



Ruth Leyh

April 22, 1907 - September 24, 2006

Ruth Marie Leyh was born on April 22, 1907 at Henderson, MN to Robert and Mary (Schlegel) Zimmerman. In 1913, she and her family moved to rural Bertha area where they farmed and she attended country schools. Ruth was united in marriage with Sidney George Leyh on April 7, 1926. Together they farmed until retirement in 1974 when they moved into Bertha. With the exception of some cleaning jobs later in life, Ruth's life centered around her home and church. She served her church as a member of the Ladies Aid. She spent most of her time providing a loving home for her family. She enjoyed crocheting, sewing, cooking and working in her garden, bringing both food and beautiful flowers into her home. She would read to her children before bed from Egermeier's Bible Story book. She especially loved spending time with her grandchildren, playing games with them and pushing them on a swing. Even in her later years, she found strength in her great-grandchildren, finding excitement when they would visit. Ruth passed away at her home in Bertha on Sunday, September 24, 2006 at the age of 99 years. Ruth was preceded in death by her husband Sidney on July 28, 1991; her parents Robert and Mary Zimmerman; brothers Lawrence Zimmerman, Franklin Zimmerman and Arthur Zimmerman; Daughter-in-law Jean Leyh; and grandson Gregg Lovegreen. She is survived by her daughters Verna Mae Leyh of Bertha and MaryLou Lovegreen of Hastings, MN; sons William (Joyce) of Redwing, MN and Donald of Bertha; 13 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother LeRoy Zimmerman of Hewitt, MN; sisters Myrtle Dietz of

Nampa, ID, Mae Paine and Violet Clauson both of Emmett, ID; and many nieces and nephews.