

Funeral services for Harry M. Olson, 76, were held Tuesday, June 19, 2001, at 2:00 P.M. at the Assembly of God Church in Wheatland, Wyoming, with Pastor Dwight Dean officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery with military honors accorded.

Mr. Olson died Friday, June 15, 2001, at the Platte County Memorial Nursing Home in Wheatland.

Harry was born February 7, 1925, in Wheatland, the son of Harry M. and Eldora (Locke) Olson. He was reared and educated in Wheatland, graduating from Wheatland High School in 1943. Following graduation he was inducted into the United States Navy and served in World War II until being discharged in February, 1946. He returned to Wheatland, and began working for O.P. Skaggs as a meat cutter. He was married June 30, 1946, in Wheatland, to Betty Jean Updike. They moved to Casper in 1967 where he worked for Albertson's Grocery Store for three years, and then for Safeway until his retirement in 1986 as the manager of the Deli. In 1987 they returned to Wheatland, where he resided until the time of his death. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. He enjoyed paint by number pictures, hunting, fishing, cooking, and yard work. He made pinecone Christmas trees and assembled and painted toys he received from the Wells Fargo Bank for under privileged children at Christmas time.

Harry is survived by his wife, Betty, of Wheatland; two children, Calla and husband Ralph Carlson of Wheatland and Lester and wife, Susan Olson of Gering, Nebraska; one sister, Agnes Christensen of Wheatland; six granddaughters, Connie, Rhonda, Cristy, Tasha, April, and Lesley; and three great grandsons, Zachary, Austin, and André.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Serving as pallbearers were Frank Schreyer, Dennis Little, John Zegura, Brian Hedstrom, Brett Irwin, and Burt Peterson.

Honorary pallbearers were all of his family and many friends.

Memorials were to the American Diabetes Association, 4910 South Ash Street, Casper, Wyoming 82601.

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