

Elizabeth Wiedeman Rutz 1907-1995

Funeral services for Elizabeth Wiedeman Rutz, 88, were held Tuesday, November 28, 1995, at 11:00 a.m. at the United Church of Christ with Reverend Richard Putney officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mrs. Rutz died Friday, November 24, 1995, at the Platte County Memorial Hospital Nursing Wing in Wheatland.

She was born January 30, 1907, in New Denoff, Russia, the daughter of John and Dorothy (Foss) Wiedeman. When she was six months old, the family came to America through Ellis Island and moved to Russell, Kansas.

In 1914, after the death of her mother, the family moved to Fort Collins, Colorado. In 1937 they moved to Wheatland and farmed here until their retirement in 1965.

Mrs. Rutz was a member of the United Church of Christ and active member of the Dorcus Society. She loved to quilt and crochet, and was an avid gardener. She was devoted to her family and enjoyed cooking traditionally German dishes for them.

She is survived by her three children, Harold Rutz and his wife, Lydia of Torrington, Beverly Hitt and husband, Bud, and LeRoy Rutz and his wife, Helen, all of Wheatland; one brother, Ben Wiedeman of Fort Collins, Colorado; several half brothers and sisters; eight grandchildren; and sixteen great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, John on April 26, 1990; and two brothers.

Serving as pallbearers were Dennis Rutz, George Bohl III, Bill Auyer, Joe Howard, Harry Weber and Marvin Lauck.

Serving as honorary pallbearers were all of her many friends.

A memorial to the United Church of Christ or the Platte County Memorial Hospital Nursing Wing would be appreciated by the family.

The Platte Funeral Chapel was in charge of the arrangements.