

Dortha M. 'Dodie' Ferrell

Dortha M. "Dodie" Ferrell, 84, of Cape Coral, Fla., and Franklin, passed away on Wednesday, April 26, 2006, at Hope Hospice House in Cape Coral.

Born in Strasburg, Ohio, she was the daughter of the late Samuel and Mary Clarke.

She moved to Cape Coral in 1968 from Newcomerstown, Ohio. She opened and managed the first Flex Bon paint store in Cape Coral and was employed by Flex Bon and later Sherwin Williams for 36 years. She was a volunteer at Angel Medical Center in Franklin.

She will be remembered as a devoted wife, loving and caring mother, cherished grandmother and great-grandmother, for her love of the painters and customers at Flex Bon, and her many long-time friends and neighbors in Newcomerstown, Cape Coral and Franklin.

She is survived by her loving husband of 64 years, William D. "Red" Ferrell; two daughters, Kristy Tipton and Kerri Schroeder and husband Scott, all of Cape Coral; a son, William Kim Ferrell of Cape Coral; three grandsons, D. Kirk Tipton and wife Amy of Marco Island, Fla., and Chase and Ben Schroeder of Cape Coral; two granddaughters, Kara Johnson of Cape Coral and Karmin Pace and husband Michael of Alpharetta, Ga.; and two great-grandsons, Bradly Bowley and Holland Johnson. She also leaves behind her loving dogs, Missy, Lady and Lucky, and her cat, Jack.

A celebration of her life will be held on Sunday, May 7, at 1 p.m., at the family residence at 4622 S.E. 20th Place, Cape Coral.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in her memory to Hope Hospice House, 2430 Diplomat Parkway East, Cape Coral, FL 33909.

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