

AKERBLADE, ALMA BERNHARDINA JOHNSON

November 28, 1863-August 13, 1942

Mrs. Alma Akerblade, pioneer resident of the Wheatland Flats, passed away last Thursday morning, August 13 following an illness of several years.

Alma Bernhardina Johnson Akerblade was born in Ode county, Sweden on November 28, 1863 and was confirmed in the Lutheran church on April 1878. She received her schooling in Sweden, attending high school in Stockholm. In 1880, she came to Essex, Iowa to live with a brother and then moved with her brother and family to Polk county, Nebraska in 1883, where she remained until 1888, when she came to Cheyenne when Wyoming was still a territory.

On January 11, 1890, she was united in marriage to Peter Akerblade and to this union were born four children, Walter, Clyde, Charles and Marie.

Mrs. Akerblade, her husband, and son, Walter, moved to Wheatland in 1895 with a team and wagon, and settled on the Wheatland flats. She had lived continuously within two miles of their first settlement since that time. She attended the Methodist church and took part in the ladies aid as long as her health permitted.

She is survived by her four children, Walter, Clyde and Charles of Yoncalla, Oregon, and Marie Miles of Laramie; five grandchildren, Charles and Vera Akerblade, children of Clyde; Dorothy Akerblade, daughter of Charles; George Walter and Frank Miles, children of Marie; besides many nieces and nephews and two sisters-in-law and four brothers-in-law, Charles Randall, Pate Shepard, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Johnson of Hershey, Nebraska, and Mr. and Mrs. Charley Akerblade of Hawk Springs. Her husband preceded her in death twenty-nine years ago last March.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock from the Methodist church with the Rev. W.W. Maxwell officiating. Interment was made in the Wheatland cemetery with Copley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were: W.R. West, Andy Ekstrom, Charlie Klassert, A.A. Chase, Oscar Swan and E.A. Tisch of Cheyenne.