

Ellis, Lillian

Lillian J. "Bea" Ellis, 82, of Lake Placid, Fla., formerly of Pigeon, passed away Saturday, Dec. 2, 2000, at Florida Hospital in Wauchula. She was born on Jan. 6, 1918, in Detroit, the daughter of the late Rush and

Alice (Schnekenburger) Foster. On Oct. 11, 1940, she was united in marriage to Alton MacKenzie in New Hudson. He preceded her in death on June 13, 1983. She was married to Charles J. Ellis at Bradenton, Fla., in March 1984. He survives her. She had been employed as a secretary for DeSoto Motors in Detroit

and at Alton Industries in Pigeon. Mrs. Ellis was a resident of Lake Placid for 16 years where she was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. She also was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and was past Worthy Matron, Order of Eastern Star, Pigeon Chapter. Besides her husband, Charles, she is survived by a daughter, Janet Ballagh and her husband, William, of New Lothrop; three grandchildren, William Ballagh and his wife, Annette, of Stockbridge, Andrew Ballagh and his wife, Amber, of Las Vegas, N.V., and Lisa Clothier and her husband, Corey, of Whitmore Lake; and six great-grandchildren, Amanda, William A. and Daniel C. Ballagh and Kelli, Katie and Cole Clothier. Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 8, 2000, at the First United Methodist Church, Pigeon, with the Rev. Karen L. Knight, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Detroit.

Visitation will be 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home, a Golden Rule Funeral Home, Pigeon, and from 9 a.m. until the time of services Friday at the church. Memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church of Lake Placid, Fla., the First United Methodist Church, Pigeon, or the American Cancer Society.