

# Edna Mae Ryff

March 18, 1927 - January 18, 2017

Funeral services for Edna Mae Ryff, 89, were held at 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 23, at the First Christian Church in Wheatland, with Pastor Casey Schroeder officiating. Inurnment will be held in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Edna Ryff wonderful mother, wife, grandmother, sister, and friend, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 18, at the Platte County Legacy Home in Wheatland after several years of declining health.

Edna was born March 18, 1927 in Windsor, Colo., the daughter of Henry and Effie (Eurich) Nagel. She moved with her family to Wheatland shortly thereafter where she spent her childhood and youth. She graduated from Wheatland High School in 1944.

Edna married Dean Waldo Ryff in Fort Collins, Colorado on December 4, 1943. They had three children together, Sandra Gayle, Warren Dean, and Carol Diane. They farmed until 1959 when they moved into town. Edna worked at the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service for many years. In 1971, they moved to Cheyenne where they lived for nearly 40 years, during which time Edna worked in several different positions.

Edna will be remembered for sparkling smile and her loving and kind ways. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother, and great grandmother who saw only the best in all those she nurtured. She and Dean greatly enjoyed having their family gather around them and savored traveling to visit them in

distant places. One of their great pastimes together was square-dancing at which they were both very good. Edna was a bowling champion, she loved playing cards and had great fun in casinos, and every summer she grew beautiful flowers in her yard.

Edna was preceded in death by her son, Warren Dean in 2001, whose passing she greatly grieved; by the loss of her husband, Dean, in 2009; and by several siblings, Minnie Feit, Esther Seibel, Mary Kiser, Pauline Shepard, Roy Nagel, and Charlie Nagel.

Survivors include two daughters, Sandy (Rick Byers) Shields of Kennesaw, GA, and Carol Ryff, of Madison, WI; daughter-in-law, Edie Ryff of Wheatland; five grandchildren, Kim (Rick) Young, Misty (Greg) Markel, Mandy (Travis) McIntosh, Alex (Olivia) Dennis, and Tyler Dennis; six great grandchildren, Dalyss (Henry) Kay, Clara Young, Sarah and Chase Markel, Madison McIntosh, and Carter Dennis; one great great grandchild, Sloan Kay; and her brother, Harold Nagel.

Memorial contributions in her honor can be made to the Platte County Legacy Home, 100 Nineteenth Street, Wheatland, Wyoming 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

The Gorman Funeral Homes - Platte Chapel of Wheatland are in charge of the arrangements.

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