



## Gladys Johnson Prue

August 4, 1907 - October 9, 2011

Gladys Augusta Johnson Chapman Prue, 104 years old, resident of Yreka, passed away on October 9, 2011 peacefully at home.

Born August 4, 1907 to Oscar and Marian Johnson in Red Willow, Alberta, Canada, the family moved to Applegate Valley, Oregon in 1917. Gladys graduated from Ashland High School in 1926.

She married the late Wilbur Chapman in 1930 and they had three sons, John, Alvin, & Virgil Neil. She moved to Gridley, California in 1954, then relocated to Yreka in 1979.

Gladys was a woman of many talents. She constructed her home in Gridley and designed and built many of pieces of furniture to fill it. She was an avid gardener and landscaper. She faithfully preserved the proceeds of her vegetable garden and fruit trees. She was quite active, building a rock wall well into her 90's.

Gladys was passionate about music. She belonged to the Little Country Church and enjoyed playing the piano for the offertory. She also enjoyed playing ragtime music. Additionally, she played the "fiddle" and played with the Yreka Seniors Kitchen Band.

Her faith was important to her. She believed that Christ died for her and looked forward to spending eternity in heaven with him.

Gladys loved to cook and would frequently cook up a "Threshers Breakfast" for visiting family. She was a talented seamstress and could produce attractive clothing items without the need for a pattern.

Having lived through the depression, she was quite frugal and could stretch a dollar and a piece of wood until it screamed for mercy!

Gladys delighted in reading and frequently had a book close by. She took politics very seriously and her right to vote was dear to her.

Gladys is survived by her brother, Kent Johnson of Redding, Calif., sons, John & Virgil Neil of Yreka. Her son Alvin preceded her in death in 2006.

She is also survived by 9 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

No services are planned at this time.