



Katheryn Mabel Klaiss

September 13, 1918 - July 24, 2015

Katheryn M. Klaiss, 96, of Charlotte, MI passed away on Friday, July 24, 2015 at her daughter's home in Indiana. She was born September 13, 1918 at the family home on East Clinton Trail in Eaton Township, the daughter of L.P. and Mabel (Webber) Smith. She attended Charlotte High School, graduating in 1936. On May 1, 1937 she married Merle (Pete) Klaiss and together they raised six children.

Katheryn was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. She would do anything for anyone. She was active in 4-H (teaching canning and freezing), enjoyed dancing at the Masonic Temple, playing cards at poker parties with her friends, gardening, taking care of the barn cats, participating in her families activities, and recording the family history.

Katheryn is survived by daughters Sue (Chris) Scott of Hartford City, IN, Sally (Rod) McMichael of Onondaga; son, Fred (Nadine) Klaiss of Charlotte; daughter-in-laws Jean Klaiss of Charlotte and Jan (Larry) McQuay of Frankfort, Michigan; 24 grandchildren; 47 great-grandchildren; and 27 great-great grandchildren. She was predeceased by her parents; husband Merle; children Don and Jim Klaiss and Jean Reed; grandson-in-law Pete Sperry; and brother Raymond Smith.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, July 29, 2015 at Pray Funeral

Home, Charlotte, MI with Reverend Charles Jenson officiating. Visitation will be held Wednesday, July 29, 2015 from 12:00 - 2:00 pm just prior to the funeral service at Pray Funeral Home.

If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to Indiana University Health Ball Memorial Hospice, 2401 W. University Avenue, Muncie, IN 47303 or Blackford County Animal Shelter, PO Box 70, Hartford City, IN 47348, or a charity of your choice. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home. Family and friends are encouraged to share remembrances of Katheryn on her tribute page at www.prayfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

West Carmel Cemetery

5016 Carlisle Highway
Charlotte, MI 48813

Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Katheryn Mabel Klaiss*



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“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Katheryn Mabel Klaiss .



July 28, 2015 at 10:47 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Katheryn Mabel Klaiss .



July 27, 2015 at 12:26 PM