



Ruth Knudtson

June 18, 1923 - September 15, 2008

Ruth Annetta Knudtson, age 85, of Wibaux, Montana, passed on to her home in Glory on Monday, September 8, 2008, at the Wibaux County Nursing Home in Wibaux. Visitation will be held from 3:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M., Sunday, September 14, 2008, at the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Wibaux. Funeral Services will be held at 2:00 P.M., Monday, September 15, 2008, at the United Methodist Church in Wibaux with Reverend T. C. Chatman officiating. Interment will follow in the Wibaux Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Wibaux is entrusted with arrangements. Ruth was born on June 18, 1923, in Jamestown, Pennsylvania, to Fred and Hazel (Kashner) McGranahan. She attended the State Teacher's College in Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania and graduated with the class of 1944. She also attended the Northwestern University at Evanston, Illinois. She taught school in Pennsylvania before moving to Grassy Butte, North Dakota to teach Bible School and act as a lay minister at the Grassy Butte Methodist Church. Ruth married Carl Knudtson on January 12, 1952 in Dickinson, North Dakota. The couple lived on the Knudtson family farm before leasing a ranch south of Marmarth. They later purchased a ranch in northern Wibaux County. Ruth loved being a teacher and taught for many years in several schools in western North Dakota. Although they had no children of their own, their home was often filled with lucky children that were recipients of their incredible love and generosity. After Carl's death in 1983 Ruth moved to Wibaux. Her failing health led her to move to the Wibaux County Nursing Home in November of

2007. Ruth loved the ranch life and was blessed to have "the best neighbors that anyone could ever ask for." She loved to visit and was always interested in knowing more about anyone she met or knew. She had a knack for making everyone feel special and made the world feel smaller with her talent for making connections among people. After Carl's death she began to write cowboy poetry about the experiences of an eastern city girl turning into a western cowboy's wife. She has published three books of poetry as well as writing occasional columns to be published in local papers. She was also an excellent pianist who often shared her talents with others. Ruth was preceded in death by her husband, Carl; her parents; her sister, Eve; and her brother, Fred. She is survived by her sister, Mary Regner of Palm Coast, Florida; her sisters-in-law, Ann McGranahan of Orlando, Florida, and Emily Knudtson of Dickinson, North Dakota; many nieces and nephews; great-nieces and great-nephews and "the best" of neighbors and friends. In lieu of flowers, her family requests any memorials to be given to Dickinson State College, the Wibaux County Nursing Home or a charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Knudtson*

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