In Memoriam

MAY HELEN WHEELER

Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of North Dakota
Order of the Eastern Star
1948 - 1949

Our hearts were saddened on May 21, 1972 upon the death of our beloved Past Grand Matron, Sister May H. Wheeler. She had been a faithful servant to the Order of the Eastern Star. Her charm and friendliness which endeared her to all will be greatly missed.

She has not gone to far off lands
But to “that house not made with hands”.

A short time after the marriage of Sister May to Homer L. Wheeler, the couple moved to Bismarck, North Dakota, and started a lifelong interest in church and community. The couple was blessed with two daughters and one son.

During her many years of faithful service to the Order of the Eastern Star, she held many offices, serving as Worthy Matron of Bismarck Chapter No. 11 and as Worthy Grand Matron of the North Dakota Grand Chapter in 1948-49. She was appointed a member of the International Eastern Star Temple Committee of General Grand Chapter for a three year term. Bismarck Chapter presented her with a Life Membership in 1964 and earlier this year she had received a fifty-year guard pin from the Grand Chapter. She served as Mother Advisor of the Bismarck Rainbow Assembly No. 3 and received the Grand Cross of Colors.

An active participant in the affairs of the First Presbyterian Church, she worked in all fields of women's service on the local level and held office in the state organization. The Bismarck Community was blessed by her activities in the Girl Scout Council and services in the hospitals as a Red Cross Gray Lady.

Sister May served her home and family, her friends, her church, her community and her beloved Order of the Eastern Star lovingly and well.

“Weep not that her toil is over;
Weep not that her race is run;
God grant that we may rest as calmly,
When our work, like hers, is done.”

The officers and members of the Grand Chapter extend their love and sympathy to her daughters, Mrs. Clarion (Beth) Larson, Mrs. W. H. (Virginia) Green, and to her son, R. W. Wheeler.

In her memory, we ask that this memorial be read at the next stated meeting of each subordinate chapter and the charter draped.

MARY C. HOUTCOOPER
Worthy Grand Matron

FRANKIE E. RAGAZ
Grand Secretary

ELDRED NANCARROW
Worthy Grand Patron