

Wills, Aleta J.

Aleta (Lete) Wills, 87, of Bad Axe, passed away Thursday evening, October 27, 2005, at Courtney Manor after a long illness. She was born June 13, 1918 in Lincoln Township, daughter of the late Fred and Effie (Woods) Gilbert. Lete and Elgin Wills were married January 9, 1937 in Bad Axe. He preceded her in death on November 7, 1981. The couple farmed in Sheridan Township for many years before moving to Bad Axe and Mrs. Wills was very proud of the fact that she lived her entire life in Huron County, with the exception of a couple of winters spent in Port Richey, Florida. She was a 1935 graduate of Bad Axe High School and was employed for many years as a bookkeeper and cashier for A&P, after which she worked at the Reimann-Snyder Furniture Store, retiring in 1980. Aleta was a member of the Bad Axe First Presbyterian Church and a 68-year life member and past matron of the Ubyly Miriam Chapter 214 of the Order of the Eastern Star. Surviving are two daughters, Helen Waggoner and her husband, Ray, of Vassar, and JoAnn Lipan and her husband, Tom, of Sand Point; three grandsons, Randy Hartwick and his wife, Kelly, Richard Hartwick and his wife, Donna, and Scott McDonald and his wife, Becky; three granddaughters, Robin Geesey and her husband, Gregg, Amy Osentoski and her husband, Marvin, and Julie Helewski and her husband, Richard; nine great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one grandson, Ryan Hartwick; one son-in-law, Don McDonald; three sisters, Eldora Gowen, Jackie Wooley, and Eva Reimann; and one brother, Kenneth Gilbert. Services will be conducted on Monday, October 31, 2005, at the Bad Axe First Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Jan Dykshoorn, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Elkland Cemetery, Cass City. Friends may call from 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. on Sunday at the H. W. Weitenberner Funeral Home, Bad Axe, and from 9:30 a.m. until time of service at 11 a.m. on Monday. The Ubyly Miriam Chapter 214 of the Order of the Eastern Star will conduct a memorial service 7 p.m. on Sunday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Bad Axe First Presbyterian Church or the Ubyly Miriam Chapter 214 of the Order of the Eastern Star.