



## Horace Gibbs

October 12, 1924 - September 3, 2011

Horace A. 'Pete' Gibbs YODER, Wyo. —Funeral services for Horace A. "Pete" Gibbs, 86, will be held at 10am Friday, Sept. 9, 2011, at the First Wyoming United Presbyterian Church with Reverend Curtis Hill officiating. Burial with military honors will follow in the Valley View Cemetery. Pete died Sept. 3 at the Cheyenne, Wyo., VA Nursing Home. Memorials may be made to either of the Yoder or Hawk Springs, Wyo., Rescue Units. Visitation will be Thursday from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the funeral home and the casket will be open briefly prior to the services 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). Pete was born October 12, 1924, at his grandparents homestead southwest of Yoder, Wyo., the son of Lowell and Marie (VerStraten) Gibbs. He grew up and attended first to seventh grades at the Woodard School five miles south and two miles west of Yoder and the Hertzler School five miles south and a mile and a half west of Yoder. He attended eighth to eleventh grades in Yoder. He was drafted into the Army in 1944 where he served as a combat engineer guarding the mail trucks in Cairo, Egypt. He was discharged in March of 1946. He then graduated high school in May of 1946. He started farming his family's home place at age fourteen with his uncle Jim VerStraten. He took care of his mother and six brothers and sisters. Pete married Beverly Pomeroy on May 20, 1956, at the First Baptist Church in Torrington, Wyo. He worked for others mainly Bill Likins and at Goshen Irrigation District from 1957 until 1972. They moved back to

the home place in 1970 and he started working for the Horse Creek Conservation District in 1972. Pete then went to work in the mill at Shirley Basin for the Getty Oil Company as an oiler and maintenance man. He worked there from 1979 until 1985. He raised sheep and cattle all the time on the farm. Pete enjoyed old machinery, playing Dominos, and enjoyed the view to the south from his window in his home. Pete is survived by his wife Beverly of Yoder, Wyo.; two sons Harvey Gibbs of Yoder and Keith Gibbs and his wife Cindy of Lingle, Wyo.; three sisters Mae Garrelts of Torrington, Wyo., Helen Soule of Gering and Elizabeth Vance and her husband Dwight of Mitchell; two brothers Jack Gibbs and his wife Shirley of Cheyenne, Wyo., and Bud Gibbs and his wife Eula of Davenport, Iowa; five grandchildren Kacey Gibbs and his wife Bobbijo of Douglas, Wyo., Shane Gibbs of Billings, Mont., Amy Gibbs, Hannah Gibbs, and Heather Gibbs all of Lingle; two great-grandchildren Haylee and Kylie Gibbs of Douglas; and his beloved Boston terrier, "Oreo". He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother Robert "Hoot" Gibbs; and a son Randy Wayne Gibbs in 1982.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I can remember Pete since before I ever started to school, as he was a friend of my parents, Wallace and Dorothy Newton, before I was born as far as I know. I have always loved convertables, and finally got one when I was in college, but this love of them was fueled because Pete had a convertable when I was little. I remember my dad going over to him to talk to him one evening in Yoder, with me, right after Pete had gotten a new top for his car. I do not remember the make, but it being a convertable was the greatest. I was very sad to see that Pete passed away. Our prayers and sympathy go out to all his family and friends, a few of whom I know and I hope my telling of these memories will help all his family and others who knew Pete hold on to who Pete was and what he did in this life.

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**Garold W. And Theresa L. Newton** - September 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ My condolences to Beverly and family.

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**Nancy (Willhite) Thompson** - September 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ So sorry to hear of Pete's passing. It's not an easy situation, regardless. Our most sincere sympathies to the entire family. Some of you we know personally, Wish we could just give you a hug.

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**Stan and Evelyn Todorovich** - September 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Beverly - you are in our thoughts.

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**Frank and Barbara Bonds** - September 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this very difficult time.*

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**Rob & Kris (Kirchhefer) Pfaff** - September 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM