SELMA ELEANOR HICKS

1889 - 1991

Selma E. Hicks, age 102 of Novi (formerly of Pigeon), passed away Tuesday, Feb. 19 at Charter House Care Center, Novi.

She was born on Feb. 12, 1889 in Berne, the daughter of the late Julius and Mary (Soldan) Diefenbach. She was married to William Sloat in Pigeon. He preceded her in death. On Sept. 14, 1924 she was united in marriage to J. Perkins Hicks in Toledo, Ohio. He preceded her in death on April 25, 1967. Mrs. Hicks was a former member and one of the first reed organists of the First United Methodist Church in Pigeon. She played the Vocalion reed organ for many years and was the organist for the church orchestra. Even after moving from the Pigeon area, she returned to the church to participate in or attend many special services throughout the years.

Survivors include her granddaughter, Carol Stebbins of Novi; two great-granddaughters, Ellyn Mourtada and Karyn Halwani; three great-great-grandchildren, Rachel Soper, Rebecca Stebbins and Shariff Halwani; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by two sons, Miles Sloat and Leroy Sloat, two sisters and

three brothers.

A Memorial Service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24 from the First United Methodist Church, Pigeon. Rev. James P. Schwandt, pastor, will officiate with interment in the Grand Lawn Cemetery, Pigeon.

Memorial contributions may be given to the charity of

the donor's choice.

Arrangements by Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home Pigeon, Michigan