Young, Bernadette

Bernadette Anita Cecilia Gorkowski Young, 59, of Capac, died Friday, September 19, 2003, at her home after a battle with cancer of unknown origin. She was born April 27, 1944 in Filion, daughter of the late Peter and Cecilia (Maday) Gorkowski. She married her high school sweetheart, Jay A. Young, on June 25, 1966. In 1968 the family bought a home in Washington Township and there they raised eight children. In 1995, after all of the children left home, Bernadette and Jay bought a home in Capac where they planned to live out their retirement. Bernadette enjoyed traveling, making several trips overseas. She also made thousands of rosaries over her lifetime that were shipped to missionaries all over the world. Surviving are her husband, Jay Young; eight children, Grace Lallmann and her husband, Scott, of Warren, Victoria Thuemmel and her husband, Mark, of Sterling Heights, Dean Young and his wife, Christine, of Ashburn, Virginia., Laura Young, of Rochester, Matthew Young and his wife, Bonnie Sue, of Sterling Heights, Martha Raines and her husband, Joel, of Inman, South Carolina, Donald Young and his fiancee, Monica Plese, of Ball Ground, Georgia., and Peter Jay Young and his wife, Margaret, of Columbia, South Carolina; 17 grandchildren, Cecilia, Madalynn, Zachary, Stephanie, Amanda, Meghan, Allyson, Marissa, Michael, Robert, Rachel, Ryan, Savannah, Hayden, Alexander, Nathan, and Lucus. She is also survived by three brothers, Peter Gorkowski and his wife Joanie, of Rapson, Eugene Gorkowski and his wife, Agnes, of Filion, and Robert Gorkowski and his wife, Stella, of Filion; and three sisters, Irene Ignash and her husband, Alger, of Warren, Christina Rutkowski and her husband, Clarence, of Ubly, and Delphine McEachin, of Ubly. A funeral mass will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 23, 2003, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Dwight Township. Fr. William Rutkowski will officiate. Burial will follow in Zion Lutheran Cemetery in Huron Township. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. today, 2 to 9 p.m. Monday, and 9 to 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday at the Knoblock Funeral Home in Kinde. A rosary will be led at 7 tonight, and a vigil will be at 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.