

## Mary Etta Ballard

May 25, 1906-May 26, 1999

Services for Mary Etta Ballard, 93, were held Tuesday, June 1, at 2 p.m. at the Platte Funeral Chapel in Wheatland, with Reverend Delbert Dick of the American Missionary Fellowship officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery. Mrs. Ballard died Wednesday, May 26 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland.

Mary was born May 25, 1906, in Wheatland, the daughter of John and Etta (Wyman) Rutherford. She was reared and educated on the ranch near Laramie Peak and the Crow Agency in Montana. Mary married James Victor "Vic" Ballard on September 6, 1930 at the Andrew Ranch west of Wheatland. They ranched in the Glendo area for two years and in 1934, moved to Laramie Peak and ranched there until their retirement in November 1977, at which time they moved into Wheatland. Mary enjoyed yard work.

Mary is survived by two children, Vashti Hassinger of Wheatland and Mary Jo Preuit of Lovell, Wyoming; six grandchildren; fourteen great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Vic Ballard on April 22, 1978; two sisters; and two brothers.

Serving as pallbearers were Jerry Nichols, Harold TePoel, Dan Brecht, Rod Vineyard, Phil Kahler and Chuck Shellhart.

Memorials to Eastern Wyoming Ambulance Service, 814 - 8th Street, Wheatland, Wyo. 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland was in charge of the arrangements.