



Edna Gregg Woods

December 27, 2007

TORRINGTON, WY.....Memorial services for EDNA MAE GREGG WOODS, 93, will be held Thursday, December 27, 2007 at 2pm, at the Colyer Funeral Home Chapel with Nancy Greene and Father Michael Carr officiating. Cremation has already taken place and private family burial will be at a later date. She died December 20, 2007, at Community Hospital in Torrington, Wyoming after a brief illness. Memorial gifts may be made to St. Joseph's Children's Home, Bell Park Towers, or St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends are invited to send condolences to the family at www.colyerfuneralhome.com. Born in Teague, Texas, to Chester H. and Letha (Chitty) Gregg on July 28, 1914, Edna became accustomed to moving and traveling at an early age. As the daughter of a railroad man, the family made several moves during her earlier years. She began school in Denton, Texas at a kindergarten operated by Texas Women's University. The family later moved to Mounds, Oklahoma where Edna Mae graduated and received her education a year ahead of her class. She attended business school at what today is Oklahoma State University and then worked for oil companies in Tulsa as an executive secretary. She met and married Rex W. Woods, a petroleum engineer, in Tulsa on March 26, 1944. Soon after, the couple moved to Mexico City where they lived for two years. Enjoying the sites, culture, and food of Mexico, they also greeted the opportunity to move to Venezuela two years later. In 1950, Edna Mae and Rex returned to Tulsa and later relocated to Houston in 1954,

where they lived until 1977. During the family's years in Houston, she was an active wife, mother, and homemaker. Supporting and caring for others was a primary focus in her life, and one at which she excelled. She also enjoyed gardening, entertaining, knitting, traveling with her family, and staying in touch with her friends and extended family. In 1977, Edna Mae and Rex retired to Timpson, Texas, deep in east Texas. She thrived in a rural setting and prized her new friends. After Rex died in 1982, Edna Mae stayed to enjoy country living until 1989 when she moved to Tulsa to be closer to her only brother, Chester H. Gregg Jr. and her daughter, Mary Jane Woods. In 1995, she agreed to join Mary Jane in moving to Torrington, Wyoming. Returning to the charm and safety of a small town, Edna Mae again found herself enjoying her new home and friends. Her Bell Park Towers apartment offered opportunities to become acquainted with Torrington, and with many new and valued neighbors. In August 2007, she moved to Goshen Care, where she resided at the time of her death. Throughout her life, Edna Mae's selflessness and sweetness endeared her to those who knew her. Edna Mae is survived by her daughter, Mary Jane Woods of Torrington, Wyoming. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Rex Woods, son Gregg Daniel Woods, brother Chester H. Gregg Jr., one sister, Mary Frances Gregg Cowan, and many beloved cousins, nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.