

Mrs. Catherine V. "Kay" Benham, 89, of 27 Argyle Rd., died Friday morning, July 6, 2012 at Hillcrest Commons Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Born in Pittsfield on June 1, 1923 the daughter of Paul and Clairabell Maxwell Trudeau, she was a 1940 graduate of St. Joseph's High School.

Mrs. Benham worked as an assembler in the ordinance division of General Electric in Pittsfield. She retired in 1986 after 25 years of service.

Kay was very involved in the Elks club, helping with many functions over the years. She played in the Elks Club pitch league, which later moved to the VFW, for twenty years. Mrs. Benham enjoyed art, she was an avid painter and enjoyed making doll houses and working with crafts.

She was a lifelong resident of Pittsfield and a communicant of St. Joseph's Church.

Mrs. Benham was predeceased by her husband, Roland E. Benham Sr., whom she married in 1945 at St. Joseph's Church. She leaves two sons, Roland Benham Jr. of Pittsfield and Donald Benham of Ft. Myers FL; twelve grandchildren and four great grandchildren. She was predeceased by a daughter, Carol Prim, also predeceased by a sister, Patricia Wick and two brothers, Francis Trudeau and Paul Trudeau.