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## Jane Osterman Russell, active in church, community affairs

Jane Osterman Russell was president of practically every organization she was involved in.

That's how her daughter, Lucy Lee, described her Monday night.

"She was brought up under the work ethic," she said. "What you get from your community or your church, you give back."

Mrs. Lee said Mrs. Russell's family came first and the community came second. "She worked hard to give us a good start and make life better for everybody."

Mrs. Russell, 73, of Ft. Wright, died Monday at her home. Besides being a homemaker, she was involved in a lot of volunteer work.

"She enjoyed the challenge and she was good at it," said Mrs. Lee, who lives in Upper Saddle River, N.J. "My mother was a professional volunteer and fund-raiser."

She was past president of the ladies' society of Cathedral Ba-

silica of the Assumption, Covington, and a board member of the St. Vincent DePaul Society. She was past president of the Lafollette Academy PTA and the Lafollette Academy Alumni Association. She was a member of the Friends of the Library and was past president of the Edgell College of Xavier University Mothers' Club. She was past chairwoman at St. Xavier High School Faire de Beau and was a past chairwoman for the Seminary Ball and frequent committee member.

She was a member of the Gemma Guild and the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. She was past president of the Highland Circle Homemakers and a member of the Kentucky State Board of Homemakers. She was also a member of the Ft. Wright Leisure Timers, past president of the Senioresettes and a former member of the Mermaid Club, YWCA.

"She was a leader in her own way," said Gary Lee, her

son-in-law. "She was good with people. She spent all of her life doing good for other people."

Mrs. Russell grew up in Covington and was a lifetime member of Cathedral Basilica.

Her husband, Charles Edward Russell, died in 1988.

Other survivors include sons, Dr. Joseph Charles Russell of Anderson Township, Ohio, and Stephen James Russell of Milford, Ohio; another daughter, Cecilia Ash of Annapolis, Md.; a sister, Mary Alice Auge of Deland, Fla.; 9 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mass of Christian burial will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption, Covington. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Henry Linnemann Sons Funeral Home, Covington. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery, Ft. Mitchell. Memorials are suggested to the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption Memorial Fund.