

### **Hessler, Ethel**

Ethel M. Hessler, 80, formerly of Bach, died Thursday, Aug. 23, 2001 at the home of her daughter, Julene in Mitchellville, Md., following a three-year illness. She was born Feb. 14, 1921 in Unionville, daughter of the late Henry E. and Esther (Sting) Menzel. She was united in marriage to Julius Hessler on April 8, 1939 in Unionville. He preceded her in death on Dec. 23, 1972. Ethel was a Christian homemaker. She was a very active member of St. Peter Lutheran Church in Bach. She served on the altar guild; Lutheran Women's Mission League; the ladies aid; Sunday school teacher, member of the choir, Bible study and the Valpraiso University guild. Surviving are one daughter, Julene Pichel and her husband, William, of Mitchellville, Md. with whom she made her home; two sons, Glenn Hessler and his wife, Dorothy, of Redwood City, Calif., Kenneth Hessler and his wife, Carol, of Shelby Township; 14 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; five sisters, Verlaine Ertman of Grosse Pointe, Winifred Richards of Bay City, Marian Stack and her husband, Fred, of Unionville, Linda Hemerleine of Unionville, Shirley Otto and her husband, Donald, of Troy; one brother, James Menzel and his wife, Diane; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by infant daughter Carol Jean Hessler; one son, Ronald Hessler; and sister Beverly Brown. Funeral services will take place at noon on Saturday, Sept. 1, 2001 at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Bach. The Rev. Ernest C. Wendt will officiate with committal service and burial to take place in the church cemetery prior to the funeral service. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. on Friday at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing. Memorials may be made to St. Peter Lutheran Church, Lutheran Hour or Valpraiso University or the Family.