

WEATHERWAX, RAY JOSEPH
October 29, 1912-July 4, 1933

Ray Weatherwax met death Tuesday evening from drowning in Carey reservoir on the Carey ranch a little over a mile southwest of Bordeaux. The tragedy occurred about seven-thirty in the evening and an hour later word was received in Wheatland telling Sheriff Wickam and Coroner Payne. The firemen were notified and the siren called the men to go to the scene and give what aid was possible.

After working all day in the hay field three men ate supper and decided to take a dip in the reservoir. Mr. Weatherwax could not swim but planned to content himself with wading around. Suddenly he stepped into a hole about ten feet deep. Coming to the top, his companions attempted to assist him, one of them being dragged under twice by the drowning man. Slipping from their grasp, Weatherwax went down again, this time not to come up until Coroner Payne reached the scene and dove for him. Work of reviving the man was tried for some time without success and his body was brought to Wheatland and taken to the Lyla Watson Funeral Home to await the funeral which will be held Friday.

Ray Joseph Weatherwax was an adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weatherwax, and at the time of death was twenty years, eight months and five days old, being born in Torrington October 29, 1912. Only a few weeks ago, he was united in marriage to Marjorie McCarty, who with his father and mother and a brother, John, survive him.