



Ruth DeWald

August 28, 1953 - April 8, 2023

Private services will be held for Ruth DeWald of Staples, MN.

Ruth, age 69, passed away on April 8, 2023, at A Daughter's Love Assisted Living in Staples, MN., with tender care by Moments Hospice.

Ruth was born to Clinton "Howard" and Erma (Gould) DeWald on August 28, 1953, in Wadena, MN and was raised on the family farm. She attended District 6 Country School before going to the Happy House in Wadena. She then spent years at the DAC in Sebeka, and retired in 2013. By 2019, Ruth moved off the farm to A Daughter's Love Assisted Living in Staples.

Life was full for Ruthie! She loved to be with people and enjoyed teasing others, giving hugs, along with back and foot massages. Her interests included country music, specifically by Loretta Lynn and Johnny Cash. After watching a favorite movie like "Old Yeller", "La Bamba", "White Fang", and "Coal Miner's Daughter", she would request it again! Quiet time for Ruth included "reading" books or coloring.

Preceding Ruth in death were her parents, Howard and Erma and brothers-in-law, Larry Heikkinen and Russell Birch.

Memories of Ruthie will remain with her siblings Larry (Renee) DeWald of

Wadena, Jean Birch of Staples, Linda Heikkinen of Menahga and Sheila Finck (Steve Savaloja) of Verndale; along with nieces and nephews: Shane (Paula) Birch, Dylan, Nathan and Carlee, Debbie Anderson, Stacy and Tommy Harthan, Trista and Mitch Johnson, and Dakota Finck and Nicole Conn.

Honorary pallbearers will be Ralph Miller and Richard Heikkinen. Active pallbearers will be Bruce and Lois Gould, and Randy and Lila Notch.

Burial will be in Green Lawn Cemetery in Verndale, MN.

Memorials may be directed to Moments Hospice or A Daughter's Love Assisted Living in Staples, MN

Cemetery Details

Green Lawn Cemetery

16277 120th Street
1st Ave./ Co Rd 104 (1 mile west of Verndale)
Verndale, MN 56481

Tribute Wall

DC

“ Dale Marlene Campbell lit a candle in memory of Ruth DeWald



Dale and Marlene Campbell - April 15, 2023 at 07:59 PM



“ I am so sorry Jean and family. I will always remember this beautiful, sweet, sassy, spunky little lady! Being with her during my career at ADL was a great pleasure! You could not help but adore her. Rest easy sweet Ruthie!💕💕

Cheryl Pickar - April 15, 2023 at 07:38 PM

HK

“ My deepest sympathies to Ruth's family and friends. I will always remember working with Ruth and enjoying her humor and playful teasing. She had so many people who cared for her ❤️

Holly Knutson - April 15, 2023 at 07:15 PM

JC

“ Jim and Janell Carr lit a candle in memory of Ruth DeWald



Jim and Janell Carr - April 14, 2023 at 07:16 PM

LR

“ I worked with Ruth at the DAC in Sebeka for many years. She had a great laugh and a beautiful smile. She lived to dance especially at our Halloween party. My condolences to her family. Linda Roiko

Linda Roiko - April 14, 2023 at 04:02 PM

EW

“ Rest in Peace Ruth.



Ellen Wallgren - April 14, 2023 at 02:24 PM

AS

“ Amanda Snyder lit a candle in memory of Ruth DeWald



Amanda Snyder - April 14, 2023 at 05:13 AM

JD

“ Our condolences to the siblings of Ruthie. I worked with Ruthie many years ago at Wadena Co DAC. It was a pleasure to know her. She had a spunky personality and was never at a loss for words. I smile when I think of her. She was always a friendly person.



Judy Dahlin - April 13, 2023 at 10:21 AM