

## **Albrecht, Katie**

Katie E. Albrecht, 89, of Pigeon, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2000, at the Scheurer Hospital Long Term Care Unit following a long illness. She was born in Wellman, Iowa, on Nov. 24, 1910, daughter of the late George and Naomi Swartzendruber and stepdaughter of the late Lena (Kelm) Swartzendruber. On Nov. 28, 1929, she was united in marriage to Herbert Albrecht in Pigeon. He preceded her in death on May 6, 1975. Mrs. Albrecht was a member of Pigeon River Mennonite Church, where she was active with the Sewing Circle. She enjoyed quilting, gardening and growing flowers, especially roses. She loved nurturing her family and often babysat for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She is survived by her children, Virgil Albrecht and his wife, Martha, of Vassar, Carol Miller and her husband, Arnold, of Farmington, N.M., and Herbert Albrecht and his wife, Dorothy, of Vassar; a son-in-law, Clayton Maust and his wife, Thelma, of Harrisonburg, Va.; a daughter-in-law, Carolyn Albrecht of Lancaster, Pa.; 17 grandchildren; 59 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Velma Esch and her husband, Ira, of Fairview and Edna Gascho of Pigeon; a brother, Glen Swartzendruber and his wife, Irma, of Pigeon; sisters-in-law, Iva Swartzendruber and Erma Swartzendruber, both of Bay Port; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Berniece Maust; a son, Duane Albrecht; two grandsons, Michael and Donald; a great-granddaughter, Katie; and two brothers, Lawrence and Edwin. Funeral services will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24, 2000, at the Pigeon River Mennonite Church with the Rev. Tom Beachy, pastor, and the Rev. Luke Yoder officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Visitation will be 7 to 9 p.m. Friday and 2 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday at Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home in Pigeon, and from 1 p.m. until the time of services Sunday at the church. Memorials may be made to the Pigeon River Mennonite Church, the Cystic Fibrosis Association or Gideons International.