

# William Dean "Bill" Baker

*April 17, 1938 – April 16, 2013*

A funeral service for William Dean "Bill" Baker, 74, was held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 20, 2013 at the First Christian Church in Wheatland with Pastor Andy Gudahl officiating. Interment will be held at the Hillcrest Cemetery in Lingle.

Bill Baker died Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland of natural causes.

Bill was born April 17, 1938 the son of Ralph and Cora (Newton) Baker in Randolph, Neb..

He was reared and educated in Wheatland and graduated high school from Wheatland High School. After graduation, Bill had a scholarship to play football and basketball at Western Nebraska Community College in Scottsbluff, Neb. After one year of college, Bill decided to join the United States Army. After serving his country, he moved back to Wheatland and worked for Safeway for thirty plus years as the dairy

manager. Some of his hobbies included fishing, softball, and gardening.

Bill is survived by his children, Roger Baker of Wheatland, Scott (Naomi) Baker of Casper, Donitt Crusch of Wheatland, and Troy Baker of Sheridan and 13 grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his siblings.

Serving as pallbearers was John English, Arnie Cancino, Gene Davis, Bob Delozier, Roger Baker and Jamie Crusch.

A memorial to the American Legion Baseball Wheatland Lobos, P.O. Box 1562, Wheatland, WY 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gorman Funeral Homes – Platte Chapel of Wheatland.

Condolences may be left for the family at [www.gormanfh.com](http://www.gormanfh.com).