

Patricia Lavonne Wilson

April 26, 1935 – March 11, 2015

Graveside services for Patricia Lavonne Wilson, 79, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 21 at the Wheatland Cemetery in Wheatland with Bishop Paul May of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints presiding.

Pat Wilson passed away Wednesday, March 11 at the Platte County Memorial Nursing Home in Wheatland. She will be greatly missed.

Pat was born April 26, 1935 in Sidney, Neb. the daughter of Lawrence and Irene (Yohey) Edens.

The family moved to Wheatland in 1937, when Lawrence purchased the grain elevators in Wheatland and Slater. Pat attended school through the eleventh grade in Wheatland. Her senior year she lived at the Jane Ivinson Hall in Laramie while attending University High. Pat graduated in 1953. Pat then attended trade school for cosmetology in Cheyenne. Upon graduation, she moved back to Wheatland and operated a beauty shop.

On June 10, 1956 Pat married Harold "Shorty" Lloyd Wilson and joined him at his ranch. In 1976 when Wheelers opened, Pat obtained employment. She was employed there until she retired and was able to pursue her love of genealogy full time. In 1980 she joined the Daughters of the American Revolution and was eventually given the status of Honorary State Regent.

Pat came to love football while attending University High. The Ivinson Girls were given Friday afternoons to watch the University teams play. She was an avid fan for life. Though she loved her

Wyoming Cowboys, her loyalty for professional football went to the Green Bay Packers.

Pat could talk to anyone about anything because she was a voracious reader. Her reading also gave her many insights to the world, which she shared with her family and friends. She was a member of the Slater Woman's Club. She adored all animals and had many pets. During holidays, the family would have post-dinner games, which Pat enjoyed.

She is survived by her husband, Shorty Wilson of Wheatland; daughter, Cathy (David) Suazo of Wheatland; son, Jeff (Shannon) McCormick of Big Piney; sister, Sharon (James) Pickering of Great Falls, Mont.; nieces, Cindy (Phil) Kahler of Wheatland and Kristine (Eric) Schow of Great Falls; grandson, James McCormick of Big Piney; and her friend, Margot Smith of Casper.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial to one of the following: Slater Women's Club; c/o Nancy Collins, 330 Slater Road, Wheatland, WY 82201; Platte County Senior Outreach, P.O. Box 774, Wheatland, WY 82201; Elizabeth Ramsey DAR, c/o Diane Nein, 5 Hayes Road, Wheatland, WY 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gorman Funeral Homes – Platte Chapel of Wheatland.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.gormanfh.com