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## Obituaries

### *Ruby Elizabeth "Peggy" Preuit*

*September 1, 1911-December 12, 1999*

Funeral Services for Ruby Elizabeth "Peggy" Preuit, 88, were held, December 15, 1999, at 2 p.m. at the First Christian Church in Wheatland, Wyo. with Reverend Les Ludlam of the United Methodist Church officiating. Eulogists were Carl Jensen and Lyn Preuit. Inurnment will take place at a later date.

Ruby died Sunday, December 12, 1999, at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland.

She was born September 1, 1911 at Bayard, Neb., the daughter of William Edward and Rose E. (Donley) Hoth. She was reared at Bayard, Wheatland and Dwyer, Wyo.; and attended school in Glendo and Wheatland, graduating from Wheatland High School in 1929.

Ruby attended Park College near Kansas City, Mo. where she graduated in 1933 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in biology.

After returning to Wyoming, she taught school near Glendo.

Ruby married Carl William Preuit on June 20, 1936 in Glendo. Ruby served the community of Platte County for many years. She was the Director of the Platte County Public Library for 25 years; during which time the library was remodeled to double its size and branch libraries were established in Glendo and Guernsey.

Ruby retired in 1979; but, her literary interests didn't stop with the library. After retiring, she served as the Director of the Platte County Heritage Committee to publish the 534 page book, "Platte County Heritage" and was the Chairman of the Wheatland Chronicle Committee which produced the "Wheatland Chronicle for the Wyoming

Centennial".

Besides being a devoted wife and mother, she was a member of many community organizations including, Prairie Ramblers Square Dance Club, Mountain View Farm Bureau Women's Club, Wyoming Historical Society, Platte County Historical Society, Wheatland Study Club; and a writer's club, Author's Ink.

Ruby served as the president of Wyoming Library Association and was a member of the Platte County School Board. Ruby received the Historian of the Year award in 1991 from the Platte County Historical Society and numerous commendations of appreciation and gratitude for service. She loved writing; but, also enjoyed fishing and camping.

Ruby is survived by her husband of 63 years, Carl W. Preuit of Wheatland; three sons, Leo Preuit and wife, Patricia of Wheatland, Lyn Preuit and Wendy of Redwood City, Calif., and Lee Preuit of Anchorage, Alaska; two granddaughters, Shannon Preuit and Shelley Sterling, both of Wheatland; and three great-granddaughters, Brittany, Shelby and Kelly Sterling all of Wheatland.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three sisters, Ora Belle Klemke, Mary Ellen Garwood and Dorothy Mae Hoth; and three brothers, Charles John Hoth, John Jennings Hoth and Carl Edward Hoth.

Serving as honorary pallbearers were all of her family and friends.

Memorials to the Platte County Library Foundation, 904 - 9th Street, Wheatland, Wyo. 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland was in charge of the arrangements.