

Esther Williams Dies Suddenly In Phoenix, Ariz.

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Mrs. Esther Boyd Williams passed away suddenly on Sunday in Phoenix, Ariz. where she had been vacationing for the past three weeks with her sisters, Mrs. Ollie Slonaker, Roseberg, Ore. and Mrs. Margaret Haerberle of Wheatland. Another sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Don Kirby of Watsonville, Calif. had joined them in Arizona about a week prior to her death.

Born on June 15, 1890 in Lockwood, Mo. to James Grant and Emma L. Bird Freeman, she moved here with her family in May of 1905 and had resided here most of her life, moving to Laramie seven months ago. She was a Past Matron of the Order of Eastern Star.

Funeral services were held today, Thursday at 2 p. m. from the Congregational church with Rev. John P. McConnell of Laramie and Rev. Daniel T. Winger officiating. The Eastern Star was in charge of the closing services.

Survivors include her stepfather, Frank Howard of Wheatland; two sons, Lt. Neil Boyd, Laramie and Keith Boyd, Denver, Colo.; one brother, B. W. Freeman, Laramie; five sisters, Mrs. Slonaker, Mrs. Kirby, Mrs. Haerberle and Mrs. Harold Loomis and Mrs. Lyle Clay, both of Wheatland; and three grandchildren. Her mother, one brother and two sisters preceded her in death.

Pallbearers were B. K. Butler, Clayton Russell, Robert Russell, Harold Garrett, Lee Peterson and L. C. Russell. Interment was in the Wheatland cemetery, with Schraders in charge of local arrangements.