

Hartz, Emma

Emma A. Hartz, 87, of Port Hope, passed away Wednesday, May 21, 2003, at the Huron County Medical Care Facility near Bad Axe following a long illness. Born in Port Hope on April 23, 1916, she was the daughter of the late Albert and Theresa (Schave) Pleiness. Emma Pleiness and Ernest Hartz were united in marriage on Oct. 9, 1937 in Ruth. He preceded her in death on Nov. 3, 1996. She was a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Port Hope. Emma enjoyed baking, gardening, and visiting with family and friends. She is survived by her children, Melvin Hartz and his wife, Beverly, of Port Hope, Donna Wolschlager and her husband, Allison, of Bad Axe, Gerald Hartz and his wife, Marsha, of Caseville, and Clifford Hartz, of Port Hope; daughter-in-law, Janet Hartz, of Port Hope; 11 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; four sisters, Caroline Reinke, of Port Hope, Lena Pleiness, of Port Hope, Louise Lampella, of Bad Axe, and Jean (Stanley) Berry, of Caro. Emma was preceded in death by a son, Daniel Hartz; great-granddaughter, Jessica Wolschlager; three brothers, Ernest, Alex, and Erwin Pleiness; and two sisters, Ester Zelz and Olga Eggert. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 24, 2003, in St. John Lutheran Church in Port Hope with the Rev. Gregory Eilers, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the Lakeview Cemetery. A scripture service will be at 7:30 p.m. on Friday in the Ramsey Funeral Home, Harbor Beach. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 tonight, from 1 to 9 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home, and from noon until the time of service on Saturday at the church. Memorials may be given to St. John Church or Huron Medical Care Activities Fund.