



## Archie Garrelts

September 10, 1918 - September 12, 2006

TORRINGTON, WYOMING.....Funeral services for ARCHIE WILLIAM GARRELTS, 88, will be held at 10:00a.m. on Friday September 15, 2006 at Our Savior Lutheran Church with Reverend Marvin Temme officiating. Burial will follow in the Valley View Cemetery. Archie died at Community Hospital on Tuesday September 12, 2006. In lieu of flowers the family wishes memorial gifts to go to the church. Visitation will be at the Colyer Funeral Chapel on Thursday from 1:00p.m. till 7:00p.m. and prior to the service at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends may send condolences to the family at [www.colyerfuneralhome.com](http://www.colyerfuneralhome.com) Archie was born September 10, 1918 at the family home in Fulton, Wyoming the son of John and Anna (Kuhlman) Garrelts, and was baptized in the Christian faith at Gothenburg, Nebraska as an infant. He grew up and attended country school through the eighth grade in the southern Goshen Hole area. Archie married Esther Mae Gibbs August 18, 1943 in Scottsbluff, Nebraska and the couple began farming in the Yoder, Wyoming area. In addition to farming and raising cattle he worked as a John Deere mechanic for several years at the Valley Mercantile dealership. Operating, collecting, restoring, and talking about John Deere tractors were his passions, and he enjoyed sharing his mechanical knowledge with younger farmers. Archie is survived by his wife, Mae of Torrington; two sons, William (Jodee) Garrelts of Torrington, and Wayne (Anna) Garrelts of Statesville, North Carolina; four daughters, Dorothy (Wayne) Fornstrom of Pinedale, Wyoming, Betty (Bob) Hickman and Joyce

Schubarth of Torrington, and Margaret Kay (Don) Roland of Gering, Nebraska; sixteen grandchildren; and ten great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Henry and Herman; and one son John.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our heartfelt condolences to the Garrelts Family. We knew Archie when he and his family lived in a home that was not too far from the Rudy and Mildred Rutar home in rural Torrington. We saw the notice on the Torrington Telegram website. May his soul rest in eternal peace in Our Lord Jesus Christ. May all of his family be strengthened in Our Lord!*

*The John and Della Montano Family*

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**Cindy Feagler** - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

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“ *So sorry to hear of Archie passing away. My sympathy to the entire family. Garold Wallace Newton.*

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**Garold W. Newton** - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM