

**Kunisch, Arlene C.**

Arlene C. Kunisch, 92, died Thursday, May 17, 2007, at Iosco Medical Care Facility in Tawas City following a six-month illness. She was born February 14, 1915 in Sebewaing, daughter of the late Jacob and Helena (Stamnitz) Martens. She was married to Jack V. McHalpine in 1936. She then married Arnold J. Kunisch on February 1, 1953 in Sebewaing. He died November 29, 1981. Arlene was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebewaing and served as the church and school secretary for 26 years and also was a member of the Ladies Aid for many years. She was proud to have been the first elected president of the Sebewaing schools PTA, which she helped form. She did volunteer work for the county social services for many years. Our loving Christian mother's first love was spending time with her children and grandchildren. Arlene was a beautiful seamstress and enjoyed playing cards with her many friends and doing cross word puzzles. Surviving are her children, Gary (Pat) McHalpine, of Lake Orion, LoAnn (Duane) Rieman, of Sebewaing, Suzanne (Chuck) McGathy, of Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina, Timothy (Maryanne) McHalpine, of Macomb Township, Thomas McHalpine, of Westland, Catherine (James) Butler, of Grosse Pointe Park, Morley McHalpine, of Coopersville, and Lynn (Daniel) Zuzga, of Tawas City; 29 grandchildren; 31 great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one son, Scott McHalpine, on June 10, 1979; two brothers, Harvey and Morley Martens; four sisters, Corrine Clabuesch, Vera Martens, Helen Eremia, and Lucille Deming; also one great granddaughter, Cassidy Lynn McHalpine. The funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 22, 2007, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebewaing. The Rev. Daniel Hahn will officiate with burial in St. John Lutheran Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home. She will lie in state at the church from 10 a.m. until the time of the service on Tuesday. Memorials may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church or the charity of the donor's choice.