

Hal L. Ashenhurst

Services for Hal L. Ashenhurst, 85, were held Wednesday, February 3, at 2 p.m. at the First Christian Church in Wheatland, Wyo., with Pastor Bryan McLees and Pastor Chan Bayne officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mr. Ashenhurst died Monday, February 1, at his home in Wheatland.

Hal was born June 1, 1913, in Tingley, Iowa, the son of Harry and Floy (Hankins) Ashenhurst. When Hal was ten years old, the family moved from Iowa to the Slater area. He received his education in rural schools, Wheatland High School and the University Prep School. Hal married Ruth E. McLees October 18, 1933, in Greeley, Colo. Hal farmed on his own in the Slater area from 1939 until the time of his death. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and Shriners Club; past member of the United Methodist Church; and served as a school board member for 24 years. He enjoyed restoring old cars, traveling and flying.

Hal is survived by his wife, Ruth of Wheatland; two children, Charlene Starrs of Cheyenne, Wyo. and Larry Ashenhurst of Wheatland; a brother and three sisters, Gene Ashenhurst of Forsyth, Mont., Gail Bostwick of Sheridan, Wyo., Betty Rhinehart of Billings, Mont. and Reba Johnston of El Cajon, Calif.; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Rex Ashenhurst.

Serving as pallbearers were Alan Richardson, Lance Ashenhurst, Thane Ashenhurst, Jon Willis, Rick Howard, and Bryan McLees. Honorary pallbearers were Joe Bookout, Walt Swan, Einer Mickelsen, John F. Baker, Neil Kafka, Melvin Havely, Dave Evans and Freddie Goetz.

Memorials to Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, Memorial Fund—Intermountain Unit, Virginia St. at Fairfax, Salt Lake City, Utah 84103, would be appreciated by the family.

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