DesJardin, Ruth

Ruth DesJardin, 74, of Bad Axe, died Thursday, Jan. 16, 2003, at Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon after a long illness. She was born Aug. 25, 1928 in Sebewaing, daughter of the late Charles and Verna (Trussdail) Warkowski. She married Edwin Brigham in 1948. He preceded her in death. She married Van DesJardin June 5, 1976. He preceded her in death March 28, 1998. Mrs. DesJardin was a member of the Bad Axe Moose Lodge No. 2358 and loved to fish and play cards. Surviving are four sons, Lawrence Brigham and his wife, Judy, of Mt. Morris, Donald Brigham and his wife, Sylvia, of Grayling, Frank Brigham and his wife. Diane, of Kalkaska, and Daniel Brigham of Bad Axe; one daughter, Carol Kinney and her husband, Ralph, of Bad Axe; three step-daughters, Fay Gilbert and Kay Rogers, both of Bad Axe, and Joyce Thompson of Flint; 17 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; many step-grandchildren and step greatgrandchildren; two brothers, Edward LaFave of Sebewaing and John LaFave of Harrison; three sisters. Vera Law and Florence Thane, both of Sebewaing, and Joyce Headley of Bad Axe. She was preceded in death by one step-daughter, Linda Mayworm; and one brother, Thomas LaFave. Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 20, 2003, at the H.W. Weitenberner Funeral Home of Bad Axe. Burial will follow in Colfax Township Cemetery. Visitation will be after 10 a.m. Monday at the funeral home.