



Emma Armstrong

May 9, 2014

Armstrong, Emma age 98, of Crystal, died May 9, 2014. She was born in Ellis, MO, Oct. 10, 1915, to Jesse and Thad Starkey. Her brother, John Bee, died in WWII, and her sisters, Ethel, Mary Ellen, and Fern, all predeceased her. Her early life is chronicled in the novel, "Even Sunflowers Cast Shadows," published in 2010. It grew out of stories she was fond of telling about her family and the small town of Humboldt, KS, where she grew up. She met her husband of 67 years, H. Glenn Armstrong when her family moved to Enid, OK, at the time she entered high school. She attended Iola Jr. College, and Wichita Business College. The two met again later on at their jobs with General Mills in Wichita, KS, and were married there. The couple had three children, Terry, Douglas, and Glenda (Mehlan). The family lived in Wichita, Chicago, Minneapolis, and Palo Alto, CA, before returning to settle in Minneapolis in 1958. Mr. Armstrong died in 2007. The couple had eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Emma continued to email her numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews until her death. Emma was active in the PEO, Church Women United, First Christian Church of Minneapolis, World Community Day, and Christian Women's Fellowship. In 2003, the couple moved from their home in New Hope to The Heathers, an assisted living residence in Crystal. This expanded Emma's wide circle of friends. A memorial service will be held at 2PM Sunday, May 18 at The Heathers Assisted Living, 3000 N. Douglas Dr., Crystal. Memorials preferred to First Christian Church, Mpls. www.Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-

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