



**Edna Marie (Bomgardner) Miller**  
September 10, 1913 ~ May 26, 2015

Edna Marie (Bomgardner) Miller, 101, a resident of Cedaredge since 1978 died at 5:10 a.m. Monday, May 26, 2015 at the Paonia Care Center.

Edna was born September 10, 1913 in a sod house in the sand hills of N.W. Nebraska (Box Butte County). Daughter of Arthur Simon and Daisy Fern (Lorance) Bomgardner and granddaughter of Simon Gerberich and Sara Jane (Daubert) Bomgardner and William Ira and Lula May (Reed) Lorance.

Edna grew up on the family ranch located on the Laramie River, Platte County, Wyoming. After graduating from Guernsey High School and Wyoming state normal school in 1931, she began her teaching career at a country school near the Laramie Mountains, Wyoming.

Edna married Robert Ray Miller at Laramie Wyoming, May 15, 1936. After their marriage the couple ranched along the Laramie River Platte County, Wyoming. Three Children were born to them during this time.

In 1947 the family moved to Guernsey Wyoming where they owned a feed store and Edna taught in the Guernsey School.

In 1950 the family began ranching in Montana first at Absarokee, Montana and then at Big Timber Montana. From 1954-1960 Edna taught at country schools in Sweetgrass and Stillwater Counties in Montana.

Robert and Edna retired from ranching in 1960 moving to Bozeman Montana, where Edna was able to attain a life time goal, receiving a bachelor degree in Elementary Education from Montana State University in the summer of 1960. She continued teaching at Belgrade Montana from 1960-1967.

In 1967 Robert and Edna returned to Guernsey Wyoming to care for Edna's father and to help operate the Bomgardner Ranch.

At this time Edna began to work on family genealogy doing research and traveling to family home sites. She also researched and wrote about local and Platte Co Wyoming history.

Other favorite pastimes were all kinds of handiwork, gardening, corresponding with family and many friends, and she belonged to local Women's Clubs.

In 1978 Robert and Edna moved to Cedaredge, Colorado to be close to their daughter. Here she continued the activities she loved.

She is preceded in death by her grandparents and parents; her husband Robert Ray Miller, February 26, 1987 in Delta, Colorado; a son, Maier Quinn Miller, April 10, 1973 in Polson Montana. A brother Arnold Bomgardner in 1997 in Casa Grande Arizona. A brother and sister-in-law Vernon and Lillie (Bohannon) Bomgardner in 2007, Wheatland Wyoming. Son-in-law Jimmy Irvin Miller in 2003, Cedaredge, Colorado and a niece and nephew.

She is survived by a daughter DeeVon (Miller) Miller, a son and daughter-in-law Marvin Ray and Vicki (Torpy) Miller from Butte Montana; a sister-in-law Hazel (Harvey) Bomgardner, of Wickenburg Arizona; daughter-in-law Elizabeth (Steenland) (Miller) Thorsrud of Polson Montana. Three grandchildren; one granddaughter KayAnn Miller and Zach Miller (great grandson) of Bozeman, Montana. Two grandsons Robert T and Kimberly (Ruf) Miller of Bozeman Montana, and James R. Miller, of Butte Montana, and numerous niece and nephews.

The family would like to thank Paonia Care Center for their loving care of Edna. We would also like to thank our caring friends and neighbors.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Cremation has taken place.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Taylor Funeral Service and Crematory.

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