



Ella Loo

March 13, 1924 - December 31, 2008

Ella Man Yue Loo, 84, Bismarck, died December 31, 2008. A memorial service will held on Saturday at 11:00 AM at First Presbyterian Church in Bismarck with Rev. Jake Kincaid officiating. Burial will be held at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Ella was born on March 13, 1924, in Shanghai, China, to a life of luxury. She married prominently to Alfred Liu at the age of 19 and had one daughter, Irene Lin Liu, at the age of 21. Just prior of China's Cultural Revolution, Ella migrated to Hong Kong and thereafter divorced from Alfred. She was married and divorced once more in Hong Kong before solely making her way to United States. Ella restarted her life in Los Angeles, CA, where she worked hard as an assembly worker for many years. Life was far from luxurious but it was exciting. In 1983, she was reunited with her sister's family and followed them out to Bismarck, ND, in search of a much more simple and humble life. She found endless kindness from the people of First Presbyterian Church and became active member of the church and its community. Ella served as a deacon at the church and worked with children in the church school. She was also a member of the Women's Association in Bismarck. She made lifelong friends with Kathy Henriksen, Linda Chapman, Fran Koppang, Judy Lentz, and others who filled her life with love. She is survived by her daughter, Irene Lin Liu; her granddaughter, Elaine Zhu; and her great-grandchildren, McKenzie and Ethan Beal.