

Ruth Elizabeth DeWaard

Ruth Elizabeth DeWaard, 82, of Nampa and Donnelly passed away peacefully at a Nampa hospital on Friday, Feb. 13, 2004, surrounded by her family. Funeral Services will be conducted at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004 at the Valley Shepherd Church of the Nazarene, 831



N. Main in Meridian. Pastor Doug Wilson, a nephew and pastor of the Bethel Church of the Nazarene in Nampa, will officiate. Burial will follow at the Meridian Cemetery. Friends may call at the Alsip & Persons Funeral Chapel, 404 10th Ave. So., Nampa, on Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The family will greet loved ones and friends at the funeral chapel on Tuesday evening from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.



Ruth was born on Feb. 24, 1921 in Roshalt, S.D., the daughter of Rev. Ernest and Matilda Coryell. She was the middle of nine children. While she was quite young the family moved to Olgivie, Minn. In the early 1930's the family moved to Meridian. She attended Meridian High School and there she met and fell in love with her soul mate, Joe DeWaard. They were married on Dec. 6, 1940 and lived most of their married life with their three children at the dairy on Overland Road. Those were busy, happy years for Ruth, being involved with church, school, and community. After her children were older she worked as a typist for a tax consultant. She always wanted to learn new things so she enrolled in Links School of Business. Following her schooling she worked at the Bureau of Reclamation