

Alfred Wesley Hamilton Duley

June 22, 1917 – February 22, 2011

Alfred Wesley Hamilton Duley, a long-time resident of Wheatland, Wyoming passed away Tuesday, February 22, 2011 at the Life Care Center in Aurora, Colorado. He lived a full life to the age of 93.

Al was born June 22, 1917 in Beloit, Kansas to Floyd Duley and Wilda Lura (Riley) Duley. It was here that he spent his childhood. Eventually, his journeys brought him to Wyoming where he met and later married Hazel Jean Gray on January 15, 1944. Hazel and Al were long-time residents of Wheatland.

Al was a World War II veteran, having served in the European Theater. His time served was with the United States Army, Company D 702nd Tank Battalion. He served from 1943-1945 and was awarded the Purple Heart on two occasions.

Upon returning to Wheatland, he worked for the Ford garage for a time. He then began working for Ringsby Truck Lines where he spent the remainder of his working career before retiring, having received numerous safety awards.

Al enjoyed riding motorcycles throughout his life and taught his children and grandchildren how to ride. He was also a private pilot and enjoyed that as well.

He is survived by his daughters, Linda J. Koch, of Tempe, Arizona and Joanne Perkins and family of The Villages, Florida; a son, Ronnie Raper and family of California; grandchildren, James A. Breeden of Elizabeth, Colorado, Tami R. Denney of San Diego, California, Chris J. Breeden

of Tempe, Arizona, Bobbi Jo Duley of Encinitas, California, and Travis L. Duley of Tempe, Arizona; great grandchildren, Nicholas Scott Breeden of Chandler, Arizona, Aiden Gray Denney and Emma Grace Denney both of San Diego,

California, and Kaylee Breeden of Elizabeth, Colorado; grandson-in-law, Brian F. Denney of San Diego, California; a sister, Wanda Lee Johnsonbaugh of Kansas City, Missouri; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers and sisters; his son, Larry Alan Duley, on February 10, 2007; and his wife, Hazel, on December 20, 2008.

A funeral service was held Saturday, February 26, 2011 at 11:00 A.M. at the First Christian Church in Wheatland, Wyoming with Pastor Andy Gudahl officiating. Inurnment was in the Wheatland Cemetery with military honors accorded by Ora Call American Legion Post #10, Laramie Peak VFW Post 3558, and Wyoming Army National Guard Honor Guard.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be James Breeden, Chris Breeden, Travis Duley, Nick Breeden, Aiden Denney, Jim Breeden, David Noyce, and Brian Denney.

A memorial to the choice of the donor would be appreciated by the family.

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

Condolences may be left for the family at www.gormanfh.com



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