



## Viola Helzer

February 7, 1920 - November 16, 2008

TORRINGTON, WYOMING.....Funeral services for VIOLA M. HELZER, 88, will be held at 2pm Friday, November 21, 2008 at the Berean Bible Church with Pastor John Wilhelm officiating. Burial will follow in the Valley View Cemetery. Viola died at the Goshen Care Center on November 16, 2008. A memorial has been established to the First Congregational Church formerly the First United Church of Christ. Visitation will be Thursday from 3pm to 7pm and the casket will be open at the church prior to the service. 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). Viola was born February 7, 1920 in Alliance, Nebraska the daughter of Andrew and Mary (Rehn) Wambolt. They lived in Alliance for ten years and Bayard, Nebraska for two years before moving to the Huntley and Yoder, Wyoming area. She attended country schools in Huntley, Lyman, Nebraska, Table Mountain, Crocket School, and Hawk Springs, Wyoming. She married Floyd Helzer on March 17, 1940 in Torrington, Wyoming and they farmed in the Yoder area until 1984 when they built a house in and moved to Torrington. After the death of her husband she moved to Golden Manor in 2002 and later to the Goshen Care Center. Viola was a member of the First United Church of Christ. She played in a band for seventeen years called the Variety Mrs.'. She played piano, organ, and accordion. She crocheted, made lots of afghans, loved to garden, and read. Viola is survived by a brother Elvin Wambolt and his wife Anna of Huntley, Wyoming; two sisters, Darlyne Yates of Scottsbluff,

Nebraska, and Elnora Fabrizus and her husband Alfred of Riverton, Wyoming; a sister-in-law Jeanne Wambolt of Arizona; and numerous loving nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; two brothers, Ed and Leo; and one son at birth.