

Harold Lloyd "Shorty" Wilson

October 6, 1931 – August 14, 2015

A graveside service for Harold Lloyd "Shorty" Wilson, 83, was held Saturday, Aug. 22 at the Wheatland Cemetery in Wheatland.

Shorty passed away Friday, Aug. 14 at his home near Wheatland.

Shorty was born Oct. 6, 1931 the son of Horace Cleveland and Nettie Elizabeth (Bovee) Wilson at the ranch on Fish Creek, north of Wheatland. He was the youngest of four children.

Shorty attended grade school in rural Albany County, where his sister, Florence Maire Wilson Montgomery, was the teacher. He completed the eighth grade. He started the ninth grade in Wheatland, but decided it wasn't for him and went to work at Ross' Gas Station.

At the Coffee Shop in Wheatland, he met Patricia Lavonne Edens. They were married by Reverend Hoar on June 10, 1956. The couple moved to the HR/Mitchell Ranch. As Shorty was great with animals and loved working horses and cattle. Within almost two years, he moved his wife to the Cuba Ranch in Albany County. This is where the couple lived with their daughter, Cathy, and where she was born. Before Cathy was four, the little family moved up Ashley Creek to the Montgomery Ranch, where they raised horses and cattle. In 1976, Shorty moved his family to Bordeaux, continuing to raise horses, cattle, and

alfalfa.

Shorty enjoyed animals far more than people, always having dogs for company. He never sought riches or fame, but valued hard work and the blessing of helping others. He loved the simple Wyoming rancher life and knew who his friends were and valued them. He could be counted on when asked. He could fix anything and liked mechanic and carpentry work. He enjoyed reading, especially the Bible. Winter was his favorite season as he loved cold weather.

Shorty was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia, on March 11, 2015.

He is survived by his daughter Cathy (David) Sauzo; son, Jeff (Shannon) McCormick; grandson, James McCormick; and nieces, Cindy (Phillip) Kahler and Trudy (Doug) Ward.

The family wishes to thank all who have provided prayers, love, and support.

A memorial to the Slater Hall Corporation, in care of Peggy Bise, 3 North Goertz Road, Wheatland, WY 82201 or to the Senior Out Reach Center, 975 Gilchrist Street, Wheatland, WY 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

The Gorman Funeral Homes – Platte Chapel of Wheatland are in charge of the arrangements.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.gormanfh.com