

SAMPLE, VIRGIL D. T.

DeWitt



Age 88, went to his rest March 3, 1998 after a brief illness. Virgil enjoyed going into the woods to gather wood for making canes for his family and friends. He was an

avid hunter in his earlier years and loved family outings. He celebrated his 88th birthday on February 15th with a surprise party with his wife and children. He was a hard worker; served as a Deacon and Assistant Treasurer of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, which he joined in 1968, and he worked faithfully on the S.D.A. ingatherings. He worked at R.E.O. for 5 years and retired from Motor Wheel after 36 years. He was preceded in death by his sisters, Gertrude and Bertha; brother, Roy; grandson, Clayton; and great-grandson, Gene V. III. Surviving are his wife of 69 years, Mildred M., whom he married February 2, 1929; children, June (Raymond) Minier, Gene (Marilyn) Sample, Evalle (Clayton) Church, Lyle (Lorraine) Sample, Vivian (William) Graham; 24 grandchildren; 45 great-grandchildren; 8 great-great grandchildren; sister, Gladys Gurd; many nieces and nephews. Visitation is 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday in the Tiffany Funeral Home, 3232 W. Saginaw. Services are 11 a.m. Friday, March 6 at Lansing Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 5400 W. St. Joe, Pastor Daniel Towar officiating. Interment in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Seventh-Day Adventist Community Service Center.

FORMER DEWITT WOMAN DEAD

Mrs. Thomas M. Sanford
Passed Away In Lansing
Friday Morning

(By Abbie E. Dill)

Dewitt—Word was received here Friday of the sudden death of the wife of Dr. T. M. Sanford of Lansing which occurred that morning. Mrs. Sanford had been in poor health for the past two years, but had been enjoying much better health the past winter. Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Sanford had attended an evening entertainment and appeared in the best of spirits upon their return home. Friday morning after Mr. Sanford had prepared the breakfast (a duty he had performed since Mrs. Sanford's ill health) he sent his son, Leonard to summon his mother to breakfast. Not receiving any answer to his calls he entered her room and found his mother had quietly passed away a short time before. Assistance was summoned but she was beyond help. The doctor pronounced it heart failure.

Lila, only daughter of Lyman and Sarah Daniels was born in Watertown, near Wacousta, September 15, 1875. She received her education in the schools there, possessing a talent for music, especially being endowed with a sweet voice. She received instruction along that line from instructors in Lansing and for many years she was called on to sing at entertainments, funerals etc. After her residence in Lansing she sang in the vested choir of the Episcopal church where she was a member. December 10, 1895 she was united in marriage to Dr. Thomas M. Sanford. They came to Dewitt to reside where the doctor had been located for a few years, purchasing the late Doctor G. W. Toping property on Main street, west, where they resided until they moved to Lansing about 25 years ago. To this union two children were born, a daughter,

Sarah, who died in infancy and a son, Leonard, who survives her.

Besides her husband and son, Mrs. Sanford is survived by two brothers, Herbert and Arthur Daniels of Wacousta, and several nephews and nieces and a host of friends who mourn her early death. Mrs. Sanford was a kind and indulgent wife and mother and with her pleasing personality she won friends wherever she was.

Her funeral was held Monday morning from her late home on Washington avenue. Rector Virgil Boyer of the Episcopal church of Lansing of which she was a devoted member, officiated. Interment was made in Dewitt cemetery beside her little daughter. The bearers were former friends from Dewitt, also the undertaker, John Wood, formerly of Dewitt. The beautiful floral tributes of which there were many, were silent messengers of the love and esteem in which she was held by her many friends. Mrs. Sanford was a member of the Lansing chapter O. E. S., and the Clinton County Pioneer society.

SCHULTZ, HERMAN

DeWitt

Born January 9, 1897, in Poland; died January 25, 1996 at the age of 99. Mr. Schultz was preceded in death by his wife, Emma; 2 daughters, Violet Schultz and Dorothy Bryan; and 1 son, Arnold Schultz. Surviving are 1 daughter, Lillian (Gordon) Long of East Lansing; 1 son, Alvin (Dorothy) Schultz of DeWitt; 1 son-in-law, John Bryan of Lansing; 9 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held **Monday, January 29, 2 p.m. at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel, 111 S. Franklin St., DeWitt**, with the Rev. Daniel M. Buske and the Rev. John F. Vogt, Emanuel First Evangelical Lutheran Church, officiating. Interment will follow in Evergreen Cemetery. Friends may call at the Chapel beginning Saturday 7 p.m., where the family will receive friends from 7-9 p.m. and Sunday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Those desiring may make contributions to the Church, 1001 N. Capital Ave., Lansing 48906 in memory of Mr. Schultz.

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Candlelight Service Unites DeWitt Couple Friday



MR. AND MRS. ALBERT SCHULZ

Janet Lynne Lankford, of DeWitt, and Albert Schulz, also of that city, were united in marriage on Friday, October 27, at 8 o'clock in the evening at the DeWitt Community church. The impressive candlelight ceremony was performed by Rev. LaVerne Bretz, before an altar banked with baskets of white chrysanthemums and lighted tapers, in the presence of about 200 guests. The double ring service was used. The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. George H. Lankford, of DeWitt, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schulz, Sr., of DeWitt.

Organ music before and during the ceremony was furnished by Miss Helen Moon. Mrs. Vernon Kowalk and Miss Norina Decker sang "Always" and "O Promise Me."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a gown of white slipper satin, accented by chantilly lace. The full skirt ended in a cathedral length train. A pearl-edged cloche held in place the veil of illusion edged with matching lace. Her only jewelry was a pearl necklace and gardenias and buds topped the white Bible which she carried. All servers wore corsages of yellow, pink and

white mums.

Miss Greta Perry, of Alma, was her cousin's maid of honor. She chose a floor-length dress of hunter's green slipper satin, with matching mitts and a headband of white baby mums. She carried an arm bouquet of yellow and white chrysanthemums. Little Miss Judy Church was the flower girl and she was dressed in a white organdy miniature bridal gown. Curtis Lankford, brother of the bride, was the ring bearer.

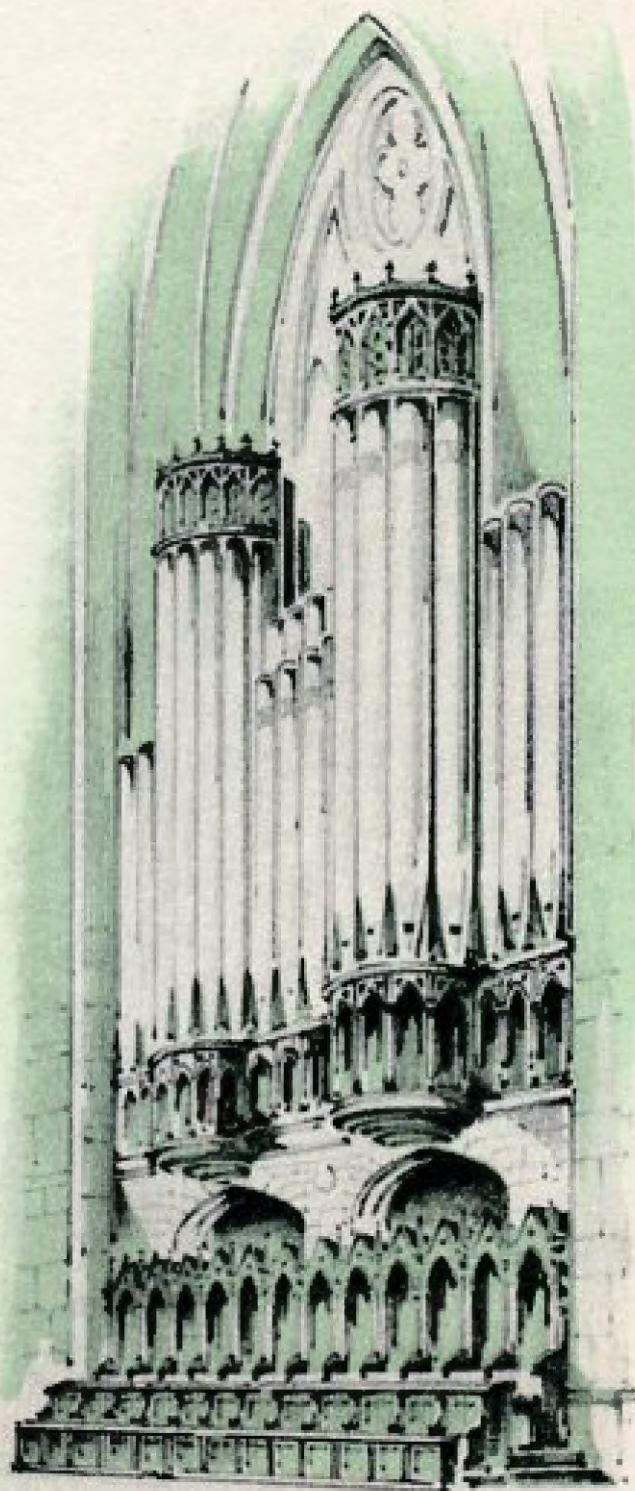
Vernon Kowalk, of DeWitt, was groomsman and assisting as ushers were Lewis Lankford, Gerald Lankford, Charles Brown and George Ling.

Mrs. Lankford was attractively attired in a wine colored dress with velvet trim with which she wore a velvet cloche and gray accessories. Her corsage was of yellow and white roses. Mrs. Schulz wore a navy dress with beaded trim, a navy hat and a corsage of red and white roses.

Both the bride and groom graduated from DeWitt high school in 1949. They will reside at the Lankford apartment on West Main, in DeWitt. When the couple left for a week's trip through northern Michigan the new Mrs. Schulz was wearing a black velvet dress with matching accessories and a gardenia corsage.

Guests were present at the wedding and reception from Muskegon, Pontiac, Perry, Ovid, Jackson, North Star and Lansing.

The reception was held in the church parlors following the wedding. The wedding cake was topped with a bride and groom and wedding bells, was cut by Mrs. J. A. Perry, aunt of the bride, and served by Mrs. Raymond Hamer, of Ovid, and Delores Gray, of Jackson. Serving ice cream were Mrs. Edith Morley and Mrs. Vern Ackerman. The coffee table was attended by Mrs. Lee Lankford and Miss Millie Schulz. Mrs. Jacob Kirchen attended the guest book and Mrs. Lewis Lankford and Mrs. Charles Brown opened the gifts.



IN
RE
MEM
OR
ANCE

Crossing the Bar

Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
And may there be
 no moaning of the bar,
When I put out to sea.

For though from out
 our bourne of Time and Place
The flood may bear me far
I hope to see my Pilot
 face to face
When I have crossed the bar.

..... ALFRED TENNYSON

In Memory of

BESSIE M. SCHULZ
May 11, 1901 - May 17, 1958
57 yrs. - 6 days

Services from

Vincent Funeral Home
Monday, May 19, 1958
2:30 p. m.

Clergyman

Rev. LaVern Bretz
Valley Farms Baptist Church
Lansing, Michigan

Bearers

Donald Seyfried	Robert White
Virgil McGinnis	Lee Lankford
Bernard Ballantine	LeRoy Miller

Interment

DeWitt Cemetery

Mrs. Karl Gilson, Organist

CAUSED BY A FALL

DEATH OF MRS. JULIA SCOTT, AGED DEWITT PIONEER.

Mrs. Julia Scott, one of the pioneer residents of Clinton county, died at the home of her daughter in Dewitt Tuesday night, aged 87 years.

Last Thursday the aged lady fell while out in the yard, sustaining a fracture to her elbow which together with the shock of the fall are believed to have caused her demise. Mrs. Scott was born in Albion, New York, Nov. 18, 1818, moving to Dewitt with her parents when a young lady. She was married in 1841 to Charles Scott, a son of "Old Captain" Scott, who came to Dewitt in 1833. She has been an almost constant resident of Dewitt township since she first came there.

Four children were born to her, Celia who married H. Alexander, Orie who married Frank Webb, Nellie who married Byron Webb. Only one daughter, Mrs. E. M. Webb, survives her besides four grandchildren. Her husband died about forty-five years ago.

Mrs. Scott leaves besides her daughter, a sister, Mrs. Cynthia Bedell, and a brother living at Bay City. The brother is over 90 years of age while Mrs. Bedell is more than 80 years old. The funeral will be held Friday.

FALL CAUSED DEATH

Of Mrs. Julia Scott, a Pioneer of De-
witt Township

Mrs. Julia Scott, one of the oldest pioneers of Dewitt, died Wednesday morning, February 5th, from the effects of a fall and broken arm sustained last week Thursday. Deceased was born in Albion, N. Y., November 18, 1818. She came to Michigan and was married to Charles Scott about 1841. Four children were born to them, and she was living with her daughter, Mrs. Lizzie Webb. Besides her daughter she also leaves a sister in Bay City, who is about 90 years old, and a brother over 80. Funeral will be held at Dewitt Friday.

The Republican.

Thursday, Aug. 27, 1891.

THE COUNTY.

DEWITT.

DEWITT, Aug. 25, 1891.

Floyd Williams is suffering from a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

E. B. Hill, after sixteen years absence in Texas, is visiting his brother, Eber Hill, in this village.

Ed. Bedell will be at the store of E. M. Webb in this village September 4th, to fill out pension papers for old comrades.

Owing to the large and increasing business of Spencer Norris and Fred Blizzard, they are obliged to make their store larger, which will run to Dunham's hardware store.



The Cheboygan Tribune says: Mark Scott, a former DeWitt boy, now of Rondo, pulls the reins over the best team in that locality, a pair of gray geldings, which speaks well of the ability of our farmers as horse breeders, as Mark purchased them while visiting his father David Scott. We know of no good reason why Mark should not drive a good team, as he was always a good fellow when among us.

MERCURY.

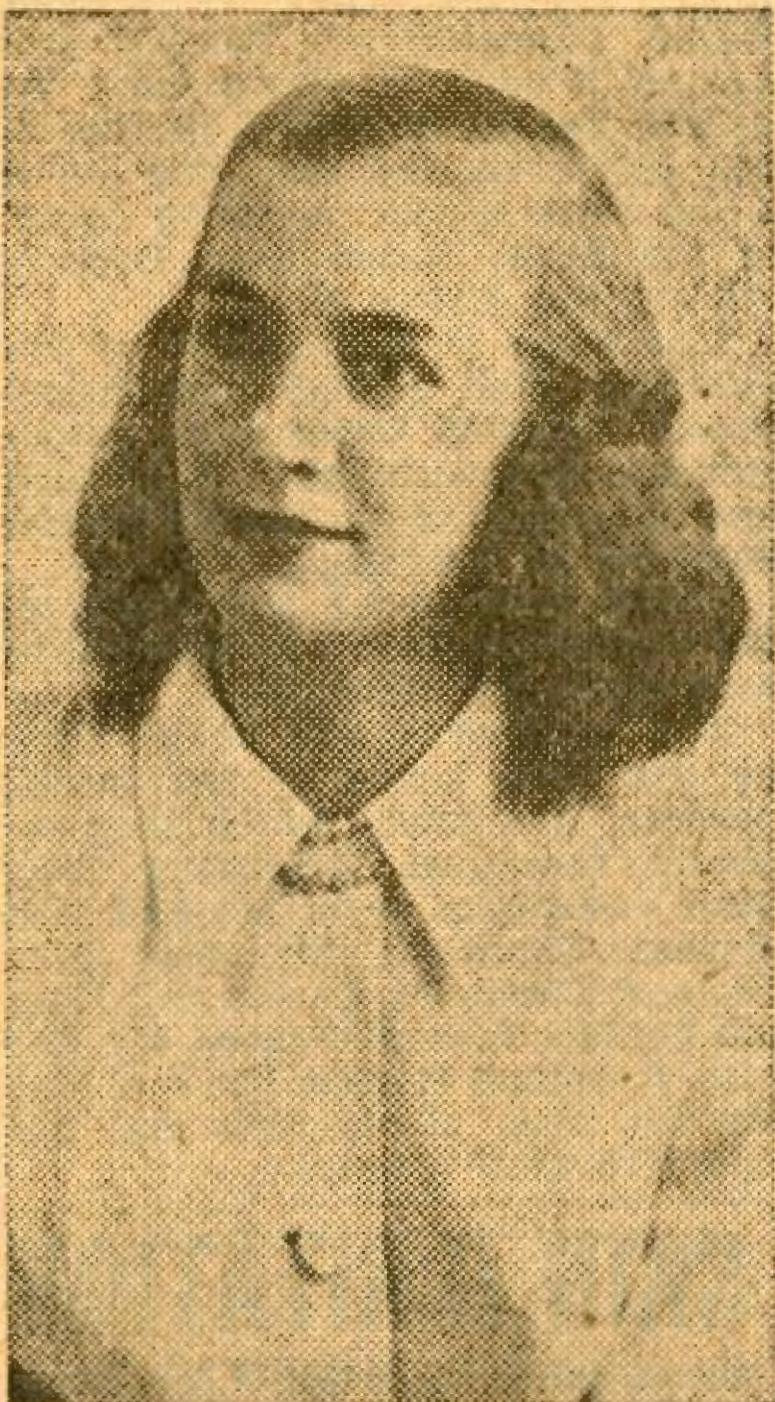
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Well Known Riley Young People Are Married Wednesday

Richard Sehlke, son, of Mrs. Rika Sehlke, and Regina Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martin, well known Riley township young people, were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon, April 24, at the Riley Lutheran church. Following the ceremony several hundred guests attended a reception for the newlyweds at the home of the groom's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Sehlke will reside on the Sehlke farm. A complete account of the wedding festivities will be published next week.

Bride-to-Be



MISS ROBERTA MARIE SEIRELS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Seirels, 212 Bon Air rd., announce the engagement of their daughter, Roberta Marie, to Douglas R. Hawk, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hawk of DeWitt. An Aug. 19 wedding date has been set.

And a happy birthday to . . .

Lucile Serrels has lived in the Lansing area for more than 60 years.

On March 17 she will be 90 years old.

An open house in Lucile's honor will be held from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. March 15 at King Arthur's Court Clubhouse, 2201 E. State Road.

Lucile has eight children: **Patricia (Dunn)**, **Shirley (Miller)**, **Barbara (Walter)** and **Phyllis (Daggy)**, all of DeWitt; **Beverly (Graham)** and **Robert (Phelps)** of Lansing; **Raymond** of Mulliken; and **Roland** of Venice, Fla.

She also has about 100 grandchildren, including great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Well-wishers who would like to remember Lucile will a card may send them to her in care of 319 Scott St., DeWitt, MI 48820.



Serrels

Dewitt

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They then moved to Clinton county where he has lived about 47 years.

Mrs. Shaffley died in 1880. In 1883, he was married to Miss Sophronia Clark. Mr. Shaffley is survived by his wife, two sons, Emery of Shepard and Paul of Lansing, one daughter, Mary Murphy of Bengal, one son, Levi, died 12 years ago. He also leaves 12 grandchildren and four great grand-children. Funeral services were held at his late home Wednesday, Rev. T. H. Wright, officiating. Interment in the Dewitt cemetery.

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SHAFLEY, LEONARD P.

Sanford

Age 60, passed away Monday afternoon August 10, 1998 at Mid Michigan Medical Center. He was a Superintendent for many School Districts. Leonard retired from Lakeville School District, Ottisville, MI in 1990. Surviving are his wife, Felice; sons, Steven Shafley of Midland and Eric Shafley of Grand Blanc; grandchildren, Gage and Conner Shafley; sister, Charlene (William) Schaar of DeWitt; many nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and nephews. In accordance with Leonard's wishes cremation has taken place. A memorial service will take place **Friday, August 14, 1998 at the Sanford Eagles Lodge**. Chaplain Ray Veldboom will officiate. Memorials will be available on Friday for Meridian Scholarship Fund.

SHAFLEY, MARGUERITE E.

DeWitt



Born August 23, 1908, in Chicago, IL; died July 27, 1997, at the age of 88. Mrs. Shafley was a member of Redeemer United Methodist Church, Ruth Circle

and Chapter #30, O.E.S. She was married on August 2, 1930, in Douglas to Ernest Shafley, who preceded her in death (1993). Surviving are 1 daughter, Charlene (Dr. William) Schaar of DeWitt; 1 son, Leonard (Felice) of Sanford; 4 grandchildren, Mark (Michael Ann) Schaar, M.D.; Mike (Luann) Schaar both of DeWitt, Steven Shafley of Sanford, and Eric Shafley of Chicago; 8 great grandchildren; 1 brother, Clarence Ekdahl of Saugatuck; 4 sisters, Alice Nye of Fernville, Florence McCarn and Francis Phillips both of Douglas and Ethel Breckenridge of Saugatuck. Funeral services will be held **Tuesday, July 29, 1 PM** at **Redeemer United Methodist Church, 13980 Schavey Rd., DeWitt**, with the Rev. Rodney J. Kalajainen, Pastor officiating. Interment will follow in DeWitt Cemetery, DeWitt. Friends may call at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel, 111 S. Franklin St., DeWitt beginning Monday, 2 PM, where the family will receive friends from 2-4 and 7-9 PM. Those desiring may make contributions to the Church Building Fund in memory of Mrs. Shafley.

Golden Wedding Anniversary



1933

1983

*The children of
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Shepard
request the pleasure of your company
at the
Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary
of the marriage of their parents
Saturday, the seventeenth of September
Nineteen hundred and eighty-three
two to five o'clock
Bath House Inn
14097 Webster Road
Bath, Michigan*



MISS CLARA SHERMAN

Miss Ferguson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ferguson of Williamston, has set October 27 as the date for her marriage to William R. Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Morgan, 645 Evergreen avenue, East Lansing. Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sherman, 219 South Larch street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Clara Audentia, to Harley Skinner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Skinner, 424 Fenton street. The wedding will take place October 25 in the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Mrs. Sal-

SHIPPS, DAVID D.

DeWitt



Age 53,
died March
29, 1998.
Born Sep-
tember 21,
1944 in Los
Angeles,
CA. Mr.
Shipps
worked at
John Henry
Company
as a Territo-
rial Manag-
er. He was a
Veteran of

the Vietnam War receiving the Purple Heart; attended the Catholic Community of St. Jude, was a Board Member of the Michigan Floral Association and the Presidents Club at John Henry Company. Surviving are his wife, Kendra; 1 daughter, Stacey (Steve) Langdon of Holland; 1 son, Stephen (fiance, Christine Dalton) of Brighton; mother, Corrine (Tom) Shipps Andrews of Gun Lake; 1 brother, Andrew (Kathy) of California; 1 sister, Marnee (Tom) Sinnott of Illinois. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated **Wednesday, April 1, 10 a.m. at the Catholic Community of St. Jude, 801 N. Bridge Street, DeWitt**, with the Rev. Bernard L. Reilly, Pastor, officiating. Graveside services will be held in Robbins Cemetery, Gun Lake, at 2:30 p.m. Friends may call at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel, 111 S. Franklin, DeWitt, beginning Tuesday 2 p.m., where the family will receive friends from 2-5 and 6-8:30 p.m. and the Scripture Rosary will be recited at 8 p.m.

SHOOLTZ, SR., MICHAEL L.

DeWitt

A lifelong resident of DeWitt, Mike was born December 14, 1949, in Lansing; died April 25, 1996, at the age of 46. He was preceded in death by his mother, Joyce Shooltz. Surviving are his wife of 25 years, Shelley; 1 daughter, Kelly of DeWitt; 2 sons, Michael, Jr. (Lisa Pettit) of Cleveland, OH and Chris (Michelle Dick) of Lansing; 1 grandson, Tyler; father, Russell of Lake; 2 brothers, Steven (Rhonda) of DeWitt and Duane (Cynthia) of Gross Pointe Woods; 2 sisters, Susan (Andrew) Cusack of DeWitt and Lorie Loe of San Francisco, CA; grandparents, Lawrence and Clara Ridsdale of DeWitt; and mother-in-law, Dorothy Keck. Funeral services will be held **Monday, April 29, 1 p.m. at the DeWitt Community Church, 505 Webb Rd., DeWitt**, with the Rev. Frederick C. Nose officiating. Interment will follow in DeWitt Cemetery, DeWitt. Friends may call at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel, 111 S. Franklin St., DeWitt, beginning Saturday 7 p.m., where the family will receive friends from 7-9 p.m. and Sunday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Those desiring may make memorial contributions to the Shooltz Children Education Fund, c/o the Funeral Home. The family would like to express their thanks to the staff of Eight South, Sparrow Hospital.