

ANDERSON, JOSEPH REED

September 8, 1869-November 12, 1934

Joseph Reed Anderson was born September 8<sup>th</sup>, 1869 in College Springs, Iowa, where he lived until he was eight years of age when he moved, with his parents, to Pawnee County, Nebraska, then a very frontier county. He grew to manhood and remained here until 1904 when he, with his family, moved to Loveland, Colorado. In three years they moved to Wheatland where they have lived ever since. He spent most of his life farming, the last five years he drove a school bus and was loved by the youngsters and patrons whom he served.

He was one of twelve children, only two survive, Mrs. J.A. Hayes and Mr. G.H. Anderson, both of Torrington.

On October 31, 1884, he married Miss Minnie Wheeler at Blanchard, Iowa. Three children were born to them, Opal, the oldest died in 1911 at the age of 13, Mrs. Mabel Davies of Casper and Mrs. Lydia McKelvey of Douglas with his wife survive and were with him when death came, November 12.

Mr. Anderson's health began to fail him a few months ago and he grew steadily weaker. He possessed a sunny disposition and was a much loved neighbor and friend to all especially children whom he delighted to make happy.

He was a life long member of the church having joined the United Presbyterian church at an early age, and remaining a member of same until coming to Wheatland, when he became a member of the local M.E. church and was a constant christian until his death.