Dorothy M. Potter

Dorothy M. Potter, 84, of Newton died Saturday, Feb. 6, 2010, in the Monarch Wing of Skiff Medical Center in Newton. A public viewing will be held Wednesday, 3 to 7 p.m., at the Pence-Reese Funeral Home in Newton. A funeral service is planned for 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, at the funeral home and a visitation with the family will be held Thursday for an hour before the service. Burial will be at 3 p.m. Thursday in the Community Country Cemetery near Millersburg. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Newton American Legion Post #111 Nursing Scholarship Fund.

She was born Nov. 2, 1925, in New Sharon, the daughter of Harold and Adella Busby. She was a graduate of New Sharon High School and Drake University, and taught public school in Colfax for 42 years. She was united in marriage with Harry H. Potter on Jan. 2, 1946, in Newton.

She is survived by her sons, Bruce Potter of Grinnell, Jeff Potter of Newton and Craig Potter of Pleasant Hill; seven grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; her sister Jane Audas of Montezuma; and three brothers, Melvin Busby of Los Angeles, Calif.; Duane Busby of Pella and Norman Busby of Orlando, Fla. She was preceded in death by her parents and one son, H. James Potter.
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Funeral service for Dorothy M. Potter of Newton will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, 2010, at the Pence - Reese Funeral Home in Newton, who has been entrusted with the arrangements. A public viewing will be Wednesday, 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. A visitation with the family will be held Thursday, 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. service time. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Dorothy's name are being designated to Newton American Legion Post #111 Nursing Scholarship Fund. Burial will be 3 p.m. Thursday, in the Community Cemetery near Millersburg.

Dorothy M. Potter, 84, the daughter of Harold and Adella (Leatherman) Busby, was born Nov. 2, 1925, in New Sharon. She was a graduate of the New Sharon Senior High and later graduated from Drake University, with a degree in teaching.

On Jan. 3, 1946, Dorothy was united in marriage with Harry H. Potter in Newton. To this union were born four sons: H. James, Bruce, Jeff and Craig. Residents of Newton, from 1946 until 1968, Dorothy and Harry moved to Colfax. Dorothy taught public school in Colfax for 42 years, retiring in 1992. She was a member of the Newton American Legion #111 Auxiliary, the Women's Club in Colfax, Nazereth Shrine, LA PEMS and Pin Club. In 1988, she moved back to the Newton area.

Dorothy died Saturday afternoon, Feb. 6, 2010, in the Monarch Wing of Skiff Medical Center in Newton. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Harry on March 3, 1993; her son H. James Potter in 2003; her great-granddaughter Chloe; her two sisters; and two brothers.

Those left to honor Dorothy's memory include her sons and daughters-in-law: Bruce (Jody) Potter of Grinnell, Jeff (Lorraine) Potter of Newton, Craig Potter of Pleasant Hill; and Diane (H. James) Potter of Waterloo; her seven grandchildren; her seven great-grandchildren; her sister Jane Audas of Montezuma; her three brothers: Melvin (Rosie) Busby of Los Angeles, Calif., Duane (Bertha) Busby of Pelin and Norman (Olwyn) Busby of Orlando, Fla.; and her many friends and students.

Online condolences may be left for the family at: www.pencefh.com.