



## Bert Meininger

November 11, 1920 - March 19, 2011

Bert Meininger, 90, died Saturday, March 19, 2011 at Heritage Estates in Gering, Nebraska. Memorial services will be held 10 a.m. Friday, March 25, at the Colyer Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Ora Dailey officiating. Cremation has taken place. Burial will follow in the Valley View Cemetery in Torrington. Memorials may be made to the donors choice. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends may send condolences to the family at [www.colyerfuneralhome.com](http://www.colyerfuneralhome.com) Bert was born November 11, 1920, in Mitchell, Nebraska the daughter of Jacob and Emily (Keller) Bower. She grew up and attended school in Lyman, Nebraska. Bert married Charlie Meininger in Lyman in 1939. The couple lived and farmed near Lyman and later in Wyoming. When they moved to Torrington, in 1953, Bert worked at Elder's Laundromat, Cassel's Bakery, and Kellam Drug. Later, she worked with her husband as a custodian at Torrington Middle School and retired in 1991. She also cleaned houses for several years. Bert loved to follow her grandchildren and great grandchildren in all their activities. She also loved to clean. Bert was a past member of the Methodist Church. Survivors include her two daughter, Janice and Lynn Hildebrand of Bridger, MT and Donna and Jerry Hattan of Torrington, WY; a brother, Harley and Alma Bower of Worland, WY; four grandchildren; Barry and Melissa Armstrong of Thermopolis, WY, Dixie Michael of Powell, WY, Tracy and Kevin Starr of Olivia, MN, Howdy and Sheila Hildebrand of Joliet, MT; nine great grandchildren; an aunt, Ann Meininger of Torrington, WY; three sisters-in-law,

Katie Bower of Worland, WY, Mary Meininger of Huntley, WY, Helen Meininger of Greeley, CO; and a brother-in-law, Slim Stroud of Lander, WY. Preceding her in death were her husband; a brother, Raymond Bower and three sisters, Dorothy Backman, June Schlothauer and Helen Stroud.

# Tribute Wall

TW

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to Bert's family. Bert was a special lady and she touched many lives in the hallways at TMS. I hope you'll all find comfort in the many years and many memories you have of her.*

*Dicksie -- sending you a special hug.*

*With Sympathy,  
Thyra*

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**Thyra Welsh** - March 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ *As the only living former officer of the Citizens National Bank where Bert and Charlie served as custodians following Bert's parents who also worked there, I have many memories of the two of them. Bert was the driving force in making sure the work was done and done correctly. I extend my sincere sympathy and reach out to her entire family at this time.*

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**Keith Whitney** - March 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ *Bert was a lovely lady whom I worked with at Torrington Middle School and kept in touch with throughout the following years. We could talk for hours and never run out of things to say. Christmas was our best time to get together and "chat". I will greatly miss my dear friend.....till we meet again for another "chat". Go with God sweet lady and I'll be seeing you again soon.*

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**Cheryl Lapp** - March 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Bert was such a sweet lady. I worked with Bert while I was a secretary at the Torrington Middle School and we kept in touch throughout the following years. We could sit and chat for hours. Christmas was the best time for us to get together. I will greatly miss our times together.....until we meet again for another "chat". Go with God sweet lady and I will see you soon.

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**Cheryl Lapp** - March 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Such a nice sweet lady. always happy and a joy to be around. My heart goes out to all of the family. God Bless. Janet

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**Janet Armstong Pitman** - March 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ Just today, I made the connection of Amanda Armstrong as Bert's great granddaughter. I came home and shared the information with my family. During our discussion, my mother called. She informed me of Bert's passing. What a sad coincidence. My entire family loved Bert. She shared so many great stories with us and we loved her sense of humor. We will always remember her strong German work ethic, story-telling abilities, and will to always stay young - physically and mentally. :) She took her work seriously and loved children - including ours. We feel blessed to have known her. Our sincere condolences to her family.

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**Renee Griffith** - March 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM