

Ritter, Erna M.

Erna M. Ritter, 89, of Bad Axe, passed away Thursday, Dec. 18, 2008 at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe.

She was born Nov. 18, 1919 in Germany, daughter of the late Hans and Louise (Kopanka) Engler.

She married Howard Ritter Jan. 13, 1940 in Bad Axe.

She was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bad Axe, where she served as a former Sunday school teacher and on the Ladies Auxiliary. She enjoyed sewing and flower gardening.

She is survived by one daughter, Sandy (Gene) Iseler of Bad Axe; two sons, Larry (Marie) Ritter of Bad Axe and James (Margaret) Ritter of Bad Axe; one brother, Fritz (Beatrice) Engler of Saginaw; 10 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Howard Ritter; one son, Ronald Ritter; one daughter, Susan Ritter; two brothers, Otto and Robert Engler; one sister, Anita Pagels; two grandsons; and one granddaughter.

Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 22, 2008 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bad Axe. Burial will be in Colfax Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe, or from 10 a.m. until the service time at 11 a.m. Monday at the church.