

Heilig, Betty H.

Mrs. Betty Helen Heilig, 83, of Harbor Beach and formerly of Minden City, passed away Saturday, Jan. 24, 2009 at Saint Mary's of Michigan in Saginaw.

Betty was born on April 25, 1925 in Brown City.

She married Raymond John Heilig on June 7, 1949 at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Ruth. He preceded her in death on Feb. 28, 1986.

She and her husband lived and farmed in the Minden City area for all of their married lives before moving to Harbor Beach. Betty attended the Del Mar Beauty School in Detroit, graduating as a licensed beautician. She owned Betty's Beauty Shop and was a beautician for 40 years in the Minden City area and Harbor Beach. She was a parishioner of Ss. Peter and Paul Church in Ruth where she was a lifelong member of the Ss. Peter and Paul Christian Mothers. She was currently a parishioner at Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church in Harbor Beach. Over the years she enjoyed gardening, crafts, sewing and was unbeatable at euchre and rummy. She loved taking trips to northern Michigan. Betty was a very loving mother and grandmother, always putting others first. She will be sorely missed by everyone who knew her.

Betty is survived by three children, Raymond Heilig and his wife, Glenda, of Sandusky, Susan Heilig of Harbor Beach, Marjorie Moorehead of Midland; three grandsons, James, Scott, and David Heilig; three great-grandsons, Jordon, Andrew and Avery Heilig.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Edwin Bootz; and one sister, Kathryn Sloan.

Funeral Mass will be at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, 2009 at Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church in Harbor Beach. The Rev. William Spencer, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be from 1 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday at Smigielski Funeral Home, 8545 Cass Ave., Minden City and from 11 to 11:30 a.m. on Thursday at the church. There will be a Christian Mothers rosary at 3:30 p.m. and a parish vigil service at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday. Both services will be at the funeral home.