



Carol Margaret Kott, age 78 of Manistee, Michigan died Saturday evening, October 21, 2023 at the Maple Ridge Manor in Manistee.

She was born on July 20, 1945 in Manistee, Michigan daughter of the late Frank & Alice (Konicki) Raczkowski. Carol was a graduate of Manistee High School. She married James L. Kott on March 24, 1966 at St. Mary of Mount Carmel Shrine Catholic Church in Manistee. He preceded her in death on December 6, 2019. Carol received her Associates Degree in Marketing from West Shore Community College in 1994.

During her working career, she was employed at the Hokanson Camera and Office Supply Store, Packaging Corporation of America, Manistee Bank and Trust in the Trust Department, the Manistee Radio Station, Sawyers Fruit Packing in Bear Lake, the Manistee Chamber of Commerce, where she was a member of the Downtown Development Committee and was instrumental in bringing the Budweiser Clydesdale horses to Manistee, and West Michigan National Bank until her retirement. She enjoyed, walking and conversing with people she met, as well as being an avid collector of keepsakes. Carol was a member of Divine Mercy Parish in Manistee, where she was a lector and Eucharistic Minister.

She is survived by her daughter Christine Slawinski of Manistee, MI, her son and daughter-in-law, Charles & Nicole Kott of Manistee, MI, four grandchildren, Clayton (Justine) Slawinski, Austin Slawinski (Sara Schultz), Evan Slawinski (Shelby McColl) all of Manistee, and Hope Slawinski (Jakob Nezki) of Eugene, Oregon, three great grandchildren, Henry & Alexander Slawinski & Winnie Marrick, all of Manistee, her brother and sister-in-law, Leon & Kathy Raczkowski of Rochester Hills, MI, two nieces, Margit Raczkowski of Rochester Hills, MI and Betsy Raczkowski (Michael Ludwig) of Detroit, MI and her nephew, Adam (Kumar) Raczkowski of Chicago, IL.

She was preceded in death by her husband James Kott, her parents Frank & Alice Raczkowski, her sister Audrey Raczkowski and her son-in-law Brian Slawinski.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 11:00 am at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend Mitchel Roman celebrant. Burial will follow at Mount Carmel Cemetery also in Manistee.

Relatives and friends will pray, the Evening Vigil Service on Wednesday evening, November 1, 2023, at 8:00 pm at the Herbert Funeral Home in Manistee, where the family will receive friends on Wednesday evening from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm and on Thursday morning from 10:00 am until leaving for the church at 10:40 am.

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