Her Legacy...Age 87, she passed away November 7, 2008 at home in Paradise, California. Mildred was born to Birl and Myrtle Pruitt in Wisner, Nebraska on January 12, 1921. She graduated from Carthage High School in 1939 in Carthage, Missouri. Mildred first moved to California in 1940 with her husband Warren C. Miller. In 1976 she married Ralph (Bill) Stearns. She worked as a Buyer for Rialto Unified School District and retired after 28 years. She was a homemaker. She loved gardening and she canned fruits and vegetables. She had a large fruit orchard and the cherry trees produced hundreds of pounds of cherries during a good year.

Her Family...Mildred is preceded in death by her husband Ralph M. Stearns. She is survived by her daughter Carol Richards of Paradise, California, two grandsons, Glenn Wortham of Paradise and Perry Wortham of Magalia, a granddaughter Shelia Hosier, Jacksonville, North Carolina, a sister Wilma Miller, Payson, Arizona, two brothers, Leonard Pruitt and Birl Pruitt both of Carthage, Missouri. She has 5 great-grandchildren.

Her Farewell Service...There was a Funeral Service at the Church of God (Holiness) in Carthage, Missouri on November 15, 2008.