

Violet Jean Perry

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Violet Jean Perry, 66, of Meridian, Idaho, died July 7 in a Boise hospital of natural causes.

Memorial services were held July 10 at 10:30 a.m., at the Meridian United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Ralph Lawrence officiating. Cremation followed under the direction of the Chapel of the Chimes in Meridian.

Mrs. Perry, a homemaker, was born April 4, 1924, at Bayard, Neb., the daughter of DeWitt and Nell Hampton Keefe. A farming family, the Keefes moved to Minnesota when Jean was a young child.

Later, the family moved to Wheatland, where Jean was raised. She attended a one-room school which also served as Farmers Community Church. She graduated from Wheatland High School.

She married Charles F. Perry in 1943 at Albuquerque, N.M.. The couple moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, in 1956, where they lived and raised their two children. Having developed a chronic illness, Jean lived the past 10 years in Meridian with her daughter, Darlene Thorsted.

She was a member of the Meridian United Methodist Church, and was active in the Meridian Senior Citizens Center, and with RSVP.

Survivors include her husband, Charles D. Perry, of Oakland, Calif., a daughter, Darlene Thorsted of Meridian, Idaho, a brother, James Frank Keefe of Denver, Colo., three sisters, Donnis Brown of Monticello, Fla., Ardith Logan of Rock Springs, Wyo., and Ruth Neibarger of Cheyenne.

Three grandchildren, Melanie McGillvray Whitley of Winston-Salem, N.C., Dennis McGillvray of Breckenridge, Colo., and Deidra Thorsted of Meridian, also survive.

The family suggests that memorials may be made to the Meridian Senior Citizens Center, Box 597, Meridian, ID, 83642. Flowers may be delivered to the Meridian United Methodist Church, 240 East Idaho, Meridian, ID, 83642.