

December 20, 2008

The Life of Bette A. Craig



- Funeral services for Bette A. (Mrs. Dana) Craig, 84, of Watertown, SD will be at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 23, 2008 in Cornerstone United Methodist Church, Watertown, SD. Rev. Roger Spahr will officiate. Music will be provided by Sandy Dingsor, organist. Bette died at a local center on Friday, December 19, 2008.
- Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Watertown, SD. Pallbearers will be: Craig Arthur, Chris Arthur, Steve Danekas, Joe Arthur, Clark Craig, and Brent Terada.
- Visitation will be in the Crawford Funeral Chapel, Watertown, SD on Monday, December 22, 2008 from 3-6 p.m. and

Tuesday in the church prior to the services.

- Bette was born on July 12, 1924 at Conde, SD to Christopher and Pauline (Breed) Lofthouse. She attended and graduated from Conde High School and then attended St. Luke's College of Nursing in Aberdeen, SD. Following graduation, Bette worked at Memorial Hospital in Watertown, SD.
- On March 10, 1946, Bette married Dana Craig in Groton, SD. The couple moved to Seattle, WA while Dana was in the service. They returned to Conde and Bette worked at the Conde Hospital. The couple then moved to California and Bette worked there until they returned to Conde where she worked at the Clark Nursing Home. In 1974, the couple moved to their present home north of Watertown. Bette worked at Bartron Clinic until retiring.
- She was a member of Cornerstone United Methodist Church and was an active member of United Methodist Women. She also belonged to Order of Eastern Star and Extension Service. Bette enjoyed her family especially her grandchildren. She also enjoyed gardening, being outdoors at the farm, dancing, traveling, laughing, and having fun.
- Bette is survived by her husband, Dana, of Watertown, SD; one son, Dan and his wife, Melinda Craig, of Birmingham, AL; two daughters: Paula and her husband, Steve Danekas, of Naperville, IL and Tawny and her husband, Joe Arthur, of South Shore, SD; one sister, Beverly Dubs, of Oracle, AZ; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.
- She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Chris Lederman.