

Dorothy Alice Tucker Tetreau

Dorothy Alice Tucker Tetreau, 93, a seven-year resident of the formerly called "Michigan Christian Home" in Grand Rapids, peacefully passed into eternity at 4:29 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7, 2011.

She was lovingly cared for by the staff and her extended family. A couple of weeks before her death, she suffered a stroke, but still entertained staff, family and friends with her one-line comebacks. Dorothy was very quick-witted.

Dorothy Alice was born June 24, 1917 in Carsonville, to Charles Adelbert and Mary Elizabeth Tucker. She was number four of five children.

She was married to Joshua Charles Tetreau Jan. 1, 1937 in Warren.

Dorothy graduated from Bad Axe High School in 1934, and the Ann Rose Moran School of Cosmetology in Flint. She was an excellent hair stylist and she used that skill everywhere she went. She loved "doing hair." Dorothy was first of all a housewife, a mother to three "families;" the original Tetreau four, the Hagle five and many "children" in their 80s and 90s at the Sunshine Lodge, Maranatha Baptist Village in Sebring, Fla. She also was a salesclerk, a skilled lettering artist and a vocalist. She loved to sing with her daughters and in church choirs. In 1960, she was chosen to receive the well-deserved Mother of the Year Award by WLEW radio station in Bad Axe.

She is survived by four children, Marilyn Joyce (Phil) Townley of Grayling and of Sebring, Fla., Jerry Charles (Beulah, aka "Kit") Tetreau of Mesa, Ariz., Mary Lu (Charles) Steiner of Kentwood, and Paul Mark (Jill) Tetreau of Prescott, Ariz. She also is survived by five foster "Hagle" children, Raymond, Betty Ann, Linda, Glen and Dave; one sister, Grace Adeliah Tucker (the late Clayton) Jackson; four sisters-in-law; and many nephews, nieces, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her brothers, Cecil, Ralph and Edwin.

Final services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, 2011 at the Calvary Baptist Church, 6504 West State Highway 72 in Grayling.

Family and friends are invited to attend the 9:30 a.m. Sunday school hour, 10:30 a.m. morning worship service and noon luncheon at the church. There will be a viewing from 1 to 1:45 p.m. A private interment will be at a later date.

Memorial gifts may be made to the benevolence fund of Calvary Baptist Church. Funeral arrangements by the Sorenson -Lockwood Funeral Home at 1108 N. Down River Road, Grayling.