

**Darby, Gladys M.**

Marie Darby, 90, of Bay Port and Caseville, passed away on Friday, January 13, 2006, at Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon after a long illness. Marie Short was born in Lafayette, Indiana on April 15, 1915, the daughter of the late Thomas and Nora (Lichlyter) Short. She was married to Lawrence Jack in Indianapolis, Indiana, and he passed away in 1956. She later married Francis E. "Frank" Darby in Detroit. Frank passed away on January 26, 1987. Marie was employed as a sales clerk in the Detroit area for many years prior to retiring to the area with her husband, Frank. She worked for Sam's Department Store, Federal's Department Store, and Sears Roebuck and Company. Marie was a former member and past president of the Caseville Retirement Club. She was also a former member of the Caseville Eagles Auxiliary No. 3690, former member and president of the Caseville American Legion Jean Post No. 543 Auxiliary, and former member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Pigeon Post No. 2236 Auxiliary. She was a former member of the Bay Port United Methodist Church. Mrs. Darby is survived by nine step-grandchildren; 16 step-great-grandchildren; and 8 step-great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by four step-children, Geneva Livingston, Juanita Folmer, Lawrence Jack and William Jack. She was also preceded in death by a sister and a brother. Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. on Monday, January 16, 2006, at the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home in Pigeon with the Rev. Douglas Mater, pastor of Bay Port United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Grand Lawn Cemetery in Pigeon. Friends may visit at the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home in Pigeon on Sunday from 5-9 p.m., and on Monday from 11 a.m. until the time of the service at 1 p.m.