

JUSTINA JOAN JANTZ

1905 - 1988

Funeral services will be held Wednesday (today) for Justina Joan Jantz, age 82, of 3070 Hobart Rd., Gagetown, who died Sunday, February 7, in Saginaw General Hospital following an illness of 6 weeks. Rev. Ray R. Ohlen-dorf will officiate in services at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Linkville, and burial will be in Grant Township Cemetery, Gagetown. Funeral arrangements arte by Dinkel-Juengel of Sebewaing. Friends may call at the funeral home until 9 pm Tuesday and Mrs. Jantz will lie in state at the church from 9:30 am Wednesday until time of service.

Mrs. Jantz was born Justina Joan Penner in Russia on March 7, 1905, the daughter of John and Margaret (Epp) Penner. They moved to Canada when she was a child and she was married to Theophil Andrew Jantz on September 26, 1931. They moved to Chicago and then to Michigan in 1941.

She was employed at Automotive Industry in Owendale for several years and then owned and operated a foster care home in Owendale for 20 years before retiring in 1976. She was a member of St. Paul's Church and was given the "Mother of the Year" award in 1971 from Lutheran Child and Family Services. She was preceded in death by her husband on March 26, 1956.

Surviving are 3 daughters and sons-in-law, Margaret and Dennis Jarvis of Saginaw, Agnes and John Meininger of Gagetown and Ruth and Stanley Bently of North Branch, one son and daughter-in-law, Theophil and Geraldine Jantz of Owendale, 9 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren, 3 sisters, Mrs. Jacob (Agnes) Hubner, Elizabeth Penner and Mrs. William (Helen) Schroeder, all of British Columbia, and one brother, Jacob Penner of Manitoba. She also leaves nieces and nephews.

One infant son, one infant great-grandson, one brother, John Penner, and 2 sisters, Margaret Penner and Mrs. Marie Ewert, preceded her in death.

Friends wishing to offer memorials are invited to consider St. Paul's Building Fund.