

MEMMER, ROBERT BLAINE

June 1, 1899-April 28, 1978

Longtime Wheatland resident Robert Blaine Memmer succumbed Friday, April 28, 1978 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital at the age of 78 after an extended illness.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 1, 1978, at the Schrader-Prell Chapel with Dan Barcus officiating. Interment was at the Wheatland Cemetery. Graveside services were conducted by the Wheatland Masonic Lodge.

Memmer was born in Chelsea, Iowa June 1, 1899. He came to Wyoming from Iowa with his family when he was five years old. They made their home on the Wheatland Flats area and homesteaded on Green Mountain when he was 14. He farmed for a short time before he entered the U.S. Army during World War I. After the war, he returned to Wyoming.

He and Mary Darlene Wolcott were married December 24, 1925 at the Jim Irvine Sr. Ranch in Wheatland. He ranched again for a short time and then worked in the oil fields in the Midwest area. He returned to Wheatland and started his own building contracting business. Memmer built several homes and business buildings in Wheatland. He then started a plumbing contracting business and opened a plumbing and sheet metal shop in partnership with his son after the Korean War.

Blaine Memmer retired in 1964 and has pursued his favorite hobbies of hunting and fishing. He was a member of the American Legion and Past Master of Wheatland AF and AM Lodge #16. He was a 32nd Degree Mason of the Scottish Rite and a member of the Korien Temple in Rawlins. He also served on the Wheatland School Board.

He is survived by his wife Darlene Memmer of Wheatland; two sons, Bob Memmer of Wheatland and Ralph Memmer of Denver; one daughter, Mrs. Jean Therkildsen of Casper; one brother, Franzel Memmer of Wheatland; two sisters, Bessie Irvine of Wheatland and Ethel VanOsdal of Aztec, New Mexico; and eight grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by ten brothers and sisters.

Schrader-Prell Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. A memorial has been established to the Shriners Crippled Children's Hospital in salt Lake City, Utah.