

Gornowicz-Swartz, Sophie P.

Sophie P. Gornowicz-Swartz, 95, of Ubly, passed away Thursday, July 7, 2005, at her son's residence under hospice care. Sophie was born on May 20, 1910 in Harbor Beach to the late Peter and Frances (Miller) Wrubel. She married Vincent Gornowicz on April 29, 1929, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Parisville. He preceded her in death on July 7, 1975. She married Stephen F. Swartz on January 8, 1982 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Argyle. He preceded her in death on October 21, 1983. She attended the St. Mary Catholic School in Parisville. She was a parishioner at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Freiburg and resided in Austin Township for over 70 years. She loved to play poker and euchre and cook for her family. She enjoyed gardening and growing her roses, dancing the polka and all kinds of other dancing. Sophie was known for always having a smile on her face. Sophie is survived by two sons, Roderick Gornowicz and his wife, Darlene, of Ubly, Dale Gornowicz and his wife, Ruth Ann, of Ubly; three step-children; six grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; 13 step-grandchildren; four step-great-grandchildren; one daughter-in-law, Eva Gornowicz, of Harrison Township; one brother, Stanley Wrubel and his wife, Evelyn, of Harrison Township; one sister, Martha Mathews, of Clinton Township; one sister-in-law, Helen Wruble, of Bad Axe. She was preceded in death by one son, Gerald Gornowicz; five brothers, Mike, Alex, Adam, Henry, and Edward Wrubel; two sisters, Bertha Hammock and Agnes Gornowicz. A Funeral Mass will be 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 9, 2005, at St. Ignatius Catholic Church of Freiburg. The Rev. Joseph Griffin, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. today and from 9 to 10 a.m. on Saturday at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly. Memorials are requested to United Hospice of Marlette.