



M. 'Bud' Hertzler

August 4, 2007

TORRINGTON, WYO..... Memorial services for M.L. 'BUD' HERTZLER, 80, will be held at 10:00am on Saturday, August 4, 2007 at the First Wyoming United Presbyterian Church with Reverend David Lee officiating. Burial, with Military Honors, will follow in the Valley View Cemetery. Bud died on July 31, 2007 at the Torrington Community Hospital after a brief illness. Cremation has taken place. Those who wish may direct memorial contributions in Bud's memory to either the First Wyoming United Presbyterian Church or to the 'Special Touch' program at the Torrington Community Hospital. 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 Bud was born on September 27, 1926 in Torrington, Wyoming the son of Glenn and Hazel (Schwab) Hertzler. He grew up on his father's homestead south of Veteran, Wyoming and received his education through the tenth grade at Veteran; then transferred to Torrington High School where he graduated in 1944. Following graduation, Bud enlisted and served in the Army Air Force and was selected for flight school when WW II ended. He then returned to the farm where he continued to farm all of his adult life. He married Betty Jo McDaniel in Torrington, Wyoming on June 29, 1947 and the couple had just celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in June of this year. Bud and Betty Jo had three sons, Gary, Gregory, and Dean. In 1954, at only 28, Bud was elected to the Veteran School Board where he served nine years; four of them as Chairman. In his youth, Bud was a Boy Scout; played trumpet

duets with his brother, Jack; and played in the band with the Legion Drum & Bugle Corps. Bud was an avid sports fan and played basketball in high school and then played baseball on the Veteran Town Team. As an adult, Bud was very active in the area communities and the county. He was elected a Goshen County Commissioner and served 12 years. He was third generation commissioner as his father, Glenn and his grandfather, Edward Schwab had served before him. Bud also served on the Goshen County Hospital Board, the Citizen's Bank Board, Goshen County Farm Bureau Board where he chaired State Farm Bureau Committees; and he was a Board Member of the North Platte Feeders Association. Bud also served as County Chairman of the Republican Party and was chosen voting delegate to the National Republican Convention on two occasions. He was very active in his church; serving on committees as Trustee and Ruling Elder. Bud would often video tape the church services for shut-in members. He was a member of the American Legion Marilyn B Anderson Post #56 at Veteran and he served as chairman of the Goshen County Veteran's Council. Bud was well known for playing 'taps' for many Veteran's funerals. He is survived by his wife, Betty Jo of Torrington; two sons, Gregory and his wife Diana of Perth, Australia; and Dean and his wife Jeanette of Veteran, Wyoming; one grandson, Joshua of Denver, Colorado, and a granddaughter, Miriam of Scottsbluff, Nebraska; his mother, Hazel of Torrington; one sister Mary Zimmerer of Torrington; and many loving nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father; one son, Gary; a brother Glenn II; and a sister Joan Saults

Tribute Wall

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“*Sorry to read about the passing of Bud. I always enjoyed talking to him as I was growing up in Veteran. Our prayers are with you.*

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Marv Heckman - August 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“*Dear Betty Jo and Family: We were sad to learn of Bud's death. He was such an admirable person and certainly a guiding force in the community. We know he will be greatly missed. We send you our sympathy.*

Royand Jo Butler - August 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM