



## Wilbur Shannon

February 11, 1914 - March 13, 2006

TORRINGTON, WYO... Funeral services for WILBUR L. SHANNON, 92, will be held at 2:00pm on Friday, March 17, 2006 at the Colyer Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Don Mathis officiating. Burial will follow in the Valley View Cemetery. Wilbur went to be with the Lord on March 13, 2006 at Emerald Court in Scottsbluff, Nebraska. Visitation hours will be held at the Colyer Funeral Home on Thursday from 1pm to 7pm; Friday from 9am to noon; and the casket will be open briefly following the service. Those who wish may direct memorial contributions in Wilbur's memory to the Hawk Springs Church & Community Building. Arrangements are under the direction of the Colyer Funeral Home and friends are invited to send condolences to the family at [www.colyerfuneralhome.com](http://www.colyerfuneralhome.com) He was born on February 11, 1914 in Hanna, Wyoming the son of Walter and Mary Jane (Gaume) Shannon. He grew up and attended school in Hanna before the family moved to Hawk Springs in 1931 where he graduated from high school in 1933. He then farmed for a year in the Hawk Springs area and married Bernice Vance on April 25, 1934 at Hawk Springs. The couple then moved to LaGrange in 1935 and returned to Hawk Springs in 1939. In 1945 they bought the Hawk Springs Grocery Store and operated it while farming until 1965. They moved south of Yoder, Wyoming in 1967 and retired in 1989. Wilbur entered the Country Villa in 1999 and moved to Emerald Court in August of 2004. Wilbur enjoyed fishing, hunting, boating and water skiing. He especially loved family activities and his grandchildren. He was a 50 year member of the Masonic Lodge 29, and

served as Elder of the Hawk Springs Community Church. Wilbur helped start the Hawk Springs Fire Department in 1947 and was charter member of the Lions Club. He is survived by his son Russell Shannon and his wife Joan of Yoder, Wyoming; two daughters Naomi Schaffer and her husband Elmer of Hawk Springs, Wyoming, and Everine Evans of Cheyenne, Wyoming; a brother Homer Shannon of Cullman, Alabama; 10 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, a brother Russell, son-in-law, Ron Evans, and a granddaughter, Beth.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I was honored to know Wilbur for most of my life. He always had a smile and brightened the room that he was in. I remember times when I was a child that he would join my dad, Bob Baker, and Elmer Schaffer and tell fish stories. I remember running into him numerous times and always being greeted with a smile and a hug. He will be missed.

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**Kimberly and John Putnam** - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sincere Sympathy to Wilbur's family. I helped care for Wilbur at Country Villa. My daughter and family visited, once, and wanted to take Wilbur home with them. They always asked about him - while I worked there. Be asured he is well and healthy, now!

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**Nadine Baker** - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM

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“ Thinking back on the time I spent with Great Grandpa Shannon I only have good memorys. From the amazing fishing trips we took to the jokes that I would only sometimes understand when I was young, it seemed that every moment spent with Great Grandpa was a great one. I know he is in a better place taking everyone fishing and telling better jokes!

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**JR & Julie** - March 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM