## Lila Stickles

EAGLE — The body of Mrs. Lila Stickles, 85, a recluse, was found Monday afternoon in her garden at Highway HN, Eagle Route 2.

Deputy Coroner Ronald Novak said she died of natural causes. He estimated she had been dead since Friday.

A friend, Mrs. Marie Daggett, who checked in occasionally on Mrs. Stickles, had last seen her alive on Thursday. When Mrs. Daggett called Monday afternoon she found Mrs. Stickles' body in the garden. She had apparently gone out to hoe her vegetable patch.

Mrs. Stickles occupied a dwelling on the farm of Edward Moore. In a note she had written earlier, Mrs. Stickles left instructions for her funeral arrangements, Novak said.

Mrs. Stickles had no immediate survivors. Funeral services were held this morning at the Mealy Funeral Home, Eagle, with burial in Oak Ridge Cemetery.

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