

Sabo, Mildred M.

Mildred Mary Sabo, 84, of Deford, passed away suddenly Tuesday afternoon, February 8, 2005, while baking cookies in her home of 59 years. Mary was born a twin on February 7, 1921 in Belmont to Walter and Beulah (Lynch) Schultz. Her father died when she was 8 and with her mother and eight siblings, she moved to Traverse City where Mary graduated from St. Francis High School in 1939. She worked her way through high school, later working in Pontiac and Bloomfield Hills. She lived and worked in Cleveland, Ohio during World War II where she met and married Louis Sabo, Jr., on July 4, 1945. They moved to Deford in 1946 where they raised eight children and cared for her aged in-laws. Louis preceded her in death on December 13, 1981. Mary and her sons continued farming and she worked at Highland Pines in Caro and Colony House near Cass City. Mary was an active member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Wilmont, where she served many years on the Parish Council, as President of the Ladies Alter Society, as Chair of the Funeral Breakfast Committee and Catechism teacher. Mary loved to read and to sew. She enjoyed cooking, baking, gardening, and writing stories about her youth. She especially enjoyed Sunday dinners with her children and grandchildren and spending time with her many close friends in the area. Her memory will be cherished by her children, Delores Sabo, of Deford; Mary Ann Pohlod and her husband, Roger, of Deford, Vera Bouck and her husband, Roger, of Cass City, Luella Krug and her husband, John, of Deford, Louis Sabo and his wife, Rochelle, of Marlette, Madelene Parker and her husband, Bill, of Caro, Michael Sabo and his wife, Jenny, of Fairgrove, and Thomas Sabo and his wife, Michelle, of Deford and daughter-in-law, Sherry Kish, of Cass City. She will be sadly missed by 28 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, Nicholas (Michele) Pohlod and Kelsey; Damian, Adrian and Andrea Pohlod; Victor (Shelli) Pohlod, Katie and Bradley; Patricia (Robert) Widger and Emma; Ronald Bouck and his friend, Sandi, and Jordan; Nathan Bouck and his friend, Rachel; Zachary and Jesse Bouck; Mary Ann (James) Vanderhieden, James and Devin; Effie, Luke and Rose Krug; Allison and Ryan Sabo; Gavin Parker; Janet, Michael, and Timothy Sabo; Tara, Sara, Samantha, Tom and Darrin Sabo and Brandy and Steven Rychlewski. She is remembered lovingly by her many friends, former co-workers, classmates and the community at St. Michael's. She is survived by three sisters-in-law; two brother-in-laws and many loving nieces and nephews. Mary's siblings, Daniel, John, Robert, Bernard, James (her twin), Margaret, Gertrude and Francis all preceded her in death. A Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, February 12, 2005, at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Wilmont. Internment at St. Michael Cemetery. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. today and from 1 to 9 p.m. on Friday at Marsh Funeral Chapel, Marlette. A scripture service will be at 7 p.m. on Friday at the funeral chapel. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.