Maesel Evelyn Hester

July 10, 1915-June 14, 2000

Maesel Evelyn Hester, age 84, died Wednesday, June 14, 2000, at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland. Maesel was born in Fort Morgan, Colo., on July 10, 1915, and was the daughter of Harold G. and Lyla (Moser) Watson.

In March of 1925 her family moved to Wheatland. Her parents had the Watson Mortuary, which was later known as the Watson-Dennis Funeral Home and is presently the Platte Funeral Chapel. She graduated from Wheatland High School with the class of 1933.

On September 1, 1934, she married N. Fulton Hester in Ogallala, Neb. They had two children, Irma and Newton. In 1946, after being discharged from the Navy, Fulton moved his family to Glendo and Wheatland and was an avid maker of beautiful ceramic pieces. She was a member of the First Christian Church of Wheatland and of Chapter R, P.E.O.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, John L. Baker of Chugwater and her son and daughter-in-law, Ann of Keeline; by her grandchildren, Deb (Steve) Ross of Greeley, Karen (Bob) Shattuck of Cheyenne, John (Shari) Hester of Keeline and Wade (Rochelle) Hester of Logan, Utah. Also surviving are great-grandchildren, Kevin and Travis Ross of Greeley, Mandie, Kevin and Jessica Shattuck of Cheyenne, Zachary, Joey and Sarah Milke of Greeley and Hayden and Drew Hester of Keeline.

Maesel was preceded in death by her husband, a granddaughter, Kathy Hester Street, her parents and two sisters, Lorene Grimme and Betty Lou Grant.

A memorial service was held at Platte Funeral Chapel in Wheatland on Monday, June 19, 2000 at 11 a.m. with Reverend Andy Gudahl officiating. A memorial has been established to Country Club Living, 52 - 16th Street, Wheatland, WY 82201, where she had lived since August 1998. Private burial will be at a later date.

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