



Mae Belle Staggs

November 21, 1930 - February 27, 2003

Mae Belle Staggs, age 72, of Wibaux, Montana, passed away on Monday, February 24, 2003 at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 P.M., Thursday, February 27, 2003 at the United Methodist Church in Wibaux with Pastor T.C. Chatman officiating. Interment will be in the Wibaux Cemetery in Wibaux. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements. Mae Belle was born on November 21, 1930 in Fryburg, North Dakota, the daughter of Frank and Leona Victoria (Holst) Balducke. She moved with her parents to Sentinel Butte. They then moved to Richland county, 15 miles southeast of Sidney. Mae Belle received her education in rural Golden Valley County and Richland County schools. She married Eugene Staggs on July 12, 1953 at the Church of the Nazarene in Sidney, Montana. Following their marriage, Mae Belle and Eugene moved to their home located six miles north of Wibaux where she resided until the time of her death. Mae Belle had been a member of the United Methodist Church and the Beaver Bonnets Homemaker Club. Her hobbies included flower and vegetable gardening, canning and taking care of her pets. Mae Belle enjoyed baking and sharing her baked goods with family and friends. She was a hard worker and it was always very important to her to please those around her. Mae Belle was conservative and resourceful. She also enjoyed needlework and patching clothing items. Mae Belle had an amazing ability to recall dates and events from the past. She especially enjoyed her grandchildren. Mae Belle was preceded in death by her parents and an infant

brother, Joseph Frank Balducke. Mae Belle is survived by her husband, Eugene, of Wibaux; three daughters, Gloria Nelson and her husband C.D. of Wibaux, Nancy Carpenter and her husband Rocky of Sidney, Montana and Lonna Gustafson and her husband Jody of Glendive; one son, Timothy Staggs of the family ranch in Wibaux; five sisters, Mary Thrans and her husband Leon of Sidney, Louise Rehbein and her husband Bud of Sidney, Lois McRae of Miles City, Montana, Francie Mackin and her husband Lloyd of Miles City, and Myrtle Brown of Miles City; three brothers, Benjamin Balducke, William Balducke and "Tony" Balducke and his wife Kay, all of Sidney, Montana; five grandchildren, Terry Carpenter of Omaha, Nebraska, Ryen Carpenter in the Middle East, Brady Carpenter of Sidney, Jenna and Jade Gustafson of Glendive and numerous nieces and nephews.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mae Belle Staggs*

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