## Plain Brown Rapper

News for the Tandy and Grace Brown Family

June 2009



LEAH GEORGIA BROWN-SHRIVER February 5, 1922 - July 2, 2009

On July 2, 2009, Leah left us and created a hole in our hearts and some really great memories.. The seventh child of Grace and Tandy Brown, well known for her sense of humor and crazy antics, she will be missed by all of us.

Born on February 5, 1922 in the little house at 805 South House Avenue here in Cheyenne. Leah grew up and was educated in Cheyenne Schools. After she graduated from High School, on November 23, 1940, she married Willis Shriver and they were together for 68 years.

Leah and Willis had four daughters, Susan, Jeanne, Jerry and Jayne, many grandchildren, great grandchildren and great grandchildren. Their lives were full of children with lots of love added in.

Leah was very talented and her quilts are certainly treasured by anyone lucky enough to have one. She also did ceramic work and her ceramic dolls speak for themselves. She has long worked in her church helping with Bazaars, Meals and the Sewing Circle.

Leah joined Eastern Star in 1954, the same time as Mother and continued thru the years to be the Worthy Matron and held several State offices.

Leah and Willis' house was the gathering place for many family affairs. A funeral, out of town company, and many other occasions. The hospitality was enjoyed by all.

Her achievements are too many to enumerate, but I'm sure each of you has a memory or two stored in your heart.

Needless to say, Leah will be missed by her family and friends (and probably the Quilted Corner).



Leah with her Texas Star Quilt (one of many)



From I to r: June, Nancy, Leah, Dolfe and Pat at Leah's Eastern Star ceremony.

In High School, Leah played the trombone in the band. Here she is with a friend before a Frontier Days Parade.

Her favorite part of this picture is the "Keep Off Grass" sign.



Joanne Jacka (Anna and Norman French) wrote a memory about Leah after being told she was gone. "When we were kids, she was the one we always went to - to get around our parents. She made lovely dolls and doll dresses and a million other hand-made treasures. I don't know of any other family where all of you had such a good sense of humor. It was always a delight for us to be at the 'Brown house'."

Cards for Willis and family can be sent to Willis Shriver, 2205 E 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Cheyenne, WY 82001.

Please keep Orpha in your prayers as she recovers from her illness. If you wish to send her a card, send it in care of Stuart Brown, 4922 SW Cascara Ln, Lake Oswego, OR 97034.

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