

MITCHELL, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

1868-February 26, 1945

Ben Mitchell, 76, a resident of Platte county since the turn of the century, passed away in the Wheatland General hospital Monday, February 26, following a one-day stay.

Benjamin Franklin Mitchell was born in Clinton county, Mo. On October 29, 1892, he was united in marriage to Sarah M. Bush and to this union, five daughters and three sons were born. Mr. Mitchell purchased a farm near Wheatland in 1900, operating it until a few years ago, and had been employed by the Wheatland Development company since 1916 as a ditch rider. He has been a member of the local Masonic lodge since 1916.

Besides his wife, he is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Steele of Wichita, Kan., Mrs. Gladys Howell of Cheyenne, Mrs. Ethel VanBrimmer of Skamoka, Wash., Mrs. Emma Kissell of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Mrs. Shirley Williams of Cheyenne; and three sons, David S. and Ishmael of Wheatland and Kenneth, who is surviving with the U.S. army in the European theatre of operation.

Funeral services were held this afternoon (Thursday) at 2 p.m. at the Christian church with Mr. James Cameron officiating. Burial was in the Wheatland cemetery with the Masonic lodge in charge of the graveside services.

Pallbearers included Joe Elliott, John Gans, Charles Randell, Laurence Jordan, Mike Gordon and Jim McQuisten.

The Schrader Funeral home was in charge of arrangements.