Fischer, Dorothy H.

Dorothy Helen Fischer, 91, of Port Austin, died Tuesday Aug. 11, 2009 at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe.

She was born April 9, 1918, the daughter of the late John and Anastasia (Dudek) Talaski. Dorothy married Paul Peter Fischer on Oct. 19, 1940 at St. Columbkille Catholic Church at Sheridan Corners. He preceded her in death on March 28, 1983.

Dorothy was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, where she also was a member of the Holy Rosary Sodality. She also was a member of the Daughter's of Isabella. She worked in Pte. Aux Barques for 30 years. She loved her family and gardening. Dorothy also enjoyed her time spent living on the farm before moving to town.

She is survived by her children, Leo (Bonnie) Fischer of Sebewaing, Tom (June) Fischer of Port Austin, Paul (Dorothy) Fischer of Caseville, Jerry (Valerie) Fischer of Bad Axe, and Jean Gibbard of Bad Axe; 18 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. She also is survived by one brother, Leonard (Jeanette) Talaski; and sisters-in-law, Delores Talaski, Lois Talaski and Louise Yaroch.

Dorothy was preceded in death by one daughter, Mary Jane; one granddaughter, Donna Jean; one step-grandson, Gary; five brothers, Ray, Vic, Leo, John and Ed; two sisters, Bertha Miller and Florence Andreski; and one son-in-law, Carl Gibbard.

Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 14, 2009, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Port Austin with burial in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. Thursday at the Knoblock Funeral Home in Kinde and 10 a.m. until the time of service Friday at the church. A vigil will be conducted at 7 p.m. Thursday followed by a D of I Rosary at the funeral home.