

EVA E. FIRRA



ITHACA - Eva E. Firra, 86, of Ithaca, died peacefully on Tuesday morning, July 5, 2005, at the Comfort Care unit of Lakeside Nursing Home in Ithaca. She was born in Herkimer, NY, a daughter of the late John and Sophia Kowalczyk Firra.

Eve was a graduate of Herkimer High School, the State University of New York at Albany, the Indiana University holding degrees in Business Education and Business Administration. She was a teacher for many years at Ithaca High School, retiring in 1982. In retirement she taught at TST BOCES. She was active in our community as past President of the Ithaca Teachers' Association, past Secretary of the Ellis Hollow Community Center Board of Directors, past President of the Tompkins-Tioga Deanery Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, and she served on the Mayor's ad hoc Flood Relief Committee. She was also active in Catholic Daughters of America, Ithaca Court.

Eve is survived by her sister, Pearl, of Herkimer, NY; her brother-in-law, John Johnson of Ithaca, NY; her brother-in-law, Robert Leahy of Seattle, Washington; her sister-in-law, Joan Crummey Firra, of Dallas, Texas; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sisters, Mary, Anna, Katherine Johnson, and Mary Leahy; and her brothers, George, Peter, and Walter.

Calling hours will be on Tuesday, July 12, 2005, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Bangs Funeral Home at 209 West Ithaca, Green Street, NY. A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating Eve's life will be held at Immaculate Conception Church in Ithaca on Wednesday, July 13, 2005, at 10 a.m. Interment will be at Calvary Cemetery in Herkimer, NY, on Wednesday, July 13, 2005, at 2 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Seminary, 201 Taylor Street NE, Washington DC 20017-1097 or to Hospicare, 172 East King Road, Ithaca, NY 14850.

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