

ELSIE ROPP

1931-1992

Elkton businesswoman Elsie Mae Ropp, 61, died Monday, Dec. 21 at home, after a long battle with cancer.

She was born Sept. 28, 1931 in Jonesboro, Ark., daughter of the late Claude and Irene (Briggs) Atchley. Mrs. Ropp moved to the Flint Area with her parents when she was child.

On Sept. 3, 1956, she married Elmer L. Ropp in Cheyenne, Wyo. She came to live in Huron County soon after her marriage and settled in the Pigeon-Bay Port Area. They became the owners of Elkton Hardware, now know as Thumb Hardware, in 1968. She still worked there when she died.

Mrs. Ropp was a member of First Baptist Church of Bad Axe, the Elkton Community Club and Club 59 of Elkton.

Surviving are her husband, Elmer; three sons, Randy Parker and his wife Debbie of Schoolcraft, Dennis of Elkton and Richard of Aurora, Col.; one daughter, Carolyn Schlabach of Aurora; five grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Ralph (Ruby) Bower of Ava, Ill., Myrtle Allen of Florida and Janet Doty of Fenton, and one brother, Dale Atchley and his wife Linda, of Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. Ropp was preceded in death by two sisters, Wanda Bumstead and Thelma Joslin.

Services were conducted Thursday, Dec. 24 at First Baptist Church of Bad Axe, with the Rev. David Plooster, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery in Elkton.

Champagne Funeral Home, Elkton, handled the funeral arrangements.

Memorials may be made to Friends for Life Hospice.