

Helen Ruth Cochran

7-22-1990
Funeral services for Helen Ruth Cochran, age 79, were held at the First Christian Church in Wheatland July 26 with Andy Gudahl, minister, officiating. Interment followed in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mrs. Cochran died July 22 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

Helen Ruth (Moon) Cochran was born July 20, 1911, the daughter of John Clarence Moon and Leta Blanche (Wissler) Moon. She was the first white girl born on the Slater Flats. She was reared on the family homestead. She attended school and Sunday school at Slater.

Upon entering high school, she rode the train Wheatland on Monday mornings, attended high school, and boarded in town through the week. On Friday, she would ride the train home again.

She married Glen Cochran April 15, 1934 and moved to a farm on the Wheatland Flats. After farming different farms, Glen and Helen purchased their present farm in 1940. Helen was a housewife and mother of three sons.

She taught at the Sunday school for many years, was a 4-H leader, Farm Bureau member, belonged to the Banner Rebekah Lodge, and the Extension Homemakers Club.

Her hobbies included quilting, crocheting, gardening, baking and sewing, and corresponding with friends and relatives.

She is survived by three sons, Glendal of Torrington, and Denzil and Levon, both of Wheatland. Also surviving are 12 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, one step-brother, Charles Howard of Redding, Calif., two brothers, Gerald Moon of Mt. Shasta, Calif., and James Moon of Portland, Ore., and three sisters, Joy Clinton of Medford, Ore., Mary Ann Mickern of Newport, Ore., and Nina Wells of Salem, Ore.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Glen, step-mother Phoebe Moon Springer, and two sisters, Iva Dell and Dora.

Serving as pallbearers were Gus Settell, Charles Woolsey, Don Gudahl, Albert Goertz, Marvin Lauck and Ken Cook.

A memorial has been established to the First Chris-