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Emajeane (Pat) Cook, wife of Peter C. Cook, dies at 93.

Cook - Emajeane (VanderSluis) Cook, devoted wife of Peter C. Cook, passed away this morning (May 20, 2008) at home. Mrs. Cook, born March 18, 1915 was 93 years old.

She is survived by Peter C. Cook, her husband of 67 years, sons Thomas M. (Marcia) and Stephen J. (Betty), grandchildren Laura (Paul) Matonich, Ryan (Jessica) Cook, and Kristen Cook, great grandchildren Alexander Peter Cook, Olivia Cook and Sophie Matonich, her sister Marciel (John) Kett and two brothers-in-law, Bob Cook of Pineville, Louisiana, Roger (Arlene) Cook of Grand Rapids and sister-in-law Jean Cook of Holland, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Born in 1915, Pat was a native of Grand Rapids, graduating from Lee High School in 1933. She worked at Interstate and Associated Truck as a secretary and at the Grand Rapids Gas Company as a teller. On November 8, 1940, she married Peter C. Cook, and with the arrival of their sons, Tom and Stephen, made her career that of wife and mother.

A lifelong member of Grace Reformed Church in Wyoming, Michigan, Pat was baptized, made her confession of faith, and was married at Grace, when the congregation was at its original location at Caulfield and B Street, Grand Rapids. Over her lifetime, she was active in the church's choir as well as in its work with youth, young couples, and women's organizations.

In addition to her church activities, Pat served on the board of the Welcome Home for the Blind, the Blodgett Hospital Guild, and the Porter Hills Auxiliary. Despite the demands on her time outside the home, she always maintained her focus on home and family, particularly in support of her husband. Her public life was notable for her initiative and active participation in their many philanthropic gifts to their church, West Michigan schools and colleges, and the medical, artistic, and benevolent causes of the community.

Visitation & Service

The family will receive visitors at Metcalf & Jonkhoff Funeral Home, 4291 Cascade Rd SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546 on: Thursday, May 22, 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M. and 7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M. A memorial service will be held Friday, May 23 at 11:00 A.M. at Grace Reformed Church, 3330 Burlingame Ave, SW, Wyoming, MI 49509.

Mrs. Cook will have a private burial.

Donations in lieu of flowers can be made to Grace Reformed Church Youth Program (www.gracewyoming.org).