## Metzger, Gertrude M.

Gertrude M. Metzger, 85, of Saginaw passed away on Thursday, Dec. 25, 2008 at Hoyt Nursing and Rehab Centre.

Gertrude Bumhoffer was born on Feb. 26, 1923 in Sebewaing to the late Anton and Katherine Bumhoffer.

She married George Metzger, Jr. on July 5, 1947; he preceded her in death on Oct. 11, 1980. Gertrude was a member of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church and a member of its Ladies Aid Society for many years. She loved her family and was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother to be.

Surviving are her two sons and three daughters, Fred (Mary Kay) Metzger of Bay City, Joyce (Carl) Littlefield of Midvale, Utah, John Metzger of Freeland, Kristine (Steven) Petroff of Jacksonville, Fla., Shirley (Daniel) Brown of Hemlock; eight grandchildren, Kelly (Dan) Myer, Rachel Littlefield, Annie and Jennifer Metzger, Sarah and Erin Petroff, Joshua and Brandon Brown. Also surviving are two brothers, Leonard Bumhoffer, Edward (Ann) Bumhoffer and many nieces and nephews. Gertrude was also looking forward to the birth of her first great-grandson. She was preceded in death by a brother, Carl Bumhoffer; a sister, Mary Bambach; two sisters-in-law, Leona Bumhoffer and Erna Bumhoffer, also a brother-in-law, Jacob Bambach.

Our family would like to extend a warm thank you to the staff of Hoyt Nursing and Rehab Centre for the care given to Gertrude.

Gertrude's funeral service took place at 11 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 29, 2008 at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 4705 Brockway. The Rev. Daniel Garbow will officiate. Burial will follow in Oakwood Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church. Please feel free to share your thoughts and memories with the family at the Deisler Funeral Home, 2233 Hemmeter Rd. (off State), church or through <u>www.deislerfuneralhome.com</u>.