Leland Michael McCashland

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Funeral services for Leland Michael McCashland, 77, were held Friday, May 31 at 2 p.m. at the Platte Funeral Chapel in Wheatland with Pastor Gordon Swedberg officiating. Interment was held at the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mr. McCashland died Monday, May 27 at his home in Wheatland following a short illness.

Born Nov. 3, 1918, on the family homestead hear Chugwater to Walter Henry and Mable Clair (Hosack) McCashland, he was reared and educated in the Chugwater area. As a young man, he worked for various ranchers and farmers in the area.

He moved to California where he lived and worked for Reeves Rubber Company for nearly 23 years. He returned to Wyoming, making his home in Wheatland where he operated Fix-It Repair Shop, doing small engine and lawn mower repair until the past year or so. He loved to fish and he raised birds, whom he cared for very lovingly.

He married Bonnie DuVall Jan. 15, 1986 in Wheatland. Leland is survived by his wife Bonnie of Wheatland; four children, Michael McCashland, Linda Mercade, Mary McCashland, Margie McCashland and Kenneth McCashland all of California, and Judy Bassett of Houston, Texas; six stepchildren, Gene Blanton, Dewey Blanton, Mary Jenkins and Joyce Yacco, all of Wheatland, Bonnie Towner of Douglas, Wyo., and Tina Morrell of Torrington, Wyo.; two sisters, Velma Hitt of Wheatland and Juanita Gillespie of Cheyenne, Wyo.; numerous grandchildren; and several great grandchildren.

Leland was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Iva Nickeson; and a step-son, David Blanton.

Serving as pallbearers were Clarence M. "Larry" DuVall, Clyde DuVall, Kevin Jenkins, Walt Hall, Scott Borders, Albert Towner and Russell Towner Jr.

Honorary pallbearers were all of his many friends. Memorials to the choice of donor would be appreciated by the family. The Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland was in charge of the arrangements.