

# **Emma Strackbein**

Emma Strackbein, 95, of Wheatland died in her home on Wednesday, May 14.

Funeral services are being conducted today, May 17, at 11 a.m. in St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Wheatland, by the Rev. Harold J. Koenig.

Burial will be in St. Paul's Cemetery. Pallbearers are Wilmot Lendt, Raymond Lendt, Merlyn Kroh, Darrell Kroh, A.M. Klahn, and Erwin Petersen.

Emma Strackbein was born on April 27, 1891, in Wunderthausen, Germany, to George and Katherine Riedesel Riedesel. She came to the United States in 1906 with her parents and the rest of their family, after two older sisters had already come to America. The family bought a farm south of Wheatland. Emma worked as a hired girl on a nearby farm before she was married to Albert Strackbein in Wheatland on Feb. 28, 1913. They farmed south of Wheatland. He died in 1958.

Mrs. Strackbein moved to Wheatland 10 years ago. She was a member of St. Paul's Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Ethel Strackbein, and one son, Leon, both of Wheatland.

Mrs. Strackbein was preceded in death by five brothers and four sisters..

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She was the last surviving member of the last emigrant family to Wheatland from Wunderthausen.

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