

## The Joplin GLOBE

### Vera Adele Heckmaster

**Vera Adele Heckmaster**, 75, Diamond, Mo., died at 11:20 a.m., Monday, July 2, 2007, at a Joplin nursing home following an illness. She was born Aug. 30, 1931, in Wentworth, Mo., to Walter and Beulah (Higgins) Bridges.

Mrs. **Heckmaster** was an office manager at Sears in Knoxville, Tenn., and worked in numerous other Sears stores. She returned to the area 10 years ago from Phoenix, Ariz. She was a member of the United Methodist Church in Diamond and a member of DAR; a past member of Eastern Star; PEO; and the Progress Club, all of Sarcoxie, Mo.

Her husband, Fred **Heckmaster**, preceded her in death.

She is survived by a brother and sister-in-law, Charley and June Bridges, Diamond; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 5, at Clark Chapel of Memories with Rev. Gene Cole officiating. Burial will follow at Diamond Cemetery. Nephews will serve as pallbearers. Friends may call at the funeral home Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday from 8 a.m. until service time. The family will receive friends from 10 to 11 a.m. Thursday prior to the service. The casket will be closed at service time and will remain closed.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association in care of Clark Funeral Home, P.O. Box 66, Neosho, Mo. 64850.

Online condolences may be sent to [www.clarkfuneralhomes.com](http://www.clarkfuneralhomes.com)

Arrangements under direction of Clark Funeral Home, Neosho, Mo.

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