



# Verda Mae Voigt

**March 31, 1926 - September 20, 2011**

Verda Mae Voigt, 85, died Sept. 20, 2011, in Thermopolis. She was born March 31, 1926, at Avon, S. D., a daughter of Edward and Lena Weidenbach. Verda was raised and attended grade school and high school in Avon. She attended Huron College at Huron, S.D. for one year.

Verda married Calvin H. Voigt on Nov. 2, 1945. They made their first home at Camp Lejeune, N.C., where Calvin was serving in the Marine Corps. After his discharge, they returned to Avon, where they lived until 1958. Verda was active in numerous local clubs and the American Legion Auxiliary, as well as the First Baptist Church.

She moved to Thermopolis in 1958 with her husband and five children. While in Thermopolis, she was the bookkeeper and public relations director for Chief Washakie Network television and radio stations.

She hosted a radio program for women and children, and a television public relations show. Later, Verda became bookkeeper, and eventually manager, of the Town and Country Department Store. In 1973, she returned to bookkeeping, with the Coast-to-Coast hardware store, Fair Deal Furniture, and A & W Bowling Lanes, all simultaneously. She retired in 1980.

Verda was active in the First Baptist Church in many capacities, including nursery school, Sunday school and youth groups. She was head of the church historical committee and the "away from home" committee. Verda and her husband sang many duets during church services.

She is survived by her husband, of Thermopolis; four sons, Colin, of Littlefield, Ariz., Gregg, of Holdenville, Okla., Barton, of Cheyenne and Darry, of Casper; a daughter, Melanie Blynn, of North Fryeburg, Maine; and a sister, Leatta Weidenbach, of Duarte, Calif.

Verda was preceded in death by her parents; her brother; and a sister.

Funeral services were held Monday, Sept. 26 at the First Baptist Church of Thermopolis, with burial at Monument Hill Cemetery.

