



Naomi Belden Rothrock

October 12, 1914 - September 27, 2012

Naomi "Ruth" Belden Rothrock died September 27, 2012 at the Meadowood Health Pavilion. She was 97. Ruth was born October 12, 1914 in Louisville, KY, the second child of Clarence E. and Margaret (Chambers) Belden. She married Elmer T. Rothrock Feb. 5, 1930 in White Cloud, IN with her pastor father presiding.

Ruth was a long time member of Clear Creek Christian Church, where she taught Junior Sunday School for many years. She also began a women's bible study and wrote its curriculum. She was involved in service groups that made quilts, comforts and meals for families that had suffered hardship.

She learned to cook and sew at an early age and made clothing for her sons and daughter and later for her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She crocheted sweaters, caps and made blankets for family and donated many of her works to the Crisis Pregnancy Center.

Ruth did sewing and alterations for many people and provided babysitting. Her home was the neighborhood gathering place for children.

She always welcomed family, friends and those with no family to a feast of her making at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. Christmas found her making many pounds and multiple varieties of homemade candy. Visitors never left empty handed.

Ruth was known to be there to assist and comfort others in need.

She is survived by one brother, Elmer Delos Belden and wife Nancy of New Albany, IN; three sons, Elmer "LeRoy" Rothrock of Bloomington, IN, Marvin Phillip Rothrock of Fayetteville, NC, Larry Gene Rothrock and wife Lena of Pine Bluff, AR; her foster children, Orville "Lee" Palmer and wife Carolyn of Gosport, IN, Lucille "Lucy" Palmer Palko and husband Dan of Spencer, IN and numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

Ruth was preceded in death by her husband Elmer who died in 1988, one son Carl Wayne Rothrock who died in 2007, one great-great grandson Nathan Allen Martin who died in 2006, her parents, four brothers, three sisters and three daughter in laws.

The family wishes to extend a hearty Thank You to the staff of Meadowood and Hospice for their loving care.

Visitation will be Sunday, September 30th from 4:00-8:00 p.m. at Allen Funeral Home in Bloomington and Monday, October 1st from 9:00-10:00 a.m. at Clear Creek Christian Church, Bloomington. Services will be held at the church at 10:00 a.m. Burial will follow in the Clear Creek

Christian Church Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Alzheimer's Association, Bloomington Hospice or Clear Creek Christian Church for mission outreach.

Allen Funeral Home is handling arrangements. Friends may send condolences to www.allenfuneralhome.org

Tribute Wall

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“ I never had the pleasure of meeting Ruth. I work with her daughter Lucy Palko, who has always been gracious and kind. To the entire Rothrock family, I am sorry for your loss and may she rest in peace.

Michelle Cornwell - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

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“ I know this for sure. Ruth Rothrock knew the Bible better than anyone I have known, and lived her life exactly as the Holy Spirit told her to live it.

Nat Hill IV - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

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“ Although I did not know you dear loved one, I saw the obituary online and wanted to send you my condolences. This is a very difficult time for your family. Something that has always given me comfort is a scripture at Revelation 21:4. It says: "and he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no mor, neither will mourning, nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away. " I sincerely hope this brings you comfort

Brittani - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM