

Lydia Werkele

March 29, 1916-May 30, 1999

Services for Lydia Werkele, 83, were held on Thursday, June 3, at 11 a.m. at the United Church of Christ in Wheatland with Reverend Thomas Hall officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mrs. Werkele died Sunday, May 30 at the emergency room at the Platte County Hospital in Wheatland.

She was born March 29, 1916 in Billings, Mont. the daughter of Jacob and Eva (King) Lackman.

In 1918 the family moved to Scottsbluff, where she was reared and educated. She was married to Ban Lei on December 8, 1935 in Harrisburg, Neb.

She was then married to Fred Werkele in Torrington on February 1, 1950. They moved to a farm near Wheatland in the spring of 1951, and resided there until moving into Wheatland in the fall of 1972. She has resided in Wheatland until the time of her death. She was a member of the United Church of Christ. She enjoyed cooking and playing cards, especially canasta. She was a care giver to several elderly people in Wheatland.

She is survived by her children Bob Lei of Wheatland and Donna Werkele of Waunera, Neb.; three step-sons, Bill Werkele of Cheyenne, Marvin Werkele of Torrington and Fred Werkele of Lakewood, Colo.; 14 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two husbands; one daughter, Judy Hayden; one sister; and three brothers.

Serving as pallbearers were Dan Werkele, Ben Lei, Joe Hayden, Tom Hayden, David Hayden, Rick Werkele, Kelly Werkele, Tom Werkele, Bret Werkele and Shaun Werkele.

A memorial to the United Church of Christ, P.O. Box 444, Wheatland, Wyo. 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

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