



## Ruth Ann Wragge

June 9, 1935 - June 20, 2018

PIERCE — Services for Ruth Ann Wragge, 83, Pierce, will be Monday, June 25, at 10 a.m. at Christ Lutheran Church in Pierce. The Rev. Cara Jensen will officiate. Burial will be in Prospect View Cemetery at Pierce. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday at Christ Lutheran Church in Pierce. She died Wednesday, June 20, 2018, at Faith Regional Health Services in Norfolk. She was born June 9, 1935, at Plainview, the daughter of Henry Joseph and Myrtle Rose (Jordan) Purdie. She was baptized and confirmed at Christ Lutheran Church, Pierce.

She graduated from Plainview High School in 1953, attended the University of Nebraska and Wayne State College and graduated summa cum laud in 1979. She married Val Jean Wragge on July 27, 1957, in Plainview. He died Oct. 26, 2014. The couple lived in Pierce. Ruth Ann taught school for 36 years in Antelope and Pierce counties. She ended her career teaching the last 20 years in Hadar Public School, then substituted for 15 years.

She was a member of Christ Lutheran Church, Pierce, where she taught Sunday school, directed the children's choir, taught Bible School, directed the adult church choir many years, was a member of Ladies Aid, belonged to Mrs. Jaycees Women's Club, Library Board, Library Foundation when the new library was built, directed the community choir for many years and belonged to Pierce Community Golf Course serving in various offices.

Ruth Ann enjoyed golfing, cooking and baking, especially her potato salad and German chocolate cake, playing bridge, marbles, dimes, reading and, as

a couple, spending their winters in Arizona. She is survived by daughter Kimberly and husband Dave Korth of Plainview; son Rich and wife Amy Wragge of High Lands Ranch, Colo.; daughter-in-law Janet Wragge of Plainview; seven grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, many special nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband Val Jean Wragge; two sons Mitchell and Randall Wragge; her parents, Henry and Myrtle; and one brother Dawne Purdie. Music for the service is by organist Kathy Draeger, with a duet by Rick and Cheryl Higgins "On Eagles Wings," and "I Was There To Hear Your Morning Cry." There will be a congregational hymn, "How Great Thou Art."

Casket bearers are Dusty Korth, Brett Korth, Mike Race, Scott Race, Dr. Jay Bernecker and Nathan Loecker.

Online condolences may be sent to [ww.stonacekfuneralchapel.com](http://ww.stonacekfuneralchapel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Prospect View Cemetery - Rural Pierce

Pierce, NE

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **24**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Christ Lutheran Church - Pierce  
506 South 2nd St.  
Pierce, NE 68767

## Service

JUN **25**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Ann Wragge*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *We were so very sorry to hear of Ruths passing, she was such a wonderful person, we always enjoyed visiting with her and Val Jean, they were such good people and raised a wonderful family, they were so proud of all of you and know they knew how much they were loved by you all. Thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love, Cheryl & Rich Chmiel*

**Cheryl Chmiel** - June 25, 2018 at 06:41 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Wragge.*



June 24, 2018 at 03:03 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Ruth Ann Wragge.*



June 24, 2018 at 04:06 AM

SM

“ Your Mom was awesome. When my Mom was driving me crazy as a teenager. And as a young adult she was a second Mom to me. That is very special to me. In addition I had the opportunity to be your sitter when you were kids because she trusted me. Kim and Richie

Sidne McClain - June 24, 2018 at 02:39 AM

SI

“ There are so many things I remember about Ruth. She was the person when my Mom was driving me crazy I could go to for peace and quiet. We would have coffee and maybe smoke a cigarette and she was a very good listener when I was a teenager and as an adult. Wish I could be there but I can't because it's easier for me to remember her live.

Sid - June 24, 2018 at 02:20 AM

PM

“ Pat Meierhenry lit a candle in memory of Ruth Ann Wragge



Pat Meierhenry - June 22, 2018 at 03:33 PM

PM

I met Ruth while taking an adult ed class@ NNCC.. We called each other when we were going to have to miss, usually because we were "ill".. We finally confessed to each other that we were both pregnant, & Richie was born that fall!! We later got to know Ruth & Val & enjoyed their company.. Our sympathies to the families..

Pat Meierhenry - June 22, 2018 at 03:35 PM

PP

“ *Ruth Ann and I were friends as well as sister-in-laws. She always made me smile every time we went up to see Val and Ruth. Now she is with her beloved Val in heaven and I know that we all will miss her. I remember when my granddaughter and I went to help her celebrate her birthday. She was so surprised. She was so thrilled about her special trip to Alaska that year. She said she couldn't wait. That was only one of the highlight's of her life.*

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**Pam Purdie-Purinton** - June 21, 2018 at 07:11 PM

JA

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Ruth's passing. We shared so many stories of our families when she was my client. Ruth Ann wasn't just a client she was a dear friend. May God comfort you during this time. God's blessings .Joyce Andersen*

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**Joyce andersen** - June 21, 2018 at 12:32 PM