

Laura Sharer

Laura Sharer, dearest mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2010.

Laura passed away peacefully at the age of 105. She was born the oldest of 11 children, to Anna and Joseph Foco on May 23, 1905 in Pinconning.

Her first marriage was to George McFarlane in 1921, and she was mother to Jerome, Alice, George "Lamont" and Ramona. She later married Hubert Sharer in 1939 and, because of his occupation as an oil driller, traveled extensively with her family throughout Illinois and Michigan. They enjoyed a long life together until Hubert's passing in 1984.

Laura was trained as an LPN and was employed at the old Hubbard Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe and Mercy Hospital in Bay City. Laura enjoyed playing gin rummy with her special granddaughter, Kelly, and spent her later years traveling with different family members to many places, her favorite being Las Vegas. She had been known to say, besides automobiles and airplanes, how slot machines were one of the greatest inventions! Laura was loved and enjoyed by everyone around her. We will never forget her spirit and we will have many stories to share for years to come.

She is survived by her daughters, Alice Slack of Missouri and Ramona Kaczuk of Bad Axe; son, Lamont of Florida; step-daughter, Virginia Keith of Florida; brother, Norman (Catherine) of Michigan/Florida; sisters-in-law, Shirley Foco and Eva Foco, both of Florida; brother-in-law, Arthur Arnold of New Jersey; many nieces and nephews; 18 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; and 23 great-great-grandchildren, the youngest being born on the day of her passing.

Laura was preceded in death by her son, Jerome and his wife, Agnes; daughter-in-law Norma; son-in-law Thomas; infant sisters, Irene and Alice; sisters, Sister Mary Lily and Lucille; brothers, Albert, Philip, Elzor, Roland and Adam; four grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

The family would like to thank the caring staff of Courtney Manor for the loving care shown to Laura.

Cremation has taken place with interment and a memorial service planned for late spring.

Arrangements entrusted to the Stapish Cederberg Funeral Home East in Essexville.