

## **Hazel, Frieda**

Frieda Hazel, 87, of Sterling Heights and formerly of Bad Axe, passed away Friday, February 2, 2007, at William Beaumont Hospital in Troy. She was born February 24, 1919 in Harbor Beach, daughter of the late Joseph and Mathilda (Wendland) Gerstenschlager. She married Leland E. Hazel on February 13, 1937 in Detroit. He preceded her in death on April 21, 1999. Mrs. Hazel and her husband were longtime Rubicon Township farmers retiring in 1977. They moved to Florida for several years before returning to Michigan. She enjoyed playing cards and will always be remembered for her great cooking and her much admired apple pie. She is survived by two daughters, Eilene Hazel, of Troy, Janet (Eric) Chaman, of Sierra Vista, Arizona; two brothers, Alton (Inez) Gerstenschlager, of Bad Axe, Harold (Mary) Gerstenschlager, of Tennessee; six grandchildren, Debra (Bill) Duncanson, of Rochester, Randy (Kay) Becker, of Troy, Bob (Janet) Becker, of Romeo, Dena (Bill) Zirngibl, of Rochester Hills, Kathy Chaman, of Sierra Vista, Arizona, Julie Chaman, of Tucson, Arizona; nine great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one sister, Clara Gerstenschlager; and two brothers, Leo and Wilfred Steadman. A funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, February 7, 2007, at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe. Officiating will be the Rev. Jay Barsaleau, pastor of the Bad Axe First Baptist Church. Burial will be in Verona Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. today and from 10 a.m. until the time of the service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.