



Ruth Thieling

January 11, 1916 - August 4, 2004

Ruth Mabel Thieling, 88, Jamestown, formerly of Steele, died August 4, 2004, at Central Dakota Village in Jamestown. Services will be held at 1 PM Saturday at the Steele United Methodist Church. Graveside services will be held at 3 PM Saturday at the Tuttle Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5 PM to 9 PM Friday, 9 AM to 11 AM Saturday at Eastgate Steele Memorial Chapel and one hour prior to the service at the church. Ruth was born on January 11, 1916, on the Thieling farm in Kickapoo Township, Kidder County, North Dakota, daughter of Will and Nellie Dodge Thieling. She attended school in Kickapoo Township, graduated from Tuttle High School, attended Dickinson and Minot State Teacher's Colleges and taught rural schools in Kidder and Stutsman Counties. In June of 1943, she was appointed Deputy Clerk of Court of Kidder County. In 1955 she was appointed Kidder County Judge and served two terms. She continued as Clerk of Court and retired in 1987, after 43 years of service. Ruth enjoyed gardening, sewing, crocheting, working cross-word puzzles, especially reading her Bible, and going for walks on the prairie especially in the spring. Ruth was a member of the VFW Auxiliary, the American Legion Auxiliary, and the Fine Arts Club in Steele. Ruth moved to Tuttle in 2001, to the Redwood Village in Wilton in 2002, and to Central Dakota Village in 2004. Ruth is survived by six sisters and one brother-in-law, Marion Hall of Nampa, Idaho, Vernice Thieling and Vera Krein, both of Tuttle, Elaine and Larry Bisbee of Salem, Oregon, Janet Heib of Burlington, North Dakota, and Esther White of Minneapolis, Minnesota; one brother, Glenn

Thieling of Fargo, North Dakota; one sister-in-law, Freda Thieling of Steele; twenty-six nieces and nephews; and many great nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Lawrence and Forrest, four brothers-in-law, and one nephew.