Dorothy Porter Tjeersdma

Daughter of Vernon Porter and Charlotte (Sill) Porter; wife of Andrew Tjeerdsma

"ILION----Mrs. Dorothy Tjeerdsma, 63, of 3 Mauser Place, widow of Andrew Tjeerdsma and owner of the Smart Shop, died Jan. 16 in Mohawk Valley General Hospital. She was born in Hartwick, daughter of Vernon and Charlotte Sill Porter. Coming to Ilion as an infant, she attended area schools. She married Mr. Tjeerdsma in 1950 in Ilion. She had owned and operated the Smart Shop for the past nine years. Mr. Tjeerdsma died in 1957. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, the Herkimer County Business and Professional Women's Club and the Evening Star Chapter, OES. She leaves her father, Vernon, of New Hartford and a sister, Mrs. Calvin (Lila) May, Ilion. The funeral will be at 2 tomorrow from the First Baptist Church with burial in Hartwick Cemetery next spring." [Observer-Dispatch (Utica, NY), Fri., Jan. 17, 1969, p. 11]