

Donald Ray Horton

July 19, 1937 – February 5, 2005

Funeral services for Donald Ray Horton, 67, will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 10 at First Baptist Church in Wheatland, Wyoming, with Pastor Marlin Driskell officiating. Interment with military graveside rites will be in the Wheatland Cemetery.

He died Saturday, Feb. 5 at Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland of complications of pneumonia.

Donald was born July 19, 1937, in Girard, Kans., the son of Orval and Georgia Elsie (Clark) Horton.

After graduating from Chugwater High School in Chugwater in 1955 and attending the University of Wyoming, Don joined the WYDOT (Wyoming Department of Transportation) in Wheatland. He was part of the design team that built many of the roads and bridges that are still in use in this area. He was a licensed professional engineer in both Wyoming and Colorado. Don was the county engineer for Platte, Goshen, and Natrona Counties as well as being a private land surveyor in Wyoming, Nebraska, and Colorado. He was in business with Kenneth Kennedy for many years in a joint venture called K and H Engineering. Donald was a project engineer for the Wyoming National Guard for many years, retiring with the rank of Colonel. He

enjoyed golf, gardening, and sports and was an avid University of Wyoming and Denver Bronco fan. He enjoyed attending sporting events his sons were involved in as high school athletes.

Survivors include his mother, Georgia of Wheatland; three sons, Douglas Horton and wife, LaDonna of Crawford, Colo., and Kevin Horton and wife, Jill and Benjamin Horton and wife, Shannon all of Leiter, Wyo.; a daughter, Kimberly Burton and husband, Corey of Cody; and six grandchildren, D.J., Braeden, Jessie, Mikki, Austin, and Brandon Horton.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Serving as pallbearers will be Kevin Horton, Doug Horton, Ben Horton, Greg Horton, Delbert Foote, and Corey Burton. Honorary pallbearers will be Clint Larson, George Bowles, Kenneth Kennedy, and all of his many other friends.

Memorials to Hospice of Platte County, P.O. Box 1025, Wheatland, WY 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

Family and friends may call at the funeral chapel on Wednesday from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Gorman Funeral Homes - Platte Chapel of Wheatland is in charge of the arrangements.