

Ethel Bailey

1908 – 1999

Ethel Bailey, age 91 of Pigeon, passed away Monday, March 1. She was born in Owendale on February 28, 1908, the daughter of the late John F. and Mary Ann (Gregor) Pobanz. On June 15, 1931 she was united in marriage to Clifton B. Bailey in Toledo, Ohio. He preceded her in death on November 30, 1986.

Following her graduation from Owendale High School, she attended nursing school in Bay City. Mrs. Bailey was a Life Member and Past Worthy Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, and was an honorary member of the Scheurer Hospital Auxiliary as well as the Pigeon Worthwhile Club.

She was a member of Salem United Methodist Church, Pigeon.

Her survivors include a daughter, Barbara Ann Buchholz of Pigeon; a son, David John (Janice) Bailey of Grand Rapids; seven grandchildren: Pamela Buchholz of Denver, Colorado, Patrice (Rory) Moore of Plainwell, Ann (Jeffrey) Hartel of Cass City, Amy (Patrick) O'Hare of Grandville, Douglas (Kathy) Bailey of Middleville, John (Debbie) Bailey of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Collin Bailey of Grand Rapids; four great-grandchildren, Rebecca, Bradley, Lucas and Miranda; a brother, Stanley (Betty) Pobanz of Owendale; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by two sisters, Alice Shoemaker and Mildred Anderson.

Funeral Services will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 4 from the Meyersieck-Bussema Funeral Home, Pigeon, with Rev. Calvin Long, pastor of Salem United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Winsor Township.

Memorials may be made to Scheurer Hospital or Salem United Methodist Church.