

**Schwerin, Bernice**

Bernice (Rich) Schwerin, 85, of Sandusky, died Thursday, June 26, 2008 at Marlette Hospice Residence in Marlette.

She was born on May 11, 1923 in Bad Axe to Asa and Nellie (King) Apley.

She married Loren Graham Rich on March 29, 1941 in Bad Axe. He passed away on Aug. 13, 1982. She then married Ralph Louis Schwerin on May 1, 1992 in Saginaw. He passed away on Feb. 8, 2003.

Mrs. Schwerin was a sewing teacher for the Sanilac County 4-H and a Brownie Leader. She was also a member of the Sandusky V.F.W. Auxiliary No. 2945.

She is survived by three sons, Harley (Deborah) Rich Sr. of Marlette, Jack Rich of Sandusky, and David Rich of Snover; eight grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Alta (Joe) Gonzalez of Muskegon, Marjorie (Lowell) Corning of Muskegon, and Inez (Al) Gerstenschilager of Bad Axe; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one son, Gary Loren Rich; one daughter, Bonnie Lee Rich; four sisters, Jean Marion Apley, Jo Ann Marie Apley, Evelyn Moeller, and Lorraine Woolner; four brothers, Asa, Archie, Wilford and Stanley Apley.

Cremation has taken place. No services are planned for Mrs. Schwerin.

Memorials may be made to Marlette Hospice residence. Arrangements by the Hacker Funeral Parlors in Sandusky.