

Marks, Norma

Norma J. "Toots Joy" Marks, 69, of Loon Lake, Ind., died Saturday, April 8, 2000, in the Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana, Fort Wayne, Ind., where she had been a patient for the past three weeks. She was born on March 9, 1931, in Whitley County, Ind., the daughter of Mervin and Tora Hull Blanchard. On March 13, 1948, she was united in marriage to Reinald D. "Mick" Joy and they made their home in Fort Wayne for 22 years, then moved to St. Johns in 1970. In 1972, they moved to Port Hope. Mr. Joy died on Jan. 15, 1981. On Aug. 20, 1994, she was married to William G. Marks and they spent their married life at Loon Lake, near Columbia City, Ind. She was employed at Magnavox in Fort Wayne, the Lydall Co. in Ligonier for eight years, and retired in 1994 from Thumb Plastics in Bad Axe. She was a member of the Women of the Moose in Columbia City. Surviving are her husband, Bill; two sons, Randall D. Joy and his wife, Emily, of St. Johns, and Rick D. Joy and his wife, Sharon, of Port Hope; two daughters, Linda M. Cohen and her husband, John, of South Bend, Ind., and Terry C. Jurgess and her husband, Jeffrey, of Harbor Beach; 14 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a brother, Henry "Hank" Blanchard of Columbia City. She was preceded in death by two daughters, Jacqueline Joy and Cindy Bender; and a brother, Walter Blanchard. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 11, 2000, in the Smith and Sons Funeral Home, 207 N. Main Street, Columbia City. Burial will be in the Nolt Cemetery, Columbia Township. The Women of the Moose will conduct a twilight service at 8 p.m. tonight at the funeral home. Visitation will be 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana, 3024 Fairfield Ave., Fort Wayne.