

Pawlosky, Blanche

Blanche Dorothy Pawlosky, 90, of Bad Axe and formerly of Minden City, died Friday, March 3, 2006, at Courtney Manor Nursing Home in Bad Axe. She was born June 1, 1915 in Minden City to the late Walter and Sophia (Kulich) Kowalski. On October 28, 1939, she was united in marriage to Joseph Pawlosky in Parisville. He preceded her in death on August 21, 1987. Mrs. Pawlosky was a resident of Bad Axe for 17 years. Before moving to Bad Axe, she lived in Minden City and Mt. Pleasant. For several years, she was a clerk for Minden City and a cook and teacher's assistant for the Minden and Ubly Schools. She was a hard worker who was involved in the Special Olympics and cared for the mentally handicapped. She enjoyed life, drinking coffee, and reading the Detroit Free Press. She loved swimming, bridge, pinochle, and Scrabble. She especially enjoyed being with family and friends and baking. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe and also of the VFW Army Auxiliary and Daughters of Isabella. She is survived by six sons, Joseph (Susan) Pawlosky, of Oklahoma, James (Marilyn) Pawlosky, of Bad Axe, Charles (Cheryl) Pawlosky, of Wisconsin, Jerome "Whitey" (Beverly) Pawlosky, of Ubly, Robert (Mary Pat) Pawlosky, of Virginia, and Mark (Jennifer) Pawlosky, of Washington State; three daughters, Margaret "Peg" Shihadeh, of Okemos, Mary (Brian) Jones, of Georgia, Christine (Robert) Becker, of Illinois; four brothers, John (Eleanor) Kowalski, of Minden City, Chester (Mary) Kowalski, of Florida, Thomas Grifka, of California, and Robert (Nicky) Grifka, of Warren; 26 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by two brothers, Jerome and Harold Kowalski; one sister, Mary Sadro. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, March 7, 2006, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe with Fr. James Carlson presiding. Spring burial will take place at St. Patrick's Cemetery in Palms. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. today at the MacAlpine Funeral Home of Bad Axe and from 10 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday at the church. A scripture service will be at 7 p.m. and the Daughters of Isabella Rosary at 7:30 p.m. on Monday at the funeral home.