

# Iris Howard ... secretary, R.A.F. veteran; 82

LITTLETON — Iris (Lacey) Howard, 82, of Priest Lane died Wednesday, Jan. 13, at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston.

She was born in London, England on Feb. 23, 1916, daughter of the late Charles and Eliza (Drake) Lacey, and was the widow of Philip R. Howard, who died in 1997.

Raised in England, she attended secretarial school and joined the Royal Air Force, working in its auxiliary fire department until the end of World War II. She then met and married Mr. Howard, and moved to the United States in 1946.

Mrs. Howard made her home in Littleton since 1946, and worked as a secretary for most of her life. She was a member of the American Legion Post 249, a Cub Scout leader, and Littleton's first traffic detail police officer. A member of the First Church Unitarian and the Women's Alliance, she volunteered many hours at Deaconess-Nashoba Hospital in Ayer.

She is survived by a daughter, Susan Dwyer of Littleton; two sons, John L. Howard of Concord and Stephen R. Howard of Worcester; two sisters, Ivy D. Lacy and Irene V. Francis, both of England; nine grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

**HOWARD** — Of Littleton, Iris (Lacey) Howard, January 13. Funeral Services will be held at the Badger Funeral Home, Rt. 2A/110 Littleton on Tuesday at 10 A.M. Visiting hours will be Monday 2-4 and 7-9 P.M. Burial at Westlawn Cemetery, Littleton.

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