James LeRoy Wilhelm Obituary July 16, 1932 – July 17, 2004

James LeRoy Wilhelm

Wheatland—Funeral services for James LeRoy Wilhelm, 72 will be conducted at 10a.m. today July 20, at First Christian Church in Wheatland by Pastor Andy Gudahl. Interment, with military graveside rites, will be in Wheatland Cemetery.

He died July 17, 2004, a Platte County Memorial Nursing Home in Wheatland.

Born July 16, 1932, in Wheatland, he was the son of Jacob Jr. and Lydia (Nickel) Wilhelm; and was raised and educated there.

He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1951 to 1955.

On Jan.7, 1954, he married Joann Marie Conyers in Wheatland.

After his military discharge, he returned to Wheatland and worked for Wick Hopkins Road Construction and then for the U.S. Post Office for 25 years. He retired on Oct. 2, 1992. The couple also worked part-time providing janitorial services in the Wheatland Community.

He was a member of First Christian Church and the U.S. Postal Union. His interests included fishing, gardening and being with his grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife of 50 years of Wheatland; four children, Jimmy Lee Wilhelm and his wife of Streamwood III, Jennifer Wilcox and her husband of Wheatland, Kathy Wade and her husband of Cascade, Mont., and Bob Wilhelm of Wheatland; three brothers, Jake and Jerry Wilhelm, both of Wheatland, and Fred Wilhelm of Cheyenne; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Rodger Allison Wilhelm, on Jan. 31, 1998; a brother William Wilhelm and five sisters, Ruby Bonifiani, Betty Karriker, Gladys Nagel, Barbara Kittell and Sandy Cancino.

The family would appreciate memorials to Platte County Memorial Nursing Home Bus Fund 201 14th St., Wheatland, Wyoming 82201.

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

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