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KRUM: Emma Lenz Hopkins, 100, formerly of Runaway Bay died Sunday, January 29, 2012, in Krum.

Emma was born November 30, 1911, in Auscha, N. Bohemia, Czech Republic, to Henry Frank and Marie Elizabeth (Pech) Lenz, she had two brothers Hugo Lenz and Tony Lenz. Emma came to America in 1912 and moved around a lot because her dad was a carpenter.

She grew up in Dallas and married Granville Hopkins in 1937. In 1972 they retired to Runaway Bay.

She retired from Herkimer in Richardson managing letter jackets, drill team and cheerleading uniforms. She was very active in AARP. She was the reporter scrapbook chairman for the Wise County Chorus of which the books are in the library to view. She was in her 80's and still performed in Nursing Homes just to see people laugh.

Earlier in her life she sang on the radio and performed at different events.

She took organ lessons and became so accomplished in her playing and singing, she wrote several songs.

Emma was active in the flower club and won many blue ribbons for her arrangements, along with being on the committee for the fourth of July parades as well.

Survivors include: Commander Granville John Hopkins and wife, Dottie; a daughter, Celia Hopkins Edwards and husband, Bruce; her grandchildren: Dr. Tracey Way Childers; Granville John Hopkins, Jr.; Chad Edward Waldrop; her great grandchildren: Hunter Waldrop; Tess and Emma Childers; Emily, Katie and Sally Hopkins; along with many step grandchildren and step great grandchildren; nieces and nephews; many friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Granville, her parents Henry and Marie Lenz; her brothers Hugo Frank and Tony Frank Lenz.

Emma's memorial will be held Saturday, February 18, 2012, at 1 p.m. If interested in coming to celebrate her life please call 214-729-4116; her daughter, Celia, will be at her home near Decatur.

