

## **Collings, Helen**

Helen Collings, 86, resident of Verona Township, died Thursday, July 31, 2003, at the Huron Medical Center. She was born in Hume Township on April 16, 1917 to the late John and Ida (Batten) Goretski. Helen Goretski and Roy W. Collings were married on June 12, 1940 at the First Baptist Parsonage in Bad Axe. Roy preceded her in death on Jan. 7, 1962. Mrs. Collings and her husband were life long farmers in Huron County. She enjoyed crocheting, crossword puzzles, sports and watching the Detroit Tigers and the news. She attended the Calvary Baptist Church of Bad Axe. Helen is survived by two daughters, Mary Proctor, of Clarkston and Judy Mazure, of Bad Axe; seven sons, Roy and his wife, Sharon A., of Bad Axe, John and his wife, Sharon L., of Bad Axe, William and his wife, Jane, of Bad Axe, Carl, of Bad Axe, Gary and his wife, Elaine, of Deckerville, Ricky and his wife, Rose, of Bad Axe, and Randy and his wife, Kathy, of Bad Axe; 19 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; four step-grandchildren; six step-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one sister, Genevieve Collings; one brother, George E. Goretski; and one foster brother, Jack Lakomy. Services will be conducted on Saturday, Aug. 2, 2003, at 11 a.m. at the Free Methodist Church in Bad Axe. Pastor Clark, of the Calvary Baptist Church of Bad Axe, will officiate. Visitation will be at the MacAlpine Funeral Home in Bad Axe on Friday from 2 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the church. Memorials may be offered to the donor's choice.