

**Karafa, Maryann C.**

Maryann C. Karafa, of Port Austin and formerly of Rochester, owner and operator of Hiawatha Trailer Park, Oak Beach, put up a tough fight, but on Wednesday, March 28, 2007, was reunited with her beloved husband, the late Albert P. Karafa Jr.; parents, Phil and Anna Berezik; and dear nephew, Gerry Berezik. Maryann always will be remembered in the hearts of her children and grandchildren, Dennis, of Port Austin, Jolene and Charles, of Caseville, Paula and Michael Spencer, of Lake Orion, Michael Jr., of Portland, Oregon, Ana, of Chicago, Illinois, Allan Karafa, of Port Austin, Christopher, of Los Angeles, and Emma, of Rochester. She was the oldest and beloved sister of Phil and Elizabeth Berezik, of Balsam Grove, North Carolina, Gerry Berezik, of Iron River, Susan and Max Tomon, of Sterling Heights, Marlene and George D'Hulster, of Anchorville, and Robert Karafa, of Smiths Creek. She has left her handprints on all the hearts of her many nieces and nephews who affectionately called her "Auntie Mare." "Mare" also will be remembered by her loyal and long time friend, Gertie (Jerry) Borkowski, whose friendship began more than 65 years ago and her special neighbors, Jim and Debbie Roland, who kept a watchful eye over her. A Funeral Mass will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Monday, April 2, 2007, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Port Austin. Officiating will be the Rev. Robert Paré, pastor. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Visitation will be conducted from 3 to 8 p.m. on Sunday at the Knoblock Funeral Home in Kinde and from 10 a.m. until the time of the service on Monday at the church. A rosary will be conducted at 6 p.m. on Sunday at the funeral home.