

Donald Charles Croxton

June 24, 1922 – January 24, 2007

Funeral services for Donald Charles Croxton, 84, were held 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 27 at the First Christian Church in Wheatland, with Pastors Andy Gudahl and John Johnson officiating. Inurnment will be in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Don Croxton a resident of Wheatland died Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2007, at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland.

He was born June 24, 1922, in Anita, Iowa the son of Charles Albert and Mary Marguerite (Harderson) Croxton. He was reared and educated in Upton, graduating from the Upton High School in 1940. He farmed and ranched with his father following graduation. He served in United States Army Signal Corps from Aug. 2, 1943 to Feb. 11, 1946, in the Pacific Theater as a Staff Sergeant. He received the Good Conduct Medal and Meritorious Service Award. He returned to the family ranch, and was married to Ruth Wilma Holwell on June 24, 1946 at the Methodist Church in Newcastle. They moved from Upton, and have resided in Wheatland the past 46 years. He had a small place north of Wheatland, and also worked for the Wheatland Irrigation District and Basin Electric Power Co-op. He retired in 1988, and remained a resident of Wheatland until the time of his death. He was a member of the First Christian Church, Farm Bureau in Platte and Weston counties, Rock

Lake Grange, and Golden Age Club.

Don is survived by his wife of 60 years, Ruth Croxton, of Wheatland; daughters, Dee Ann and husband, Jerry Wilhelm of Cheyenne, Norma Ruth Taylor of Miles City, Mont., and Mary Sue and husband, Patrick Tlustos of Rapid City, S.D.; sister, Ethel Horn of Rapid City; grandchildren, Denise Wilhelm and Jason Wilhelm both of Denver, Colo., Loren and wife, Nancy Taylor of Wheatland, Lane and wife, Kassie Taylor of Miles City, and Luanda O'Neil of Miles City; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; infant brother; infant sister; sisters, Merle Barritt and Lela May Price; brothers-in-law, Carl Barritt, Kenneth Price, and Orville Horn; and great granddaughter, Courtney Evelyn Taylor.

Serving as pallbearers were Jason Wilhelm, Loren Taylor, Lane Taylor and three of Don's nephews. Honorary pallbearers are were Jerry Wilhelm, Pat Tlustos, Don Gudahl, Lee Shoop, Dean Schroeder and George Branscom.

The family would appreciate memorials to the First Christian Church, 95 Nineteenth Street, Wheatland, WY 82201; or to Service for Seniors, 1605 16th Street, Wheatland, WY 82201.

The Gorman Funeral Home - Platte Chapel of Wheatland is in charge of the arrangements.