



## Lucille Miller

June 22, 1916 - May 29, 2007

Lucille Ethel Miller was born on June 22, 1916 to Howard C. and M. Ethel (Warren) Wood in Wadena Township. Lucille passed away Tuesday morning, May 29, at Fair Oaks Lodge in Wadena at 90 years of age. Lucille graduated from Wadena High School. On July 12, 1941, Lucille married John C. Miller, Jr. at her parents home. The couple made their home in rural Verndale. She taught in area rural schools and at the Verndale High School. She continued her education at St. Cloud Teachers College, advancing to a master's level. Lucille taught English at the Staples High School for 23 years. She was a finalist for Minnesota Teacher of the Year in 1981. Lucille was a charter member of the Country Gardens Club, member of the Central United Methodist Women, a Sunday school teacher, a 4-H leader, a member of the Red Hat organization in Arizona, and a member of Delta Kappa Gamma honor society. Lucille enjoyed growing and arranging flowers, oil painting, traveling, fishing, entertaining, reading, journaling, and listening to music and the Twins' games. Lucille is survived by her daughter, Maureen Baker of Verndale; son, John (Kaetche) of Seattle, WA; grandson, Kenneth Baker of Austin, TX; sister, Elaine Gaylor of Buffalo; brother, Laurence (Betty) Wood of Wadena; and sisters-in-law, Gladys Oliver of Buckley, WA and Ruby Wood of Portland, OR; sister in law Margaret Miller of Verndale. Lucille is preceded in death by her husband, John in 2005; her parents; sister, Ruth Wood; brother, Kenneth Wood; granddaughter, Shelley Baker; and son-in-law, Norman Baker. Funeral services will be held Saturday, June 2, at 1:30 PM at the Central

United Methodist Church in rural Verndale with Pastor Jill Pawlowski officiating. Interment will be in the Greenlawn Cemetery in Verndale. The honorary pallbearers will be Lucille's nieces and nephews. The active pallbearers will be Mark Wood, Kenneth Baker, John Miller, Scott Borchers, Brian Borchers, and Dr. Matt Logan.

# Tribute Wall

JA

“ *Being a friend of John and Kaetche's, I had the pleasure of meeting Lucille on a few occasions. She was one of the warmest, sweetest people I've known. So intelligent and interested in life, I really enjoyed talking with her. My condolences to the family, as I know a bright spot has gone out of your lives. May she rest in peace.*

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**Judith Adams** - May 29, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We have had the great pleasure to be friends with John and Kaetche in Seattle and have met John's parents several times over the years. The warmth and love of Lucille was always very evident and it lives on with John. May Lucille rest in peace and we all celebrate a life well lived with grace and ease.*

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**Phil Crean and Cora Edmonds** - May 29, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ *Maureen~  
Your mother was such a positive person. I enjoyed my association with her at Delta Kappa Gamma meetings. She had great insight and knew her literature!  
My parents, Amanda and Everett Kennedy, admired Lucille and John for their warmth and success at farming. Their flower garden was a wonder to behold, according to my mother.  
It is difficult to say good-bye to a parent. My heart goes out to you.  
Love,  
Mary Ellen*

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**Mary Ellen Kennedy Kollodge** - May 29, 2007 at 12:00 AM