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Irene (Bishop) Johnson

...Littleton, church educator; 91

LITTLETON — Irene (Tisdell) (Bishop) Johnson, 91, a Littleton resident more than three decades where she was a deacon and teacher at a church in town, died yesterday, March 11, at her home. She was the wife of Lawson Bishop, who died in 1949, and Irving Johnson, who died in 1978.

She was born in Worcester on April 3, 1910, daughter of Joseph and Delia (Trainor) Tisdell. She graduated from Worcester High School and also took many courses at the Andover Newton Theology School and Boston University. Mrs. Johnson was a former long-time resident of Ipswich and had also lived in Melrose, before moving to Littleton in 1969.

Prior to her retirement, Mrs. Johnson was a sales representative for Dicky Raymond Advertising. She most recently had been a production manager at Harvard University Press as well as serving as an editing manager at many colleges.

She was a member of the Littleton Congregational Church, where she was on the board of deacons, taught Christian education and was a member of World Service. She enjoyed traveling, including Panama, and cruises to Jamaica, Bermuda and on the Mississippi River. She was also an avid reader, cook and bridge player.

Her survivors include two children, Elaine Misch of Greenfield, Kenneth Johnson of Littleton; two sisters, Jane McCarthy of Worcester and Doris Machado of Littleton; five grandchildren, Steven Bishop, Kyle Johnson, Ken Johnson, Karen Johnson and Kerry Gray; as well as several great-grandchildren.

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