Babb, Mabel L.

Mabel Lydia Babb, 101, of Caseville died Jan. 1, 2010. She was born Sept. 1, 1908 in Saskatchewan, Canada.

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Daughter of the late Louis and Lydia Leipprandt; wife of the late Walter Babb; mother of Jean Lucas Smith (Charles); grandmother of Shawn Lucas Smith of Goodrich; sister of the late Jay Leipprandt (Ethel), Waldo "Bob" Carl Leipprandt (Golah), Arby O'Dea (Bert), June Vohenahme (Albert), Daniel Leipprandt (Barbara), Victor C. Nettleton, Floyd Nettleton and surviving Delbert Nettleton (Jackie) of Taylor. Step-mother of Sonne Stowell (Gale) of Iron River; step-grandmother of Adam Johnson (Carey) of Montana and Jeff Johnson (Dana); step-great-grandmother of Noah and Ryker Johnson all of Iron River; also many nieces, nephews, other relatives and close friends.

Mabel worked in Pontiac at Michigan Bell Telephone, Waite's Department Store, General Motors Truck and Bus, in World War II, retired in 1968 after working 25 years at the Pontiac Press. She and her husband, Walter Babb, retired in Caseville at that time. Mabel enjoyed gardening, taking care of her yard (doing her own mowing until she was 97 years old) and baking. Mrs. Babb was a member of the Caseville United Methodist Church.

She will lie in state Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2010, at 10 a.m. until the time of her service at 11 a.m. at Central United Methodist Church, 3882 Highland Rd. (M-59), Waterford. The Rev. Jim Kellermann officiating. Interment in White Chapel Memorial Cemetery. Donelson, Johns and Evans Funeral Home, Waterford handled the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Caseville United Methodist Church or Central United Methodist Church, or charity of your choice. Envelopes available at the funeral home and church. The family would like to give a special thank you to the caring staff at Canterbury on the Lake.