

# Longtime PCRT employee Ken Barnes passes away

A funeral service for Kenneth Byron Barnes II, 54, was held at 10:00 A.M. Friday, November 11, 2011 at the Wheatland Worship Center in Wheatland, Wyoming with Pastor Geoffrey R Gonifas officiating. Inurnment was at the Wheatland Cemetery.

Ken a resident of Wheatland died Saturday, November 5, 2011 at his home.

He was born July 18, 1957 in Wheatland, the son of Kenneth Byron and Mildred Augusta (Klausner) Barnes. He was raised and educated in Wheatland, graduated from Wheatland High School in 1975. He attended and graduated from the University of Wyoming in Laramie, Wyoming. He worked for Safeway in Laramie, moved to Cheyenne, Wyoming and began selling cigarettes in eastern Wyoming. He moved to Colorado Springs, Colorado, where he met Julie Benson and they married in Wheatland. Ken has resided in Wheatland since 1994 working for the Platte County Record Times.

Ken enjoyed gardening, canning, and all sports, especially baseball and football. He was a devout Denver Broncos and Col-

orado Rockies fan.

He is survived by his daughter, Megan Barnes of Wheatland; step-sons, Adam (Stacy) Benson of Wheatland, Jason (Eleanor) Benson of Casper, Wyoming, and Matt (Cory) Benson of Oklahoma; siblings, Judy (Ed) Lederhos of California, Barbara (Bill) Theisen of Parker, Colorado, Stephen (Sandy) Barnes of Wheatland, Mary (Essie) Ramsey of Wheatland, and Charles (Sharon) Barnes of Cheyenne; and seven grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father, Kenneth on July 16, 1995 and mother, Mildred on Janu-

ary 24, 2004.

Serving as honorary pallbearers were all of his family and many friends.

A memorial may be sent to the Kenneth B. Barnes Memorial Fund in care of First State Bank, P.O. Box 39, Wheatland, Wyoming 82201.

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

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



**Ken Barnes**