

WILCOX, ROSELLA MARTELL

July 15, 1926-December 1, 2006

Funeral liturgy for Rosella Wilcox, 80, was held on Tuesday, Dec. 5, at the Saint Patrick's Catholic Church in Wheatland with Father Jan Santich as Celebrant. The Vigil for the Deceased was held Monday, Dec. 4, at the church. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Rosella Wilcox, a resident of Wheatland, died Friday, Dec. 1, 2006, at the Spring Creek Nursing Home in Fort Collins, Colo.

She was born July 15, 2006, the daughter of William and Mary (McGuire) Martell. She was reared and educated in Wheatland, and graduated from the Wheatland High School in 1945. She worked at the local drug store where she met her husband-to-be. She was married to Joseph Leroy Wilcox on Nov. 17, 1947, in Wheatland. They owned and operated The Cleaver, a meat processing plant, for 12 years. She worked for White's Vimbo's Restaurant as a hostess for six years. She and Joe built or remodeled 36 in Wheatland. She enjoyed ceramics, crafts, bluegrass music, dancing, going to coffee with her friends, gardening, family gatherings, and most of all, spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by her children and their spouses, Don and Barb Wilcox of Dowagiac, Mich., Bill and Kay Wilcox of Elizabeth, Colo., and Ken and Jennifer Wilcox of Wheatland; sisters, Martha Leyerle, of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Agnes Anderson of Sheridan; 13 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Joe on Jan. 10, 2000; sisters, Mary McQuisten and Katherine Kernan; and brother, Joe Martell.

Serving as pallbearers will be Eric Wilcox, Chad Wilcox, Jeremy Wiedmeier, Greg Wiedmeier, Jason Wilcox and Matt Wilcox.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Robert Fernandez, James Winn, Bill Kernan and Tom Hermann.

A memorial would be appreciated to the Alzheimer's Association, Cheyenne Regional Office, 413 West Eighteenth St., Cheyenne, WY 82201-4331.

The Gorman Funeral Homes-Platte Chapel of Wheatland is in charge of arrangements.