

Naomi Wiggam

January 26, 1924 – February 15, 2008

Naomi (Goertz) Wiggam, 84, died Feb. 15 at the Davis Hospice Center in Cheyenne.

She was born Jan. 26, 1924, in Wheatland to Cornelius and Lena (Ratzloff) Goertz. She was one of eleven children. She grew up on the family farm in Goshen Hole. In 1942 she graduated from Wheatland High School. As a young woman, she left the farm and moved to California where she worked in a bank.

On November 1, 1947, she married Robert (Bob) Wiggam, her late husband. They had farmed and ranched north of Hillsdale. They were blessed with three sons. Later in life, Bob and Naomi wintered in Apache Junction, Ariz. After Bob's death, Aug. 20, 1983, she enjoyed traveling with her close lady friends. Naomi was an avid card player. She really enjoyed large family gatherings.

Throughout her life Naomi took great delight in baking, cooking and gardening. She especially liked to make doughnuts with her grandchildren when they stayed the night with her. She even assisted with Christmas cookie booking with her great-granddaughter, Hanna, this past December. Naomi enjoyed playing with and seeing her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was a long-time member of the Golden

Prairie Baptist Church and the Women's Mission Circle.

She is survived by three sons and daughters-in-law, Bill and Nadine Wiggam of Hillsdale, Boyd and Rhonda Wiggam of Cheyenne, and Mike and Martha Wiggam of Cheyenne; one brother, Jacob Goertz of Slater; two sisters, Bernetta Ogle of Burns and Mary Olmstead of Cheyenne; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, Boyd (Iryna) Wiggam, Katya and David of Williamsburg, Va., Kassie Wiggam of Lincoln, Neb., Preston (Jaime) Wiggam, Hanna of Hillsdale, Tracey (Doug) Goeckeler, Darrel and Trina of Pierson, Iowa, Lisa Gentry, Tyler and Bailey of Cheyenne, and Carlton, Cody Lynn and Paula Wiggam of Cheyenne.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; brothers, Harry Goertz, Albert Goertz, Leroy Goertz, Arthur Goertz, and Manness Goertz; sisters, Rachel Redding and Alma Lindquist.

Services were held this past Friday at Schrader Funeral Home with Pastor Jon Sheperd officiating. A family internment was held in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Golden Prairie Baptist Church, 4992 County Rd 226, Burns, WY.