MARTIN, CATHERINE FRANCES January 9, 1876-November 27, 1982

Catherine Frances Martin died Saturday, Nov. 27, 1982 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital Nursing Wing at the age of 106.

She was born Jan. 9, 1876 in Ontanogon, Mich., the daughter of Jacob and Harriette Culfort Sands. She moved to Fremont, Neb., with her family and met and married James Galligar there in 1898. They then moved to the Wheatland area to live on his original homestead here.

The couple operated and expanded the homestead and had two sons there, Julius and William. Mr. Galligar died in 1920 and Catherine and her two sons continued to operate the original homestead.

She married William Martin on Sept. 19, 1929 and he died in 1938.

She was an active member of the Wyoming Stock Growers Association, the W.T.K., the Mother's Home Club, the W.S.C.S. of the Methodist Church, was an honorary member of the Wheatland Rebekah Lodge No. 16, and was very active in the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

She is survived by one son, Julius, of Wheatland, two grandchildren, and three step-grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husbands, and a son William who died in 1977. She was also preceded in death by 12 brothers and sisters.

Services were held Wednesday, Dec. 1, 1982 at the United Methodist Church in Wheatland with the Rev. Virgil Lamm officiating. Burial was in the family plot in the Wheatland cemetery.

A memorial has been established in her name to the Laramie Peak Museum.

The Schrader-Prell Funeral Home in Wheatland was in charge of the arrangements.