



Betty Jean Balkwill

November 30, 2004

Betty Jean Balkwill, 77, died at home in Plymouth, Michigan on November 30, 2004. She was born on October 29, 1927 in Kirkton, Ontario, Canada, the daughter of James and Viola Colgan Howe. She married John (Jack) Balkwill on June 29, 1946 in London, Ontario. He preceded her in death in 1971. Betty lived in the early part of her life in Ontario. In 1954 she and her family immigrated to Detroit, Michigan after her husband began to work for Masco Corporation. In 1958 she and her family moved to Greensburg, Indiana, when Delta Faucet opened its factory there. She returned to Michigan in 1967 and remained in the Plymouth area for the rest of her life. She is survived by two children: John Balkwill Jr., of Santa Barbara, California; and Susan Rust of Greensburg, Indiana. Also two granddaughters: Jennifer Rust of Long Beach, California; and Lindsay Rust of Santa Barbara, California; Son in law Joseph Rust of Greensburg, Indiana; brother Lloyd Howe of Lac du Bonnet, Manitoba; and her friend of several years, Ralph Gaudio of Southfield, Michigan; as well as several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her daughter in law Kim Kramer; her sister Joan Howe; and brothers Stanley and Malcolm Howe. Family and friends will gather at 1:00 PM Friday December 17 until 2:00 PM memorial service at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 West Ann Arbor Road, (between Sheldon and Beck Roads)Plymouth, Michigan. Donations in her memory can be made to St. Paul's Anglican Church in Kirkton, Ontario; the Plymouth Goodfellows, P.O. Box 700912, Plymouth MI 48170; the Decatur County Community Foundation

in Greensburg, Indiana; or to the organization of the donor's choice. To leave a message of condolence for the family, click on the Online Condolences link on this page.

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“ *Betty Jean Balkwill*

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