



**Name:** Charlene Patricia Bensinger

**Age:** 89

**Hometown:** Elkton, MI

**Funeral Date:** December 15, 2018

**Date of Birth:** February 11, 1929

**Date of Passing:** December 09, 2018

**Funeral Home:** **Smigielski Funeral Home**

### **Funeral Information**

The funeral service for Charlene will be Saturday, December 15 at the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral Home in Ubly. Pastor Carol Corbishely will officiate. Visitation will be at the funeral home on Saturday from 10:00 am until the service at 1:00 pm. Memorials for Charlene's family can be made in care of her daughter, Karen Lackowski. Please visit [www.smigielskifuneralhomes.com](http://www.smigielskifuneralhomes.com) to express your sympathy and sign the guest book for Charlene's family

### **Family of the Deceased**

Charlene is survived by her daughter, Karen Lackowski and her husband Dan; her cherished grandchildren, Jared (Sarah) Lackowski and Kara (Michael) Lyons; great grandson Clayton; loving sister, Donna Noble; several nieces and nephews. Charlene was preceded in death by her parents; siblings, Esther, Merideth (Evelyn), Elton (Joyce), Shirley Ann Motz; one brother-in-law, Stuart Noble; mother-in-law and father-in-law, A. Winifred and Franklin Bensinger; brothers-in-law, Clayton (Evelyn) Bensinger, Robert (Vera) Bensinger, Therman "Bruce" Bensinger.

## **Biography**

Mrs. Charlene Patricia Bensinger quietly left us Sunday night, December 9, 2018 at Meadow Lane Assisted Living in Bad Axe. She was born on February 11, 1929 to Bertha and Freeman Motz. She married Gordon L. Bensinger on June 9, 1956 at the Elkton Evangelical United Brethren Church in Elkton, MI. He preceded her in death in March 26, 2003. Together they raised one daughter, Karen and welcomed her husband, Daniel as their son. Charlene was a graduate of Elkton High School. She worked for many years at the Bad Axe ASC office before staying home to raise their daughter. In 1976, she and her husband opened Buds and Blossoms Flower Shop in Ubly. They eventually opened a second shop in Cass City, before retiring in 1997. She was a long time member of the First Presbyterian Church in Ubly. She loved playing Scrabble and cherished time with family. The loves of her life were her grandchildren, Jared and Kara. For the past 2 ½ years, her great grandson, Clayton James, put the twinkle back in her eye. We will miss her quiet wit, charm and love. Karen and her family wish to say thank you to all the staff at Meadow Lane, where Charlene resided for many years for caring for, loving her and being her extended family when we could not be there. Thank You.