

86 year old, Gertrude Belle (Drake) Vliek of DeMotte, Indiana formerly of Hammond, Indiana, passed away Wednesday, January 14, 2015.

On April 14, 1928, in Paw Paw Township, Michigan Gertrude was born to Harold and Dorothy (Doxtater) Drake. She graduated from Hammond High School. Gertrude married the love of her life, George Vliek on December 29, 1946, in Michigan. George and Gertrude owned the Griffith Family Market. Gertrude was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Gertrude is survived by her children: Daniel (Susan) Vliek, Deborah Musenbrock, Scott (Sally) Vliek, Mark Vliek, and Michelle (Jon) Haughee, 15 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, brothers: Charles (Barbara) Drake, Harold (Donna) Drake, and sister: Ruth (Bill) Everette.

Gertrude was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, George Vliek, and son-in-law: Joseph Musenbrock.

Graveside service will be held on April 11, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. in the Roselawn Cemetery, Roselawn, Indiana with Pastor Jared Rabel officiating.

In lieu of flowers contributions to your local food pantry in her memory would be appreciated.

Boersma Funeral Home, 90 East Grove St., Wheatfield, Indiana has been entrusted with these arrangements.