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Mary Carpenter Green  
Mary Bernice Carpenter Green died  
in El Paso  
Wednesday,  
December 24



at the age of 92. She was born in El Paso on August 17, 1916, to a pioneering family, parents Samuel Shanks Carpenter and Juliet Blanchard Carpenter. Shanks was a rancher, miner, and had several bakeries until the Great Depression; in the early 1930s he served as county commissioner. Juliet was post-mistress of Ysleta for a number of years. Mary grew up in Ysleta, attending Incarnate Word, Ysleta Grade School, and Ysleta High School, graduating valedictorian class of 1933. She was unable to study at the university level due to the Depression. In high school and after graduation she worked in her father's bakery business, until it closed, and then for Marr Piper real estate. In 1938 at a dance, she met her future husband John Milton Green, formerly of Eustis, Florida, and Roseburg, Oregon, who became her lifelong partner and the love of her life. They had 4 sons, and would have celebrated 70 years of marriage on October 21, 2009. In an age when fulfillment was met through service to family and community, her primary quality as a human being was a love and selflessness coupled with great energy expended for those around her. As a wife and mother, she spent years attending PTA meetings, reviewing her sons' school lessons, feeding her family and visiting neighborhood children, and transporting them all to an endless succession of school and sports and church activities. When her sons had grown, her love and energy took in

grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and there was also time for travel with her husband, and for her other great passion, reading, as well as for community service, notably the Lower Valley Women's Club. She was preceded in death by her parents, by her brother E.R. "Gene" Carpenter and by her sister Lucille Carpenter Butchofsky. She is survived by her husband John M. Green, sons Stanley Cooper Green, Richard Carpenter Green (Clara "Tiggy" Myrick Green), John Milton Green Jr. (Helen Herring Green), and Jeffrey Blanchard Green; grandchildren Stanley C. Green Jr., Joseph Eugene Green, Clifford Childs Green, Shanks Carpenter Green, Caroline Rankin Green (Peter Fitton), Richard Childs Green, John Cooper Green; Amanda Charlotte Wilton-Green (David Wilton), Nancy Lara Green Perez (Adan Perez); and Emily Elizabeth Green; 3 great-grandchildren, 2 nieces, as well as other family and friends. She was an extraordinary woman, and left a mark upon all whom she came in contact. She was much loved and will be greatly missed. Visitation 5:30-7:30 PM, Monday, December 29, 2008 at Martin Funeral Home East, 1460 George Dieter Dr, El Paso, TX.-Funeral Service will be held 10:00 AM Tuesday, December 30, 2008 at All Saints Episcopal Church, 3500 McRae Boulevard, El Paso, TX, followed by interment at Evergreen East 12400 Montana Ave, El Paso. -In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice of El Paso, or to charity of your choice. Services have been entrusted to the care of MARTIN FUNERAL HOME EAST, 1460 GEORGE DIETER DR., EL PASO, TEXAS, 79936. (915) 855-8881.