

**BRIGHTON, KENNETH RAY**  
August 29, 1911-February 19, 1977

Funeral services for Kenneth Ray Brighton were held Tuesday, February 22, 1977, at the United Church of Christ with Rev. Gordon Tritchler officiating. Burial was in the Wheatland Cemetery. Brighton died Saturday, February 19, 1977 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital at the age of 65.

He was born in Trinidad, Colorado August 29, 1911. He graduated from high school in Wichita, Kansas where he was captain of his basketball and football teams.

After graduating from high school, he moved to Cheyenne in the summer of 1932. He was employed with the Safeway Foods chain from 1932 until 1945. He and Kathleen Ferguson were married Dec. 4, 1938 in Wheatland.

In 1945 he came to Wheatland where he owned and operated the Pioneer Pharmacy for 17 years. From Wheatland he moved to Thermopolis where he managed the Wyoming Pioneer Home for 13 years prior to his retirement in 1976. He and his wife, Kathleen, have made their residence here in Wheatland since 1976.

Kenneth was a member of Wheatland Lodge #16 of AF and AM; Wyo. York Rite of Freemasonry (Royal Arch); Royal Order of Jesters; and Korein Temple of Rawlins. He had been a member of Lions International since 1942 and was a member of the United Church of Christ in Wheatland. Kenneth is also remembered for being the pitcher for the teams that won the State Softball Championship in Wyoming for three different years.

In death he is survived by his wife, Kathleen of Wheatland; two sons, Kraig of Kimball, Nebraska and Keith of Kiowa, Colorado; two daughters, Kerry Blumenthal of Cheyenne and Karen of Leadville, Colorado; one sister, Agnes Marion of Oceanside, California and nine grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers were Del Landen, Don Sherard, John Allen, Frank Robinson, Dale Hinman and H.C. Ballard. Schrader-Prell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

A memorial has been established to the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children in Salt Lake City, Utah.