

WILHELM, JOANN MARIE CONYERS

June 21, 1934-August 17, 2004

Funeral services for Joann Marie Wilhelm, 70, were conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 20, at First Christian Church with Pastor Andy Gudahl and Rev. John Johnson officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Joann died Tuesday, Aug. 17 at Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland.

She was born June 21, 1934, the daughter of Frank and Marie (Kasper) Conyers in Ellsworth, Kans. She was reared and educated in Marion, Kans. In 1950, the family moved to Lingle, Wyo., and she graduated from Lingle High School in 1952. After graduation, she moved to Wheatland and began working for Dr. Allison. Joann married James LeRoy Wilhelm on January 7, 1954 in Wheatland. She worked a number of years at Kid's Castle as a childcare giver and was known as "Granny" by many. Joann enjoyed gardening, canning, frying chicken, and family gatherings. She was a member of First Christian Church, Platte County Players, Early Childhood organization and TOPS.

Survivors include four children, Jimmy Lee Wilhelm and wife, Sue, of Steamwood, Ill., Jennifer Wilcox and husband Ken, of Wheatland, Kathy Wade and husband Jim, of Cascade, Mont., and Bob Wilhelm of Wheatland; six siblings, Fred Conyers of Meridan, Kans., Lou Carlin of Leavenworth, Wash., twin sister, Jan Unverzagt of Lingle, Willie Domson of Torrington, Wyo., Nancy Snell of Cheyenne, Wyo., and Jane Carlson of Wheatland; seven grandchildren, Amanda Day, Scott Wade, Shasta Snyder, Matt Wilhelm, Joanna Wilcox, Brian Wilhelm and Todd Wilhelm; and four great grandchildren, Chance Wade, Kaitlin Wade, Lexus Snyder and Michael Wilcox. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband of 50 years, Jim, on July 17, 2004; son, Rodger Wilhelm on January 31, 1998; and two brothers, Kenneth Conyers and James Conyers. Serving as pallbearers will be Jay Johnson, Andrea Johnson, Wade Wells, Johannah Query, Pat Mitton and Tom Collins. Honorary pallbearers will be Dr. Steve Peasley, Dr. John Thalken, Dr. Jeremy Katzmann, Dr. James Hawley, Jr., Dr. George Guidry, and Dr. Mark Murphy.

Contributions to the Joann M. Wilhelm Memorial Fund would be appreciated by the family.

Gorman Funeral Home-Platte Chapel of Wheatland was in charge of the arrangements.