

ROSENTRETER, GUSTAV WILHELM

January 31, 1874-March 9, 1968

Gustav Wilhelm Rosentreter was born in Schoenlanke, Germany, January 31, 1874 to August and Augusta Kuhn Rosentreter. The eldest of a family of five children, he passed away at Platte County Memorial Hospital, March 9, 1968.

He came to the United States at the age of 16 in June, 1890, and worked on the Henke and Plaga ranches during the winters and rode for HR, Ogalalla, Pugsly, and the Quarter Circle L ranches.

In 1895 he filed on his homestead which is now a part of the present ranch on South Sybille Creek. He was honored as Wyoming's oldest living homesteader in 1962, still living on his homestead.

He was married to Julia L. White in 1897, who passed away in 1902. In 1904, he married Iva A. Ankeny who preceded him in death in 1957.

Survivors include his two sons, Lawrence and Floyd, a daughter, Myrtle Flaharty, five grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Mr. Rosentreter was a 50 year member of Wheatland Lodge No.16 A.F. & A.M., Wyoming Consistory No. 1, Cheyenne and Korein Shrine, Rawlins. He belonged to the Wheatland Chapter No. 11 O.E.S., Platte County and Wyoming Historical Societies, Laramie Peak and Wyoming Stock Growers Associations and Shamrock Farm Bureau.

Funeral services were conducted on Monday, March 11, at 2 p.m. from the United Church of Christ, by Rev. Clare Olney, followed by Masonic services at the graveside in the Wheatland cemetery. Casket bearers were Don Willcuts, Sam White, Tom Moore, Howard E. "Mick" Miller, Mark Martens and Milton Small.