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## **Vivian O. Knarr**

Vivian O. Knarr passed over on Monday, March 6, 2017 in Northglenn, Colorado.

Vivian was born on June 6, 1927 in Jamestown , Kansas to Orin Otis Long and Paulene Merle Hooker. As a child of the Great Depression she told many stories of her childhood and how her community pulled together to help each other during those times. This was especially appreciated when her Father unexpectedly passed when Vivian was just 14. With older sister Maxine, married, living on her own and older brother Terrell already in the U.S. Naval Reserves (soon to be a Regular), Vivian and her mother were left to their own resources. They managed well. Vivian married Virgil D. Knarr of Jewell, Kansas on November 19, 1944. She had her eye on Virgil since her early teens and it was inevitable they would end up "Sweethearts". With Virgil signing on to the C.B.&Q. Railroad, the family moved to Lincoln , Nebraska in 1951, later moving to Northglenn, Colorado when her husband transferred in 1970, living in that community until her death. Vivian was active in the bowling community of Denver and served on the board of directors of the DWBA.

Survivors include daughter Judith Shoemaker of Northglenn, son Michael (Shirley) Knarr of Santa Fe, New Mexico, four grandchildren; Leslie Brown, Kelley Keener, Samantha Knarr and Zachary Knarr, two great-grandsons and two great-granddaughters all of the Metro Denver area. One sister-in-law, two brothers-in-laws and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by her father and mother, sister Maxine Cloe, brothers Terrell Long and Merle Long (having her baby brother succumbing at age 18 months).

Graveside Services to be held 11:00 am on Tuesday April 11, 2017 at Wallace Cemetery, Jewell, Kansas. Reception to be held after the services at Trinity United Methodist Church in Jewell, Kansas .

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Rocky Mountain Chapter, 789 Sherman Street, Suite 500 Denver, Colorado 80203