



Ellen Smith

March 6, 1920 - January 8, 2013

Ellen O. Smith, 92, died Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2013 at the Chimney Rock Villa in Bayard. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 14, at the First Wyoming United Presbyterian Church with Reverend Curtis Hill officiating. Burial will follow in the Valley View Cemetery. Memorials may be made to either the Chimney Rock Villa or the Western History Library at Eastern Wyoming College. Visitation will be Sunday from 4 to 7 p.m. and at the church briefly prior to the service. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends may send condolences to the family at www.colyerfuneralhome.com.

Ellen was born March 6, 1920 in Gering, the daughter of Arthur and Pauline (Gilg) Otto. She grew up and attended rural schools in Goshen County and graduated Torrington High School in 1937. She then attended the University of Wyoming where she received her teaching certificate. Ellen taught school at rural schools in Goshen County among them Hoit, Section, and Red Cloud and also two years at LaGrange. She married George "Mack" Smith May 22, 1942 in Bridgeport. They farmed and ranched southwest of Yoder, Wyo. Ellen lived on the ranch until December of 2011 when she entered the Chimney Rock Villa.

Ellen enjoyed quilting, sewing, gardening, cooking, and entertaining family and hunters that came to her house. She was a charter member of the

Wyoming and Goshen County Historical Societies and volunteered for many years at the Homesteader's Museum.

Survivors include her sons Jerry Smith and his wife Dianna of Yoder, Wyo., Stan Smith and his wife Adele of Torrington, and Royce Smith and his wife Mary of Buffalo, Wyo.; daughter, Pat Munn of Torrington; sister, Martha Greene of Lincoln, Neb.; brother, Paul Otto of Kearney, Neb.; 12 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren. Preceding Ellen in death were her parents; her husband Mack; two brothers; two sisters and grandson.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 14. 10:00 AM (MT)

First Wyo United Presbyterian Church
2972 Main Street
Torrington, WY 82240

Tribute Wall

KW

“ *Jerry, Dianna and your entire family are in our thoughts at this time. We are sorrowful in her passing, but realize that a time comes for each of us to leave the confines and fetters that do often accompany old age. I consider Ellen as a matriarch of the South Goshen County and had a soft spot in my heart for her. We reach out to you all.*

Keith and Gwen Whitney

Keith and Gwen Whitney - January 11, 2013 at 03:40 PM

HE

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Heidi Edmunds - January 10, 2013 at 02:40 PM