

Beyer, Vera

Vera M. Beyer, 84, of Bay Port, passed away Friday, Aug. 9, 2002, at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe. She was born on Aug. 6, 1918, in Pigeon, the daughter of John and Hattie (Blundy) Decker. She attended the Decker School and graduated from the Winsor School. On Feb. 14, 1937, she was united in marriage to Ewald E. Beyer in Pigeon. He preceded her in death on May 19, 1989. Mrs. Beyer helped on the family farm. She was a homemaker throughout her lifetime and a member of the McKinley Homemakers Club. An avid quilter, she was a member of the Quilter's Guild and was instrumental in organizing and establishing the Farmers' Festival Library quilt show. She enjoyed playing cards and visiting with family and friends. She was a regular participant with the Caseville Retirement Club. Mrs. Beyer was a lifetime member of the St. John's Evangelical Church in Berne, where she was a member of the Ladies Aid for many years, as well as the Women's Society. She is survived by two daughters, Kay Baker of Paulding, Ohio, and JoAnn Abbott and her husband, Alvin, of Pigeon; a son, Jerry Beyer and his wife, Linda, of Bay Port; six grandchildren, Jim Siewert of Pigeon, Beth Swartzendruber and her husband, Les, of Bay Port, Cindy Scarbrough and her husband, Brian, of Fremont, Sally Thiel and her husband, Ron, of Pigeon, Stacie Stewart of Paulding, Ohio, and Brenda Purves and her husband, Jason, of Clio; 13 great-grandchildren; a brother, Richard Decker of Pigeon; several nieces. She was preceded in death by a brother, Bud Decker. The funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 12, 2002, at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Berne with the Rev. James A. Gorseger, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Visitation is from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. today at the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home in Pigeon, and from 10 a.m. until the time of the service Monday at the church. Memorials may be made to St. John's or the American Cancer Society.