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**Lena Gearhart**

NASHVILLE — Mrs. Lena Gearhart, 81, died Tuesday in Pennock Hospital at Hastings. She was a member of the Evangelical United Brethren Church. Surviving are two sons, Caro of Charlotte and John of Ensign; a daughter, Mrs. Phillip Scott of Nashville; 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren and four brothers, Henry Joppie of Charlotte, Dennis and Leonard of Sunfield and Martin of Hastings and two sisters, Mrs. Nellie Dull of Battle Creek and Mrs. Alice Surine of Lansing. Services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Vogt Funeral Home here and burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery in Vermontville.

**William Ells Dies After Long Illness**

William B. Ells, 68, a Benton Township farmer, died at 10 p.m. Wednesday at his residence. He had been ill six months. He was born Jan. 18, 1898, in Carmel Township, the son of Julius and Edith (Pollard) Ells. He had been a Charlotte area resident his entire life. He was a director of the Eaton County Farm Bureau Co-op. He married Aletha Root on March 29, 1927, in Lansing. Surviving besides his wife are four sons, Maynard of Eaton Rapids, Edward of Charlotte, Willard of Benton township and Donald of Chester township; a daughter, Mrs. Carroll (Marilyn) Briggs of Eaton township; two sisters Mrs. Weta Edson of Charlotte, and Mrs. Ollie Horn of Carmel township; a brother, Max of Lansing and 17 grandchildren. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Pray Funeral Home. Interment was in Maple Hill cemetery.

**Kenneth D. Janousek**

OLIVET—Kenneth D. Janousek, 48, of 5251 Butterfield Highway, Olivet, died Monday at his home after a long illness. He was an Olivet area resident for 40 years. He was a butcher and factory worker. Surviving are his wife, Lavena and a son, Kenneth Jr., Olivet. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Burkhead Funeral Home, Olivet. Burial will be in Bosworth Cemetery, Olivet.

**Fred R. Briggs**

VERMONTVILLE — Fred Ray Briggs, 91, a farmer and life long Vermontville area resident died Monday at his home. Surviving are a son, Louis, a home; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Janousek of Charlotte; five grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Vogt Funeral Home, Vermontville. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery Vermontville.

**Josephine McDonald Dies in Lansing**

Mrs. Josephine McDonald, 49, .. 1, Vermontville, died Wednesday evening at Sparrow Hospital, Lansing, where she was a patient six hours. She was born August 4, 1917 in Anglaze, Ohio, daughter of Herman and Cleta (Gramam) Swartz. She was a cook at Eaton County Medical Facility, Charlotte, a member of the Vermontville Methodist Church and daughters of Union Veterans. She was married November 8, 37 in Spencerville, Ohio, to Ifton McDonald. Surviving are her husband; a daughter, Mrs. John (Cleeta) Thorton of Vermontville; three sons, Robert of Portland, Duane and Michael, Vermontville; a sister, Mrs. Louise Zimmerman of Spencerville, Ohio, and four grandchildren. Services were held Saturday at 2 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home. Burial was in Woodland cemetery, Vermontville.

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