

NOYES: Isabelle M. "Belle,"

NOYES: Isabelle M. "Belle," of South Wheelock Road, Lyndon, died Saturday afternoon, Aug. 21, 2004, at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, N.H., surrounded by her family, at the age of 73. She was born May 3, 1931, in Kirby, Vt., daughter of George and Lida (Croteau) Surr ridge Sr. Belle graduated from Lyndon Institute, Class of 1949. On July 2, 1949, she married Arland D. Noyes. Belle worked for the U.S. Postal Service for over 35 years, and was the post master in Sheffield for many of those years. Prior to that, she worked at Vt. Tap and Die Co. in Lyndonville as a secretary during the 1950s and 1960s. She also owned and operated Belle's Gun Shop on the South Wheelock Road. Memberships include being a director of the Hand to Hand Christmas Program in her area; she served as secretary and treasurer of the St. Johnsbury Gun Club; was a past officer and news editor of NAPUS (postal service); NRA member; and was a guardian for many people in need. During tax season, she prepared income taxes for people. Belle enjoyed people and always put others before herself, helping in any way she could. She loved to cook, enjoyed country music, playing Bingo, but most of all, spending time with her family and friends. Survivors include her husband of 55 years, Arland Noyes of Lyndon; one son, Carroll "Bub" Noyes and Sharon of Wheelock; one daughter, Linda McDonald and her husband Jim of East Burke; two grandchildren, Casey and Ryan McDonald, both of Burlington; her mother, Lida Surr ridge of Kirby; one brother, Paul Surr ridge and Niki Lumi of Wheelock; four sisters, Ethel Knapp and her husband Howie of Connecticut, Betty Hudson and her husband Erton of Florida, Helen Gilman and Ron Sherburn of Lyndon, and Diane Surr ridge of Florida; four aunts, Evelyn Santy of Massachusetts, Helena Cushman of Kirby, Teresa "Flossie" Lesperance of Kirby, and Nellie Surr ridge of New Hampshire; three sisters-in-law, Edna Surr ridge of Lunenburg, Lucy Surr ridge of Barnet, and Rena McGinnis and her husband Richard of New Mexico; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends. She was predeceased by her father, George Surr ridge Sr.; and two brothers, Raymond Surr ridge and George Surr ridge Jr. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Aug. 25, at 11 a.m., at the

Lyndon Center Baptist Church with the Rev. Barbara Dwyer officiating. Burial will follow in Lyndon Center Cemetery. There will be no visiting hours. In lieu of flowers, donations made in her memory may be directed to SAD-SAC, in care of The Caledonian-Record, P.O. Box 8, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819.