

OBITUARY

The death of Ruth Valborg (nee Bjelke) Tastad of Loreburn, Sask. occurred August 26, 1990 at Outlook Union Hospital.

Surviving are her husband, Peder; one daughter, Kathleen (Angus) McGillivray of Newmarket, Ontario; two sons, Richard (Leone) Tastad of Strongfield, Sask., and Garth (Carol) Tastad of Saskatoon, Sask.; nine grandchildren, Peter and Margaret McGillivray; Tracie, Ryan, Chad Tastad; and Kristan, Karen, Kirk and Sarah Tastad; one sister, Dora (Axel) Johanson of Red Deer, Alta. and one brother, Gunner (Irene) Bjelke of Rocky Mountain House, Alta.

She is predeceased by her parents, Gustav and Lina Bjelke; and by four brothers, Carl, Arthur, Andrew, and Harold.

Ruth was born in Diamond Valley, Alta., on April 27, 1913. With the untimely death of her mother, Ruth took on the responsibility for the care of her father and brothers.

On March 1, 1940 she married Peder Arthur Tastad of the Loreburn/Strongfield area, where they have resided until the time of her death.

Ruth kept busy with her family, church, and community. She taught Sunday School, was the church organist, and conducted various choirs including a male chorus at Skudesnes Lutheran Church. She was an active member of the Woman's Missionary Fellowship (W.M.F.), and a board member of the first Elbow Bible Camp. She was also a charter member of the Ladies Circle of Skudesnes Church. She enjoyed quilt making, gardening, and entertaining her family and many friends.

May God bless her memory among us all.



*To Thee I lift up my eyes,
O Thou who art enthroned
in the heavens.*