

Morin, Evelyn,

Evelyn VanValkenburgh Morin, 75, of Pinnebog, passed away Monday evening, September 22, 2003, at her home while under hospice care. She was born on March 22, 1928 in Detroit to the late Alfred and Thelma (Fitchett) Perkins and moved to the Elkton area in her childhood. She moved to Howell after graduation where she met and married James VanValkenburgh in 1946. He died in 1969. She returned to the Elkton area in 1966 and has lived near Pinnebog the past 35 years. In 1970, she married Jack Morin in Bad Axe. He passed away in 1986. Evelyn enjoyed working with her hands, crocheting, woodcrafts and sewing, she especially loved making and doing things for her 17 children and their families. She is survived by nine sons, Robert VanValkenburgh, of Pinnebog, Randy and his wife, Lori, of Port Austin, Tom and his wife, Carol, of Decatur, Texas, Ray and his wife, Dawn, of Elkton, Doug, of Fillion, Steve, of Pinnebog, Mike and his wife, Tammy, of Deckerville, Jim, of Pinnebog and John and his wife, Gina, of Caseville; six daughters, Judy Bannister and her husband, Lewis, of Snover, Bobbie Churchill and her husband, Skip, of Cass City, Laura Stauffer and her husband, Jim, of Pinnebog, Linda Wood and her husband, Ken, of Pigeon, Chris Swartzendruber and her husband, Marv, of Pigeon, Kathy Birchfield and her husband, Mike, of Elkton; three step-children, Jim, of California, Ervin and his wife, Barb, of Howell, Janet Wilton and her husband, Carl, of Brighton; 39 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; two daughters-in-law, CJ and Linda; three brothers, Bill Perkins and his wife, Gerry, of Redford, Bud Perkins and his wife, Delores, of Elkton, and Jerry Perkins and his wife, Sandy, of Lansing. She was preceded in death by two sons, Bill and Rick; four sisters, Irene Fucci, Shirley Wilson, June Coke, and Doris Griffith. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton. The Rev. Deweerd Smith, pastor of the Community Wesleyan Church, will officiate with burial in Chandler Township Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. today and after 10 a.m. on Thursday. Memorials may be directed to United Hospice or the American Cancer Society.