

# Doval Johnston dies of injuries in farm accident

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Funeral services will be Saturday morning at 10:30 from the Methodist church with Rev. Stuart D. Cook of Casper officiating. Burial will be made in the wheatland cemetery with Masonic graveside services. Pallbearers will be John Carey, Glen Nixon, Don Borthwick, Charles Peek, Dr. J. G. Allison, L. A. Shepard, Fred Wilson and George Hugh Good.

His body will lie in state at the Schrader Chapel until time for services, the casket will not be opened at the church.

Doval Johnston, 51 year old Platte County State Legislator and prominent rancher and farmer, died Tuesday in the Platte County Memorial Hospital from injuries in a farm accident.

The accident happened about 10 a.m. on his farm west of Wheatland, when he and John Carey

were putting a tractor upon a trailer in preparation of bringing it into town for repairs. They had the tractor upon the tilting trailer when Doval walked behind it to go up and set the brakes before hooking to the pickup. The tractor moved back and crushed him against the pickup.

Carey hailed a car and sent in word for an ambulance. Doval was rushed to the hospital in a conscious condition and passed away an hour and a half later.

The deceased was born in Torrington, Wyoming, on June 14, 1911, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Johnston. He moved with his family early in life to Wheatland and attended the local schools. He was very active in business, agriculture and civic improvement and at one time owned Johnston Implement Co. before selling to Art Richard, and owned a farm west of town as well as a wheat farm near Cheyenne.

He was a member of the AF & AM Lodge 16, York Rite Mason, Shriner, Odd Fellows and Farm Bureau. He was also an executive member of the Wheatland Soil Conservation District, Wyoming Stock Growers Association and on the Board of the Platte County Weed and Pest Control.

Having served in the State Legislature for two terms, 1956-58 and 1960-62, he was up for reelection in the coming general election for his third term.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife Marie; his mother, Mrs. Adah Faye Johnston; a son,