

Baker, Pearl

Pearl Baker, 86, of Elkton, died Monday morning, January 26, 2004, at the Huron County Medical Care Facility. She was born February 26, 1917 in Flint to the late Fred and Mary (Troy) Hollinshead. She moved with her family to the Upper Peninsula in her youth and moved quite frequently following the lumber camps. In 1933, she moved to Elkton to live with her grandparents. While here she met Robert E. Baker. They were married December 14, 1935 at the Bad Axe Methodist parsonage. They were members of the Elkton United Methodist Church and farmed in Oliver Township for many years. They moved in to town in the mid-90s. Bob preceded her in death on February 14, 1997. Surviving are three sons, Kenneth Baker and his wife, Marjorie, of Elkton, Duane Baker and his wife, Penny, of Paw Paw, Martin Baker and his wife, Debbie, of Elkton; two daughters, Marian Thomas and her husband, Charles, of Temperance, and Katherine Maurer and her husband, Mike, of Vassar; 14 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; two brothers, George Hollinshead and his wife, Laura, of Seney, and Ruben Hollinshead and his wife, Faith, of McMillan; three sisters, Margaret Maxon and her husband, Jim, of Munising, Anna Marie Layman and her husband, Devere, of Fairview, Patricia Mark and her husband, Russ, of McMillan; sister-in-law, Margaret Hollinshead, of Seney. Preceding her in death were: a granddaughter, Abby Baker; four sisters, Marian Wiertella, Collean Williams, Velma French and Almina Irely; and two brothers, Jim and Elmer Hollinshead. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Saturday, January 31, 2004, at the Elkton United Methodist Church. The Rev. Pete Crawford, pastor, will officiate with burial in Riverside Cemetery, Elkton. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. on Friday at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton, and after 10 a.m. on Saturday at the church. Memorials may be given to the church.