

Sophie Shearn

September 21, 2013

Sophie Shearn, 84, Frackville, passed away early Saturday morning at Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, surrounded by her loving family.

Born in Frackville, she was a daughter of the late Peter and Barbara Dembitsky Urban.

She was a devout member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Frackville, where she could always be found volunteering at any activities that the parish was holding. She was a member of the parish rosary group and was a supporter of the Frackville Food Bank.

Sophie was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years, Edward J. "Butch" Shearn, in 2006; her son, Edward M.; her great-grandson, Ryan Michael Langehennig; eight brothers, Frank, Bill, Michael, John, George, Peter, Peter II and Andy Urban; and two sisters, infant Mary and Mary Farnish.

She is survived by three sons, John M. "Jack" and his wife, Debbie Shearn, Frackville, Robert M. and his wife, Doris Shearn, Erlanger, Ky., and William M., Mount Carmel; her daughter, Mary Kay, wife of Brian Walsh, Orwigsburg; eight grandchildren, John, Tim and Rebekah Shearn, Jill Langehennig, Marcie Morris, Andrei Walsh, Brendan and Nathan Shearn; two great-grandchildren, Jossalyn and Evan Michael; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday from the

Thomas M. Sullivan Funeral Home, Frackville. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Frackville, with the Rev. Robert Finlan as the celebrant.

Interment will be in the parish cemetery, Englewood, Frackville. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family prefers contributions in Sophie's name to either the Frackville food bank or to the Wounded Warriors Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS 666758517. Sign the guest book, leave personal condolences and for further information, please visit www.thomasmsullivanfuneralhome.com.