



## Madge "Roper" Wickstrom Ummel

August 1, 1919 - December 18, 2009

Madge Wickstrom Ummel, age 90, of Carthage, MO, went to be with her Lord on Friday, December 18, 2009. She died peacefully, in her home. Anna "Madge" Roper was born on August 1, 1919, southeast of Carthage. The daughter of Thomas A. and Sallie Hodge Roper, her brother Gilbert Roper and a sister Betty Dreibelbis are deceased. She graduated from Carthage High School in 1937. She was married for 44 years to Samuel R. Wickstrom, from July 16, 1938 until his death on September 3, 1982. She later married William F. Ummel on April 4, 1986. They were married for 22 years until his death on March 30, 2008..She taught Sunday School classes for over 20 years at Dudman Church and Avilla Methodist Church. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Carthage, active in Avilla 4H Club as a sewing teacher, the Chestnut Extension Club, Carthage Garden Club, Carthage Travel Club, served 6 years at St. Luke's as a volunteer, and was a member of the Mid-American Dairy Wives. She loved her travel with both Sam and later with Billy. From New York to California, Canada to Mexico, Europe, Alaska, New Zealand and the Caribbean. She was a left-handed golfer, and loved playing cards. She loved her friends and family and spreading her positive attitude to brighten the lives of all who knew her. At the end of her life, when asked if she was ready to meet Jesus, Madge would give the familiar reply, "You betcha"! Madge is survived by her son and his wife: Wayne R. Wickstrom and Elaine of Hilton Head Island, SC; her three daughters and their husbands: Charlotte M. McGrew and Dan of Oronogo, MO; Bonnie G. Edwards and Rev. David of

Joplin; Sandra K. Schmidly and Jim of Springfield, MO. Madge is also survived by three step children: Jeff Ummel and wife Carol of Carthage, Linda Ummel Altum and Lois Ummel Phillips, of Belton, TX. She will always be "Granny" to 11 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, and 4 great grandchildren.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *All of the members of the Palmetto Dunes Club send our condolences. May she rest in Peace.*

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**Phil Burger** - December 24, 2009 at 10:09 AM

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“ *Madge "Roper" Wickstrom Ummel*

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**Carol Wickstrom-Lucas** - December 21, 2009 at 08:54 PM