

RIGDON, JAMES A.  
June 9, 1880-September 6, 1899

The home of Dr. and Mrs. D.B. Rigdon was again saddened Wednesday afternoon when death claimed their youngest son James.

The deceased had been suffering from a stomach disorder for over a year past, and about six months ago, he was taken to Denver, and there treated by eminent specialists, but to no avail, the physicians being completely baffled and unable to determine the exact character of the trouble, or find a remedy which would check the disease. At times the deceased would improve, and apparently shake off the malady, but it would again return and be more severe and distressing. Tuesday evening, he was taken violently ill, being in intense agony, which opiates almost failed to relieve, and he continued to grow worse until death ended all twenty-four hours later.

James Rigdon was born in Plano, Ia., seventeen years ago, where he lived until he removed with his parents to Kansas in 1889. The family came to Wheatland in 1894, where they have since resided. The deceased was of a quiet disposition, though always of pleasant and agreeable ways, and bore the sufferings of which he was called upon to pass during the last year with true fortitude and hardly a complaint. He was always a kind and affectionate son.

The funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at the M.E. church and was attended by nearly everyone in the community. The Wheatland schools were closed, and the pupils attended the obsequies in a body, as a token of love and respect for their departed schoolmate and friend.