

Delsie M. Brosher, 92, Heritage Commons in Portland. She had lived on Floral Avenue in Portland for 54 years until about a year ago.

Born on Feb. 11, 1914, to James W. and Etta (Hunt) Philebaum, she graduated from Olivet Academy in 1932 and attended Olivet College, Kankakee, Ill. She was first married to the Rev. Arthur Merriman on April 24, 1943. He died Feb. 21, 1973. She then married the Rev. LaVerne Brosher on April 10, 1976. He died on May 15, 2001.

She had worked at the Portland Bindery for more than 20 years and was a member of First Church of the Nazarene in Portland.

Survivors include a daughter, Judith Merriman, Portland; four sisters, Wanita Shirk, Portland, Lena Hensin and Violet Maxwell, both of Mt. Vernon, Ohio and Ada Grile, Williston, N.D.; three stepdaughters, Ethel Brosher, Plymouth, Mary Kay Flesher, Nashville, Ruth Resor, Bradenton, Fla.; two stepsons, Paul Brosher, Hillard, Ohio; several stepgrandchildren and great stepgrandchildren.

Services are Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Portland Chapel of the Williamson and Spencer Funeral with Pastor Richard Secor officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery, east of Berne. Visitation is Tuesday from 4 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be sent to Jay Randolph Developmental Services with envelopes available at the funeral home.

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