



## Ruth Brandt

June 24, 1916 - August 3, 2009

Ruth E. (Beltz) Brandt was born on June 24, 1916 at Sleepy Eye, MN to her parents Hugo and Mary (Krenz) Beltz. She passed away, at age 93, on Monday, August 3, 2009 at the Elders Home in New York Mills. Ruth was united in marriage with Raymond H. Brandt on January 12, 1935 at Redwood Falls. She will be remembered as the friendly cashier, for 17 years, at the Ben Franklin Store in Wadena, after which she became a farm wife until 1986 when they retired from farming. She and her husband farmed at Norcross, where Ruth was active in her church. While living in Wadena she enjoyed Bible Study gatherings with her friends. She has been a member of the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Wadena since her retirement. For the last 8 years she has lived at Comfort Care Cottage in Wadena, which she considered to be her home. Ruth was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond; parents, Hugo and Mary; brothers, Roland, Armin, Lester, and Winfield. She is survived by her son, Clinton (Joan) of Perham; daughter, Barbara (Gary) Shellenberger of Wadena; five grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren; and sister, Ethel Ranniger of Golden Valley. Funeral services were held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, August 8, 2009 in the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Wadena with Pastor Robert Griggs officiating. Pallbearers were Jeffrey Tappe, Joseph Tappe, John Tappe, Andrew Tappe, Corey Brandt, and Megan Olson. Interment was in the Wadena Cemetery.



# Tribute Wall

DM

“ When my mom was being cared for at the Comfort Care Cottage previously, Ruth was always very friendly and we visited when time allowed.

*Her grandkids and my kids were cared for by "Mrs. B" out on the farm where she and Tim lived close to my former home.*

*I was glad to see Ruth's kids, Barb and Clint at the church when arrangements were being made for her funeral. I hadn't seen them for a long time, just their spouses now and then. It is truly a small world.*

*Ruth will be missed. She was a very neat lady. May she rest in peace,  
Donna Mayo-Fearing*

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**Donna Mayo-Fearing** - August 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Dear Clint and Joan,  
We so much enjoyed visiting with Ruth at CCC while we were visiting my mom, Harriet Fransen. Ruth always had a smile on her face and loved to visit. Every time I would stop to see mom, I would make a trip down the hall and visit with Ruth while watching the "Twins" play ball.

*She will be missed by all who knew her.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.*

*Judy & Bruce &  
Harriet Fransen's family*

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**Judy Erdahl** - August 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ I remember Ruth fondly. My dad and mom, Everett and Amanda Kennedy, and my sister Ruth, all knew Ruth and Ray and spoke warmly of them. Whenever I saw Ruth uptown in Wadena she would stop for a little visit about her family and my family. I watched the video tribute and smiled through it all. You have been there for one another all these years. The pictures of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren are priceless. Treasure them. I'm thinking of you Barb and your kids, and you Butch and your family. How wonderful that Ruth was able to celebrate her 93rd birthday!

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**Mary Ellen Kennedy Kollodge** - August 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Butch and Barb,  
I am sorry to hear that your mom passed away. Aunt Ruth always seemed so kind.  
I will always remember her with a smile.

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**Sharon (Nyberg) Reinsma** - August 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM