Warren Dean Ryff

April 23, 1948-April 10, 2001

Services for Warren Dean Ryff, 52, were held Friday, April 13, at 10:30 a.m. at the First Christian Church in Wheatland, with Rev. Andy Gudahl, officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

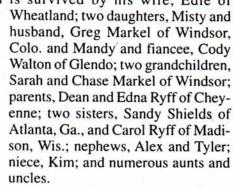Mr. Ryff died Tuesday, April 10 at his home in Wheatland.

Warren was born April 23, 1948, in Wheatland to Dean and Edna (Nagel) Ryff. He graduated from Wheatland High School in 1966. He then attended Casper College and the University of Wyoming. Warren was united in marriage to Edris "Edie" Sailer on Nov. 19, 1968 i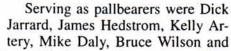n Pinedale, Wyo. Warren was a journeyman lineman working on powerline construction from 1968 to 1974. He and Edie then moved to the Chislo Ranch in Albany County where he started his ranching operation. During this period Warren and Edie raised their daughters, Misty born in 1973 and Mandy born in 1979. In 1992, Warren and his family moved to their home on Grange Road, where he ran the R&R Cattle Company summering cattle at the Kite Ranch in Albany County and wintering the operation at his home west of Wheatland. Warren was a member of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, Wyoming Stockgrowers Association and for the past several years was on the Board of Directors of the First State Bank.

Warren's lifelong dream and calling was to be a cowboy and cattleman. He achieved both and, in these endeavors was respected by all who knew him. One particular pleasure of Warren's life was flying his tail-dragger airplane. Warren loved and enjoyed his family and friends. All will remember him for his great smile, wonderful laugh, generosity, kindness and zest for life.

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Warren is survived by his wife, Edie of Wheatland; two daughters, Misty and husband, Greg Markel of Windsor, Colo. and Mandy and fiancee, Cody Walton of Glendo; two grandchildren, Sarah and Chase Markel of Windsor; parents, Dean and Edna Ryff of Cheyenne; two sisters, Sandy Shields of Atlanta, Ga., and Carol Ryff of Madison, Wis.; nephews, Alex and Tyler; niece, Kim; and numerous aunts and uncles.

Serving as pallbearers were Dick Jarrard, James Hedstrom, Kelly Artery, Mike Daly, Bruce Wilson and Martin Sullivan. Honorary pallbearers were Greg Markel, Cody Walton and all of his many friends.

Memorials to the Wyoming High School Rodeo Association in Warren's memory may be sent to First State Bank, P.O. Box 39, Wheatland, WY 82201.

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