

BEVIER, SANDRA HELEN HELMS

February 6, 1945-June 12, 2008

“Platte County Memorial Hospital, this is Sandy. How may I help you?”

The voice of Sandra Helen Helms Bevier offering help was silenced Thursday, June 12, 2008, as a result of liver cancer, in Iverson Memorial Hospital in Laramie. Sandy was about helping-her kids, the neighbors, anyone who needed her.

She began life in Lansing, Michigan February 6, 1945, but was raised in Holt, Michigan, the daughter of the late Helen and Clayton Helms. After high school she worked in the ASCS office in Mason, Michigan for fifteen years.

Sandy married Carl Bevier June 12, 1971. To this union were born three children, Shawn in 1978, who lives in Rock Springs, Wyoming, Shannon in 1981, who lives with her husband and children (Kelly and Katie) in Haw River, North Carolina, and Sheryl in 1985 who lives in Casper, Wyoming. After Carl retired, the family moved northwest of Guernsey, Wyoming where they continued to live at the time of Sandy's death.

The lady had a great love of the outdoors. She enjoyed water skiing at Hicks Lake near Evart, Michigan and floating the Platte River from Glendo to Wendover, Wyoming. She was a avid fisherwoman, even traveling to visit her sister in Alaska where she caught the biggest halibut on the boat (110 lbs.). She was a hunter and shot her own game. When Carl was still flying, she loved small airplanes. As a member of the Red Hat Society, her handle was the “Duct Tape Queen”. She was also a great story teller. With a dry sense of humor, she could relate events that would paint hilarious pictures for her listeners-rowing a boat that was still attached to an anchor, as she floated the North Platte River, a frightened spider dropped into the inner tube with her causing her to collide with a tree, the deer she shot that charged her before it died, or falling head first into a roller cooler in a store in Torrington.

Besides her husband, children and grandchildren, Sandy is survived by her sister, Linda Harris and husband Bill of Morris, Michigan, brother, Ralph Helms of Hastings, Michigan, and brother Dan and wife Diane of Plant City, Florida, as well as a host of nieces and nephews.

Services will be held Friday, June 20, 2008, 10:00 A.M. at the Wheatland Bible Church in Wheatland, Wyoming with Pastor Denzil G. Mauk officiating. Interment will be in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Gorman Funeral Homes-Platte Chapel is in charge of arrangements.