

## Genevieve 'Jennie' Richards, 94

Genevieve "Jennie" Richards, age 94, of East Jordan and formerly of Drayton Plains, Mich., died on Thursday, March 22, 2012, in Johnstown, Colo.

Jennie was born on Aug. 23, 1917, in Pontiac, Mich., the daughter of Adam and Mary (Stempkowitz) Walenski.

She married Vernon Richards in March 13, 1937, in Pontiac and took up residence in Drayton Plains. She worked at Pontiac Motors for many years and after retirement moved to East Jordan.

Jennie had many talents and interests but her family was always her first priority. She was an excellent cook, especially noted for her Polish dishes. Her hobbies were, which included but

not limited to, sewing, crocheting, knitting and quilting. Many in the family have been blessed with something made lovingly by Jennie's hands. She was much loved and will be missed by all who knew her.

Jennie is survived by one son, James (Terri) Richards, of Johnstown, Colo.; two grandchildren, Amy Lee (Todd) Forsten of Clarkston and Adam (Amy) Richards of Linden; four great-grandchildren, Michaela, Jacob, Jami and Rachel; one sister, Mary Ann Cox of Ortonville, Mich.; one son-in-law, Skip Osborne of East Jordan; and one daughter-in-law, Sha-



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ron (Jim) Merrow of Fenton. She was preceded in death by her husband, Vernon Richards, and two children, Betty Ann Osborne and Gary Richards.

A celebration of Jennie's life will take place at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 31, at the Penzien Funeral Homes, Inc. in East Jordan. The Rev. Kenneth H. Lein of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in East Jordan will officiate with interment following in Sunset Hill Cemetery in East Jordan.

The family will receive friends from 6-9 p.m. on Friday, March 30, at the funeral home.

Memorials may be given to the Kingfisher Foundation at Halcyon Hospice, 209 Main Street, Mead, Colo. 80542.