Barbara Lee Wilhelm Kittell 4/16/1934 - 1/28/1998

Barbara Lee Kittell

Funeral Services for Barbara Lee Kittell, 63, were held Saturday, January 31, 1998, at 10 a.m. at the First Christian Church in Wheatland, Wyoming with Andy Gudahl, Minister, officiating. Interment was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mrs. Kittell died Wednesday, January 28, 1998, at the Platte County memorial Hospital in Wheatland, following a brief illness.

Barbara was born April 16, 1934, in Horse Creek, Wyoming, the daughter of Jacob and Lydia (Nickel) Wilhelm. She lived in Horse Creek and attended school there until the family moved to Wheatland in 1943. She attended Wheatland Schools. She worked as a nurses' aide at the Wheatland Hospital until her marriage. Barbara married Ernest Kittel on January 8, 1951, in Cheyenne, Wyoming. She then lived and worked on the ranch as a devoted ranch wife and mother. She lived on the family ranch until her death. Barbara was a member of First Christian Church and taught Sunday School for over 40 years, was also a long time member of the Rebeka Lodge, the Platte County Search and Rescue Association. Barbara loved gardening, canning, cooking, dancing and caring for her beloved family

She is survived by her four children; Terri and huband, Jerry of Douglas, Wyoming, Judy Phifer and husband Brook of Denver, Colorado, James Kittell and wife Donna of Wheatland, Gale Kittell, also of Wheatland; two sisters Ruby Bonifacini of Napa California and Sandra Cancino of Wheatland; five brothers, Jim Wilhelm, Willie Wilhelm and Jerry Wilhelm of Wheatland, Fred Wilhelm of Cheyenne; and two grandsons, Nicholas and Cody of Denver, Colorado.

Barbara was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Ernest on July 8, 1997; and two sisters Betty Karriker and Gladys Nagel.

Serving as pall bearers will by Mike Wilhelm, Bing McGuire, Bob Shoemaker, Nick Cancino, Bobby Wilhelm and Rick Stockwell. Honorary pall bearers will be the First Christian Church Elder Committee.

Memorials to the ICU Family Room Fund, Platte County memorial Hospital, 20th Street Wheatland, Wyoming 82201 would be appreciated by the family.

Family and friends may call at the Fireside Room at the First Christian Church on Saturday from 9:00 until 10 a.m.

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