

# Dwaine Albert Steeley

May 13, 1930 - November 23, 2000

Services for Dwaine Albert Steeley, 70, were held Tuesday, Nov. 28, at 2 p.m. at First Christian Church in Wheatland with Andy Gudahl, Minister, officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery with military graveside rites by the Wyoming Air National Guard Flag Heritage Team of Cheyenne.

Mr. Steeley died Thursday, Nov. 23, at his home in Wheatland following a lengthy illness.

Dwaine was born May 13, 1930, in Fort Collins, the son of Henry and Mary (Mitchell) Steeley. He was reared and educated in the Fort Collins area and Wheatland where he graduated from high school. He entered the National Guard Reserve and in 1950 he entered the United States Army serving during the Korean Conflict; he was discharged in June, 1952.

Dwaine married Dorothy Louise McIntire on July 13, 1952 in Wheatland at Trinity Lutheran Church. He worked at Richard Burzlaff John Deere; then purchased the John Deere dealership in Oral, S.D. with his brother, Harold; moved back to Wheatland in 1966 and started a backhoe business; opened Steeley Repair which he operated until the time of his death.

He was a former member of the Wheatland Jaycees, serving as president in 1959 and a Wheatland volunteer fireman for 14 years. Dwaine enjoyed fishing, hunting, going to Deadwood and he enjoyed his grandchildren, great-grandchildren, cats and birds.

Dwaine is survived by his wife, Dorothy "Dottie" Steeley of Wheatland; two daughters, Beverly Orr,

of Old Town, Idaho and Roseanne Burnett of Wheatland; three sisters, Elsie Nickel, Irene Nickel and Mary Ann Wilhelm all of Wheatland; three brothers, Harold Steeley of Wheatland, Wilbur Steeley of Douglas and Donnie Steeley of Torrance, Calif.; four grandchildren, Carrie Harmon of Spokane, Wash., Cody Burnett of Greeley, Colo., Christa Kurth and Coni Burnett both of Wheatland; two step-grandchildren, Russel and Wade Orr of Albuquerque, N.M.; four great-grandchildren, Bryce and Hunter Harmon of Spokane, Sage Kurth and Leihla Wilson both of Wheatland; and three step-great-grandchildren, Riggan and Meghan Kurth of Torrington and Baydon Wilson of Wheatland.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Rhonda Louise Steeley on March 24, 1986; a sister, Edna Knaus in 1994; a brother, LeRoy Steeley in 1997; and a grandson, Scotty Burnett in September 1971.

Serving as pallbearers were Lonnie Orr, Steve Burnett, Warren Ryff, Russell Burzlaff, George Woolsey and Larry Lebsack. Honorary pallbearers were Art Staples, Joe Bowen, Tom Atkinson, Doug Dunlap, Ricardo Rodriguez, Russel Orr, Wade Orr, Cody Burnett and all of his relatives and friends.

Memorials to the Laramie Peak Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3558, 1401 - 9th Street, Wheatland, WY 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland was in charge of the arrangements.