

# Laurence I.

## Swallow

1914-1996

Laurence I. Swallow, 81, of Wheatland, died Thursday at his home.

He was born Nov. 23, 1914, in Boulder, Colo. He moved to Casper in 1919 and to Wheatland in 1945.

He married Syneve "Synie" Barhaug on Oct. 7, 1939, in Casper.

Swallow had been employed by Coca Cola Bottling Company in Rawlins and later by CB&Q Railroad. He owned and operated the Blue Gable Service Station in Wheatland and later Wheatland Hardware. He was manager of the Ramona Theater for many years. He served on the Wheatland Town Council from 1954 to 1962 and as mayor from 1962-1970. He served as Clerk of the District Court for Platte County from 1960-1987, when he retired.

He had been president of the Wyoming Association of County Officers, and an honorary member of the Wyoming Association of Municipalities. He started the first Jaycees chapter in Wheatland, and was a member of the Lions Club, the Volunteer Fire Department, the Masonic Lodge and the International Order of Odd Fellows and the United Methodist Church.

Swallow is survived by his wife, Synie Swallow of Wheatland; four daughters, Judy Eastman of Casper, Ann Cozad, Bonnie Weber and Jenny Herriott, all of Wheatland; four sisters, Lois Watson of Wheatland, Hollis Crowe of Buffalo, Leona McKin and Wilma Allen, both of Casper; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Curtis and Blanche Swallow; one brother, Eugene Swallow; one sister, Naomi Howard; and one grandson, Kelly Patton.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the United Methodist Church in Wheatland with the Rev. Linda Barnes-Patzke officiating. Interment will be in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Graveside services will be conducted by the International Order of Odd Fellows.

Pallbearers will be his grandsons, Ron Eastman, Rob Patton and Kendall Schmidt; and his nephews, Dean Watson, Mike Crowe and Harvey Crowe. Honorary pallbearers will be all of his friends.

Friends may contribute to the United Methodist Church, 909 Ninth St., Wheatland, 82201; or the Avenue of Flags in care of Lloyd Ko-