

BAGLEY, MARY ELIZABETH MATTISON

April 25, 1873-July 16, 1933

Mrs. Nathan Bagley passed away about 11:30 Sunday night at the home of her son, Russell Bagley, after an illness of several months due to cancer. Shortly before death, she had asked Russell for something, he had waited on her and at the time, she appeared to be resting and in about the same condition as through the day, then a sudden change came on the stricken woman and before the doctor could arrive, she had passed peacefully on, conscious within ten minutes before death.

Mary Elizabeth Mattison was born in Oxford, Alabama, April 25, 1873. In the early 90's she came west to join a brother then living in New Mexico. A few years later she came north into Colorado and was married to Nathan Bagley at Trinidad. Following their marriage they traveled a great deal over the state while Mr. Bagley was doing contract work. In 1908, Mr. Bagley secured his first contract in Wyoming on the Bordeaux ditch. So impressed were they with Wyoming that they decided to make this section of the state their headquarters and homesteaded six miles west of Bordeaux. Thus they were early settlers of Platte county and have held a prominent part in the up building of the community. Death claimed Mr. Bagley in 1926.

Mrs. Bagley was of an unusually happy, cheery disposition. She had an ability to look upon the bright side of life and created a feeling of cheery among those about her. Surviving her is her only child, Russell; her sister, Mrs. John Bagley; a niece, Miss Mildred Bagley; a nephew, R.J. Mattison, all of Wheatland and other relatives in the south.

Funeral services were held with Eastern Star ritualistic service assisted by Rev. R.E. Morgan, at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon in the Masonic temple and were largely attended. Burial was made in the Wheatland cemetery under the direction of the Lyla Watson Funeral Home.