Opanasenko, Carol

Carol J. "Cookie" Opanasenko, 60, of Bay Port, passed away Friday, March 4, 2005, at Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon following a six-month illness. She was born August 17, 1944 in San Antonio, Texas to Chester and Lucille (Peters) Durst. She was a homemaker throughout her lifetime, enjoying fishing, outdoor work and just being busy. She also enjoyed going up north to her family's property. She is survived by her partner of 35 years, Walter Opanasenko, of Bay Port; three children, Benny Howard, Terrie Ratliff and her husband, Jeff, and Troy Thompson, all of Bay Port; seven grandchildren; one greatgrandson; a sister, Betty Girdwood and her husband, David, of Comfort, Texas; and her mother-in-law, Nastia Opanasenko, of Bay Port. The funeral service will be conducted at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, March 7, 2005, at the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, with the Rev. Douglas Mater, pastor of the Bay Port United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in New Bay Port Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10:30 a.m. until the time of service on Monday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.