

Opal Trene Edminston

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Graveside services and interment for Opal Trene Edminston of Wheatland, 80, were held Friday, July 5 at 10 a.m. at the Wheatland Cemetery, with Pastor Gordon Swedberg officiating.

Mrs. Wheat died Saturday, June 29 at her home in Lakewood, Colo., following a long illness.

She was born Jan. 15, 1916 in Sunrise, Neb., to Samuel Newon and Sarah Ann (Wise) Edminston.

The family lived in Nebraska and California before moving to Wyoming in 1929. Opal graduated from Wheatland High School in 1933.

She married James Ivan Wheat in Gering, Neb., Sept. 22, 1934. When Mr. Wheat was working construction they lived in Nampa, Idaho, for a time before the war.

They moved back to Wheatland after the war and Mr. Wheat worked as a truck driver. Her family lived in Cheyenne, Wyo., Denver Colo., and Salt Lake City, Utah, before retiring in 1977 in Cheyenne.

They resided there until ill health prompted them to move to Lakewood to live with their son and family.

Opal loved gardening and flowers, knitting, crafts and crocheting. She was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary.

She is survived by two children, Della Ann Mattulat of Bothwell, Wash., and James Wheat of Lakewood, Colo.; two sisters, Nadene Scott of Hayward, Calif., and Grace Isabell of Wheatland; a brother, Ivan Edminston of Prescott, Ariz.; eight grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

Opal was preceded in death by her parents; husband, James Nov. 7, 1992; two sisters, Leona and Lois; four brothers, Richard, Samuel, Gene and Robert and one great grandchild.

Memorials to the choice of the donor would be appreciated by the family.

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

