

**Julia F. Goretski
(April 28, 1916- April 28, 2011)**

Julia F. Goretski, 95, of Port Austin, died Thursday, April 28, 2011 at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe.

She was born April 28, 1916 in Hartland, daughter of the late Charles and Kathryn (Bergin) Gannon. Julia married Michael Goretski on Feb. 11, 1944 in St. Patrick's church in Brighton. He preceded her in death on May 27, 2004.

She was an avid card player, and especially enjoyed playing euchre with her family. She belonged to a poker club since 1944 and played bridge. She loved hummingbirds and anyone visiting her home could see she had a unique knack for drawing them. She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Port Austin and also was on the board for Catholic Family Services. She was chairperson for the United Way for the Huron County area, was a member of the Senior Priscilla Club, the Port Austin Library Board, the Port Austin Historical Society, and the Holy Rosary Sodality.

Julia is survived by five of their seven children, Michael Jr. (Kathy) Goretski of Howell, Kathleen (Tim) Diaz of Ogalala, Neb., Kevin Goretski (Bonnie Prill) of Port Austin, Mary (John) Williams of Brighton, and Bridget (Robert) Harris of South Lyon; one son-in-law, Robert Steinman of East Lansing; one daughter-in-law, Grace Goretski of Howell; eleven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sisters, Eleanor Gannon Light and Virginia Gannon Daniels.

Julia was preceded in death by one daughter, Colleen Steinman of East Lansing; one son, Sean Patrick Goretski of Howell; and her siblings, Robert Gannon, Lauretta Gribble, Leo Gannon, Agnes Slucter, Jeanette Brogan, Birchman Gannon, Joyce Gannon and Janice DeVore.

Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Monday, May 2, 2011 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Port Austin. Burial will follow in the Church Cemetery.

Visitation will be conducted on from 2-9 p.m. Sunday at the Knoblock Funeral Home in Kinde and from 10-11a.m. Monday at the church. There will be a Vigil at 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, please make memorials to the Port Austin Township Library or the Port Austin Historical Society.