

Lois Janet Savoy

February 22, 1927 – May 7, 2012

Lois Janet Savoy, 85, of Wheatland, Wyoming, died Monday, May 7, 2012 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland.

Lois was born in Wendell, Minnesota on February 22, 1927, the daughter of Edwin and Mona (Bennett) Holt. Her only sibling was an older brother named Everett. The family lived on a farm just outside of Wendell where they raised chickens, cows and pigs. They tended to crops in the fields surrounding the farm. Lois and her brother attended school in Wendell where they both graduated. Lois then went to live with relatives in Highland Park, Illinois a suburb of Chicago, where she worked as a telephone operator for a few years.

Lois returned to Minnesota and went back to the farm. She met David Savoy at a dance in Wendell and they were married January 26, 1951. The couple lived with Lois' family on the farm for the first year of their marriage, moving into their own home in Fergus Falls, Minnesota in 1952. They had two daughters Diona and Janet. While David worked as an electrician at the local power plant, Lois was fulltime homemaker caring for her home and her children. David and Lois enjoyed various social outlets including square dancing and bowling with their friends.

In 1972, David and Lois moved to Richmond, Virginia to pursue a new employment opportunity. They later returned to Minnesota for a few years before heading west where David had some family in Reno, Nevada. While still in Reno, David and Lois received word of a new power plant being built in Wheatland. They accepted an offer of employment at the new plant and moved to Wheatland in 1978.

David and Lois welcomed their first grandchild, Anthony David, into the fold in 1982, with the second grandchild, Liberty Jane, joining in 1986. Following David's death in 1987, Lois stayed in Wheatland, tending to her home and helping care for her grandchildren. She continued to be the core of family gatherings, always dazzling the family with her cooking prowess- including her unique baking power biscuits which were legendary for their unusual combination of dense texture and hearty taste when topped with

strawberry shortcake. They became a family favorite.

Lois developed health problems in 2004 at which time her daughter and son-in-law, Janet and Mike Brevig moved in to care for Lois. They traveled together around the country and spent several winters in Arizona. With additional health challenges in later years, her granddaughter Liberty, joined the Wheatland household to help provide care for Lois, at home around the clock. They got Lois to her appointments, went on occasional shopping trips and whenever possible attended dance, music and theatre programs that sometimes included Liberty or Diona performing on stage.

Throughout her life Lois loved to go camping with her family first in Minnesota and later in Wyoming. She and Anthony were avid Colorado Rockies fans from the moment the team was established. She dearly loved her kitty, Keekee, often holding and petting her beloved cat. Lois will be deeply missed by the family she nurtured and to whom she dedicated her entire life.

Lois is survived by her two daughters; Diona (Jesse) Savoy-McDaniels of Torrington, Wyoming and Janet (Mike) Brevig of Wheatland; two grandchildren, Anthony David (Ashley) McDaniels of Bakersfield, California and Liberty Jane McDaniels of Wheatland.

She was preceded in death by her husband David Savoy, her parents and brother, Everett Holt.

A private family service will be held at a later date.

A memorial to the Platte County Animal Welfare Services (PAWS), P.O. Box 1501 Wheatland, Wyoming 82201 or to the Torrington Alzheimer's Association in care of Goshen Care Center, 2009 Laramie Street Torrington, Wyoming 82240 would be appreciated by the family.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gorman Funeral Homes – Platte Chapel of Wheatland.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.gormanfh.com



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