

## **Margaret L. Wirts**

Margaret Louise Wirts, 92, of Lamar, Missouri, passed away Thursday April 29, 2009, at her home in Lamar after a short illness.

Margaret was born November 7, 1916 in Lamar, MO to Louis and Loretta (Snip) Wolf. She graduated from Lamar High School in 1935. She went to Springfield Teachers College, now known as Missouri State University and graduated in 1940. Following college she taught one year in the rural Missouri schools. She then began teaching in Lamar R-1 School District as a primary teacher. She taught for 16 years and substituted for another 17 years.

Margaret married Robert Wirts on November 10, 1953 in Lamar, MO. He preceded her in death on November 5, 1991.

She was an active member of the Lamar United Methodist Church, Fidelis Class, Joy and the United Methodist Women. She also was an active member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs in Missouri having held several offices in the 7<sup>th</sup> District and her local GFWC Atheneum Club. She was a Past Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star-Mt. Hope Chapter #74 and past president of Partners of Rotary. She was also a member of the Ladies of the Lamar Country Club, Wednesday Reading Club, the Sew and So Club, the Barton County Retired Educators and the Barton County Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

Margaret's love and support of the community was recognized in 2007 when she and her sister, Mary K. Miller, received the Barton County Chamber of Commerce "Hall of Fame Award."

Margaret is survived by her sister, Mary K. Miller of Lamar, MO, nephews, Louis Miller and wife, Sherril, of Weston, Nebraska and Jim O'Neal and wife, Bonnie, of Lamar, MO. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and one niece, Ruby Orval.

## **In Memory of**

### **Margaret Louise Wirts**

November 7, 1916 ~ April 29, 2009

#### **Services**

Sunday ~ May 3, 2009 ~ 2:00 p.m.  
Norman Thompson Chapel  
Konantz-Warden Funeral Home

#### **Officiating**

Minister Donal Keithly  
Lamar United Methodist Church

#### **Music Selections**

"Hymn of Promise" & "Amazing Grace"  
Soloist ~ Bruce Belline  
Organist ~ Judy Daniel

#### **Pallbearers**

Chris O'Neal ~ Pat O'Neal ~ Mark Maberry ~ George Nichols  
John Bary ~ Randy Davis ~ Danny Little ~ Gail Miller

#### **Honorary Pallbearers**

Gene Davis ~ Ray Little ~ Carl Selvey  
Burly Jenkins ~ Everett Martin

#### **Interment**

Lake Cemetery, Lamar, Missouri

#### **Arrangements Under Direction of**

Konantz-Warden Funeral Home, Lamar, Missouri