

# Clara 'Jean' Wendt Sherard

March 26, 1927 - March 16, 2004

Funeral services for Clara "Jean" Wendt Sherard, 76, were conducted at 11: A.M. Saturday, March 20, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1004 Willow Street, Wheatland, with Pastor Lincoln Winter and Pastor Randall Golter (President of the Rocky Mountain District of the Missouri Synod Lutheran Church) officiating and Rex Johnson as Eulogist. Interment will be in the Wheatland Cemetery at Wheatland.

She died Tuesday, March 16, at home, surrounded by family and friends following a lengthy illness.

She was born March 26, 1927, in Madison, Nebraska, the daughter of William Henry and Sophia Alvina (Schwank) Wendt. Clara Jean graduated from LaGrange High School with the class of 1945. She was then employed in Cheyenne, Wyoming, with Wortham Machinery Company and Union Pacific Railroad until her marriage to her husband, Donald Nelson Sherard. On October 5, 1947, they were married in Cheyenne at Trinity Lutheran Church. Don and Clara Jean moved to Laramie, Wyoming, where she worked as a secretary for Mountain States Bell Telephone Company. Don finished law school in 1949 and they moved to Wheatland. Clara Jean was active in Trinity Lutheran Church acting as an organist for several years. She was also an active member of LWML, a ladies guild organization of the church. She was President of Ora Call Unit #10 American Legion Auxiliary and also Girl's State Chairman of this auxiliary for many years. She was a past State President and member of Chapter R, P.E.O. a Philanthropical Educational Organization.

Survivors include her husband, Don of Wheatland; two sons, Dr. Brent Sherard and wife, Patty of Cheyenne and Stephen Sherard and wife, Ramona of Wheatland; a daughter, Sally Oates and husband, Richard of Casper, Wyoming; nine grandchildren, Emilie Ring and husband, Joshua of Denver, Colorado, Cole Sherard and wife, Stephanie of

Wheatland, Donny Sherard and Lindsay Sherard both of Laramie, Brice, Kylie, Alex, Effie, and Ainsley Oates all of Casper; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Clara Jean was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers and two sisters, William August Wendt, Arnold C. Wendt, Edward Wendt, Irene Hubbs,



and Bernice Amrhein.

Serving as pallbearers were Cole Sherard, Donny Sherard, Brice Oates, Alex Oates, Joshua Ring, and James Myers. Honorary pallbearers will be all of her many friends.

Memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 216, Wheatland, Wyoming 82201 or Hospice of Platte County, P.O. Box 1025, Wheatland, Wyoming 82201. Gorman Funeral Homes - Platte Chapel of Wheatland is in charge of the arrangements.