

Kretzschmer, Elizabeth

Elizabeth I. Kretzschmer, 87, of Owendale, passed away Sunday, February 22, 2004, at Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon. She was born in Grandon, Missouri on March 10, 1916, daughter of the late Louis and Katy (Pavlichek) Kovach. On March 31, 1937, she was united in marriage to Lloyd A. Kretzschmer in Owendale. He preceded her in death on July 13, 1989. Mrs. Kretzschmer was a member of the Owendale United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women. Along with her husband, Lloyd, she enjoyed traveling and was active in many community activities. She also enjoyed gardening and bowling, but especially being with her family. She was a homemaker throughout her lifetime. Her survivors include a daughter, Joyce Goodman and her husband, Robert, of Grand Ledge; a son, Charles Kretzschmer, of Owendale; five grandchildren, Michael Goodman and his wife, Dianne, Christopher Goodman and his wife, Pamela, Mardi Pavlichek and her husband, Christopher, Dr. Bradi Boyce and her husband, Dr. Brent, and Kelly Gruber and her husband, William; five great-grandchildren, Sam and Lindsay Goodman, Blake and Brock Gruber, and Kinsey Pavlichek; three step-great-grandchildren, Matthew, David, and Dillon; a sister, Katherine Finkbeiner, of Pigeon; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary and Esther; three brothers, Michael, Louis, and Alex; and a daughter-in-law Geraldine Kretzschmer. The funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday, February 26, 2004, at the Owendale United Methodist Church with the Rev. John Heim, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Grant Township Cemetery. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 today, from 2 to 5 and 6 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday at the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home in Pigeon and from 10 a.m. until the time of service at 11 a.m. on Thursday at the church. Memorials for Mrs. Kretzschmer may be made to the Owendale United Methodist Church.