Ruth, Lucy C.

Lucy C. Ruth, 81, died Tuesday afternoon, April 15, 2008 at Scheurer Hospital Long Term with her family by her side.

She was born April 10, 1927 in Lake Township at the home of her parents, the late Nicholas and Mary (Stirrett) Yax.

On May 12, 1945, she was united in marriage to Francis "Frank" Ruth at St. Felix Catholic Church, Pinnebog. They lived and raised their family on a farm near Gotts Corner. Frank preceded her in death July 19, 1988.

Lucy was a lifelong member of St. Felix Catholic Church and Altar Society. She was a past member of the Daughters of Isabella and Caseville Eagles Auxiliary. She, like all of her siblings was very musical; her part in the family band was on the piano. Besides her music, she enjoyed cooking and baking, flower gardening, taking walks and being with her family.

Surviving are 10 children, Elaine (Dave) Peyok of Reese, Rita (Chris) Bacik of Warren, Shirley Ruth of St. Clair, Donna (Don) Peyok of Reese, Mike (Karen) Ruth of Bad Axe, Carolyn (John) Adamczyk of Caro, Tommy (Lorie) Ruth of Kalamazoo, Dale Ruth of Otsego, Mary (Dennis) McIlhargie of Pigeon, and Jim (Linda) Ruth of Pigeon. Also surviving are 31 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; five brothers, George (Hazel) Yax of Caro, Jerry (Marion) Yax of Lake Township, Larry (Pat) Yax of Taylor, Dick (Linda) Yax of Canton, and Duane Yax of Waterford; six sisters, Agnes Klemmer of Bad Axe, Marguerite Herriman of Kinde, Gladys Reilly of Lake Township, Jean McGeachy of Dearborn, Annabel Stolicker of Lake Township, and Sandra (Ed) Klee of Hoffman Estates, III.; and many, many nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death was a son, Brian Ruth and a grandson, Eric Ruth. A funeral mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday, April 18, 2008 at St. Felix Catholic Church, Pinnebog. Rev. Fr. Kenneth Yaroch, pastor, will officiate with burial in the church cemetery.

A rosary service will be conducted at 7 p.m. Thursday evening at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton where friends may call from 2 to 9 p.m. today and at the church after 10 a.m. Friday.

Memorials contributions may be made to St. Felix or to the family. Words of condolence may be shared at www.cfcElkton.com.