

FRANCES L. SHUPE

1892 - 1988

Frances L. Shupe, age 96, of Bad Axe and Elkton, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 27 at Four Seasons Health Care Center, Bad Axe, after a long illness.

She was born April 10, 1892 in Sanilac County near Deckerville, daughter of the late John and Arilla (Rector) Hewett. She married Clyde E. Shupe on Oct. 15, 1915 in Deckerville. He preceded her in death Oct. 25, 1943.

Mrs. Shupe served as the first dean of women at Bethal College, Mishawaka, Ind. from 1947-1960. In her honor, the school named a womens' dormitory "Shupe Hall," which was dedicated in 1962.

A graduate of Deckerville High School and Sanilac County Normal College, she attended Ferris State Institute and Central Michigan College. She taught at Brown, Wakefield and Verona rural schools in Huron County.

Mrs. Shupe was a member of Elkton Missionary Church, where she served as Sunday school teacher. She served as volunteer gray lady at Huron Medical Care Facility and was a member of its womens' auxiliary. Her interests were knitting and letter writing.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Theatta M. Picklo, Elkton and Mrs. Joseph (Lovina) Kimbel, Laguna Hills, Calif.; six grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren and one nephew.

Preceding her in death were one grandson, James Shupe; one sister, Mrs. Mary Fair and one brother, Burten Hewett.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, Oct. 2 at Elkton Missionary Church. The Rev. Larry R. Salsburey, pastor, officiated along with the Rev. John Tuckey and Dr. Albert Beutler. Burial was in Colfax Cemetery.

Handling the funeral arrangements was the MacAlpine Funeral Home, Bad Axe.

Memorials may be offered to the Elkton Missionary Church or Bethal College.