

# Obituaries

## THOMAS W. PICKERILL

Services for Thomas W. Pickerill, 84, were held in the First Christian Church on Wednesday, March 7 at 2:30 p.m. with Dan Barcus officiating. Pickerill died in the Platte County Memorial Hospital March 3.

Born in Reddington, Neb., Nov. 16, 1899, Pickerill was the son of William G. and Maggie Pickerill. His mother homesteaded in Palmer Canyon where she ranched and raised her five children.

During his youth Pickerill worked for the Sturgeon, Boyd and other ranches until he married Alice Martin, June 10, 1931 in Fort Collins, Colo. The couple then homesteaded on Laramie Peak where they have lived since. He also carried mail, trapped, worked at the sugar factory, "moonshined" and did some sawmilling in his younger days.

Survivors include his wife Alice, a son Thomas L. (Oscar) Pickerill, and a daughter Lois Pickerill, all from the Laramie Peak area; daughters Jean Martin, Chugwater and Dorothy McDonald, Junction City, Kan.; brother Robert Pickerill, Wheatland; sisters Mona Gedra, Cheyenne, Margaret Lock, Wheatland, and Irene Gillman of California; 4 grandchildren, 4 step-grandchildren and 1 great-grandson.

A memorial has been established in his name to the Wheatland Senior Citizens Center.

Burial was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Schrader-Prell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.