

# Edward W. "Ned" Bryant

December 13, 1913 - January 17, 2004

Funeral services for Wheatland resident, Edward W. "Ned" Bryant, 90, will be held Wednesday, January 21, 10:30 a.m. at the United Church of Christ in Wheatland with Pastor Scott Hirano officiating. Interment will be in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mr. Bryant died Saturday morning, January 17, at Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland.

Born December 13, 1913, in Greeley, Colo., Ned was the second of two sons of Lloyd and

Alice (Henderson) Bryant. He was raised and educated in Greeley and attended Colorado Teacher's College, where he received a Bachelor's degree. He attended the University of Washington during the late 1930's, earning his way in the Merchant Marines.

During World War II, Ned served in the United States Navy as a lieutenant commander on the USS

Philadelphia, seeing action in the Atlantic and Mediterranean theaters. While in the service, Ned married Anne Harter Van Kleeck of Brooklyn, NY. After the war's end, in company with Anne's sister and brother-in-law, the Bryants moved to Wyoming, where they started a ranch southwest of Wheatland. After years of ranching, he joined the United States Postal Service and retired as Assistant Postmaster in Wheatland. Ned was an active member of the United Church of Christ, the Lion's Club, and the American Legion.

Survivors include three sons, Edward Bryant Jr. of Denver, Colo., Douglas Bryant and wife Gail of Laramie, and Kevin Bryant of Wheatland; two grandchildren, Jennifer Flynn of Rockford, Ill. and Andrew Bryant of New York City, NY; and one great-granddaughter, Cara Flynn of Rockford.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Anne on December 6, 1994; and a brother, Ralph Bryant.

Serving as pallbearers will be Rex Johnson, Benny Ryff, Edward Bryant Jr., Douglas Bryant, Kevin Bryant, and Andrew Bryant.

Memorials to the United Church of Christ Building Fund, P.O. Box 444, or American Legion Post #10 Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 382, Wheatland, WY 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

Family and friends may call at the funeral chapel on Tuesday, from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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