

Smith, Luella M.

Luella M. Smith, 94, of Snover, died Monday, December 11, 2006, in Sanilac County Medical Care Facility, Sandusky. She was born August 31, 1912 in Pontiac to Erwin and Cloa (Francisco) Sadler. She married Charles Smith on June 19, 1935 in Snover. He died April 30, 1959. Luella helped her husband on the family farm. After his death, Luella worked at Cass City Hospital and then Hills & Dales Hospital in Cass City. Luella loved music and was able to play many instruments by ear. She played piano, accordion and harmonica. Luella played piano in the ballroom above Kritzman's Department Store. She played piano in a kitchen band with Shabbona Extension. Luella traveled extensively by train and plane including trips to California, Hawaii and North Carolina. She was a member of Shabbona United Methodist Church, Shabbona Extension and Sanilac County Farm Bureau. Luella loved children and especially loved and enjoyed her grandchildren. Luella is survived by her children, Elinor (Richard) Loeding, of Snover, Marvin (Connie) Smith, of Palm Coast, Florida; grandchildren, Diane (Phil) Matusik, Dwight (Rita) Loeding, Danette (Mark) Bolton, Debra (Paul) Auten, David Loeding, Michelle (Dion) Davis, and Mark Smith; great grandchildren, Rik, Daniel (Sabrina), Elizabeth, Brett Loeding, Meleah, Rachel, Chaz, Shane Auten, Chance, Macklin, Caleb Bolton, Mitchell, Megan, Matthew Davis; great great grandson, Trace; sister-in-law, Helen (Harold) Bentley, of Saginaw; many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Elwin Sadler and Perry Sadler; and sisters, Celia Coats and Elsie Carpenter. A funeral service will be conducted at 2 p.m. on Saturday, December 16, 2006, in Shabbona United Methodist Church with the Rev. Ellen Burns officiating. Interment will be in Elkland Township Cemetery, Cass City. Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursday and from 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. on Friday at Kranz Funeral Home, Cass City, and from 1 to 2 p.m. on Saturday at the church. Memorials may be made to Shabbona United Methodist Church or Sanilac County Medical Care Facility. Family and friends may share memories, prayers and stories with the family at www.kranzfuneralhome.com.