

### **Hughes, Bertha**

Bertha E. "Beth" Hughes, 79, of Harbor Beach, passed away on Thursday, Aug. 7, 2003, peacefully at her home. She was born in Bloomfield Township near Harbor Beach on June 11, 1924, the daughter of the late Henry and Mabel (Grills) Marks. On Aug. 8, 1942, she was united in marriage to Benjamin Hughes in Bad Axe. Ben preceded her in death on June 30, 1996. Beth was a former employee of Hamill Manufacturing in Ubyly and was a former cook in local restaurants. She enjoyed crocheting and quilting and was known as the "artist with a needle". She was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church and the Quilting Ladies and enjoyed visiting with her family and friends. She is survived by her children, Mary Beth Wills, of Sandusky, Frank Hughes, of Avoca, Gary Hughes and his wife, Karen, of Marlette, Barbara Jewell and her husband, Jerry, of Warren, Joanne Seltz and her husband, Carl, of Harbor Beach, and Roger Hughes and his wife, Kathy, of Traverse City; 19 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Beatrice Davis, of Bad Axe, Janet Winowiecki, of Royal Oak and Shirley Lawhorn, of Harbor Beach. Beth was preceded in death by a grandson, Thomas Wills; a brother, Jerry Marks; and three sisters, Doris Harbin, Pearl Marks, and Artheal Hollister. The funeral service will be at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 10, 2003, in Zion Lutheran Church with the Rev. Mark Girardin, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the Verona Township Cemetery. A scripture service will be at 8 p.m. on Saturday in the Ramsey Funeral Home, Harbor Beach. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. on Saturday in the funeral home and from 1 p.m. until the time of service on Sunday at the church.