Edward, Alexander Stanker

Graveside services and interment for Edward Alexander Stanker, 90, will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, December 5, at the Wheatland Cemetery at Wheatland, Wyoming, with Father Jan Santich of Saint Patrick Catholic Church officiating and military rites conducted by Veterans of Foreign Wars – Laramie Peak Post #3358.

Mr. Stanker died Sunday, November 30, at the Platte County Memorial Nursing Home in Wheatland.

Edward was born June 5, 1913, in Omaha, Nebraska, the son of Joseph Alexander and Mary (Kuncy) Stanker. He lived in Creighton, Nebraska, and Huntley; Wyoming, before moving to Wheatland. Ed was drafted into the Army Air Corp on March 4, 1943 and began his training as a cook at Francis E. Warren Air Force Base.

Upon completion of training, he was transferred to Miami, Florida where he boarded a troop ship to West Africa on December 21, 1943.

He received the American Theater Ribbon, E.A.M.E. Ribbon, Good Conduct Ribbon and World War II Victory Ribbon and returned to the States on November 19, 1945. He was released from the Army Air Force on January 28, 1946, and began farming and trapping in the Wheatland

area. He married Evelyn Maud Tugman June 17, 1951, in Wheatland.

They lived on the farm on Jefferson Road by the Wheatland Reservoir and he farmed during the summer and trapped animals in the winter. He farmed until 1992 when he turned the farm over to his adopted son, Jerry and moved into the William B. Irvine Home in Wheatland. After a lengthy stay in the hospital, he moved into the Platte County Memorial Nursing Home. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Laramie Peak Post #3558.

He is survived by a step-daughter, Nancy Forsman of Laramie, Wyoming; a grandson, Gerald Stanker of Hawaii; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife in 1987; adopted son, Jerry Stanker; five brothers, John, Joseph, Pete, Charles, and Frank Stanker; and two sisters, Anna Yankowski and Kathern Norvell.

Memorials to a charity of the donor's choice would be appreciated by the family.

Family and friends may call at the funeral chapel on Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Gorman Funeral Homes - Platte Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.



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