



Mary Jean Carolan, 74, of Caseville, died Saturday, January 14, 2017 at United Hospice Residence in Marlette.

Mary was born August 20, 1942 in Emmett to the late Gerald and Elizabeth (Schuster) Cowan. She graduated from Yale High School. She married Gary Carolan on November 1, 1986 at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Marlette. He preceded her in death on October 6, 2012.

Mary was a hard worker her entire life; she retired from L&L Products in Romeo. In 1991 she moved from Marlette to Caseville, while spending winters in LaBelle, Florida. She was a member of the Caseville Eagles Auxiliary and LaBelle Moose. She enjoyed bowling, golfing, and annual fishing trips with her L&L buddies. She was an outspoken people person, who loved practical jokes and had a great time throughout her lifetime. It was very seldom you would ever find her without her infectious smile.

She is survived by her children David (Mary Jo) LaPorte of Chicago, Lisa (Bob) York of Caro, Brian Gilkerson of Marlette, Vincent (Lisa) Gilkerson of Caseville and Amy (Leo) Sander of Shelby Twp; grandchildren Michelle, Lischelle, Alanna (Justin), Codi, Erica, Donavon (Tori), Cassidy, Jenna, Sean and Aaron and 7 great-grandchildren; brothers Peter (Kay) Gall of Caseville, John (Lynn) Cowan of Avoca and sister Dorothy (Bob) Boddy of Sterling Heights; sisters-in-law Bette Gall of Georgia and Bev Gall of Orion; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brothers Donald and Robert Gall and great-grandson Niklaus Newland.

A memorial mass will be at 10:00am Saturday, January 21st at St. Roch Catholic Church with Fr. Robert Pare presiding, friends may visit beginning at 9:00am Saturday. Donations may be made to United Hospice Service of Marlette.