Dorn, Carol A.

MADISON – Carol Ann Dorn, age 77 of Madison, died unexpectedly at her home on Thursday, Sept. 25, 2008.

She was born on Jan. 3, 1931, in Waupaca, the daughter of Harry and Elizabeth (Weix) Durawa. She graduated from Monticello High School in 1949 and then furthered her education with a nursing degree in 1953 from Milwaukee County General. She began her nursing career with the Milwaukee County Health Department and then worked for the VA. Hospital and Dane County Health Department as a public health nurse.

She married Victor Dorn on Feb. 20, 1960, at St. James Catholic Church.

She was a member of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, Homemakers Club, Madison Catholic Women's Club, Neighborhood Garden Club, Charity Knitters and the YMCA. In addition to her volunteer work at St. Mary's Hospital, she loved cooking, gardening, knitting, crocheting and sewing projects that brought joy to many. She was very creative and loved to paint in oil, watercolor and do rosemaling, She took a variety of painting classes and painted familiar outdoor scenes and flowers. She was a lover of Norman Rockwell art. She also enjoyed their cottage in her hometown of Waupaca in the summertime and fall and winters in Florida.

She lived the Catholic faith every day and in every way. Carol was a warm, patient compassionate, unselfish loyal, giving, and loving mother. wife, grandmother and friend. Family was the most important part of her life.

She is survived by her husband of 48 years, Victor Dorn; four children, Matthew (Anne) Dorn, Thomas (Wendi) Dorn, Lisa (John) Fahrney and Sarah Dorn. She is further survived by grandchildren; a sister, Ruth Osen: sisters-in-law, Alice Dorn, Donna Durawa, Darlene Dorn, Maryanne Pflaum, Marge Hillyer and Lois Dorn; brother-in-law, Joseph Dorn; nieces, nephews, and many other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brothers, James Durawa and Dr. Edward Pflaum.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at ST. THOMAS AOUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH, 602 Everglade Drive on Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2008, at 10:30 am. Monsignor Donn Heiar and Father Rupert Dorn concelebrating. A visitation will be held at the JOYCE-RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 5701 Odana Road on Monday Sept. 29, 2008, from 4 pm. until 7 pm. and again at the church on Tuesday from 9:30 am. until the time of the service. Burial will be at Resurrection Catholic Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church In Madison, St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Waupaca or the American Heart Association.

God is my beginning, my hope and my end.

Joyce-Ryan Funeral Home & Cremation Services