

Rita M. McDevitt

Rita M (Giere) McDevitt, formerly of Coldwater, died Thursday, June 26, 2008, at the Gardens of Celina. She was 89 years old.

She was born Aug. 15, 1918, in Coldwater, to the late Edward B. and Olive E. (Miehls) Giere. On Aug. 17, 1949, she married Joseph E. McDevitt in Coldwater, and he died on May 24, 2002.

She is survived by a brother, Oliver Giere of Coldwater, and four sisters-in-law: Ruth Brown of Wapakoneta, Betty Giere of Coldwater, Joan Giere of Orlando, Fla., and Gay Giere of Coldwater. She is preceded in death by sisters Valeria Otte and Salome Peters and brothers LaMar, Ralph, Norbert, Frederick, Edward Jr., Earl and Richard.

She was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Coldwater and the St. Ann's Rosary Altar Sodality. She retired from the former New Idea plant in Coldwater.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Holy Trinity Catholic Church on Monday, June 30, 2008, with Rev. Richard Walling officiating. Donations may be made to the Coldwater Holy Trinity Food Pantry. Hogenkamp Funeral Home of Coldwater handled the arrangements.