

Elftman, Meta Marie

Meta Marie Elftman, 92 of Elkton, died Sunday, September 10.

She was born in Oliver Township on September 17, 1913, daughter of the late William and Dora (Roeber) Licht. On December 28, 1938 she was united in marriage to Edward Elftman, who preceded her in death on March 23, 2002 after more than 63 years of marriage.

Meta was a homemaker and farmed for many years with her husband in Chandler Township. She enjoyed flower and vegetable gardening, canning, and quilting. Meta never met a child she didn't love, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a lifelong member of Cross Lutheran Church in Pigeon.

Meta is survived by her adopted daughter, Cheri (Jake) Diebel of Elkton; and grandchildren, Jeff (Nicki) Diebel of Elkton and their children, Tenishia, Jeffrey, and Joel; Jennifer (Jason) Nicol of Ubyly; and Jason (Audrey) Diebel of Unionville. She is also survived by her step-daughter, Maxine (Paul) Walsh of Pigeon; grandchildren, Mike (Patsy) Walsh, Beth (Tim) Kraft, Vicki (John Huff) Lomba, Pat (Pam) Walsh, and Brian (Kelli) Walsh; great-grandchildren, Jami, Scott, Jayne, Kim, Joe, Jessica, Jacky, Ben, Carolyn, Nick, Daniel, and Emalee; one sister, Leona (Nelson) Beck of Saginaw; one brother, Al (June) Licht of Bad Axe; and many beloved nieces and nephews. Meta was preceded in death in 1934 by her first husband, Oscar Niedrich of Unionville; her sisters, Hilda Nieschulz, Louise Ziegler, Delores Bendrey, Lydia Licht; and brothers, Ervin, Adolph "Barney," and Werner Licht.

The Funeral Service will be conducted at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 12 at Cross Lutheran Church in Pigeon, with Reverend Tom Zollman, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Cross Lutheran Church, Meals on Wheels (Huron County Commission on Aging), or Heartland Hospice.