

Harder, Augusta

Augusta Harder, 98, of Bay Port passed away Friday, June 2, 2000, at Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon. She was born in Germany on Aug. 22, 1901, the daughter of the late George and Elsie (Schlitzkus) Matchuret. On March 15, 1920, she was united in marriage by the Rev. Andrus to Archie J. Harder in Pigeon. He preceded her in death in Jan. 1970. Mr. and Mrs. Harder made their home in Bay Port, where they have given active ministry in their church, the Bay Port Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (RLDS). Mrs. Harder was a homemaker throughout her lifetime and enjoyed crocheting and knitting. She is survived by four children, Margaret J. Johnson of Saginaw, Ralph Harder and his wife, Pat, of Bay Port, Alice Voss of Caro and James Harder of Gaylord; eight grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a great-grandson, Adam; a sister, Mary Maday; and two brothers, Fred and Herman Matchuret. Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Monday, June 5, 2000, at the Bay Port RLDS Church with Elder Ervin Haley and Elder Terry Brown officiating. Burial will be in New Bay Port Cemetery, Fairhaven Township. Visitation will be today from 2 to 9 p.m. at the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home, in Pigeon and from 12 until the time of the service on Monday at the church.