

RODRIGUEZ, MANUEL  
December 25, 1900-November 21, 1986

Services for Manuel Rodriguez, 85, who died at home, Nov. 21, 1986, were held in St. Patrick Catholic Church in Wheatland at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 24 with Father Malcolm Reid officiating.

Manuel Rodriguez was born in Mexico Dec. 25, 1900, the son of Rafael and Delores (Perez) Rodriguez. When he was 19 years old, his family sent him to the U.S. to find a suitable place for them to relocate. He started in Texas and worked his way north to Wyoming. He liked this area and returned to Mexico to bring his family here.

He and Sadie Luna met here and were married in 1924. They farmed west of Wheatland on the old Ayers farm. In 1940 he purchased his own farm west of Wheatland which they operated until retirement early in the 1960's. He was a very successful farmer, having once attained an award for highest sugar beet production in this area.

Besides his wife Sadie of Wheatland he is survived by two sons: Dave Rodriguez of Laguna Beach, Calif., Manuel Rodriguez, Jr. of Douglas, a daughter, Lola Maken of Kansas City, Mo., two brothers: Mike Rodriguez of Penrose, Colo., Jess Rodriguez of Hartville, two sisters: Mary Lou Montoya of Wheatland, Jess Grable of Cheyenne, nineteen grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a sister.

A memorial in his name has been established to needy children or to St. Patricks Building Fund to be handled by Father Reid.

Burial was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Schrader-Prell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.