

Lucinda Menefee (Lulu) Shepherd

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Graveside services and interment for Lucinda Menefee (Lulu) Shepherd, 106, were held Tuesday, May 19, 1992, at the Wheatland Cemetery with Pastor Marlin Driskell of the First Baptist Church officiating.

Mrs. Shepherd died Saturday, May 16, at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland following a long illness.

She was born April 19, 1886 in Washington County, Kans., the daughter of Joseph L. and Jemima (Shields) Menefee. She has been a resident of Platte County since 1915.

She had five sisters, Luvada Pense, Hettie Derrick, Dora Menefee, Ursa Parker and Alta Hall, and one brother, Alvin Menefee. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Wheatland.

Prior to coming to Wyoming, she attended the Baptist Church of Washington County, where she was saved and baptized in the Little Blue River in 1902.

Her family moved to the Wheatland area in 1903, coming by train. Her father built a home west of Wheatland near what is now known as the Utter Farms.

She worked in the dining room of the Globe Hotel for \$25 per month.

In 1904, she and her sister, Hettie, returned to Washington County where Lulu and Clyde Roberts were married in 1905. In 1915, she and her daughter returned to Wyoming to live with her parents.

In 1917, she married William (Billy) Shepherd, moving to the ranch he owned east of Wheatland. They ranched for 30 years until Billy's death. To this union, one son, David Shepherd, was born. After Billy's death, Lulu moved to Wheatland in 1947 where she worked cleaning houses.

She was a member of Rebekah Lodge for 25 years, and during these years of service she carried the American flag for the Grand March.

She is survived by her daughter-in-law, Mollie Shepherd of Cody, Wyo., seven grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and a few nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her son, David Shepherd, one daughter, Esther Hart, a step-son, Frank Shepherd, five sisters and one brother.

A memorial to the First Baptist Church would be equally appreciated by the family. The Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland was in charge of arrangements.