

**FLORENCE BENT**

Florence M. Bent, 75, of 8 Jefferson St., a former Taunton school teacher and principal, died Wednesday at Morton Hospital following a long illness.

Born in Taunton, she was the daughter of the late Anthony C. and Mary Benedict (Mann) Bent. She was a lifelong resident of Taunton.

She was educated in Taunton schools and graduated from Bridgewater State Teachers College.

Miss Bent was a grade one teacher at the Summer Street School where she was appointed acting principal March 6, 1961 to replace the retiring Catherine Coyle. Miss Bent later served as

principal of Elizabeth Pole School.

She was a member of the Bristol County Chapter of the Massachusetts Retired Teachers Association, and a member of St. John's Episcopal Church.

She is survived by two aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins.

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