

# **Florence Marie Montgomery**

**March 9, 1917 - February 26, 2002**

Funeral services for Florence Marie Montgomery, 84, were held on Feb. 26, at 2 p.m. at Platte Funeral Chapel in Wheatland, with Reverend Delbert Dick officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mrs. Montgomery died Saturday, Feb. 23, at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland.

Florence was born March 9, 1917, in Wheatland, the daughter of Horace Cleveland and Nettie Elizabeth (Bovee) Wilson. She was reared and educated in Wheatland, graduating from Wheatland High School in 1935. After high school she taught in country schools in Albany County. She attended the University of Wyoming where she received her Normal Training certificate. On March 27, 1936, Florence married Leo Frank "Lee" Montgomery in Bridgeport, Nebr. They ranched at the upper end of Palmer Canyon and Florence taught school at Toltec and Pine Mountain Schools. She was a ranch woman and a good cook. Florence and Lee ran wild horses on the Laramie Plains.

Florence was good at running wild horses and she raised quarterhorses and cows. She was also noted for her spotted horses and she registered lots of quarterhorses. She was a past member of the Stockgrower's Association and the Quarterhorse Association. Florence was a charter member of the Indian Paintbrush Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

She is survived by three brothers, James N. "Bud" Wilson, Don L. "Skeet" Wilson and Harold L. "Shorty" Wilson all of Wheatland and two nieces, Cindy Kahler and Cathy Wilson also of Wheatland. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Lee on April 8, 1965. Serving as pallbearers will be Ed McAuley, Jim McAuley, Larry Wilson, Steve Shockley, Danny Brecht and Jeff McCormick. Honorary pallbearers will be all of her friends and family.

Memorials to the Indian Paintbrush Chapter D.A.R., 305 Bordeaux Road, Wheatland, WY 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland is in charge of the arrangements.