

# Ella Fern Williams

August 9, 1914-February 6, 2001

Services for Ella Fern Williams, 86, were held Friday, Feb. 9, at 1 p.m. at the Platte Funeral Chapel in Wheatland, with Pastor Larry Benjamin of the First Church of Nazarene officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mrs. Williams died at her home in Wheatland on Tuesday, Feb. 6.

Ella was born Aug. 9, 1914, in Tryon, Neb., the daughter of Jacob Perry and Myrtle L. (Chessmore) Parsons. She move to Wheatland as a young girl with her family where they homesteaded near Laramie Peak. Ella resided in the Wheatland area over 80 years. She was reared and educated in Wheatland, graduation from Wheatland High School in 1933. Ella attended the University of Wyoming and taught school around Saratoga and Laramie Peak. She married Leo Williams on March 7, 1938 in Gering, Neb. Ella worked at the hospital and for Dr. James G. Allison for over 20 years; retiring in 1977. She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene and sev-

eral Bible study groups; and a past member of the Rebekah Lodge. She enjoyed crocheting, knitting, gardening and growing roses.

Ella is survived by four children, Beverly Werkele and husband, Fred of Wheatland, Leo K. Williams and wife, Joan of Las Vegas, Nev., Iva Wilson of Sydney, Neb., and Allan Dwight Williams and wife, Carole of Bothell, Wash.; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and seven step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Leo Williams on May 4, 1986; two sisters; and three brothers.

Serving as pallbearers were Greg Vostregs, Bret Werkele, Shaun Werkele, Trent Williams, Mark Duffy, Dick Moody, Charles Budd, Dean Vermilyea and Dennis Coufal.

Memorials to a charity of the donor's choice would be appreciated by the family.

Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland was in charge of the arrangements.