

**GOSSEN, ROBERT C.**

**October 1, 1920-January 18, 1976**

Funeral services will be conducted for Dr. R.C. Gossen Thursday, January 22, 1976 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. A rosary will be said Wednesday evening at St. Patrick's at 7:30 p.m. Monsignor John J. Corrigan will preside at the services. Interment will be at the Wheatland Cemetery.

Dr. Gossen died Monday, January 18, at his home at the age of 55. He was born at Green Bay, Wisc., October 1, 1920. He and Elizabeth (Betty) Schroeder were married in Gainesville, Florida August 14, 1943.

Dr. Gossen had lived in Wheatland the last 24 years coming here from Milwaukee, Wisc. A dentist, he was established here in his own practice. He was a member of the Catholic Church.

He served his country in the U.S. Army and received the Purple Heart due to combat injuries. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Wheatland Country Club and the Lions Club. Dr. Gossen was also on the medical staff of the Platte County Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Gossen received the Bronze Star Medal during his military service. His citation reads that Lt. Gossen, Medical Detachment, 203 D Regiment, received the medal for meritorious service from 2 January 1945 to 6 January 1945 in Gros Rederching, France, in that he established and maintained a battalion aid station under most difficult conditions of terrain and weather. Despite almost constant bombing, strafing and shelling he provided outstanding medical support to the battalion and saved the lives of many seriously wounded soldiers.

The superior manner in which Dr. Gossen performed his duty reflects credit upon himself and in keeping with the finest traditions of the Medical Corps.

He is survived by his wife Betty; three sons, Thomas Robert of Wichita, Kansas; James Frederick of Minnesota; and Christopher Joseph of Elk Mountain; one daughter, Mary McCartney of Cheyenne; one brother, Emmett Gossen of Virginia Beach, Virginia; two sisters, Marion Vanlaanen of Ft. Pierce, Fla.; and Florence Crull of Green Bay, Wisc.; and two grandchildren.

Gene Hayes, Don Jording, Jim Bohl, Dr. William Wilson, John Jobe, and Kenneth Barnes will serve as pallbearers.