

Alfred Apodaca, 1925 - 1995

Mass for Christian Burial for Alfred Apodaca, ⁶⁻²²⁻¹⁹⁹⁵ 70, was held Tuesday, June 27, 1995 at 10 a.m., at Saint Patrick's Catholic Church in Wheatland, with Father Charles Velasquez as the Celebrant. Vigil for the Deceased was held Monday, June 26, 1995 at 7 p.m., at Saint Patrick's Catholic Church. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery with military graveside rites conducted by the Guernsey National Guard.

Mr. Apodaca died Thursday, June 22, 1995 at Rose Medical Center in Denver, Colo. He was born April 30, 1925 in Wheatland, the son of Pedro and Margerita (Rodriguez) Apodaca. He was reared and educated in Wheatland.

Alfred joined the United States Navy in April of 1943, and was discharged in 1945. He returned to Wheatland and in 1947 started working for CF&I Mine. Alfred took early retirement in 1975 due to medical reasons.

He married Eva Gonzales on April 4, 1947 in Wheatland, and after her death in 1989, he married Yvonne Trevino on May 3, 1993 in Wheatland. He was a member of the Lake Guernsey Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 4371, Saint Anthony Catholic Church in Guernsey, and Saint Patrick's Catholic Church in Wheatland. He enjoyed woodworking, fishing and music.

He is survived by his wife, Yvonne, of Wheatland, and three children, Victoria Apodaca-Pew of Denver, Colo., Rita Ruiz of Denver, and Jay Apodaca of Wheat Ridge, Colo.

Also remaining are a sister and four brothers, Jenny Hambre of Laramie, Wyo., Albert Apodaca of Whatland, Gus Apodaca of Guernsey, Pete Apodaca of Leadville, Colo., and Lloyd Apodaca of Corona, Calif., and four granddaughters, Natasha Ruiz, Alise Apodaca, Erika Ruiz and Shanel Ruiz, all of Denver, Colo.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his first wife, Eva, on Feb. 18, 1989. Serving as pallbearers were Park Apodaca, Johnny Apodaca, Lee Apodaca, Tony Neifert, Corky Neifert and Louis Montoya. Honorary pallbearers were Jess Rodriguez, Roger Mindieta and Corky Neifert.

Memorials to the Arthritis Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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