



Margaret Rafferty

September 17, 2008

Margaret I. Rafferty, 85, of Cape Girardeau, Mo. died Wednesday, September 17, 2008 at her home. She was born January 28, 1923, in Cape Girardeau, Mo., the daughter of Ben and Barbara Boxdorfer Griffaw. She and Paul Rafferty were married on July 19, 1940 in St. Louis, Mo. He died November 12, 1969. During World War II she worked on aircraft for the war effort at McDonnell-Douglas. She later worked in the financial field for many years, retiring in 1995. Rafferty was an avid bowler and huge Cardinal fan. She also loved antique cars. She was a member of St. Mary Cathedral. Survivors include a son, Robert Rafferty of Seldovia, Alaska; a daughter, Barb Fitzgerald of Cape Girardeau, Mo.; a sister, Katy Patrick of Cape Girardeau, Mo.; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, two brothers, and three sisters. Friends may call at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home on Sunday, September 21, 2008 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM with parish prayers at 5:30 PM. Funeral mass will be at St. Mary Cathedral on Monday, September 22, 2008 at 10:00 AM with the Rev. Tom Kiefer officiating. Burial will be at St. Mary Cemetery, in Cape Girardeau, Mo. Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tenn. 38105.