



Ardis E. Childs

April 18, 1931 - February 28, 2016

Ardis (Kohn) Childs, 84 of Traverse City, passed away on Sunday, February 28, 2016 at Bortz in Traverse City. She was born on April 18, 1931 in Kalkaska to the late Alfred and Laura (Groner) Kohn. Ardis spent most of her life in Kalkaska, the hometown she truly loved. She married the love of her life, Ernest "Smokey" Childs on February 14, 1948. Together they had three children. Ardis loved to bake and cook. She was famous for her fried bread and homemade macaroni and cheese. She enjoyed being a homemaker and especially enjoyed her family, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Ardis is survived by her children, Dennis (JoAnne) Childs, Carol (Frank) Clouse and Randy (Karen) Childs; grandchildren, Kay (Mike) Alfonso, Clark Clouse, Mike (Carrie) Childs, DeeAnne (Derick) Graczyk, Brad Childs and Keith (Katrina) Childs; great-grandchildren, Tyler Lyon, Megan Alfonso, Kaylee Childs, Grant Alfonso, Andrew Childs, Breanna Graczyk, Keller Childs, Kora Childs and Makayla Grace Graczyk; and sister, Vonna Shapiro. Proceeding Ardis in death was her husband, Smokey; and a sister, Betty Thompson. A celebration of her life will be held in the spring. Arrangements were made by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours.

Tribute Wall



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