Lehman, Esther

Esther H. Lehman, 79, of Caseville died Thursday morning, Aug. 3, 2000, at Cherry Hill Haven, Traverse City, following a brief illness. She was born July 12, 1921, in Tonwanda, N.Y., to the late Frank and Rose (Gangler) Hahn and came to Michigan in her youth. On Feb. 28, 1952, she was united in marriage to Edward G. Lehman in Warren. He preceded her in death on July 6, 1984. They had been coming to the Caseville area for many years and retired here in 1980. She had been a cook with the Van Dyke School System for 30 years. She moved to Cadar, near Traverse City, several years ago to be close to her daughter for health reasons. Esther was a former member of St. Roch Catholic Church, the Caseville Eagles Auxiliary and a member of the Caseville American Legion Auxiliary. Surviving are four children, Gloria Batzer and her husband, William, of Cadar, Frank Hanley of Sterling Heights, Kimburrlyn Gifford and her husband, Joseph, and Edward Lehman and his wife, Pam, all of Algonac; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; her brother, Harry Hahn and his wife, Barbara, of St. Petersburg, Fla.; and her sister, Frances Facca of Margate, Fla. Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 6, 2000, at St. Roch Catholic Church, Caseville. The Rev. Fr. John Weis will officiate with burial in Columbia Township Cemetery, Unionville. Visitation will be 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Caseville, and after 1 p.m. Sunday at the church.