

Kenneth Byron Barnes, 1918 - 1995

Mass for Christian Burial for Kenneth Byron Barnes, ⁷⁻¹⁶⁻¹⁹⁹⁵ 76, was held Wednesday, July 19, 1995, at 11 a.m., at Saint Patrick's Catholic Church. Interment followed in the Wheatland Cemetery. Vigil for the Deceased was held Tuesday, July 18, 1995 at 7 p.m. at Saint Patrick's Catholic Church.

Mr. Barnes died Sunday, July 16, 1995 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland. He was born July 30, 1918, in Wheatland, the son of Jessie Ray and Edna Pearl (Bowerman) Barnes. He was reared and educated in Wheatland, graduating from Wheatland High School in 1936. He attended the University of Wyoming in a pre-med program for one year.

On March 5, 1942, he married Mildred Klausner in Wheatland. In 1942, he joined the United States Army and served in the medical corps until 1945. After returning to Wheatland, Kenneth worked in the dry cleaning business with Howard Fish, and then bought into a partnership laundry and dry cleaning business in 1947 with Howard Fish. He then bought into a partnership laundry and dry cleaning business in 1947 with Stu Dennis. In 1949, Kenneth bought out his partner and established the Platte County Steam Laundry and Dry Cleaners, which he operated until 1980 when he retired.

After his retirement, Kenneth and Mildred traveled to visit their children and friends, especially some of Kenneth's Army buddies. In the past, Kenneth was very active in the Cub Scouts, Little League and the Parent-Teacher Association. He was a member of the American Legion and Saint Patrick's Catholic Church. He enjoyed playing bridge and golf and was an avid gardener.

Kenneth is survived by his wife, Mildred Barnes, of Wheatland, and six children, Judy and husband, Ed Lederhos of Palmdale, Calif., Barbara and husband Bill Thiesen of Las Vegas, Nev., Stephen and wife, Sandy Barnes of Wheatland, Mary and husband, Essie Ramsey of Wheatland. Charles M. and wife, Sharon Barnes of Wheatland, and Kenny and wife, Julie Barnes of Colorado Springs, Colo.

Also remaining are a sister, Irene and husband, Oscar Carlson of Wheatland, 15 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and one great-granddaughter, Sara Lederhos.

Serving as pallbearers were Cleve Artery, Joe Lederhos, Jack Eddleman, Jack Hilderbrand, Hugo Lenz, KC Ramsey and Kevin Ramsey. Honorary pallbearers were all of his many friends.

Memorials to a charity of the donor's choice would be appreciated by the family. The Platte Funeral Chapel was in charge of the arrangements.