

*At the heart of the cyclone tearing the sky
and flinging the flowers on...
Is a place of eternal calm;
And so in the roar of mortal things,
There's a place where my spirit sings,
In the hollow of God's palm.*

- Edwin Markham

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In Loving
M E M O R Y

Shirley Elder

September 19, 1921 - March 1, 2017



Shirley Elder, 95, of Miller, passed away Wednesday, March 1, 2017, at the Avera Hand County Memorial Hospital in Miller.

Shirley was born September 19, 1921 at St. Lawrence, South Dakota to Gwynne and Leah (McCormack) Thompson. She attended school in rural St. Lawrence and then later college at Wessington Springs. On December 15, 1942, she married Truman Elder in Coeur d' Alene, Idaho.

For five years, Shirley taught school in Hand County, for one year in Keystone, South Dakota, and then went on to be the secretary at the equalization office. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church where she served as secretary and organist for many years.

Survivors include her son, Jack (Mary) Elder of Sioux City, IA; daughter, Susan (Pat) Ryan of Flint, TX; and grandsons: Chris (Bernice) Elder of St. Paul, MN; Jess Elder of Washington, DC; Matt (Randi) Elder of Old Hickory, TN; and Dan (Taylor) Ryan of Flint, TX.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Truman in 2000; two brothers, Duane and Dean; and one sister, Gwendolyn.

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Memorial Service

*2:00 p.m., Saturday, March 4, 2017
Reck Funeral Home
Miller, South Dakota*

Officiating

Rev. Matt Richards

Musical Selections

*"Just as I am"
"Nearer my God to Thee"
"The Lord's Prayer"
"Be Thou my Vision"*

Scripture Reading

Proverbs 3:5,6

Internment

*GAR Cemetery
Miller, South Dakota*

*Everyone is invited for lunch and fellowship
at the First United Methodist Church
fellowship hall*