

## Clifford Burton Roberts

6-2-1993

Funeral services for Clifford Burton Roberts, 72, will be held today (Saturday, June 5, 1993) at 10 a.m. at the First Christian Church in Wheatland, with the Rev. Mike Benson of Frontier Baptist Church officiating. Interment will follow in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mr. Roberts died Wednesday, June 2, 1993 at the emergency room of Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland.

He was born Sept. 18, 1920 on the family homestead east of Glendo, to Thomas David and Hazel (Mittan) Roberts. He was educated in rural schools of Platte County. He worked on a ranch near Casper until June 8, 1942, when he enlisted in the United States Army.

He received the Purple Heart and was a prisoner of war in Germany. He was discharged in November, 1945. He married Virgie Lee Wilson on May 29, 1946 in Wheatland.

They made their home in the Wheatland area, and Cliff worked on ranches and showed registered Herefords for the Middleswarth and Weaver Ranches. He worked at Vimbo's from 1975 to 1992 as custodian and guard. He also ran the Wheatland Car Wash for Jack Rhoades.

He was a member of I.O.O.F., Encampment, Canton of Wyoming, was past Grand Chaplain of I.O.O.F., past Grand Patriarch of the Encampment of Wyoming, past vice-president of the Golden Age Club, a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and attended Frontier Baptist Church. He was a charter member of the Church of Christ in Morrill, Neb. He loved wood-working, gardening, yard work, fishing, hunting and playing pool with his I.O.O.F. buddies every afternoon.

He is survived by his wife, Virgie, of Wheatland, and two children, Clinton B. Roberts and wife, Sharon, of Wheatland, and Nancy Ann Preuit and husband, Terry, of Gillette. Also surviving are two sisters and four brothers, David Roberts of Portland, Ore., Minnie Strong of Wheatland, Sabra Graves of Guernsey, Henry Roberts of Wheatland, Albert Roberts of Worland and Everrette Roberts of Loveland, Colo.

Other survivors include three granddaughters, Tamie Roberts of Wheatland, Crystal Roberts of Wheatland, and Carmen Preuit of Gillette, and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Ida Mae Neilson, a brother, Wesley Roberts, and two grandsons.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Jack Rhoades, Ernie Browning, Steve Stumbough, Vic White, Steve Feddersen, Roy Stanley, Carl Preuit, Chuck Palmer and Jay Middleswarth. A memorial to the American Cancer Society, Cheyenne Division, 2222 House Avenue, Cheyenne, WY 82001, would be appreciated by the family.

The Platte Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.