

Bernice Ann Burkhard
(January 14, 1933)

BERNICE ANN BURKHARD, age 78 of Harbor Beach, passed away Tuesday, April 5, 2011 at her home under hospice care. She was born on January 14, 1933 in Tyre, to the late Peter and Frances (Grimski) Zurek. Bernice married Leonard Godzinski in 1949. He preceded her in death in 1964. On December 26, 1987, Bernice was united in marriage to Edwin Burkhard in Ubly.



Bernice was a member of Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church, and enjoyed playing cards, polka dancing, gardening, cooking and baking. Bernice always enjoyed a good joke and loved to laugh, her greatest joy was her grandchildren. Bernice is survived by her husband Edwin Burkhard of Harbor Beach, and her children; James Godzinski and his wife Marilyn of Brownstown, Michigan, Kelley Geiger and her husband Bruce of Bad Axe, and Terry Godzinski and his wife Kelly of Taylor. Step Children Greg Burkhard and his wife Kathy of Wadhams, Ron Burkhard and his wife Judy of Traverse City, and Renee Ezak and her husband Jim of Harbor Beach. Eight Grandchildren, seven step grandchildren, eight great grandchildren and two step great grandchildren. Three Brothers: Sylvester Zurek and his wife Marie of Walled Lake, Chester Zurek of Livonia, and Marvin Zurek and his wife Grace of Caseville. Bernice was preceded in death by her brothers Walter, Elmer, Leo and Ray Zurek, and sisters Connie Mazure and Irene Lemke.

Funeral Mass for Bernice will be Friday, April 8, 2011 at 11 am in Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church, with Fr. William Spencer officiating. Burial will follow in the OLLH Church Cemetery. Visitation for Bernice will be Thursday from 3-9pm in the Ramsey Funeral Home of Harbor Beach. Visitation on Friday will be in the church beginning at 10 am until time of services at 11am. A Rosary service will take place Thursday at 7:30 pm in the funeral home.

Memorials for Bernice may be given to Heartland Hospice.