

Jocelyn J. "Jackie" Allen

October 29, 1932-November 13, 2000

Services for Jocelyn J. "Jackie" Allen, 68, were held Friday, Nov. 17, at 1 p.m. at the United Church of Christ in Wheatland with Rev. Karen Chenoweth officiating. Inurnment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Jackie died Monday, Nov. 13, at the United Medical Center in Cheyenne after a long illness.

She was born Oct. 29, 1932, in Chadron, Neb., the daughter of William and Leota (Durham) Maiden, the youngest of five sisters and one brother. She attended elementary school in Chadron. She moved with her family to Hulett, Wyo., where she attended and graduated from high school, making many life-long friends.

She returned to Chadron, attending Chadron State College. She taught in country schools for a short time and then returned to Hulett and married A.C. "Corky" Howard. Corky and Jackie started their family and moved to Gillette where they raised their three children. In 1972, they moved to Wheatland and Jackie became the Director of Services for Seniors at its original location in the JayCee Hall on 8th and Water Streets.

After the death of her husband, she then moved to Casper and served as the Director of the Eastern Wyoming Area Agency of Aging which was responsible for administering programs under the Older Americans Act. She also served on the Governor's Council on Aging. She will be well remembered around the state of Wyoming for her

work and concern for the needs of senior citizens.

Aug. 29, 1974, Jackie married Cleetus Allen and they made their home for many years in Casper. Cleetus was then transferred to Torrington, where Jackie became the Director of the Chamber of Commerce; which she enjoyed very much. After retiring in 1992, they moved to Wheatland to be near family members. She was a resident of Wheatland at the time of her death. Jackie was a very loving wife, mother and grandmother.

She is survived by her husband, Cleet of Wheatland; two daughters, Jerelyn and husband, Fred Geringer of Wheatland and Lorinda Howard of Riverton, Wyo.; two sisters, Nettie Drake of Dalton, Neb. and Betty Love of Sheridan, Wyo.; daughter-in-law, Dixie Bowen of Wheatland; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; first husband, A.C. "Corky" Howard; a son, Tommy Lee Howard on Nov. 18, 1984; two infant daughters; three sisters; one brother; and a grandson, Bryan Lee Geringer on Aug. 1, 1998.

Serving as honorary pallbearers were all her many friends and family.

Memorials to the United Church of Christ, P.O. Box 444, Wheatland, WY 82201 or Home Away from Home, 2600 East 18th Street, Cheyenne, WY 82001 would be appreciated by the family.

Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland was in charge of the arrangements.