



Lorraine T. Esch

February 29, 1928 - January 28, 2013

Lorraine T. Esch

Grand Ledge, MI

Devoted wife and loving mother died peacefully January 28, 2013 at the age of 84 after a long battle with Alzheimer's. She was born February 29, 1928 in Pewamo, Michigan to the late Edward and Elizabeth (Wohlscheid) Cook. She was an active member of St. Michael and St. Therese Catholic Parishes.

Lorraine met and fell in love with Francis Esch on a blind date. They built a house in the country and raised seven children. Together they enjoyed trips to Florida, square dancing, playing euchre, scrabble and camping. Lorraine was a wonderful cook; she canned everything, quilted, gardened, reading and spending time with family. We learned from our mom to appreciate everything, to be kind, humble, to have fun, to be silly, and to love one another. Thank you for being such a great example of how to live a good and happy life. She was preceded in death by her husband, Francis I. Esch who passed away June 25, 2005 and four brothers, Sylvester (Brother Leon), Leonard, Ray and Bobby. She is survived by her children, Thomas (Jackie), John (Leah), Mark (Beth), Terri (Ed) Shively, Linda (Russ) Russell, Kathy (Tom) Leitz, Karen (Scott) Eavey; 19 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; siblings, Thomas Cook and Stella (Bob) DeGrazio; sister-in-law, Helen Cook. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday, February 1, 2013, 11:00 AM at St. Michael Catholic Church, 345 Edwards Street, Grand Ledge with The Reverend Fr. James Eisele, Celebrant. Rite of Committal will follow at St. Joseph Catholic

Cemetery. The family will receive friends Thursday, 2-4 and 6-8 PM with a vigil service at 7:30 PM at the Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge and Friday at the church from 10:00 AM until the time of mass. Memorial contributions may be given to the church. Online condolences and memories at www.holihanatkin.com. Many thanks Audie and staff at Willow Woods Manor Adult Care for making mom part of their family.

Cemetery Details

Saint Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2520 W. Willow
Lansing, MI 48917

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services
406 N. Bridge Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837
(517) 627-2531
jasonbarclay@holihanatkin.com
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Visitation

JAN 31. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

JAN 31. 7:30 PM (ET)

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Service

FEB 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

Saint Michael Catholic Church
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Tribute Wall

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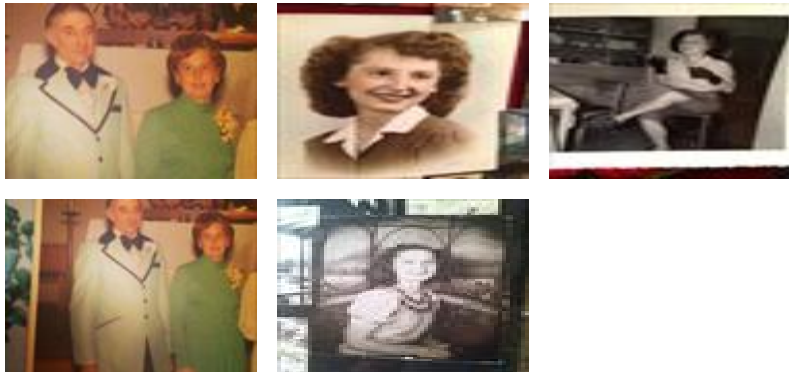
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“ Kathy & family: So sorry to hear about your mom/grandma. Our thoughts are with you. Matt & Gloria Wesaw

Gloria Wesaw - January 31, 2013 at 08:11 AM

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