

Alice E. Stapleton, age 91 of Newaygo, MI formerly of Filer City, MI died Saturday November 21, 2015 at the Newaygo County Medical Care Facility. She was born August 5, 1924 in Grand Rapids, MI and was the daughter of the late John & Elizabeth (Sobiesczyk) Miller. Alice married the Honorable Judge William Walsh Stapleton on July 31, 1978. He preceded her in death on January 4, 2013. As a young lady she was employed at the Glen of Michigan and retired in 1982 from the Manistee B.P.O. Elks Lodge #250 where she had managed the bar. She enjoyed spending time with her family and grandchildren. She loved to garden and especially liked growing flowers. She also loved to travel and enjoying shopping.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Ann & Gene Knapp of Hesperia, MI; 3 grandchildren, Jason Knapp of North Muskegon, Jennifer Knapp of Hesperia, MI and April (John) Hance of Fremont, MI; 9 great-grandchildren; 13 step-children, Phoebe Stapleton and her husband Steve Bell, William W. Stapleton, John B. Stapleton and his wife Valerie, Diana Bartos and her husband Joe, Barbara Stapleton, James Stapleton, Christopher Stapleton and his wife Bernadine, Lillian Stapleton, George Stapleton, Lee Stapleton, Eva Stapleton (Scott Laursen), Timothy Stapleton and his wife Odesa, Louise Stapleton and her husband Larry Williams. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive her.

She was preceded in death by her brothers & sisters-in-law, John W. & Rita Miller, Clarence "Mickey" & Doris Miller; her sister & brother-in-law, Genevieve E. & John J. Wisneski.

Mass from The Order of Christian Funerals will be held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, November 30, 2015 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Rev. Richard Schaeffer celebrant. Burial will follow at Mt. Carmel Cemetery also in Manistee. The family will be at the church one hour prior to Alice's funeral Mass to receive friends.

A memorial has been established in Alice's name for the Manistee Elks Lodge #250. Envelopes will be available at the church on Monday and at the funeral home.

The Herbert Funeral Home of Manistee is in charge of funeral arrangements.