



## Arthur Hagen

February 4, 1928 - July 26, 2012

Arthur F. Hagen, 84, died Thursday, July 26, 2012 at the Community Hospital in Torrington and cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 31, at the Colyer Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Ora Dailey officiating. Memorials may be made to either the Goshen County Sportsman's Club or the Special Touch Program at Community Hospital. 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). Arthur was born Feb. 4, 1928 in Huron, S.D. the son of Merle and Leona (Geuther) Hagen. He grew up and received his early education in Huron and Armour, S.D. Arthur entered the U.S. Navy where he spent four years as an aviation electrician and was discharged in 1949. He attended college at Colorado State University where he received his Masters in Entomology. He married Marlene Halstead March 23, 1954 in Wagner, S.D. Arthur worked as and Research and Extension Entomologist for the State of Nebraska for thirty-three years. They spent time in Scottsbluff and North Platte, before he retired in 1990. They moved to Torrington in 1995. Arthur was member of the National Rifle Association where he was a lifetime member, a past member of the Rock Club, the American Legion in Mitchell and the Goshen County Sportsman's Club. He liked to collect and polish rocks, hunt, bird watch, and make knives of deer antlers and stone blades. Survivors include his wife Marlene of Torrington, Wyo.; daughters, Sandy Hagen and her husband Don Saretski of Scottsbluff, Dani Donker and her husband Steve of Chadron, and

Gigi Asselin and her husband Kelly of Kearney; son, Merle Hagen and his wife Connie of Scottsbluff; 12 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. Preceding Arthur in death were his parents.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our sincere condolences to the family, God Bless, Gary*

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**Gary Halstead** - July 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ *I lived across the street from Art and his family and was friends with his children. Art showed me his rock art and how you would look at a rock and see nothing until you cut into it and saw the beauty inside. Art also helped me with earning my shooting certificate and I took classes at the Scottsbluff armory under his teaching. I'm sure Art will be missed by all. Thanks for being my friend.*

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**Pat Hinman** - July 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Marlene,*

*I am so sorry to hear of your loss. You and Art were like two peas in a pod. He always enjoyed hunting for those beautiful stones and making jewelry for you. You were always adorned with beautiful rings and bracelets and necklaces. He has left you with many happy loving memories. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Kenda*

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**Kenda Knudsen** - July 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Art & Marlene were regulars at our restaurant for years. Art gave Doc and I a lot of Indian music and made us a couple of very nice knives. We learned real quick how to serve Art and Marlene as our special customers. They had their own special tables in the restaurant; one for summer and one for winter. We so much enjoyed their company. I feel honored to have been a friend of Art. Sincerely,  
Laurie Hager-Zumwalt

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**Laurie Hager-Zumwalt** - July 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM