

BESS CUMMINGS

BANGOR — Bess Cummings, 83, wife of the late Eugene Cummings, of Bangor, died Jan. 18, 1991, at a local hospital. She was born at Nashua, N.H., the daughter of Samuel and Lillian (Goodman) Cohen. She was a graduate of Portsmouth (N.H.) High School and Perry's Normal School in Boston, Mass., and taught for many years in the Brewer school system. Prior to moving to Bangor in 1954, she and her late husband lived in Portsmouth, N.H., where they owned the Jack and Jill Children's Store. Mrs. Cummings was a former member of the Maine State Teacher's Association, a life member of Hadassah, and a member of Beth Israel Sisterhood and St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary. Surviving are a daughter and son-in-law, Joanne and Stanley Hond of Encino, Calif.; a sister, Eunice Cohen of Portsmouth, N.H.; and a sister and brother-in-law, Ida and Albert Schiro of Bangor. In addition, she leaves four grandchildren in California. She will be especially missed by her nephew, Lawrence and his wife, Rachel Schiro; and her niece, Connie and her husband, Jack Kelsey, and their families. She was predeceased by her son, Robert James Cummings; and a grandson, Jeffrey Cotton. Funeral services will be held 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 20, 1991, at the Jewish Funeral Chapel, Center Street, Bangor, with Rabbi Joseph Schonberger officiating. Interment will be in Beth Israel Cemetery. Memorial days will be observed Sunday evening, Jan. 20, through Monday night, Jan. 21, at 10 Sherman Ave., Bangor. Gifts in her memory may be sent to the Lillian A. Cohen Memorial Scholarship Fund, care of Mrs. Charles Gouse, 25 Beechstone, Portsmouth, N.H. 03801; or a charity of one's choice. Arrangements by Brookings-Smith, Bangor.