

DOROTHY P. JOHNSTON

1907 - 1994

Word has just been received that former Elton resident Dorothy P. Johnston, 86, of Battle Creek passed away Friday, Jan. 14 at Battle Creek Health System-Lala Site.

She was born April 2, 1907 in Elton to Joseph and Mary (Panneyer) Eicher. She graduated from Elton High School and Central Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

She taught fourth and fifth grades in Bad Axe country schools from 1941 to 1969, Pennfield Schools in 1969, Lakeland Schools from 1969 to 1970 and at the American Bible Institute in Phoenix, AZ from 1970 to 1973.

She worked for Wycliff as a Bible translator for two months in 1973 and was a missionary with the Yavapai, Navaho and Apache tribes in Prescott, AZ for over four years. From 1978 to 1991 she worked as a PTL Phone Prayer Counselor in South Carolina, returning to Battle Creek in 1991. She was a member of the First Assembly of God Church.

Mrs. Johnston is survived by her daughter, Marilyn Jean Ausbury of Battle Creek and four sons, Robert Johnston and Gary Johnston, both of Massachusetts, Kenneth Johnston of California and C. Dwight Johnston of Kalamazoo.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clinton Johnston, in 1957; one son, Paul Johnston in 1985; one sister, Melvina Bieder Eicher in 1978 and one brother, Herbert Eicher, in 1974.

Funeral services were conducted at the First Assembly of God Church in Battle Creek with burial in Collax Cemetery, Bad Axe.

Memorials may be offered to Bruce Olsson Ministries, Apartado Aéreo 2158, Bucaramanga, Colombia, South America.