

# Coll Morrison, Early Timer Dies Early Sunday Morning

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Wheatland lost another beloved resident and early pioneer Sunday morning when Coll Morrison was claimed by death resulting from a siege of pneumonia.

Mr. Morrison came to Wheatland before there was much of a town here. That was in 1885, after look-



ing over the project of the Wyoming Development Co. here he returned to Colorado, returning in February 1886 with a four horse wagon. In March Mrs. Morrison arrived with the children, a daughter, 2 years old and one seven months old. She traveled by train from Denver to Cheyenne, by coach to Chugwater and by wagon to their home on the South Flats, east of where the

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2-Bar ranch is now located on the Sibylee.

Ten years after coming into Wyoming their son Milton was born, May 24, 1893. He was the first child born on the flats. Milton was killed by a electric shock last month while at his work on the locks near Chicago.

When Mr. Morrison first saw this valley he thought it was the greatest country he had ever seen and imagined a great future for it, and worked hard to develop its many resources.

He was a hard worker planting crops and alfalfa. He planted the first vegetables, corn and alfalfa in the valley. He operated the first ice business and built an ice house at Festo lake and operated the first dairy. He retired a little over 8 years ago from active farming. The Morrises helped organize the Congregational church in 1894 with Rev James Madison Brown of Wisconsin, pastor. Of the nine charter members Mrs. Morrison is the only one remaining.

Up until he became ill Mr. Morrison was a frequent visitor down town. He drove an old Ford which he handled most efficiently.

Wheatland has lost a real friend and booster.

Mr. Morrison was a true christian. He lived close to God and urged others to live and practice the teachings of Christ.

Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 from the Congregational church. Copley Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Interment in the Wheatland cemetery.

Caldwell I. Morrison was born in Perry, Illinois, February 19, 1856, and came to Colorado with his parents at the age of four years, at which place he grew to manhood, taking a helpful part in the development of that state.

He was married to Esther A. Carroll in 1883, and they came to Wyoming in 1886, where they have resided up to the present time. To this union was born four children, three of whom have preceeded him in death.

He departed this life October 16, 1938 at Wheatland General Hospital and is survived by his wife, one daughter and one brother.

In early life he accepted the leadership of the Master and has ever been a most consistent deciple.

Life! We've been long together, through pleasant and cloudy weather.

'Tis hard to part when friends are dear.

Perhaps twill cause a sigh, a tear; then steal away, give little warning.

Choose thine own time, say not 'goodnight' but in some brighter clime bid me "goodmorning."

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