

Donald Wayne Larsen

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No services will be held for Donald Wayne Larsen, 79, of Wheatland, Wyoming.

He died Tuesday, June 1, 2010, at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland.

Mr. Larsen was born December 9, 1930, in Torrington, Wyoming, the son of Clarence L. and Lola (Nay) Larsen. He was reared and educated in Veteran graduating with honors from Veteran High School in 1948. Donald graduated with honors with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1952 from the University of Wyoming at Laramie. He served in the United States Army Chemical Corps, the 53rd Chemical Laboratory in Hanau, Germany from 1954 - 1956.

He married Mildred Loree Scott on September 6, 1959, in Torrington, Wyoming. Donald then attended the University of Wisconsin in Madison where he received his PhD in 1960. He worked for W.R. Grace & Company in Columbia, Maryland and then for Acheson's Colloids in Port Huron, Michigan. During his career as a research chemist, he was awarded six-

teen chemical patents and had four publications. He retired in 1994 and moved to Wheatland. His hobbies included photography, hiking, rock hounding, reading, and traveling. He was a member of the American Chemical Society.

Survivors include his wife of Wheatland; two children, James Leonard (Connie) Larsen of Kenosha, Wisconsin and Laura (Carl) Hallberg of Cheyenne; a sister, Mildred Bayless of Torrington, Wyoming; a granddaughter, Clara Jessica Hallberg of Cheyenne; two step-grandchildren, Jillian Elrod and Jennifer Elrod and a step-great grandson, Isaac Zahra all of Wisconsin.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Leonard Larsen.

Memorials to the Platte County Library, 904 – 9th Street or the Laramie Peak Museum, P.O. Box 573, Wheatland, Wyoming 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

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

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