

## OBITUARY

**WILLIAMS, Dorothy E.**, a long time resident of Palmdale, passed away May 8, 1999, in San Diego following heart bypass surgery in February. Dorothy and her second husband Myron, who passed away last August, were active members of the Palmdale Gem and Mineral Club, AARP, the Tumbleweeds and were frequent visitors to the Palmdale Senior Center. Dorothy's humor, warm smile and caring nature made her loved by family and friends. She will be missed.

Dorothy was born Dec. 13, 1921, in Los Angeles to Evelyn and Albert Mackey. She moved as a child to Ranchita Valley in eastern San Diego county where she lived with Evelyn (Ma) and her two sisters, Melba and Verlie at Chimney Rock ranch. She attended the Ranchita one-room school house with her sisters before going on to high school in Julian. She later took classes at San Diego State Teachers College and worked in Los Angeles during World War II. Following the war, she met and married her first husband, Calvin Kimbrough, a Marine veteran. They lived in Los Angeles and had two children, Kenneth and David, be-

fore moving to Phoenix in 1957. In 1962, the family moved to Palmdale where Calvin and his nine brothers and sisters had been raised. Following Calvin's untimely death in 1969, Dorothy returned to school at Antelope Valley Community College to earn an LVN credential and went to work at a convalescent hospital in Lancaster. Her eldest son, Kenneth passed away in 1974 following a long battle with cancer. She remarried in 1976 to Myron Williams, who was an engineer with the California Water Project on the aqueduct. Dorothy and Myron lived for a time in Tracy before returning to their home in west Palmdale.

Dorothy is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, David and Joan Kimbrough of El Cajon and her three grandchildren, Allison, 6, Marilyn, 5, and Kenny, 4; her sister, Melba Hill of Reno; nephews and nieces, Dee Dee, Fred, Danny, Gary, Meleva and Stephen; her step-son, Don Williams of Truckee; as well as other extended family members and many dear friends. Services will be at 1 a.m. Friday, May 28, at Chapel of the Valley Mortuary on 6th Street East in Palmdale, followed by a reception.