

MARCIA LOUISE STERLEY

1917-2008

Marcia Louise Sterley, 91, of Wichita Falls, died Sunday after a brief illness.

She was the eldest of four children born to Mr. & Mrs. L. L. Rutledge. She was born and reared in Chillicothe, Texas where she lived thru the great depression and graduated from Chillicothe High School in 1933. She then attended Texas Wesleyan College in Fort Worth, graduating in just 3 years with a degree in education. Her first job after receiving her Teaching Certification was at Kings High in rural Hardeman County. She then took a position as a teacher at the school in Mankins, Texas. She left school teaching to marry the love of her life, her college sweetheart, George Archie Sterley in 1938 and begin her life's calling as a homemaker, a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. "Ooma" was a fabulous cook who loved fixing family dinners. Anyone who ever visited her home was



always offered something to eat or drink and should not leave hungry.

Mr. Sterley preceded her in death after 60 years of marital bliss.

She was a lifelong member of the Methodist Church and a member of First United Methodist Church in Wichita Falls for the last 43 years. She had recently become a faithful member of the Television Audience of the First United Methodist Church.

The happiest moments in her life were spent with her husband, raising her children, being with family members and "spoiling" her grandchildren.

Also preceding her in death were two sisters, Thelma Lee Wheat from Quanah and Dorothy Carol Stevenson from Fort Worth.

She is survived by: Two daughters, Sharon Ann Dean and her husband, Dr. Joe Dean, Nancy Louise Baugh and one Son, David Sterley. Four grandchildren, Elisa Hammons, Amy Cedrone, Mark Dean and Adrienne Baugh Sterley. Five great grandsons, Tanner and Carter Cedrone, Andrew "Andy" and Joseph "Joey" Hammons, James David Sterley and Two great grand daughters, Ruth Sterley and Hannah Hornsby. One Brother, Curtis L. "Sonny" Rutledge and his wife Dorothy of Eugene, Oregon. And several nephews and great nephews, nieces and great nieces in Texas and Oregon.

Funeral Services for Mrs. Sterley will be held at 11:00 AM Wednesday, June 4th in the Owens & Brumley Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. John Dillard, Associate Minister at First United Methodist Church officiating. Interment will be in Riverside Cemetery under the direction of Owens & Brumley Funeral Home of Wichita Falls.

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