

Beverly Lawson, 81

Beverly I. Lawson, 81, a lifelong Lyndonville resident, passed away Monday, April 2, 2007, at Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital surrounded by family. She was the daughter of the late Walter and Catherine (Webster) Mitchell. She was born Jan. 27, 1926, in Lyndonville. Beverly was a graduate of Lyndon Institute and received a teaching degree from Lyndon State College. She taught school for 52 years, teaching in Wilson, N.Y., Hardwick, Newark Street School (principal), Burke, St. Johnsbury and the Lyndon Campus School, just to name a few. Beverly retired on two different occasions, but returned to teaching as she missed being with the children. She married Edwin A. Lawson on Aug. 1, 1952. He predeceased her Oct. 8, 2004. She was an active member of the Sutton Freewill Baptist Church and the Lyndonville Historical Society. She enjoyed teaching, enjoyed flowers and sewing. She made many prom and wedding dresses as well as clothing for her family. Beverly was active in local politics, was justice of the peace and was a staunch Republican. Beverly is survived by her children, John Hall and companion Cheryl Robinson, Diane Rochefort and husband John, Edwin Lawson Jr. and wife Karen, Jeffrey Lawson and companion Lisa Crown, and Alice Doyon and companion Leigh Griffith; brothers David and Cappy Mitchell, Jack Mitchell, Leslie and June Mitchell, and Carrol and Brenda Mitchell; 12 grandchildren, John, Jeff and Seth Hall, Ryan and Wendy Robinson, Nicholas and Wendy St. Hilaire, Mark St. Hilaire, Heather and Elizabeth Lawson, Jeremy and Christy Lawson, Erin and Peter Guilfoyle, and Andrew and Mathew Doyon; seven great-grandchildren; two great- great-grandchildren. Calling hours will be at Pearsons Funeral Home on Friday, April 6, from 2 to 4 p.m. and again from 6 to 8 p.m. A memorial service will be Saturday, 11 a.m. in the Sutton Freewill Baptist Church with Pastor David Colwell, officiant. Beverly will be laid to rest near her husband in the Lyndon Center Cemetery later this spring. The family requests memorial contributions be made to the Beverly Lawson Educational Scholarship Fund, c/o Edwin A. Lawson Jr., 2132 Lynburke Road, Lyndonville, VT 05851. Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Pearsons Funeral Home, located at 70 Church St., Lyndonville. To sign an

online memorial please go to www.pearsonsfh.com.