

Schmidt, Jean M.

Jean Marie Schmidt, 82, resident of Port Austin, passed away Wednesday, June 18, 2008 at home with her family at her side.

Mrs. Schmidt was born June 9, 1926 in Port Austin to the late Harold and Belma Finan. Jean Finan and Willet (Pete) Schmidt were united in marriage on June 21, 1946 at St. Michael's Rectory in Port Austin.

She was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Port Austin. Jean attended Western Michigan University, was a charter member of the Junior Priscilla Club and a member of American Legion Auxiliary Frank Horetski Post 499, Verona Hills Golf Club and was active in Clothe a Child. She not only was an avid golfer, she loved playing cards, slot machines, word games and enjoyed music and playing the piano. Jean also enjoyed watching the grandchildren participate in sporting events.

She is survived by her husband of 61 years, Willet (Pete) Schmidt; a daughter, Belma J. (William) Gorang; two sons, Thomas H. Schmidt and Stephen H. (Denise) Schmidt; one daughter-in-law, Rebecca Schmidt; seven grandchildren, Amy (Randy) Stille, Sarah (Rob) Fuller, Peter A. Schmidt, Bradley S. Schmidt, Kyle J. Schmidt, Mykael T. Schmidt, and Cameron M. Schmidt; six great-grandchildren; and sister-in-law and best friend Tida Finan and many nieces and nephews. Mrs. Schmidt was preceded in death by one son, Peter J. Schmidt on Sept. 29, 2000, her parents, Harold and Belma Finan; and two brothers, George R. and Phillip Finan.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 21, 2008, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Port Austin with Fr. Paul Grala officiating.

Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. Friday with a parish scripture at 7 p.m. at the MacAlpine Gage Chapel in Kinde and from 9 am until time of service Saturday at the church. Burial will be in St. Michael's Cemetery, Port Austin.

Memorials may be offered to the Port Austin Township Library or Peter J. Schmidt Memorial Park.