Bolzman, Laverne R.

Mrs. Laverne Ruth Bolzman, 87, of Reese died unexpectedly, Sunday morning Dec. 7, 2008, at Covenant HealthCare.

She was born Jan. 1, 1921 in Sebewaing, daughter of the late Arthur E. and Martha (Erbisch) Mast and was a 1938 graduate of Sebewaing High School.

On Sept. 15, 1945 she was married to Howard G. Bolzman. This union was blessed with eight children. He preceded her in death on Jan. 21, 1985.

Surviving are her children and their spouses, John (Jeanne) Bolzman, Mary (Richard) Akright, Ruth (Herbert) Stephens, Janis Dalton, Marla (Donald) Badour, Renee (Michael) Leach, David (Gary Griffin) Bolzman and Deana (Jeffrey) Cook. Also Nancy Rexius; 16 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother, Earl (Elise) Mast of Bay City; her sister, Jane Finkbeiner of Adrian; many nieces, nephews and special cousins.

Laverne was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Reese where she served in many capacities including Bethesda Thrift Shop from its inception in 1976. She enjoyed playing cards, Scrabble, and spending time with family and friends.

Laverne's children would like to thank her neighbors for the care, concern, and love shown to their mother.

Funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 11, 2008 from the Trinity Lutheran Church in Reese. The Rev. Karl Koch will officiate with burial to follow in the Eastlawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Saginaw.

Visitation will be at the Ware-Smith-Woolever Funeral Home, 9940 Saginaw Street in Reese from 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and from 10 a.m. until the services time on Thursday at the church.

Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the Trinity Lutheran Church New Church Fund, Altar Guild, Bethesda, or the donor's favorite charity. For those unable to visit with the family in person condolences can be sent to <u>www.waresmithwoolever.com</u>.