Leona Gladys Havely

November 9, 1902 - March 18, 2005

Funeral services for former Slater and Wheatland resident, Leona Gladys Havely, 102, were conducted at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Mar. 24, at Gorman Funeral Homes – Platte Chapel in Wheatland, with Elder Keith Geis officiating. Interment will be in the Wheatland Cemetery.

She went to be with her Heavenly Father Mar. 18 at Monterey Park Nursing Center in Independence, Mo.

Leona was born Nov. 9, 1902, near South English, Iowa, the daughter of John H. and Grace (Campbell) Fry. She received her elementary education in a country school one mile from her home. After graduating from the eighth grade, she attended high school in Sigourney, Iowa. In the spring of 1919, her parents sold the farm and moved west to Slater. Leona graduated from Wheatland High School with

the class of 1920 and taught in rural schools near her Slater home for three years. On Apr. 7, 1923, Leona was united in marriage to Herbert D. Havely in Wheatland. She was baptized and confirmed into the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Days Saints in 1931. Leona and her husband farmed and ranched at Slater until 1974 when they moved into Wheatland. In April 1989 she moved to Missouri, fulfilling her lifelong desire to live in the place of Zion according to her belief. Leona was a hard working and loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She was known as a wonderful cook, baker, and gardener; her cookie jars were always full and her flower gardens were always lovely. Leona enjoyed reading her Scriptures and telling others of her love of the Lord; she was gracious to all, willing to help

out wherever she could in her family and church. She wrote many beautiful poems in her later life and loved ones were blessed with the many cards and letters that she enjoyed writing. Her home was always open to those that came to it. She was loved

dearly by those that knew her and will

be dearly missed.

Leona is survived by six children and their spouses, Grace Saylor (Joe) of Wheat Ridge, Colo., Gladys Geis (Zane) of Oberlin, Kans., Wilda Edwards (Billie) of Ocala, Fla., Geraldine Lauck (Marvin) and Dorothy Fernandez (Victor) both of Wheatland, and Melvin Havely (Barbara) of Slater; daughter-in-law, Mary Havely of Fort Collins, Colo.; one sister, Opal Slater of Salem, Ore.; 22 grandchildren; 32 great grandchildren; six great-great grandchildren; and many

great-

nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Herbert; three sons, Gerald Havely, Garland Havely, and a son at birth; three sisters, Naomi Lewis, Frances Paradise and Goldie Wickam; a brother, Harrison Fry; a great-grandson; and a great-granddaughter.

Serving as pallbearers will be Kelly Havely, Dennis Lauck, Felipe Fernandez, Cody Fernandez, Kenneth Geis, and Kevin Geis. Honorary pallbearers will be all of her grandchildren.

Memorials to Slater Community Hall in care of Peggy Bise, 3 Goertz Road, Wheatland, WY 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

Gorman Funeral Homes – Platte Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.



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