

Cecelia McDonough

Cecelia McDonough, 76, of Hackettstown, died Saturday, August 15, 2009, in her home.

Born: September 9, 1932 in Bayonne, NJ, she was a daughter of the late Joseph and Winfred Boyle Farrell.

Personal: Her husband, the late John McDonough, II, died in 2002; they shared 45 years of marriage.

Mrs. McDonough had lived in Hackettstown since 1968, coming from Bayonne and Elizabeth, NJ. She was a registered nurse and had been employed at House of Good Shepherd Nursing Home in Hackettstown for 16 years. She graduated from Holy Family Academy, Bayonne; and in 1953 graduated from St. Elizabeth's Hospital School of Nursing, Elizabeth.

After retiring from nursing, Cecelia worked at Hackettstown Public Library as an assistant for three years, then as parish secretary for 3-1/2 years, and finally joined the parish "Steward" program as a full-time volunteer.

Memberships: She was a member of Church of the Assumption, Hackettstown, where she was a member of Legion of Mary, RCIA team leader, and "Partners in Ministry" on a Diocesan level. She was also the leader of baptismal preparation for the parish.

Survivors: A son John III and his wife Diane of Hamburg, NJ; a daughter Laura McDonough of Freehold, NJ; and a sister Elizabeth Smith of Matawan, NJ.

Services: Mass will be held 11 a.m. Tuesday, August 18, 2009 in Church of the Assumption, 305 High Street, Hackettstown. Call Monday from 2 to 4 p.m. and again 7 to 9 p.m. in the Cochran Funeral Home, 905 High Street, Hackettstown. Interment will be in Pequest Union Cemetery, Great Meadows.

Memorials: In lieu of flowers, please consider memorial donations to the Church, 07840.