



Elva Audrey "Babe" Hare

February 18, 1925 - August 7, 2025

Elva Audrey "Babe" Hare of Reed City passed away Thursday, August 7, 2025 at home. She was 100. Babe was born February 18, 1925 in Moran, Michigan to John Arthur and Axie Olga (Holmes) Fralick. On January 20, 1947 in Indiana she married Gilbert L. Hare and he preceded her in death in June of 1991.

Babe graduated from Reed City High School in 1943 and later owned Little Engines Sales and Service in Reed City for several years with her husband. She was a member of Chase United Methodist Church. Horses were a lifelong love of Babe's. She loved to barrel race and was the state champion twice. Babe shared that passion with her daughters and spent many hours together with ponies and horses through the years. She enjoyed square dancing, trips to the casino, gardening, flowers, bird watching and doing puzzles. Most of all Babe loved spending time with her family and friends.

She is survived by her children: Susan Hare of Chase, Gilbert (Joann) Hare, Jr. of LeRoy, Douglas Hare of Chase, Deborah (Ron) Rolston of Reed City and Holly (Terry) Gerber of Reed City; seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Babe was preceded in death by her husband; siblings: John "Lyle" Fralick, Jr., Edith Roggow, Bernard Fralick and Beverly Tanner.

A Memorial service/gathering will take place at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the Chase United Methodist Church or to Hospice of Michigan.

An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.