

## McBride, Helen

Mrs. Helen McBride, wife of the late Frank McBride, sister of the late Cassie Soberay, former resident of Detroit, Ubyly and Los Angeles, Calif., passed away Friday, Dec. 14, 2007 in Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Helen is survived by one niece, Catherine Russell Ezell and nephew, Phillip Ezell; one grand-niece, Pamela Turner and grand nephew-in-law, Michael Turner; one great-grandnephew, Mitchell Turner all of Ft. Wayne, Ind.; and one grand-nephew, Jon Thomas Grifka of Ubyly.

Helen had no children. Frank McBride preceded her in death in 1986. Helen's sister, Cassie Soberay, also preceded her in death in late October 2004.

She was born Feb. 9, 1919 in Detroit. Helen with her parents and older sister, Cassie, moved from Detroit to Ubyly when Helen was 2 years old. She and her sister attended Ubyly High School. After marriage, Helen worked as a nurse at St. Vincent's Hospital in Los Angeles, Calif. for many years.

Helen's parents, the late Casimer and Katherine Odwazny, immigrated from Poland/Russia in the early 1900s. Brothers, Casimer (4 years), Walter (2 years) and sister, Stephanie (1 year), passed away from illness shortly after arriving in the U.S.

Helen's family is extremely grateful for her kindness and caring. Although we will miss her, we are comforted in knowing the angels have taken her home to the Lord and she loved her entire life.

Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2007 at St. John Catholic Church in Ubyly. The Rev. Joseph Griffin, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery in the spring.

Visitation will be from 4:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubyly and from 10 to 11 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

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