



Kenneth Doby

February 28, 1921 - September 6, 2007

TORRINGTON, WYO..... Memorial services for KENNETH 'KEN' DOBY, 86, will be held at 2:00pm on Monday, September 10, 2007 at the Colyer Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Curtis Hill officiating. Cremation has taken place and private family burial will be held at a later date. Ken passed away at the Veteran's Home in Scottsbluff, Nebraska and was called home to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on September 6, 2007. In lieu of flowers, the family would request that memorial donations in Ken's memory be directed to United Methodist Church of Torrington. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends are invited to send condolences to the family at www.colyerfuneralhome.com Ken was born on February 28, 1921 in Lone Tree Canyon near Stewart, Wyoming the son of Daniel and Clara (Lane) Doby. He grew up and received his education at Huntley, Wyoming. He went on to join the US Army in 1940 and served during WWII in the European Theatre. Following his discharge, Ken returned to Torrington and he worked at the Galloway Market. He married Helen Ruff on June 7, 1949 at Scottsbluff, Nebraska and the couple lived at Torrington. In 1950 he furthered his military career in the Korean Conflict but was medically discharged with a Purple Heart for wounds received in action. In 1954 Ken ran for Goshen County Sheriff and won the election; serving as Sheriff for the next 16 years. He and Helen then moved to Minatare, Nebraska and Ken was Chief of Police there for four years. The couple returned to Torrington and Ken was the Under-Sheriff for Goshen County for 12 years before retiring. Ken

was a member of the VFW and the American Legion in Torrington; a member of the Disabled Vets and the Korean War Vets; and he was also a member of the Masons Lodge #29. Ken was instrumental in forming the first Sheriff's Posse in Goshen County. He enjoyed riding horses, collecting coins, and playing ping pong. Ken was especially fond of playing with his kids and grandkids. He is survived by his wife Helen of Torrington; his son and daughter-in-law, Herb and Becky Doby of Torrington; two daughters and sons-in-law, Cheri and Ray Thayer of Minatare, Nebraska, and Pam and Brett Carr of Kearney, Nebraska; six grandchildren and one great grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, Johnny, Donald, Daniel, and Hobart; and four sisters, Martha Randolph, Iva Sullivan, Elsie Dvorak, and Annie Breazeale.

Tribute Wall

MM

“ *Helen, Herb, Cheri and Pam,*

My condolences to you. This is a tough time but TOGETHER you will make it through.

Ken was a very influential person in my life. He taught me that you should make time for the little things in life. He would take the time out of his busy day to play catch, hit us some ground balls or just visit. This idea is one thing that I have tried to put to work in my position in schools.

Kids need a positive role model and he provided that to Pat and me.

DREW - I want you to know that -Your grandpa was a great man that meant a lot to my brother and I.

If any of you need anything, I am only a phone call away.

Mike Mitchell

Mike Mitchell - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *Rodney & I were so sorry to hear of Ken's passing. He will certainly be missed by family, but also by so many others.
Our hearts and prayers go out to you all.*

Carolyn Clark - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ Ken and Helen and my Mom(Janie) and Dad(Bill)and Jay and Ellie all ran around together when I was really young, but I always remember when Ken was the Sheriff and we would go up there I always thought he was like this God or something. After I moved back to Wyoming and my daughter was born we lived across the street from Ken and Helen and my daughter and I would go over there and visit and Ken would take Tiffany around and show her all kinds of stuff. He was a very loving man and will be greatly missed. My thoughts and love go out to Helen,Herb,Cheri and Pam and families. God Bless

Bernice Anderson - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ So sorry to hear about your loss. Ken was such a good person & helped so many. If there is anything I can do for any of you, please let me know.

Shirley Korell - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ To Cheri & Pam's families, I was very sorry to hear of your loss this past week. I remember fondly as a child when your parents would take me & Sarah to Primecut every Saturday for breakfast after our sleepovers. It was always something very kind that they did and again a very special memory from my childhood growing up with Ken's granddaughter Sarah who was my childhood best friend.

To you all, my heart and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Stacy Ring - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ *Helen June and family.
Sorry to hear About Ken. May God bliss and be with you during this
time and forever.
Sorry I can't be their for the sevicces but my thoughts and prayers
are with you.*

MELVIN & Sharon Anderson - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

ED

“ *I am so sorry for your loss Helen,Herb.Cheri and Pam. I have so
many memories of all of you growing up and the closeness of our
families.*

*Ken was simply a wonderful person,great Father and wonderful
husband too. You will of course miss him greatly but you all carry
his love in your hearts.*

*I am sorry I can't be with you at this time but know you are in my
thoughts and prayers.*

*Love to you all,
Ellie*

Ellie Davis - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ *I am so sorry to hear of your loss, what a great man Ken was!!*

Kellie Kirchner - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ *Ray and Cheri,
Sorry to hear about your loss.
Steve*

Steve Van Noy - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ We're so sorry to hear of your dad's death. He was a great man. His generation is so greatly missed. Thoughts and prayers to you and your family.

Elmer & Vicki Chavez - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ Sorry for your loss

Gerald Prazma - September 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM