

Mary Viola "Vi" Ryan 1906 to 1996

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A service for Christian Burial for Mary Viola "Vi" Ryan, 89, was held Tuesday, Aug. 20 at 11 a.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church in Wheatland, with Reverend Doctor Richards Wolff- Richards officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mrs. Ryan died Saturday, Aug. 17 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital.

Viola was born at Shaffer's Crossing, Colo., Oct. 31, 1906 to Thomas A. and Winifred (Williams) Shaffer. At the age of two, she moved with her family to Thermopolis, Wyo., where the family was engaged in ranching. She began school at the Andrew School and continued at Bellview, Pumpkin Draw and Padlock Schools. Active in girl's basketball, she graduated from Thermopolis High School in 1926. Vi was employed at various businesses in Thermopolis. They moved to Wheatland in 1938; and Vi resided there until her death. Vi married Eddie Ryan Sr. in Nebraska and was active in the insurance and real estate business with her husband; and continued the business after his death. She retired in 1981. She was a past member of the Ancient Order of United

Workmen and the Eastern Star; and was a member of All Saints Episcopal Church and the Women's Guild.

Vi is survived by a stepson, Eddie Ryan Jr. of Casper, Wyo.; a sister, Gladys Yount of Wheatland; a sister-in-law, Jeanne Shaffer of Fruita, Colo.; and nine nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husbands, Scott Ingalls and Eddie Ryan Sr.; a daughter, Lois Anne; a son, Clell; three brothers, Roy, Otis, and Cecil; a sister, Vivian Coleman; and two nieces.

Serving as pallbearers were Gary Hudson, Doug Weaver, Pete Lange, Robert Leazenby, Michael Rivers, Charlie Coleman, Tim Weaver and Bruce Hellbaum.

Honorary pallbearers were all the members of the All Saints Women's Guild.

Memorials to All Saints Episcopal Church, 605-11th Street, Wheatland, Wyo., 82201 or the Laramie Peak Museum, 16th Street, Wheatland, Wyo., 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

The Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland was in charge of the arrangements