

5-3-1986 DEUANE LOWRY

Services for Deuane Olen Lowry, 63, who died in McAllen, Texas, May 3, 1986, were held in the United Methodist Church in Wheatland May 7, 1986 at 10:30 A.M. with Pastors Virgil Lamm and Delbert Dick officiating.

Deuane Lowry was born Dec. 27, 1922 in Weatherford, Okla. the son of Sherman and Lucy Lowry. He grew up in a small town, Putnam, Okla., where he attended and graduated from high school.

During World War II, he served bravely for his country aboard the U.S.S. Enterprise in the U.S. Navy. He fought in several major battles in the South Pacific during wartime.

Deuane started wheat farming in Independence, Okla. with his father-in-law, Fern Wilmeth and his brother-in-law, Jack Wilmeth. he also began a custom combining operation which traveled from Texas to Wyoming each year. In 1953 he moved his family to Wheatland where he began his wheat farming operation at Slater.

Deuane dearly loved farming, family, neighbors and the community. During his life he was active in various community affairs; for a number of years he served on the Methodist Church Board, ASCS county committee, the FHA board, Farmers Co-Op board and the Weed & Pest Control board.

He also helped in the building of Wheatland's ball parks, and coached several years in both Little League and Babe Ruth League baseball. In recent years he was actively involved in the restoration of the old Slater School. <

He will be best remembered for his many good qualities in life as a leader and a helper to many friends, for his sense of humor, his honesty, his pride and quality of work, his positive outlook and zest for life, and as a hard worker.

On August 23, 1942, Deuane and Roberta Jane Wilmeth were married. They had two children, David Lowry of Broken Arrow, Okla. and Betsy Jefferson of Wheatland. They also enjoyed five grandchildren: Whitney Jefferson, Jennifer Lowry, A.J. Jefferson, Sara Jefferson and Jessica Lowry. Deuane is survived by his sister, Cleo Green and brother, Clell Lowry, both of Taloga, Okla.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorial contributions in his name may be made to the Slater Hall & School Restoration-Maintenance Fund.

Burial was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Schrader-Prell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.