

Marcella M. Westgerdes

Marcella M. Westgerdes, 80, of St. Henry, died Friday, Oct. 22, 2004 in The Gardens of St. Henry.

Mrs. Westgerdes was born April 3, 1924 in New Bremen, the daughter of the late William and Josephine Heyne Reier.

She married Wilbert J. Westgerdes, Sept. 12, 1945 in Coldwater. He died Sept. 3, 1992.

Survivors include sons: Dale (Patty) of Kewanee, Ill., Neal (Becky) of Alameda, Calif., Earl (Carol) of St. Henry; daughter Jane (Richard) Braun of Anchorage Alaska; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Sisters Elizabeth Lange and Mary Wenning, both of Coldwater, also survive.

A daughter, a grandchild and a sister preceded her in death.

Mrs. Westgerdes was a member of Holy Trinity Church, Coldwater. She was a fourth degree member of the

Minster Knights of Columbus, and she belonged to the Ladies Rosary Altar Society of St. Marys Church, and the St. Cecelia Knights of St. John, Coldwater.

Mrs. Westgerdes was a homemaker, and had worked at the former Buckeye Apparel, Coldwater and the Celina Priest House, as a young lady.

Fr. Thomas Dorn will celebrate a Mass of Christian Burial, Thursday, Oct. 28, at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church. Burial will follow in St. Elizabeth Cemetery.

Visitation will be Wednesday 2 to 8 p.m. and Thursday, 9 to 10 a.m. at Hogenkamp Funeral Home, Coldwater.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Coldwater Scholarship Foundation.