Clara Helena Nitz

(December 20, 1917 - April 28, 2013)

Clara Helena (Lenz) Nitz, age 95, of Sebewaing, passed away peacefully Sunday, April 28, 2013 at Scheurer Long Term Care, in Pigeon.

She was born December 20, 1917 in Sebewaing, daughter of Roman and Amelia (Strochien) Lenz. She was baptized into Christ January 6, 1918 at Immanuel Lutheran Church by Rev. L. List, who also confirmed and married Clara. She married Robert Herman Nitz June 6, 1936 at Immanuel Lutheran church. He preceded her in death on April 16, 1977.

She is an active lifetime member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, member of Immanuel Lutheran Ladies Aid (President 5 terms, Lutheran Laymen's League, American Legion Auxiliary, Sebewaing Senior Citizens, and Sebewaing Garden Club (Past President). She worked at the Caro Regional Center for 12 years as a nurse's aide, managed Sebewaing American Legion Post, picked beans at Bach Elevator, and was a cook and waitress at Heidelberg Inn, worked at Sebewaing Frozen Food Locker, Cliff Bates, Sr. Grocery Store, Kurts' Party Store, farmed and many other jobs.

She is survived by 3 children: Lorrine Kuhl, James R. Nitz and Jerry (friend Rhonda Dinsmore) Nitz; 16 grandchildren; 39 great grandchildren; 20 great great grandchildren; and sister, Ella Marries.

Clara is preceded in death by her parents; her husband; daughter, Barbara Riedel; daughter-in-law, Phyllis Nitz; son-in-laws, Willard Kuhl and Paul Riedel; 3 grandchildren: Dennis Kuhl, Donna Thomas and Nancy Nitz; brothers: Raymond, Norman, Rudy and Reinhart; sisters: Hulda, Alma and Amanda.

Visitation is Tuesday, April 30, 2013 at Juengel & Mellendorf Funeral Home in Sebewaing from 10am-9pm.

The funeral service is Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebewaing. Visitation begins at the church at 10am until the time of service at 11am.

Burial will take place with the immediate family at Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be given to the Sebewaing Library, Immanuel Radio Mission or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.