

Verfaillie, Eleanor L.

Eleanor L. Verfaillie, 84, of Caseville, died Sunday, Oct. 21, 2007 at her home from colon cancer. She was born Dec. 14, 1922, in Detroit, to the late Cerial and Leona Persyn. On Oct. 10, 1953, she was united in marriage to Marcel J. Verfaillie in Detroit. Eleanor had been a secretary for S. S. Kresege's Department Store in Detroit. She and Marcel lived and raised their family in Detroit. In January of 1989, they moved to Caseville to be near their children. A few months later, Marcel preceded her in death on April 24, 1990.

Eleanor was an active member of St. Roch Catholic Church, Caseville. She enjoyed having her family nearby and collecting clowns, dolls and angels.

Surviving are three children, Amy (Larry) Joseph of Chesterfield Twp., Rita Lackie of Caseville and Don Verfaillie of East Pointe; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; three sisters, Georgett (Jim) Lemmon of Clinton Twp., Mary Van Haul of Frazer, and Ermma (Don) Lux of Sterling Heights; and her brother, Roger (Marian) Persyn of East Point.

Preceding her in death were two brothers, Frank and Barney Persyn; and two sisters, Sally Gerber and Bernice Hunsinger.

Funeral Mass will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2007 at St. Roch Catholic Church, Caseville, where friends may call after 9 a.m. until the time of services.

The Rev. Fr. Kenneth Yaroch will officiate with burial in the church cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the family.

Words of condolence may be shared at [www.champagnefuneralchapel.com](http://www.champagnefuneralchapel.com).

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