



## Marie Adrian

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Marie Adrian passed away at Good Shepherd Care Center in Versailles, MO on Saturday, February 7, 2009, following a courageous battle with Alzheimer's disease. Marie was 88.

Marie was born in Morgan County to James and Kathryn Comer. She was the fourth of five children, one having died in infancy, and was preceded in death by her sisters, Dorothy and Mildred and her brother Bernard.

Marie married Arthur Maples in 1936 and Mary Lou was born in 1938. Marie and Mildred moved with their husbands and young children to California in 1942. Both men were drafted and sent back to Missouri for basic training. These two young women Marie, 22 and Mildred 20, their children, Mary, age 4 and Jerry, age 2, drove back to be with their husbands in a car with bad tires, a faulty engine and gasoline rationing. Marie later settled in Northern California for five years, back to Missouri for two years and then to Southern California. Marie married Ted Rone in 1955 and they lived in Southern California until his retirement to Kingman, Arizona. Marie married Fred Adrian in 1995 and they moved to Arkansas. They lived in Nebraska for a short time, then finally returning to Missouri in 2002.

Music was a big part of the Comer family. Marie and her younger sister Mildred were singing on the radio as small children. This continued throughout

her life. After her retirement to Kingman Arizona in the late 1960's Marie became active in the Senior Center and started the Kitchen Band. They were very successful and even played in Las Vegas. Later she became President of her Senior Center and served for several years. She received many awards from both the Center and the City of Kingman.

She is survived by her daughter, Mary Maples Contestable, her two grandchildren, Troy Contestable and Tracy Halmos and her four great-grandchildren, Tom Contestable, Lily Contestable, Spencer Halmos and Bradley Halmos and several nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at Hopewell Church at 1:00 P.M. Sunday, May 3, 2009 and are under the care and direction of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles. To send sympathy condolences please visit [www.kidwellgarber.com](http://www.kidwellgarber.com).