

Edna K. Shereda age 81 of Freesoil, Michigan died Saturday night, March 23, 2013 at the Manistee County Medical Care Facility. She was born June 9, 1931 in Bridgeton Township, Michigan and was the daughter of the late Peter and Margaret (Schoenborn) Schmitt. She was a graduate of St. Mary's High School in Muskegon, Michigan with the Class of 1949. Edna married James "Jack" Shereda on October 12, 1957 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Brunswick, Michigan, by Monsignor Gerard F. Guzikowski. Jack preceded her in death on December 27, 2010. Before her marriage, Edna was employed in clerical positions in Muskegon, Michigan. After their marriage they moved to the Manistee – Freesoil area where they raised their family. In her spare time Edna grew and sold cedar trees from her nursery. Through-out the years she worked on many elections and was the official score- keeper at the high school and summer league softball games. She was a member of Saint John Cantius Catholic Church of Freesoil and a member of the church's altar society.

Edna is survived by two daughters and sons in-law, Helen and Greg Smith of Grand Rapids, MI, and their children, Christine Smith and her fiancée Luke Palmer, and Matthew Smith all of Hudsonville, MI, and Michael Smith of Marquette, MI, Ann and Duane Turk of Manistee, MI, two sons and daughters in-law, John and Barb Shereda and their children Jacob, Rachel and Abigail Shereda all of Hudsonville, MI, and Tom and Debbie Shereda and their children Stephen and Jonathan Shereda all of Grand Rapids, MI, two sisters Marie Schmitt of Twin Lake, MI, and Frieda Lawrence of Ravenna, MI, and one brother and sister in-law, Leonard and Ellen Schmitt of Green Bush, MI. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive her.

She was also preceded in death by an infant sister Wilma and an infant brother Gerald, her sister Virginia Schmitt and by three brothers Raymond, Robert and Erwin Schmitt.

Mass from The Order of Christian Funerals will be celebrated Wednesday, March 27, 2013 at 3:00 PM at Guardian Angels Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend Dennis O'Donnell celebrant. Burial will be in St. John Cantius Catholic Cemetery in Freesoil.

The family will receive friends at the Herbert Funeral home on Tuesday evening from 5:00 to 9:00 PM. and on Wednesday afternoon from 1:30 PM until the time of leaving the funeral home for the church mass. Relatives and friends will pray the Rosary on Tuesday evening at 6:00 PM also at the funeral home.

A memorial will be established in Edna's name for the Alzheimer's Association. Envelopes are available at the funeral home.

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