

Marian E. Appicelli, age 103, of Onekama, passed away February 25, 2018 at the Manistee County Medical Care Facility with her family by her side. She was born in Columbus, Ohio on February 15, 1915 to Burton Kendrick and Helen E. (Yost) Kendrick.

Marian left Columbus after her Senior year and moved to Detroit, MI. to live with relatives. It wasn't long after that she met Pete, her future husband. They were married September 3, 1933. Pete worked at the Ford Motor Company and Marian worked at the Dodge Plant. They eventually moved to Dearborn.

Marian was a member of the Ford Wives Club, serving as President for several years and also as Secretary. She took lessons in flower arranging and china painting. They loved to dance and belonged to a square dancing club, as well as a bowling league.

Marian and Pete travelled to Manistee for a family wedding and fell in love with the area. In 1955 they bought their cottage on Portage Lake. Marian, her mother and Keith spent many summers there until Pete retired in 1969 and they moved up full time. They enjoyed their winters in Holiday, Florida and loved to travel to Hawaii, Alaska and to cruise the Caribbean. Their summers were spent fishing and taking advantage of the local tour bus trips and casino tours (Action Tours).

Marian was a member of the Spirit of the Woods Garden Club where she served as President for three years and also as Secretary. She was honored with a lifetime membership. She was also a member of the Lady Elks, as well as the Portage Lake Association. Pete and Marian, along with several friends, were known for their spaghetti dinners.

Marian is survived by her son Keith (Carole) Appicelli; Granddaughter Cathryn (David) Needham, Grandson Christopher (Sharon) Appicelli, Great-grandsons Connor and Chase Needham, Sister-inlaws Shirley Appicelli of Traverse City and Vera Appicelli of Charlotte, NC, as well as many cousins, nieces, nephews and special family friends Carolyn and Paul Dove of Florida.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband Pete on July, 5, 1987.

Services for Marian will be held Saturday, May 19, 2018 at 1:00PM at the Oak Grove Funeral Home & Cremation Center in Manistee with Father Zeljko Guberovic officiating. The Family will receive friends starting at 12 noon until time of service.

Memorial contributions in Marian's name can be directed to the Manistee Council on the Aging, Spirit of the Woods Garden Club or the Manistee County Medical Care Facility.

The Oak Grove Funeral Home & Cremation Center in Manistee has been entrusted with arrangements. To share a photo or memory with the family, please visit Marian's personal page at www.oakgrovefh.com.

