

Jack E. Criss 11-19-1987

Services for Jack E. Criss, 96, who died in Wheatland Nov. 19, 1987, were held Monday, Nov. 23, 1987, at 10:30 a.m. in the Wheatland Bible Church with Father Kale King officiating.

Criss was born Oct. 18, 1891, in Bolckow, Mo., the son of Madison and Flora Savage Criss. In 1916 he came to Wyoming and filed a homestead north of Uva. He entered the U.S. Army during World War I. Upon being discharged from the military he returned to Uva to operate his homestead and work for various ranchers.

He and Myrtle Yates were married in 1921 and operated the Cross T Ranch on the North Laramie River. In 1937 they moved to Myrtle's family's ranch on the Big Laramie River which he operated until his retirement. When the Grayrocks Dam was built on his property he moved into Wheatland.

He was a 50-year charter member of the American Legion and a life-time member of Wheatland Lodge AF & AM.

Survivors include sons Sunny Criss of Wheatland and Ed Criss of Reno, Nev.; daughters Wilma Jean Cutrell of Powell and Ruth Hoffman of Claymont, Del.; brother Walter Criss and sister Emma Thrasher, both of Savannah, Mo.; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, five brothers and two sisters.

Memorial contributions in his name may be made to the Platte Co. Senior Citizen Center.

Burial was in the Wheatland Cemetery

Masonic graveside services were conducted by the Wheatland Masonic Lodge.

Schrader-Prell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.