

CANTWELL, MARY ELIZABETH MCQUAY

July 31, 1922-January 3, 2000

Funeral services for Mary Elizabeth Cantwell, 77, were held Saturday, January 8, 2000, at 1 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Wheatland, Wyoming, with Reverend Les Ludium officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mrs. Cantwell died Monday, January 3, 2000, in her home in Wheatland.

Mary was born July 31, 1922, in McFadden, Wyo., the daughter of Samuel M. and Christina (Winter) McQuay. She was reared in McFadden until the age of eight; the family then moved to Kennan, Wis.

Mary graduated from high school and then beauty school. She married Joseph Edward Cantwell on April 12, 1954 in Beloit, Wis. Mary owned and operated her own beauty shop in Beloit from 1956-1972.

Mary and her family moved to Wheatland in 1972; and she worked at Evelyn's Beauty Shop, retiring in 1981. Mary was a member of the Women of the Moose serving as Senior Regent. She enjoyed painting, gardening, reading and crossword puzzles.

Mary is survived by three daughters, Donna Gilmour of Wheatland, Darlene VanMeter of Delfield, Wis., and Mary Jo Derra of Wheatland; a sister, Julia Davis of Madison, Wis.; five grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Joseph on July 1, 1999, a brother, Lee McQuay; a sister, Olive McQuay; and one granddaughter.

Serving as pallbearers were Richard VanMeter, Bruce Derra, Robert Gilmour, Kim Dower, Ron McQuay and Rand Dower.

Honorary pallbearers were Bob Conner, her grandchildren, her nieces and nephews.

Memorials to Hospice of Platte County in care of Platte Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 816, Wheatland, Wyo. 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

Platte Funeral Chapel was in charge of the arrangements.