



Ruth Lange

October 20, 1913 - September 23, 2018

Ruth Elizabeth (Goetzinger) Lange, 104, died Sunday, September 23, 2018, at PioneerCare in Fergus Falls.

She was born October 20, 1913, to William H. and Elizabeth J. Goetzinger in Elbow Lake, MN. She was baptized, confirmed and grew up in Elbow Lake. After graduating from Elbow Lake High School, Ruth attended Macalester College where she earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree.

After graduation, Ruth returned to Elbow Lake where she taught Business at the high school. It was there she met Herbert Lange, a fellow teacher, fell in love and they were married on June 12, 1940. The following year was spent in Grand Forks, ND where Herbert earned a Masters Degree in mathematics and Ruth her Library Science Degree. Upon graduation, they moved to Faribault, MN, where both took jobs at Shattuck Military Academy, Herbert was a math teacher and coached basketball and Ruth was the librarian.

In 1946, they moved to Clara City, MN where they built and operated the Star Theater for the next 25 years. Upon retirement, they spent 27 years living at Ten Mile Lake during the summer months and in Mesa, AZ during the winter months. Their later years were spent living at Sheridan House in Fergus Falls with Ruth spending the past years at PioneerCare.

She loved to spend time with family and friends, read, work crossword puzzles, cook, entertain and travel.

Ruth is survived by a daughter, Barbara (Bob) Goldenstein of Ten Mile Lake; a son, Richard (Karla) Lange of Elk River, MN; granddaughter, Gara Goldenstein of Rush City, MN; granddaughter, Beth Lange of Minneapolis, MN; nephew, Larry (Beth) Goetzinger of Ten Mile Lake; and niece, Nancy (Bill) Henke of Detroit Lakes, MN.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband of 66 years, Herbert R. Lange; two

grandsons, Gregg Goldenstein and Christopher Lange; her brother, William Goetzinger and her sisters-in-law, Ruby Goetzinger, Elsie Crawford, Gertrude Lange and Margaret Lange.

Memorials may be directed to PioneerCare Foundation, LB Homes Hospice or donors choice.

Visitation: one hour prior to the service at PioneerCare

Service: 2:00 p.m. Friday, October 5, 2018, at PioneerCare Chapel, Fergus Falls

Clergy: Chaplain David Strom

Interment: Union Cemetery, Elbow Lake

Olson Funeral Home, Fergus Falls is in charge of arrangements

Condolences may be sent online at www.olsonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery

Events

Union Cemetery Elbow Lake, MN,	OCT 5	Visitation	01:00PM - 02:00PM
		PioneerCare Celebration Center 1131 South Mabelle Ave., Fergus Falls, MN, US, 56537	
	OCT 5	Memorial Service	02:00PM
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“ Virginia Portmann lit a candle in memory of Ruth Lange



Virginia Portmann - October 05, 2018 at 10:40 PM



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Olson Funeral Home - October 05, 2018 at 12:52 PM



“ Shari Pederson lit a candle in memory of Ruth Lange



Shari Pederson - October 02, 2018 at 07:37 PM



“ I have many good memories of Ruth, she was a very special lady! She was a wonderful friend to all at Sheridan House! May God bless memory.

Shari - October 02, 2018 at 07:39 PM



“ We offer our sympathy to the whole family. It is always difficult to lose a family member no matter the age. May you take comfort in knowing that your friends share in your grief.

Virginia Portmann - October 05, 2018 at 10:43 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear about Ruth. She was an awesome lady and was so nice to my mother Catherine while they lived at Sheridan House. Now she is gone and mother is in the Broen Home and not doing very good. It was a pleasure knowing Ruth blessed be her memory. Steve and Linda Babcock

Stevie B and Linda Babcock, - September 25, 2018 at 04:32 PM



“ Ruth was a delightful, amazing woman. I enjoyed her the years she was at Pioneer.
Kimberlee Olsen, RN

Kimberlee Olsen - September 24, 2018 at 10:30 PM