

Joe E. Vigil Sr. 1910 to 1996

Christian Burial services and interment for Joe E. Vigil Sr., 85, were held Wednesday, April 17 at 10 a.m. at the Wheatland Cemetery with Father Charles Velasquez of Saint Patrick's Catholic Church officiating.

Vigil died Friday, April 12 at Michael Manor in Douglas, Wyo., where he had resided since 1990.

Born June 29, 1910, in Coyote, N.M., Vigil was the son of Luz and Juliana (Gonzales) Vigil. He left New Mexico and migrated to Wyoming, making Wheatland his home for most of his life.

He worked for numerous farmers in Goshen and Platte counties. He was a member of the Saint Patrick's Catholic Church in Wheatland and the Farmer's Coop in Lingle, Wyo.

Vigil enjoyed fishing, long rides in the mountains to see wildlife and the outdoors in general.

Joe is survived by nine children, Grace Venzella of California, Joe Vigil of Sabattus, Maine, Ben

Vigil of Wheatland, Louis Vigil of Scottsbluff, Neb., Flora Fuller of St. Cloud, Minn., Mike Vigil of California, Frances Alfredo of Wheatland, Viola Vigil of Torrington, and Raymond Vigil of Minnesota; 16 grandchildren; and 23 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; six children, Julia Vigil, Dorothy Vigil, Frances Vigil, Patricia Vigil and a set of twins; four sisters and two brothers, Marina Salazar, Easther Hervera, Rachel Salazar, Anthony Vigil, Rosando Vigil and John Vigil.

Serving as pallbearers were Danny Salzar, Frank Salazar, Ben Vigil Jr., George Vigil, Louis Vigil and Craig Williams.

Memorials to Michael Manor, 1108 Birch St., Douglas, Wyo., 82633, would be appreciated by the family.

The Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland were in charge of the arrangements.