Phyllis Nikel (March 17, 1922 – November 12, 2010)

Phyllis Nikel, 88, of New Port Richey, Fla. and formerly of Harbor Beach, passed away Friday, Nov. 12, 2010 at her home.

She was born March 17, 1922 in Cleveland, Ohio. She married Julius "Nick" Nikel on Nov. 21, 1940 in Cleveland, Ohio. They opened the Beach Restaurant in 1950 in Harbor Beach, and they built and operated the Helm Restaurant and Motel in 1955 in Harbor Beach until they retired in 1973.

Phyllis is survived by a daughter, Phyllis-Jean (Larry) Schubring of Swartz Creek; a son, Walter (Sandy) Nikel of Harbor Beach; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her husband, Nick; sisters, Eleanor Schultz and Ruth Hertz; brothers, Charles and O A Poschke Jr.; and her parents, Elma Poschke and O A Poschke Sr.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be conducted at 1 p.m. on Thursday, May 12, 2011 at the Swartz Funeral Home, located at 1225 W. Hill Road in Flint. Committal will be in Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Road in Holly.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until time of service Thursday at the funeral home.