

Mass from The Order of Christian Funerals will be celebrated Saturday, July 28, 2012 at 10:00 AM at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend John McCracken celebrant. On Saturday morning one hour prior to the funeral mass, the family will be available to receive friends at the church. Burial will follow at Old Stronach Cemetery in Stronach, MI.

In lieu of flowers, memorials will be established in Caroline's name for Saint Joseph Catholic Church and The Retirement Fund for Religious. Envelopes will be available at the church on Saturday morning.

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