

# Ruth Lunde Hutchinson

April 22, 1918 – April 27, 2013

A memorial service for Ruth Lunde Hutchinson, 95 will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 9, 2013 at the All Saints Episcopal Church in Wheatland with Pastor Lori Modesitt officiating.

Ruth Hutchinson died Saturday, April 27, 2013 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital Nursing Home in Wheatland.

Ruth was born April 22, 1918 in Parshall, N.D. the daughter of Lars and Hattie (Fuglem) Lunde. She attended Spring Valley rural school and went on to graduate from Parshall High School. She attended Minot State Teachers College, after which she taught a short time in North Dakota. Her childhood friend, Beulah Needham Dodge, then asked if she would come to Wyoming to teach her oldest son, Tyler, first grade. She accepted the job and landed at the River Ranch to teach in the fall of 1939. As it turned out, she taught some of Tyler's children in the Wheatland schools also. During that year, she met George's friend and neighbor, William I. Boyd, and the couple was married Sept. 27, 1940. To this union, two children were born, Virginia Ann and Kenneth James. The couple later divorced.

Moving from the ranch to Wheatland, Ruth worked a Wheatland Grade School as secretary for one year and was hired in 1957 as a fourth-grade teacher. She went to summer school and graduated from the University of Wyoming in 1962. She taught fourth grade for 26 years, retiring in 1983.

On March 21, 1964, she married Doyle Hutchinson and he preceded her in death in

1987.

During her retirement years she traveled to Alaska, and several other points of interest. Her highlight was a trip to Norway with her sister, Orphie, nephew, Mike and his wife, Rosann. She treasured the memories from this trip to visit relatives.

She was a member of All Saints Episcopal Church, Order of Eastern Star of which she served as Worthy Matron in 1994, Wyoming Education Association, G.F.W.C. Laramie Dell Club since 1940, AAUW, Teachers Bridge Club and Ladies Bridge.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Doyle; brothers, Henry and Norman; and sisters, Orphie Wold, Norma Lunde, and Grace Randall.

She is survived by her daughter, Virginia (Keith) Anderson; son, Kenneth Boyd; grandchildren, Cheryl (Bruce) Deuel, Scott (Mary) Woolsey, Stacy (Greg) Wiley, Dawn (Scott) Frager, and Tyler (Shonda) Boyd; 19 great grandchildren; six great-great grandchildren; step children, Ann O'Brien, George Hutchinson, and Marjorie Gonzales; and numerous step grandchildren.

A memorial to the Platte County Public Library, 904 Ninth Street, Wheatland, WY 82201 has been requested by the family in lieu of flowers.

The Gorman Funeral Homes – Platte Chapel of Wheatland is in charge of the arrangements.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [gormanfh.com](http://gormanfh.com).