

## LeRoy John Rutz

Aug. 14, 1931 – April 17, 2018

Funeral services for LeRoy John Rutz, 86, will be held at 2:00 P.M. Saturday, April 21, 2018 at the United Church of Christ 1056 Walnut Street, Wheatland, Wyoming with Pastor Joe Bair officiating. Inurnment will be in the Wheatland Cemetery.

LeRoy died Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland surrounded by loving family.

LeRoy was born August 14, 1931 in Windsor, Colorado the son of John and Elizabeth (Weideman) Rutz.

LeRoy was raised and educated in the

Windsor and Wheatland areas. He graduated from the Wheatland High School in 1949. He attended the University of Wyoming on a basketball scholarship from 1949 to 1952. He was married to Helen Joyce Howard on August 17, 1952 in Wheatland, Wyoming and to this union three children were born, Jerry, Rodney, and Shelley.

After his family, his life was built around his farm and ranch north of Wheatland, where they resided for 58 years. Upon his retirement his time was spent building a cabin on Shapley Creek and

building furniture for the cabin. Helen then kept him busy with wood working and making picture frames.

During his lifetime he was very active in the community and in his Church. He served on many farm boards, was a bank director, he earned high producer from GW Sugar, and was selected Outstanding Young Farmer.

LeRoy is survived by his wife, Helen; children, Jerry Rutz, Rodney (Kristi) Rutz, and Shelley (Derek) Marker; sister, Beverly Hitt; eight grandchildren; and eleven great grandchildren.

He was preceded

in death by his father, John, on April 26, 1990; mother, Elizabeth, on November 24, 1995; and brother, Harold Rutz, on May 24, 2017.

Memorials in LeRoy's memory may be made to the United Church of Christ, P.O. Box 444, Wheatland, Wyoming 82201 or to the Services for Seniors, P.O. Box 283, Wheatland, Wyoming 82201.

The Gorman Funeral Homes – Platte Chapel of Wheatland, Wyoming is in charge of the arrangements.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.gormanfh.com](http://www.gormanfh.com).