



**Lila Alene Wrigley**

(Photo taken 31 May 2013 at Kansas State Convention, Salina)

Lila Alene Wrigley, 87, of Manhattan, passed away Monday, September 16th, at the Good Shepherd Hospice House in Manhattan.

Lila, age 87, was born 14 March 1926 in Osborne County, Kansas, to John and Mary (Pearson) Simmelink. She was a graduate of Osborne High School in 1943, attended both Fort Hays State College and Kansas Wesleyan College during and following the years of WWII. She married L. Paul Wrigley on July 20, 1947 at University United Methodist Church in Salina, where they lived until 1970, when they moved to Manhattan. Paul preceded her in death in 1988. Her two children, Reseda Julene Wrigley Mickey of Los Angeles, CA, and Dr. Owen Paul Wrigley of Vienna, Virginia, together with his wife, Le' Le' Elizabeth Wrigley, and their daughter, Htet Htet Wrigley, were at her bedside. In addition to her children and granddaughter, she leaves three older grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and 2 brothers, Ernest Simmelink, Lawrence J. Simmelink, and her stepmother Lillie Clark.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Manhattan, Lone Wrangler's Square Dance Club, Chapter 209 Order of Eastern Star, United Methodist Women, Manhattan Area Amateur Ham Operators Club (MAARS), former Girl Scout leader, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 0017, area book clubs, and, most of all, traveling. Lila was a homemaker and a medical secretary for Dr. Philip Hostetter, Beltone Hearing Aid, and Dr. Glenn Eaton in Salina.

Visitation will be on Thursday from 9:00am to 8:00pm at the Irvin-Parkview Funeral Home chapel.

A funeral service will be held at the Irvin-Parkview Funeral Home & Cremation Chapel in Manhattan, at 1:00pm on Friday, September 20th, with Rev. Amy Bowers officiating. Interment will follow at the Beaman Cedar Grove Cemetery, Rural Alta Vista, Kansas.

The family request donations to the Good Shepherd Home Care & Hospice House, 3801 Vanesta Dr., Manhattan, Kansas. For more information or to submit an on-line condolence, visit [irvinparkview.com](http://irvinparkview.com) or on Facebook.