

Kohout, Mildred

Mrs. Mildred Bethea, 90, passed away Saturday, Feb. 9, 2002, at Sunny Acres Nursing Center in Bad Axe. She was born on July 9, 1911, in Greenville, S.C., to the late Byrd Jackson and Julia Mae (Herman) Bethea. She married Eugene A. Kohout on July 14, 1934, in Miami, Fla. He preceded her in death on May 25, 1980. She was a lifelong member of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority International. She founded the Allapatta Garden Club of Miami, Fla., in 1952. She was the former co-owner of the Thrifty Feed Store in Miami for 40 years. She loved gardening and was an avid flower and orchid grower. Mildred is survived by her daughter, Burma J. Bukoski and her husband, John, of Ubly; one grandson, Robert C. Bukoski of Ann Arbor; two granddaughters, Danielle D. Vescolani and her husband, John, of Chicago, Ill., and Michelle L. Bukoski of Kalamazoo; three great-grandchildren, Annie, Isabella and Leo Vescolani of Chicago; four brothers, Bill, David, Maurice and Peter Bethea; and three sisters, Margaret Dunfee, Bernice Haynes and Helen Leonardy. Visitation will take place from 10 to 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 15, 2002, at the Kendall Chapel of the Stanfill Funeral Home of Miami. Burial will be in the Miami Memorial Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Sleeper Public Library or the Huron County United Way. Arrangements are being handled by the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home of Ubly.