



Rita Ann Mahon, 67, of Highland, passed away Saturday, Jan. 7, 2012, with her loving family present, at the University of Michigan hospital in Ann Arbor.

The daughter of the late Bernard and Marie Walsh, Rita was born on June 14, 1944 in Bad Axe.

She graduated from Elkton-Pigeon-Bayport High School in 1962 and became a registered nurse in 1965, after completing schooling from Mercy Central School of Nursing in Grand Rapids. Her nursing profession took her from Bay City and to Detroit (Mount Carmel Hospital), on to the Director of Nursing at Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital in Pontiac Hospital. She finished her career with Hospice of Michigan, where she served as hospice home nurse and later the director of employee relations. She never stopped having a true passion for nursing and loved the opportunity to help family and friends as their patient advocates. She had a tremendous singing voice, which she shared on many occasions. Rita was a great storyteller and enjoyed surrounding herself with people she loved. In the company of her family, Rita especially loved spending time at her cottage in Caseville, near her family farm. She touched many lives and was loved by all who knew her.

She is survived by her sons, Sean (Renee) Mahon of Royal Oak and Timothy (Lynn) Mahon of Macomb and their daughter, Bridget (Ted) Seitz of East Lansing; grandchildren, Donovan, Lorelei, Ava and Emerson Mahon and Mitchell, Natalie and Cameron Seitz; sister, Mary (Robert) Rich; brother, Richard (Shirley) Walsh; sisters-in-law, Marie (wife of the late Allen) Walsh, Beverly (wife of the late Joseph) Walsh and Rosalie (wife of the late George) Walsh; many nieces, nephews; and dear friends whom she dearly loved.

In addition to her husband, Rita was preceded in death by her brothers, Allen, Joseph, George and Donald Walsh.

Visitation will be from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and 2 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty in Milford. There will be a Vigil Service at 7 p.m. Wednesday. Visitation will resume at 9 a.m. until the time of service Thursday.

The Liturgy will take place at 10 a.m. Thursday from Church of the Holy Spirit, 3700 N. Harvey Lake Road in Highland with Fr. Don Worthy officiating.

Committal services will take place at 3 p.m. Friday in St. Felix Cemetery in Pinnebog.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are encouraged to Hospice of Michigan or the Church of The Holy Spirit for family's in need.

For more information please phone Lynch & Sons Funeral Home at (248) 684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com.