

Wertz, Gladys

Gladys Wertz, 96, of Bad Axe, died Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2009 at Lakeview Extended Care in Harbor Beach.

She was born March 29, 1912 to the late Charles and Catherine (Simmie) Stickney.

Gladys married Peter J. Wertz in Detroit on Oct. 3, 1931. He preceded her in death Feb. 20, 1968. Mrs. Wertz was also preceded in death by her son, Ralph, in 1974.

Gladys was a member of the First Baptist Church of Bad Axe. She was a member of the Baptist Women's Mission Fellowship along with serving on the church committee, the funeral committee and being church secretary for the Sunday School.

She is survived by two daughters, Shirley Taylor of Bad Axe and Carol (Chet) Minnes of Starke, Fla. Mrs. Wertz was also blessed with 12 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Gladys was preceded in death by her three brothers, Alvin Stickney, Archie Stickney and Almond Church and her son-in-law Howard Taylor.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 31, 2009 at First Baptist Church of Bad Axe officiated by the Rev. Jay Barsaleau. Burial will take place in Verona Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 2 until 8 p.m. Friday at the MacAlpine "Mac" Chapel and from 10 until 11 a.m. on Saturday at First Baptist Church.