

Rheda Short dies of carbon monoxide poisoning July 17

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Rheda Wickam Short, long time resident of the Wheatland community, succumbed here of carbon monoxide poisoning July 17. She was born in Pomona, Kans. Feb. 7, 1903, and came to Wyoming with her parents at the age of two.

Mrs. Short was a past matron of Eastern Star, a charter member and also first national queen of the Flying Farmers. She was a member of the Methodist church.

Survivors are her husband, M. C. Short, sons Vernon and Melvin and her father, Joseph M. Wickam, all of Wheatland; three brothers, Fred Wickam, Cheyenne, Leo Wickam, Sheridan and Wayne Wickam, Denver; two sisters, Mrs. Josephine Shepherd, Deer Lodge, Mont., and Mrs. Esther Wick, Garden Grove, Calif.; and five grandchildren.

Services were held July 19, at the Methodist church with Rev. Clifford Polson officiating and burial was in the Wheatland cemetery.

Pallbearers were Fred Wilson, John Fryback, Reuben Good, Dr. George Good, Zack Phifer and Jerry Waitman.