

# Bessie Hazel Dickinson Babb 1903 to 1997

Bessie Hazel Dickinson Babb, 93, were held January 31, 1997, at 11:00 a.m. at Covenant Lutheran Church in Wheatland, WY. Elder Bud Dower and Elder Zane Geis of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints officiated.

Mrs. Babb died Monday, January 27, 1997, at the Platte County Memorial Hospital.

She was born June 19, 1903, at Yates Center, KS, the daughter of George and Mary (Hunter) Dickinson. She spent her childhood days in Yates Center. She married Cleo Brandenburg in 1918 and they were later divorced. Bessie married Len L. Babb in Madison, Nebraska on November 12, 1924. She had resided in Wheatland for the past 50 years, having lived in various

western states prior to that time as a result of Mr. Babb's work traveling as a rodeo producer and rancher. Bessie loved horses, and when younger, loved to ride.

She enjoyed music, singing and dancing. She sang in her mother's church choir when a young girl, she had a beautiful voice. Bessie enjoyed entertaining in her home; her greatest interest was in being a wife, mother and homemaker.

She enjoyed cooking and sewing; she designed all of her own patterns and won ribbons on her bread and pies. Bessie loved to travel...she loved people, and never met a stranger. She always witnessed to people

of the Lord Jesus Christ. She loved the Lord and had absolute faith in his promises. She enjoyed life to the fullest, always full of love, kindness, and laughter and always willing to share what she had with others. She repeatedly said please don't grieve for me because I am going where I will be happy seeing all of my loved ones who have gone before me, and most of all, being able to see Jesus. She was a member of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Bessie is survived by three daughters, Mickey Borelli of Wheeling, WV; Frances Heller of Wheatland; and Maretta Yeager of Valmy, NE; a son, Len L. Babb of Paisley, OR; 19 grandchildren, 45 great-grandchildren and 27 great-great-grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers were Lance Richardson, Eric Richardson, James Babb, Chuck Babb, Roy Babb, Len Babb Jr., Troy Richardson, and Brant Richardson. Honorary pallbearers were Tim Walker, Jeremy Steinhausen, John Matthews, Bryan Matthews, Bernie Matthews, Gary Kahler, Hugh Jenkins, Wade Jenkins, Jessie Jenkins, Dean Watson, Kenneth Yeager, Jeffrey Borelli, and Charles Pickett.

Memorials to the Platte County Memorial Nursing Home, 201 14th St. Wheatland, WY 82201, would be appreciated by the family. The Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland was in charge of arrangements.