

# Anna Catherine Hegarty

June 20, 1915 – January 25, 2011

A funeral liturgy for Anna Catherine Hegarty, 95, was held at 10:00 A.M. Saturday, January 29, 2011 at the Saint Patricks Catholic Church in Wheatland, Wyoming with Father Felix Sevilla Martinito Jr. as the Celebrant. The Vigil for the Deceased was held at 9:30 A.M. Saturday, January 29, 2011 at Saint Patricks Catholic Church. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Anna Hegarty a resident of Wheatland died Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland.

She was born June 20, 1915 in Somerville, Massachusetts the daughter of Anthony N. and Mary (Moriarty) Nobis. She was raised and educated in North Cambridge, Massachusetts, and graduated from the Saint John's Catholic High School in North Cambridge. She was married to Michael Hegarty on November 27, 1937 at Saint John's Catholic Church in North Cambridge. She worked as a secretary for 23 years at Tufts University. She moved to Wheatland to be near her daughter, Joanne, in 1994, and has resided at the Country Club Living the past eight years.

She enjoyed knitting, traveling, and playing cards. She was a member of the Saint John's Catholic Church and Saint Patricks Catholic Church, where she was very active in church affairs. She was also a member of the Holly Club in Wheatland.

Anna and nine other ladies in the early 1940's who had retarded children that wanted them to be educated back in a time when no classes were

available for them. These mothers got together and hired a teacher to help start teaching their children like every other child. These women were ahead of their time, and the organization they started became the well known ARC Association (Association for Retarded Citizens), which is now worldwide.



**Anna C. Hegarty**

Anna was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Michael, in 1981; brother, Edward Nobis; and sisters, Helen Capone and Mary Colyer.

She is survived by her children, Joanne M. (Thomas) Foster of Wheatland and Michael C. Hegarty of Torrington, Wyoming; sister, Edith Doyon of Vero Beach, Florida; grandchildren, Thomas Foster Jr. of Billerica, Massachusetts and Michelle A. Pulos of Torrington; and

great grandchildren, Anthony Gello and Michelle Gello both of Casper, Wyoming and Rebecca Foster of Billerica.

Serving as pallbearers were Chuck Ruwart, Louis Montoya, Gene Hayes, Joe Bromley, Leo Morrell, and Bill Britz.

Serving as honorary pallbearers were Michael Hegarty, Thomas Foster Jr., and Anthony Gello.

A memorial to the Saint Patricks Catholic Church, 1001 Ninth Street, Wheatland, Wyoming 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

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

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