

WHITTAKER, MYRSINA ELIZABETH SHOPE

June 11, 1899-January 10, 1951

Mrs. Frank Whittaker, 51, of Rawlins, the former Myrsina Elizabeth Shope of Wheatland, died early Monday morning in a Rawlins hospital where she was taken after sustaining a stroke at 11:30 a.m. Sunday at her home.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P.A. Shope of Wheatland, made the trip to Rawlins Monday after receiving word of her death, and remained for the last rites which were held in Rawlins at 10 a.m. this morning (Thursday). Graveside services will be at the Wheatland cemetery, Saturday, January 13 at 3 p.m.

She leaves her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Frances Elizabeth Hodge of Green River, her parents, a brother, James, living in California, and a grandson, Francis Patrick Hodge.

Born in Toledo, Ia., June 11, 1899, she moved as a child to Wheatland, graduating from the high school here in 1916. She attended Hamline University in St. Paul, Minn. and the University of Wyoming. She taught in Wyoming schools from 1917 until 1926, and was married in Wheatland August 1, 1926 to Frank Whittaker. She and her husband made their home in Laramie before going to reside in Rawlins.

During her fifteen years' residence in Rawlins, Mrs. Whittaker had been a leader in civic and church groups, being at the time of her death president of the Wyoming Women's Society of Christian Service. Recently chosen as one of the outstanding women of Wyoming Methodist church, her biography is soon to appear in "Who's Who in Wyoming Methodism".

She has been president of the Rawlins W.S.C.S., the United Council of Church Women, the Rawlins Republican club, and the Rawlins Women's club. She was a teacher of the adult Sunday School class of the First Methodist church in Rawlins.