

Mildred A. "Millie" Boone, 84, of McPherson, passed away peacefully on Sunday, January 27, 2013, at Hospice House, Hutchinson. She was a retired school teacher, teaching for 24 years with 19 of those being in McPherson. She taught 6th grade at Park School for 16 years and 4th grade at Roosevelt for three years. She also was a clerk & bookkeeper for five years at Fitzgerald Grocery in Hutchinson and three years as a secretary at Mills & Mills Attorneys.

Millie was born on April 30, 1928, in Iuka, KS, the daughter of G. Ray and Minnie Arleen (Roley) Phillipi. She graduated from Central Academy in 1944, Central College in 1946, and Greenville College (B.A.) in 1949. On June 4, 1953, she was united in marriage to George W. Boone at West Bethany Church in Wichita County. He preceded her in death on April 4, 2004.

She was a member of the McPherson Free Methodist Church, McPherson Association of Retired School Personnel, and Kansas Association of Retired School Personnel.

Her family loved her ornery personality. In talking about her years at Central College, Millie admitted with a sly grin, to the times that she and friends would sneak out of the dorms to go to the movies downtown or for late night coffee & hamburgers at the cafe that was just down the street from the college.

Millie had several hobbies that she enjoyed: playing the piano, sewing (teaching her daughters how to sew) crocheting, and fishing. She enjoyed music and sang in the church choir. Every Sunday morning in the Sunday School office, she would be found

helping Ellen Marcellus and Frank Taylor. She also enjoyed playing the piano. Her family always knew when she was frustrated, as she would sit down at the piano and play "Christian Endeavor." She passed her love of music on to her children, and insisted that each learn to play the piano.

After retirement, Millie & George bought a motor home and traveled around the country. They went with Carpenters for Christ and assisted in building churches in Florida and in Mexico. Millie enjoyed fishing with George, and on occasion would out-fish him. They both loved to go fishing in Colorado, where they spent many summers with family & friends.

Millie loved to crochet, and made Afghans for each grandchild's graduation from high school. She also made smaller ones (12" or 14" square) for an organization in Arizona called "Afghans for Angels", that took these small Afghans to local hospitals to give to families of still-born infants.

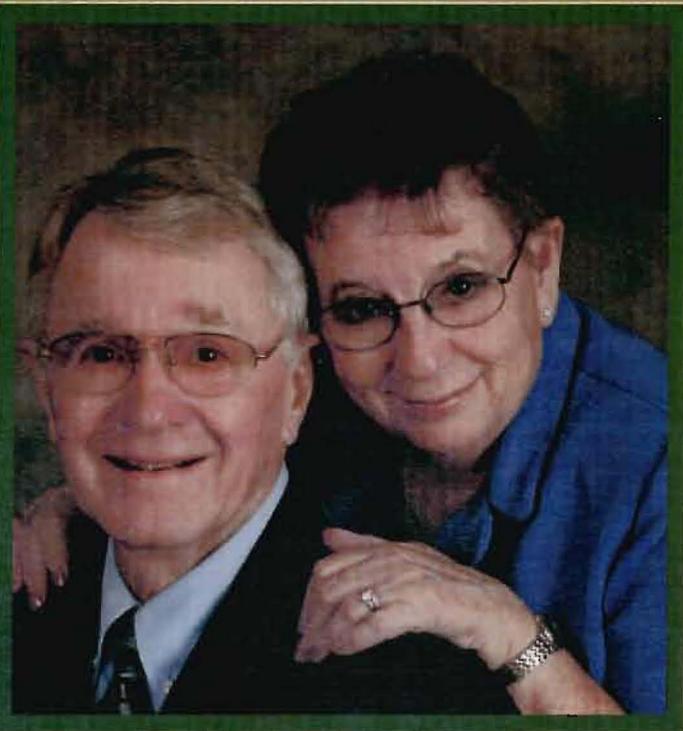
Millie was a lot like her dad with people, and she believed in being prepared, in all areas of life. She had a knack of bridging people together with wisdom and humor. She could tell someone that they were wrong, without them even knowing it. She put this to practice by creating a newsletter at their winter retirement community in Arizona. The Sunscaper was a mixture of wit and humor. She was reporter & editor from the very beginning, but the last few years had employed a couple of people to do the running, investigating, and interviewing, while she would pull it together as the editor.

Loving Memory

She enjoyed her teaching years, too. She loved out-smarting her 6th grade students by turning a bad situation into a positive one, like creating a Friday paper wad fight. If the class could behave for the week, on Friday after recess there would be a "PWF" on the board and later the paper wad fight ensued to the delight of her students.

Millie was always looking after family, whether trying to remain calm during storms or insisting that she drive family to doctor appointments. When she moved into the Courts (assisted living) she had included those on her wing as her family; playing cards, putting puzzles together, playing the organ, and visiting when she had time. Toward the end, she often asked about friends she knew were not well and enjoyed time she spent with her own family.

Survivors include: son, Michael Boone and wife, Kathy, of Shawnee, KS; two daughters, Karla Rostine and husband, Ed, of McPherson, KS and Janette Edwards and husband, Randy, of McPherson, KS; six grandchildren, Melanie (Boone) Hooten and husband, Jason, Kyle Boone and wife, Angie, Kimberly (Edwards) Erin and husband, James, Eric Rostine and wife, Audra, Jennifer (Edwards) Alejandre and husband, Joel, and Carolyn Rostine; and seven great-grandchildren.



In Loving Memory
CELEBRATING A LIFE

Memorial Service

Free Methodist Church
McPherson, Kansas

Saturday, February 9, 2013, at 11:00 AM

Officiating Clergy

Rev. Tom Griffith & Rev. Deborah Somerville

Music

Solos: "My God and I"
"How Great Thou Art"
Katie Sears, vocalist
Coleta Steers, pianist

Ushers

Carl Sorenson Eugene Brandt Chad Thompson

Inurnment

McPherson Cemetery
McPherson, Kansas

Saturday, February 9, 2013, at 9:30 AM

Memorials

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to
The Cedars in loving memory of Millie.

Appreciation

On behalf of the family, we wish to express their sincere
appreciation for all your kindnesses, evidenced in thought
and deed, and for your presence at this service.

Hope Strength

Stockham Family Funeral Home



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