



Irene A. Shafer

February 1, 1916 - January 23, 2015

Irene A. Shafer, 98, of Bainbridge Township, died Friday, January 23, 2015 at her home.

Family services at a later date and cremation has taken place. Memorials may be made to the Humane Society of SW Michigan. Arrangements are by the Dey-Florin Chapel of Florin Funeral Service in St. Joseph. Please share memories, messages, or photos at www.florin.net.

Irene was born in Watervliet on Feb. 1, 1916 to John J. and Arlene (Northduff) Arent. She married Kellogg P. Shafer on Oct. 21, 1939 and he preceded her in death in 1961. Irene has lived in the area all of her life. She was a farmer and has been employed at various places, including New Products, Bendix, Ford Motor Co., and V.M. She was a member of the Methodist Peace Temple in Benton Harbor. Irene was an independent and determined individual. She enjoyed keeping everyone in family organized and efficient.

Irene is survived by her children, James. (Barbara) Shafer of Durango, CO, and Stanley Shafer of Watervliet; her grandchildren, Saul, Eric, Kelley, and Carol and her great grandchildren, Sophie and Paige. She was also preceded in death by her sister, Helen Arent.