

DORIS VESTAL BRILEY DEATON

1926-2011

CHICO: Doris Vestal Briley Deaton, 85, died on Saturday, November 12, 2011.

Doris was born October 7, 1926, in Chico, daughter of the late Bessie Lorene Goad and Mert Clarence Briley. She graduated in 1943, from Chico High School. She met John Carlyle Deaton and they married in 1945.

Doris worked as a medical assistant for Dr. Walter Petta for 35 years. Doris was a member of St. Paul UMC and currently a member of Edgepark UMC. She was also a 50-year member of the Eastern Star. She enjoyed sewing, bowling and doing crossword puzzles and she loved spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Doris was preceded in death by her husband of 44 years, John Carlyle Deaton Sr.; her son, John Carlyle Deaton Jr.; sister, Venita Briley Lukens; and twin grandchildren, Noah and Sharon Mendias.

Survivors: Daughter, SuzAnn Gardner and husband, Spencer, of Millsap; grandchildren, John Gardner and Tami of Vilonia, Ark., Kelli Mendias and husband, Michael, of Fort Worth, Aaron Deaton and fiancée, Katie Smith, of Arlington, Briley Deaton of Parker, Colo.; great-grandchildren, James and Jessica Gardner, Zachary and Peyton Mendias, Chloe and Gavin Deaton; brother-in-law, Jim Deaton; nieces; nephews; and cousins.

Funeral: 10 a.m. Wednesday at Thompson's Harveson & Cole Funeral Home with Rev. Lynn D. Moore and Rev. Verne Fuqua officiating. Interment: 2 p.m. Wednesday, Chico Cemetery, Chico.

Memorials: Should friends desire, memorials may be given to Edgepark United Methodist Church, 5616 Crowley Road, Fort Worth, Texas 76134.

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