

## Melvin Charles (Mel)

Short 2-10-1991

Funeral services for Melvin Charles (Mel) Short, 96, will be held today (Wednesday, Feb. 13) at 2 p.m., at the Wheatland Bible Church with the Rev. Susan D. Phifer of the United Methodist Church officiating. Interment will follow in the Wheatland Cemetery, with the Wheatland Masonic Lodge #16 A.F.&A.M. conducting the Masonic rites.

Mr. Short died Sunday, Feb. 10 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland. He was born Dec. 3, 1894 at Prairie View, Kans., the son of Charles and Ella Mac (Thomas) Short. He was reared and educated in Kansas.

He moved to Wheatland in October, 1917, where he farmed until his retirement in 1983. He was married to Rheda Wickam, who preceded him in death in July, 1962.

He was married to Velma Mutz Currier on April 12, 1963 in Casper, Wyo.

He was a great outdoorsman and was an avid fisherman. He was the past president of Wyoming Flying Farmers, and was a member of the Wheatland Masonic Lodge #16 A.F.&A.M., a member of the Platte County Fair Board for 24 years, also serving as the president, and served on the Irrigation District Board from 1947 to 1956.

He is survived by his wife, Velma, of Wheatland, two sons, Vernon Short and Melvin H. Short, both of Wheatland, a step-son, Robert Currier of Phoenix, Ariz., a step-daughter, Shirley Corbett of Douglas, and a sister, Florence Fish of Wheatland. Also surviving are six grandchildren, five step-grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and four step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, one son, one step-son, three brothers and two sisters.

Serving as pallbearers will be Kenny Short, Owen Short, William Dietz, George Good, Ken Kennedy and Bill Dannar.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Ed Foreman, Ed Kendig, John Wilhelm and Don VanPelt.

A memorial to the Senior Citizens Bus Fund would be equally appreciated by the family. The Platte Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.