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Mrs. J. Lafleur, Was Widow Of Alderman CHICOPEE -- Mrs. Irene (Boutin) Lafleur, 73, of 217 Skeel St., widow of longtime alderman and city messenger Joseph L. Lafleur, died Tuesday in Providence Hospital, Holyoke. Her husband was alderman a total of 12 years over the period from the 1920s to the 1950s, and was city messenger from the 1950s to the 1960s. A native of Holyoke, she lived in this city 50 years. She leaves two sons, Joseph J. of Altamont Springs, Fla., and Roy of Teaticket section of Falmouth; a brother, Alphege of Holyoke; four sisters, Mrs. Lena Deyo of Hollywood, Fla., Mrs. Blanche Ledoux of Willimansett, Mrs. Stella Elliott of Holyoke and Mrs. Anita Barkus of Los Angeles; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. The funeral will be Friday at Arthur J. Brunelle funeral home and in Church of the Nativity with burial in St. Rose Cemetery