

LaPeer, Charlotte M.

Charlotte Marie LaPeer, 82, of Cass City, died Thursday, April 29, 2004, in her home. She was born March 23, 1922 at home in Huron County to Manley and Alta (Turner) Fay. She married Gaylord George LaPeer on March 5, 1938 in Lapeer. He died October 7, 1997 after 59 years of marriage. Charlotte started her schooling at Rescue School and then Heron School through eighth grade. She attended Cass City School through tenth grade. Charlotte returned to school in 1941 attending and graduating with her daughter, Charlene. Art Holmberg gave her information about the University of Indiana and Charlotte took correspondence classes in history and English. Charlotte played guitar and piano. She was a member of the MSU Extension for more than 50 years including the area council and Sanilac County council. She and Gaylord were members of the Euchre Club for more than 50 years, truly enjoying the fun and fellowship. Charlotte enjoyed golfing, quilting and especially dancing. She worked on many quilts, several of which were for the battered women's shelter and Cass City Hospital Auxiliary. Charlotte received the International Poet of the Year Award in 2002. She was a prolific writer and poet. She was a member of the Cass City OES Chapter. Charlotte was a longtime member of Cass City First Presbyterian Church and helped with church activities including the biannual rummage sale. She served as Sunday School teacher and as a deacon. She was part of adult bible study for many years. Charlotte worked on the farm with Gaylord, also gardening and canning for their family. She worked in Dr. McRae's office in Cass City, and then for Walbro for about six years. Beginning in 1970, Charlotte drove to Bad Axe to work on the Helpline, which she did for several years. She was a member of the Hills and Dales General Hospital Auxiliary since 1985. Charlotte enjoyed helping in the community and loved the people in the Cass City community. Charlotte is survived by her son, Lynwood LaPeer and his wife, Jeanette, of Cass City; grandchildren, Debbie Curry and her husband, Lyle, Patti Fritz and her husband, Brent, Randy LaPeer, Daryl LaPeer and his wife, Eva, Sheree LaPeer, Shelly Wiederhold and her husband, Michael; great-grandchildren, Hailie Curry, Jesse Wiederhold, Nathan LaPeer, Michelle Charlene Larson and her husband, Jeremy, Stephen LaPeer, Lynette Kinsel and her husband, Steve, Belinda LaPeer, Calin LaPeer, Arianne LaPeer; great-great-grandchildren, Victoria and Makenzie Kinsel, Taylor Larson; brother, Stanley Fay and his wife, Beverly; sister-in-law, Frances LaPeer; many nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her daughter and son-in-law, Charlene Fay and Steven T. Timmons; brothers, Manley L. Fay, Jr. and toddler, Gerald A. Fay; sister, Marjorie T. Fay; brother-in-law, Arnold LaPeer. The funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Monday, May 3, 2004, in Cass City First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. David Blackburn officiating. Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. on Saturday and from 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. on Sunday at Kranz Funeral Home and from 10 to 11 a.m. on Monday in the church. Memorials may be made to Cass City First Presbyterian Church or United Hospice of Marlette. Pallbearers for Mrs. LaPeer are her grandchildren, Randy LaPeer, Daryl LaPeer, Sheree LaPeer, Shelly LaPeer, Debbie Curry, and Patti Fritz.