



Ruth Freed

April 14, 2013

Ruth Margaret Freed, age 94, of Hutchinson, died Sunday, April 14, 2013, at the Marie Steiner Kelting Hospice in Chaska. A funeral service will be held on Friday, April 19, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. at the Lamson Evangelical Free Church in Dassel with the Rev. Josh Hutchcraft officiating. The interment will be held at the Pioneer Cemetery, rural Dassel, Minnesota.

A visitation will be held one hour prior to the service on Friday at the Lamson Evangelical Free Church in Dassel.

The Johnson Funeral Home in Dassel is in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Memorials are preferred to the Lamson Evangelical Free Church in Dassel.

Ruth Margaret Freed, the daughter of Gust and Johanna (Ostrom) Bergstrom, was born on June 21, 1918, in St. Paul, Minnesota. As a young child her family moved to a farm near Meriden, Iowa, where she grew up and graduated from the Meriden High School in 1936. Ruth was baptized and confirmed in the Christian faith in Meriden and was presently a member of the Lamson Evangelical Free Church in Dassel.

On June 20, 1937, Ruth was united in marriage to Harold Freed in Meriden,

Iowa. Together they made their home on a farm near Meriden until 1956, when they moved to a farm just north of Hutchinson.

Ruth was a hardworking farm wife, helping with all of the farm chores. She enjoyed cooking, quilting, crocheting, crossword puzzles, and fishing. She loved her family dearly and always enjoyed the time that she was able to spend together especially the holidays. Ruth was dedicated to her church, where she was active in the church bible studies and was White Cross Chairwomen. She will be missed by her family and her many friends.

She is survived by her children, Gene (Audrey) Freed of Eden Prairie, and Carol (Wes) Engstrom of Loves Park, Ill, five grandchildren, Steve (Danielle) Engstrom, Kerri (Steve) Mason, Wendy (Jim) Pellitteri, Lynne (J.B.) Blair, and Derek Freed, and 10 grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold, her parents, Gust and Johanna Bergstrom, a brother, Vernon, and a sister, Joyce Rix.