

Thelma Moore of St. Johnsbury, 85, the widow of Donald C. Moore, went home to be with her Lord on Monday morning, July 16, 2007, surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Burlington on April 8, 1922, the daughter of Jesse J. and Annie (Goodwin) Davis. Her parents moved to St. Johnsbury when she was very young. She married Donald Moore on Sept. 1, 1941. Donald passed away April 9, 1995. Thelma was the oldest member of Union Baptist Church in terms of years of membership. She joined the church March 25, 1934, at the age of 11. After her family, her church was the most important aspect of her life. She sang in the choir and was a soloist. She ably filled in on the piano and organ when needed. She served the church as a recording missionary treasurer for over 20 years and was state president of the Loyal Workers women's group. Thelma was also a private-duty long-term caregiver. She also worked at the Area Agency on Aging and served on the board at the Sunset Home. Thelma had a love of all God's creatures, great or small. She is survived by three children, Gary Moore of Searsport, Maine (96 Loop Road, 04974), Bonnie Ailes and her husband, Robert of St. Johnsbury (188 Mountain Ave., 05819), and Byron Moore and Paulette of Danville (112 Ski Tow Road., St. Johnsbury, 05819); four grandchildren, Paul Moore and wife Melissa and great-grandson Nolan of Old Town, Maine, Allen Moore and wife Vickie of Moore, Okla., Robert Ailes Jr. and wife Denise; and great-grandchildren Brittany and Jacob of St. Johnsbury, Brandi Ailes of Montpelier, Vt., and her half-sister Gloria Stearns of Burlington, Vt. Funeral services will be held at Union Baptist Church Thursday at 11 a.m. with Pastor Paul Powers officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. Visiting hours will be held at the Union Baptist Church Wednesday evening from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Contributions, marked in Thelma Moore's memory, may be directed to Union Baptist Church, 932 U.S. Route 5, Waterford, VT 05819.