PENCE, MERTON LYNDON March 31, 1910-November 15, 1991

Funeral services for Merton Lyndon Pence, 81, were held Tues., Nov. 19, 1991, at 10:30 a.m. at the Covenant Lutheran Church in Wheatland with Pastor Mark Patzke and Pastor Elmer "Butch" Hassler officiating.

Interment followed in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mr. Pence died Friday, Nov. 15, at the Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland following a long illness.

He was born March 31, 1910, in Wheatland, the son of Wayne and LuVada (Menefee) Pence. He lived with his parents on the family homestead on Sand Creek in Platte County, a tributary of Sybille Creek.

He was educated in Linton School to the eighth grade. He worked for several farmers in the area for several years.

He then went to the Lander State Training School in Lander, Wyoming and worked at the dairy there. He was also associated with the Green Thumb program there, caring for the lawns and grounds at the school.

He retired in 1983 returning to Wheatland, first living at the Irvine Memorial Home, then resided at the Michael Manor in Douglas, and in 1986, he moved to Platte County Memorial Nursing Home in Wheatland.

He is survived by his sister, Myrna Johnson of Wheatland; an aunt, Lula Shepard of Wheatland; ten nieces and nephews; and 26 great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Dean Pence; and one sister, Betty Hassler.

Serving as pallbearers will be Larry Hassler, Gary Hassler, Oscar Johnson, Rick Geringer, Bernie Matthews and Anthony Johnson.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Rev. Elmer "Butch" Hassler and Jeff Nelson.