

Elenbaum, Melva

Melva N. Elenbaum, 84, of Pigeon, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2003, at her home. She was born in Elkton on Jan. 21, 1919, the daughter of the late William and Carolina "Carrie" (Yackle) Dietzel. On January 17, 1942, she was united in marriage to Lloyd L. Elenbaum in Elkton. The couple had celebrated over 51 years of marriage prior to his death on Sept. 24, 1993. Mrs. Elenbaum taught rural school in the area, and at the Elkton and Pigeon Elementary Schools for more than 10 years. She graduated from Central Michigan University in 1970. Mrs. Elenbaum was an avid reader. She was also a 4-H leader for many years. She enjoyed quilting, pine needle basketry, needlework, and painting, as well as flower gardening and bird watching. She and her husband, Lloyd, enjoyed traveling together in North America, and also visited Europe and the Holy Land. She was a faithful member of the Kilmanagh United Methodist Church where she taught Sunday school throughout her lifetime. She taught vacation Bible school, was a member of the United Methodist Women, and was active in the former E.U.B. Conference and the United Methodist Church. She was also worship leader for the Mission Band at the Kilmanagh United Methodist Church. She was a strong supporter of Bay Shore Evangelical Camp in Sebewaing, and was a member of the Bay Shore Auxiliary. Her survivors include a son, Roger Elenbaum and his wife, Janice, of Sebewaing; four daughters, Charlene Dibble and her husband, Sam, of Plymouth, Melva Jean Coleman and her husband, Rick, of Cass City, Dawn Pobanz and her husband, Robert, of Alma, and Pamela Dubey and her husband, Jay, of Pigeon; 14 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; two sisters, Ora Krause and her husband, Olin, of Apollo Beach, Fla. and Anita Voelker and her husband, Otto, of Pigeon; a half brother, Solomon Dietzel of Ida; a sister-in-law, Mildred Dietzel of Pigeon; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a half sister, Grace Ball; and three half brothers, Alvin, Edward, and Daniel Dietzel. The funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 24, 2003, at the Kilmanagh United Methodist Church with the Rev. Alger T. Lewis, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery in Sebewaing. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 tonight, from 1 to 9 p.m. on Thursday at the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home in Pigeon and from 10 a.m. until the time of the service at 11 a.m. on Friday at the church. Memorials for Mrs. Elenbaum may be made to Bay Shore Camp, Kilmanagh United Methodist Church or Youth for Christ.