

SMITH, EDWARD  
May 30, 1889-June 18, 1980

Edward Smith, 91, of Wheatland died Wednesday, June 18, at the Platte County Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Monday, June 23, at the Schrader-Prell Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Virgil Lamm, officiating. Burial was in the family plot in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Smith was the seventh of ten children born to Edward and Anna Elizabeth Smith on May 30, 1889 in Aledo, Ill

Smith married Minnie Alice Balmer of Aledo on September 19, 1922.

In 1915, the Smiths moved to Torrington and homesteaded in Goshen Hole. They later homesteaded in Slater.

At three different times, the couple worked on the M-Bar ranch at Slater which was then a part of the Swan Land & Cattle Company. Smith worked for the ranch in many capacities and his wife cooked.

They have lived in the county for 65 years, residing in Wheatland for the past forty. He sold mineral feeds and life insurance for many years prior to his retirement approximately 15 years ago.

Smith is survived by his wife, Minnie; three daughters, Laurel Smith, Frances Windom and Jayne Roff, all of Wheatland, eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Merle, seven brothers and two sisters.

A memorial has been established to the Platte County Senior Citizens Center.

The Schrader-Prell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.