

**Finley, Mary E.**

Mary Ellen Finley, 72, of Bad Axe, passed away Wednesday, April 13, 2005, at the Hospice Home in Marlette surrounded by her family. Mary was born October 14, 1932 in Corunna to the late Loren and Freda (Schneider) Bigelow. She was united in marriage to Norman Finley on November 29, 1974. Mrs. Finley graduated from Western High School in Detroit. She moved to Bad Axe in 2002 from Westland. She was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bad Axe. She worked as bank cashier and office worker. Mary enjoyed sewing, reading, working puzzles, playing cards and visiting with family and friends. She is survived by her husband, Norman, of Bad Axe; daughter, Sandra Brinkman, of Port Austin, and her special friend, Robert Carpenter; one brother, Gerald Bigelow and his wife, Joan, of Howell; two sisters, Carol Bigelow, of Garden City and Nancy Zimmer, of Florida; sister-in-law, Naomi Bigelow, of West Bloomfield; six grandchildren, Arthur Brinkman, Jr. and his wife, April, of Caro, Chris Brinkman and his wife, Mary, of Cass City, Amber Rose Brinkman, of Bad Axe, Brittany Brinkman, of Kinde and her special friend, Tim Drexler, Shaun and Patrick Brinkman, of Port Austin; great-grandson, Braeden Loren Brinkman, of Bad Axe. She was preceded in death by a brother, Jack Bigelow, and brother-in-law, Tom Zimmer. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 15, 2005, at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bad Axe. Officiating will be the Rev. Kenneth Lueke, pastor. Burial will be in the Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens in Livonia. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home and from 10 to 11 a.m. on Friday at the church. Memorials may be offered to Our Savior Lutheran Church or the Family Discretionary Fund.