

Tait, Virginia

Virginia Antoinette Tait, 73, lifelong resident of Bad Axe, died Tuesday, August 26, 2003, at the Huron County Medical Care Facility after a long battle with cancer. She was born October 3, 1929 in Royal Oak, daughter of the late John Clinton and Caroline Marie (Irwin) Sullivan. Virginia Sullivan and Archibald (Jack) Leitch were married February 3, 1951 in Bad Axe. He preceded her in death on April 5, 1971. She married Orville R. Tait on April 29, 1972 in Bad Axe. He preceded her in death on April 20, 1999. Mrs. Tait was a 1948 graduate of Elkton High School and worked in sales for Sageman Jewelry, Buckley Shoes and Leitch Refrigeration until her retirement in 1992. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Bad Axe. Surviving are three children, Mrs. Bev Richards and her husband, Dave, of Manistee, Mrs. Barb Eden and her husband, Fred, of Bay Port, and Jerry Leitch and his wife, Deb, of Bad Axe; four step-children, Mrs. Mindy Robinson and her husband, Bob, Tim Tait and James Tait, all of Bad Axe, Tammy Popour and her special friend, John Bender, of Port Hope; five grandchildren; three-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Morgan, of Auburn, Washington, and Mrs. Gratta Grigg, of Bad Axe; special cousin, Marion Shuart and her husband, Rick, of Bad Axe; one aunt, Evelyn Irwin, of Bad Axe; one sister-in-law, Sylvia Sullivan, of Bad Axe; and several step-grandchildren, step-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was preceded in death by one sister, Gretta Smith; one brother, Dick Sullivan; and twin infant brothers, Billy and Bobby Sullivan. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Friday at the H. W. Weitenberner Funeral Home in Bad Axe. The Rev. Michael Sawicki, pastor of Salem United Methodist Church in Pigeon, and the Rev. Richard Shuart of Colfax Methodist Church, will officiate. Private burial will follow in Colfax Township Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursday and from 10 a.m. until the time of service on Friday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, Diabetes Association or to the family's discretion.