

WIGGAM, DELBERT DEAN  
February 14, 1922-July 5, 1977

Delbert "Deb" Wiggam, former well known and popular Wheatlandite died suddenly at his home in Lakewood, Colo. On Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>.

Funeral services will be held at the Olinger Chapel at 2900 Wadsworth in Lakewood, and he will be laid to rest in the Ft. Logan National Cemetery.

"Deb" as he was known to his many friends in Wheatland and Platte County was born in Sedwick, Colo. on February 14, 1922, and moved to Wheatland with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wiggam along with his brothers in 1929.

He graduated from Wheatland High School with the Class of 1941. During his high school days he was an outstanding athlete and earned letters in football, basketball and track. He was also on the American Legion Boxing Team and one of the main-stays on the Jr. Legion baseball, and later on following World War II on the Wheatland Town Team.

Following his graduation from high school he joined the U.S. Navy and served aboard a mine sweeper during the war. Deb was honorably discharged from the Navy in November 1945 with the rating of Boatswain's Mate 2<sup>nd</sup> Class.

On January 18, 1945, he married Miss Ruth Duel of Douglas in Brooklyn, New York, and to this union four children were born. Jo Ellen of Wheatland, Debra (Mrs. Dale Smith ) of Honolulu, Hawaii, Jan Schroeder and Russell, both of Lakewood.

Mr. Wiggam was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Bill and Russell "Bud".

At the time of his death Deb was employed by the Coors Brewing Company in Golden, Colo. While living and raising his family in Wheatland he was employed by Glen Nixon's O.P. Skaggs Store. In 1963 he was elected to the office of County Treasurer and served one four year term.

Pallbearers will be M.W. "Moose" Eversole, James Dunham, Cleve Artery, Frank Tuxcker and Sam Isabell.

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