

Nita Hampshire

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Nita Redden Hampshire, 84, of Castle Dale died Monday, Jan. 7, 1984 in Castlevue hospital in Price.

Born Sept. 24, 1900 in Wanship, Utah to Richard E. Redden and Emma Petersen Redden. Married Richard R. Hampshire May 1, 1925 in Price. She was a retired school teacher, musician and composer.

She is survived by children, Elaine Jones of Salt Lake; Richard R. Hampshire of Castle Dale; sister, Mabel Larsen of Coalville; two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Jan. 11, 1985 in the Castle Dale LDS Chapel at 1 p.m. Friends may call Thursday evening from 6-8 p.m. at Fausett Mortuary in Castle Dale and one hour prior to services. Burial will be held in the Castle Dale Cemetery.

Guest Editorial by Fae Thomas

It was a small funeral for Nita Hampshire, but the people who were there came because of love and respect for a dear lady who had influenced their lives and the lives of their children — and even some of their grandchildren — for over forty years in Carbon and Emery counties.

There were people in the congregation who had sat on the edge of their seats in silent movie days and been caught up in the stories through the mood set by her piano virtuosity. To some who were there, she was their first piano teacher. Others first learned to read notes in her recorder flute groups. And some of us were there who stood in the main hall of the Hiawatha school each morning in the war years of '42 and '43 and pledged allegiance to the flag and sang with youthful fervor, "There Is No Streak of Yellow In The Red, White and Blue!" — one of her many compositions.

There were old friends and new friends, for she made friends wherever she was. There were family and friends, and friends who felt like family.

It was a small gathering of people from all walks of life. But it radiated love. Small, like a pebble in a stream which radiates ripples so far reaching no one can see the end.