

Osentoski, Gertrude

Mrs. Gertrude B. Osentoski, 87, of Woodhaven and formerly of Verona, passed away on Saturday, April 7, 2001, in Oakwood-Scaway Hospital in Trenton after a long illness. She was born on Dec. 21, 1913, in Minden City to the late Frank and Annie (Ziskie) Zulka. She married Julius Osentoski on Nov. 12, 1934, at St. Mary's in Parisville. He preceded her in death on May 25, 1947. She was a graduate of a country school. In her younger days, she picked beans. She lived in the Verona area until 1967 when she moved to Detroit where she worked in the rectory at St. Gertrude Parish of St. Clair Shores. She was a food handler for 15 years in the cafeteria at Orchard Lake Seminary and College before retiring in 1975. She was a resident of Orchard Lake College Campus and a member of St. Mary's Orchard Lake Parish. She was an honorary member of St. Rita Altar Society and a past member of St. Anne's Mothers Study Club, both of St. Joseph Parish of Rapson. She is survived by four sons, Robert Osentoski and his wife, Janice, of Troy, Donald Osentoski and his wife, Patricia, of Temperance, Jerry Osentoski and his wife, Patricia, of Taylor, and Kenneth Osentoski and his wife, Nancy, of Port Hope; 14 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one daughter, Betty; one son, Leonard; two brothers, Bill Zulka and Ed Zinger; three sisters, Martha Gwisdalla, Anna Peruski and Albina Zulka; and one half-sister, Agnes Grymski. Mass of Christian Burial for Gertrude B. Osentoski will be at noon on Wednesday, April 11, 2001, at St. John Catholic Church of Ubly with the Rev. T.J. Fleming, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery in the spring. There will be a parish wake service at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly. Visitation will be from 1:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Tuesday and from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home.