

# CLARA E. DIEBEL

1899 - 1988

Clara E. Diebel, age 88 of Pigeon, passed away in Bay City on Thursday, March 10.

She was born August 8, 1899 in Kilmanagh, daughter of the late Christian and Lydia (Dietzel) Brown. On October 31, 1926 she was united in marriage to John V. Diebel in Kilmanagh. He passed away July 19, 1985. She was a charter member of the Ladies Auxiliary of Tip of the Thumb VFW Post No. 2236, and had worked for 28 years at the Polewach Store in Pigeon.



Mrs. Diebel is survived by her daughter, Mrs. John (Verna E.) Thede, Sebewaing; one grandson and his wife, Michael and Donna Thede, Bay Port; three granddaughters, Mrs. Timothy (Sandra) Irion, Sebewaing, Mrs. Rodney (Kathie) Kuhl, Bad Axe, and Mrs. Steve (Patti) Gremel, Bay Port; 11 great grandchildren.

Five brothers, Ray, Leonard, LaVern, Emerson, and Alpheus Brown preceded her in death.

A VFW memorial service was held on Saturday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 14 at 11:00 a.m. from the Kilmanagh United Methodist Church. Rev. Jeffrey R. Maxwell, pastor, officiated with burial in the Grand Lawn Cemetery, Pigeon.

Memorials may be given to Kilmanagh United Methodist Church or donor's choice.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Shetler-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, Michigan.