

Winkel, Aritta

Aritta "Fritzie" Catherine Winkel, 84, of Harbor Beach, passed away Monday, Dec. 21, 2009 at Lakeview Extended Care and Rehab Center of Harbor Beach Community Hospital.

She was born on June 2, 1925 to the late Joseph and Sarah (Carriveau) Souva.

Fritzie and Ernest W. Winkel were united in marriage on Nov. 9, 1946 in Elkton and were married for 49 years. Ernest preceded her in death on Oct. 30, 1996.

Fritzie was a member of Zion Lutheran Church, and a long time member of the Ladies Aide. She was employed by Dr. Manuel Teves and enjoyed working for him for many years. Fritzie was a life member of the Burhans-Hagedon Post 197 American Legion Auxiliary of Harbor Beach, where she was a past president, and also held other various offices. She bowled for many years, was an avid bingo player, and loved to play cards with her family and friends. She especially loved the times she spent with her sons, daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She is survived by her children: Sandra Ross and her husband, Roger, of Birch Run, Rucilla Klebba and her husband, Jack, of Harbor Beach, Kathleen Shedd and her husband, Gary, of Harbor Beach, Lanny Winkel and his wife, Sheila, of Shelby Township, and Ernest Winkel, Jr. of Carmel, Ind.; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Marietta Bittner of Bad Axe and Dora Grigg of Elkton; one sister-in-law, Ferne Winkel of Harbor Beach; and many nieces and nephews.

Fritzie was preceded in death by three brothers, Henry, Nelson and Ray Souva; four sisters, Mildred Ross, Marie Parrish, Cecilia Wales and Annabelle Draher.

Funeral services for Fritzie will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2009 in Zion Lutheran Church, with the Rev. David McCloskey officiating. Burial will follow in the Rock Falls Cemetery.

Visitation for Fritzie will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the Ramsey Funeral Home, Inc. of Harbor Beach. Visitation on Wednesday will be beginning at 11:30 a.m. until time of services at 1 p.m. in the church. A scripture service will take place at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Memorials may be given to Zion Lutheran Church or Lakeview Extended Care.