



Mary Victoria Meagher (Masiewicz)

April 16, 1927 - May 24, 2020

Mary Victoria Meagher was born Mary Victoria Masiewicz in Grand Rapids, Michigan on April 16th, 1927. Her parents were Polish immigrants who arrived in Grand Rapids in 1917. Mary was the second youngest of five - Frank, Raymond, Eddy and Josephine all of whom preceded her in death. Mary graduated from Catholic Central in 1946. After World War II, Mary met and married Joseph Simpson Meagher. Mary was Mother to nine Children – Michael, Jacqueline (Dan), Patrick, Susan, Joseph, Timothy, Sean, Kevin (Karrol) and Maureen (Steve). Busia to nine grandchildren – Kimberly, Erin, Chava, Bridget, Whitney, Courtney, Nick, Quinn and Kate. Mary was also Great Grand Mother to eight – Kaitlin, Tyler, Haven, Leah, Ireland, Charlotte, Jesse and Elowen. Mary was a much loved Aunt to many, many nieces and nephews. Mary will always be remembered as selfless and gentle. She always had a smile even when times were tough. She had a quiet strength. She never complained and always looked for a better future. Mary had to travel a difficult path during her life for what seemed more than deserved. There are no answers on why some paths are so much more difficult than others. Although we struggle to understand why she bore this burden, it was other's who benefitted from her example. Mary loved to cook – many of us have tried to recreate her potato salad – always had family over for the holidays. She loved music and danced with old friends whenever she could. She retired from Knape and Vogt after 28 years with the company. She is survived by all her children, grand children as well as all great grandchildren. A special Thank You to all the care givers at Allendale Nursing and Rehabilitation and to Hospice of West Michigan. All your love and efforts are appreciated. A Celebration of life and internment at Holy Cross Cemetery will be held at a later date.