

Kautz, Leona

Leona S. Kautz, 87, of Port Hope, passed away Saturday afternoon, June 7, 2003, in St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, following a short illness. Born on May 23, 1916 in Port Hope, she was the daughter of the late Oscar and Annabelle (Weston) Pawlitz. On Sept. 22, 1934, Leona and Max Kautz were united in marriage in Port Hope. Max preceded her in death on May 19, 1996. Leona was a member of the St. John Lutheran Church in Port Hope. She is survived by her children, Keith Kautz and his wife, Theresa, of Ferndale, Elwin Kautz and his wife, Jo Carol of Melvin and Marilyn Pleiness and her husband, Herman, of Brighton; 12 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Edward Pawlitz and his wife, Dorothy, of Port Hope and Kenneth Pawlitz and his wife, Eleanor, of Sterling Heights; a sister, Bernetta Allen, of Madison Heights; and several nieces and nephews. Leona was preceded in death by a brother, Charles Pawlitz. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10, 2003, in St. John Lutheran Church in Port Hope with the Rev. Gregory Eilers, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the Marquardt Cemetery in Port Hope. A scripture service will be at 7:30 p.m. tonight in the Ramsey Funeral Home in Harbor Beach. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home and from noon until the time of the service on Tuesday at the church.