

Blondell, Mary

Mary Blondell, 94, of Caro died Wednesday, March 27, 2002, at Caro Community Hospital. She was born on Dec. 8, 1907, in Crestline, Ohio to the late Karl and Katherine (Schmidt) Kappel. The former Mary Kappel married Steve Grasel in March of 1927. He preceded her in death on Dec. 22, 1938. She then married Martin Blondell in 1947. He preceded her in death in March of 1956. She had been employed at General Cable in Cass City. She liked to play cards, crochet, and liked everything to do with crafts. She also liked to visit, travel, and spend time with her children and grandchildren. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Caro. Mary is survived by three children and their spouses: Edna and Reuben Sjulstad, and Robert and Maryann Grasel, all of Punta Gorda, Fla., and Katherine and Robert Ricker of Owendale; 11 grandchildren and their spouses, Ken and Betty Sjulstad, Rob Sjulstad, Steve and Marcia Sjulstad, Katherine and Jeff Blank, Robert Jr. and Deb Grasel, Ann and John Krafft, Tony and Kath Grasel, Steven and Amy Grasel, Lynda and Paul Rocheleau, Jeff and Pam Ricker, and Kim and Randy Ewald; 28 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents and husbands, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Adam and Simon Kappel; and two sisters, Helen Friesorger and Eva Frick. The funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, April 1, 2002, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Caro. Father Dennis Kucharczyk will officiate. Burial will be at St. Agatha's Catholic Cemetery in Gagetown. Visitation will take place from 4 to 9 p.m. today at the Collon Funeral Home in Caro and from 10 a.m. until the time of service Monday at the church. There will be a scripture service at 7 p.m. today at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Sacred Heart Catholic Church building fund.