

Viola E. A. Voelker

1923 - 1998

Viola Elizabeth Anna Voelker, age 75 of Pigeon, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, May 12 at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor.

She was born in East Detroit on January 15, 1923, the daughter of the late Arthur and Katie (Hopf) Stricker. On October 16, 1943 she was united in marriage to Donald E. Voelker in Detroit. He survives her.

Mrs. Voelker was a 1941 graduate of East Detroit High School. She was a former member of the Missions Committee of the Port Huron District of the United Methodist Church. She was involved in children's Christian Book Ministry and was an active and dedicated volunteer at Bay Shore Evangelical Camp in Sebawaing, where she was a member of the Bay Shore Prayer Committee. She was currently secretary of the Elkton Senior Citizens. She enjoyed quilting.

Mrs. Voelker was a faithful member of the Salem United Methodist Church in Pigeon, and was a member of the United Methodist Women, as well as serving on the Evangelism Committee and many other committees throughout her years.

Surviving besides her husband, Donald E., are a daughter, Irene Judy Ferguson of Des Moines, Iowa; two sons, Dale Voelker of Schaumburg, Illinois and Eldon (Peggy) Voelker of Pigeon; six grandchildren, Wendy Jo, Jill Ann (Ed), Keith, Angela, Renee, and Julia; two step-grandsons, Craig and Randy (Janet); three great-grandchildren, Stephen, Jessica and Jeremy; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by three brothers and a sister.

Funeral Services will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, May 15 from the Salem United Methodist Church with Rev. Calvin Long, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Winsor Township.

Memorials may be made to Salem United Methodist Church, Bay Shore Camp, the Gideons, or Youth for Christ.