

### **O'Connor, Esther**

Esther M. O'Connor, 84, of Harbor Beach, passed away unexpectedly Friday, November 14, 2003, in West Branch Hospital. Born in Harbor Beach on June 13, 1919, she was the daughter of the late Samuel and Margaret (McCullough) Wilson. On January 8, 1947, Esther and James O'Connor were united in marriage in Ruth. They were foster care parents for many years. James preceded her in death on June 27, 1977. Esther was a member of the First Baptist Church where she was the church clerk, Sunday school teacher and secretary. She also was a member of the American Legion of Harbor Beach. Esther enjoyed painting, quilting and crocheting. She is survived by her children: Charles O'Connor and his wife, Lee, of Rose City, Kathleen Braun and her husband, Gary, of Lakeland, Florida, and Mary O'Connor, of Bad Axe; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; a sister, Ina Mae Cregeur and her husband, James, of Harbor Beach. Esther was preceded in death by a daughter, Christine O'Connor, in 1992; and by three sisters, Betty Eernesse, Alberta Ayotte and Peg Veldman; and a brother, William Wilson. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, November 17, 2003, in the Ramsey Funeral Home, Harbor Beach, with the Rev. Andrew Willis, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Rock Falls Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. today, and from 10 a.m. until the time of service on Monday at the funeral home. A Legion Auxiliary memorial service will be conducted at 4 p.m. today in the funeral home. Memorials may be given to the Harbor Beach Lighthouse Preservation, Harbor Beach Hospital, or American Cancer Society.