

**McCallum, Barbara E.**

Barbara E. McCallum, 73, of Owendale, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2009 at Tendercare of Cass City.

Born in Owendale on July 19, 1935, she was the daughter of the late Harry H. and Ceilia Berneice (Cross) Emery, and graduated in 1953 from Owendale High School.

On June 18, 1955 she was united in marriage to Donald C. McCallum in Owendale. He preceded her in death on Dec. 21, 1981.

Barbara worked as a nurse's aid and caregiver at Birchview Ranch near Pigeon and Abbe Acre near Owendale. She had also worked at Automotive Industries in Owendale and as a substitute Owendale rural mail carrier.

She was a member of the Owendale United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women.

Barbara was a former member of the Eastern Star. She was an excellent cook and baker and enjoyed being with her family. She also enjoyed ceramics, gardening, and bowling.

Barbara is survived by her children, Robin McCallum of Cass City, Rod McCallum of Owendale, and Ross and Beth McCallum of Cass City. She is also survived by three grandchildren, Stacy, Chelsea, and Abby; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by two sisters, Betty Fulk and Irene Wood.

Funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 20, 2009 at the Owendale United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Doug Mater officiating. Burial will be in Grant Township Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and from 1 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home in Pigeon and from 10 a.m. until the service at 11 a.m. Friday at the church.

Memorials may be made to Owendale United Methodist Church, or Home & Hospice Advantage.