

Germaine Louise Tonti

(December 31, 1939 - August 19, 2014)

Germaine "Geri" Louise Tonti, 74, of Sand Point, formerly of Cass City, died Tuesday, August 19, 2014 at St. Mary's of Michigan Hospital in Saginaw.

Geri was born December 31, 1939 in Hancock, Michigan to the late Eli Albert and Elizabeth Louise (Cocking) Mattson. She grew up in Dollar Bay and graduated from high school there in 1958. She married Don G. Tonti on September 23, 1961 in Lincoln Park. Together they lived in Cass City for 30 years before moving to Sand Point in 2002.

A 1961 graduate of Highland Park School of Nursing, Geri had a long career as a registered nurse. She worked in Labor and Delivery at Oakwood Hospital, Ayer Massachusetts Community Hospital and Garden City Osteopathic Hospital. She spent 5 years working for Tuscola County Alternative Program for Pregnant Teens (TAPPS) and 15 years as the school nurse for Cass City Public Schools.

Her passions were family and nursing. After her retirement, she was able to devote more time to her grandchildren and travel. She enjoyed reading, gardening, feeding the humming birds, baking, entertaining and watching sunsets from their home on Saginaw Bay. She was a member of St. Roch-OLPH Catholic Church and the Sand Point Club.

She is survived by her husband of 53 years Don; children Nancy Louise (Randy) Genord of Grand Blanc, Craig (Kristyn) Tonti of Rochester and Lari Tonti of Farmington Hills; grandchildren Jessica Louise, Dane, and Ryan Genord, and Drew and Madelyn Tonti; and mother-in-law Martha Tonti.

A funeral mass will be at 10:00am Saturday, August 23rd at St. Roch-OLPH Catholic Church in Caseville with Fr. Robert Pare presiding. Burial will be in St. Roch Cemetery.

Visitation will be 2-8 pm Friday at the Champagne Funeral Chapel of Caseville. She will lie in-state one hour prior to mass on Saturday in church. There will be a Rosary at 7:30 Friday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to St. Roch-OLPH Building Fund. The family wishes to express their appreciation and gratitude to: Cass City and Caseville friends, St. Mary's Hospital (4th and 6th floor ICU Nursing Staff), and the entire staff at Scheurer Hospital, especially the ER staff.

