



## William Essert

August 10, 1928 - November 11, 2011

Grave side services for WILLIAM M. "BILL" ESSERT, 83, will be held at 11am Thursday, November 17, 2011 at the Valley View Cemetery with Reverend Matt Gordon officiating. Bill died November 11, 2011 at Emerald Court in Scottsbluff, Nebraska. A memorial has been established to the New Hope Humane Society at P.O. box 1704, Worland, WY 82401. The casket will be closed. 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). Bill was born August 10, 1928 in Scottsbluff, Nebraska the son of William and Margaret (Shanstrom) Essert. He grew up and attended school in Yoder, Wyoming graduating high school there in 1947. He attended the University of Wyoming for one year. He married Mary Louise Harris and they were later divorced. To this union three children were born. Bill was a veteran of military services of which he was very proud. Upon his discharge on October 16, 1956 he returned to Goshen County where he farmed with his brother in the Yoder area for many years. He also drove beet rehaul trucks for Holly Sugar during campaigns. He retired in 2008. Bill was a lifetime member of the Yoder Fire Department. He loved animals and had a gentle heart for needy people. He loved to tell a joke, especially brain teasers. He loved to sit and talk to anyone about anything. He traveled to Torrington everyday for the past thirty-five plus years to get a newspaper and to have a hamburger and french fries for lunch. His favorite treat was ice cream. Bill is survived by two sons Brad Essert and his wife Patty of Torrington, Wyoming and Greg Essert and his wife Holly of

Worland, Wyoming; a daughter Kim Cawthra and her husband Joel of Torrington; eight grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; a brother Doug Essert and his wife Betty of Yoder, Wyoming; and a sister Betty Quade and her husband Bob of Torrington. He was preceded in death by his parents.

# Tribute Wall

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“ It was sad to hear of Bill passing away. He was too young for it to happen. Our families go back to two generations before me, to Bill's parents. I am unable to remember a time when I did not know part of the Essert Family. In remembering Bill's joking ways, one evening I backed into a vehicle in a restaurant parking lot, not hurting either vehicle. We went inside the restaurant to talk to the owner of the other vehicle, and he already coming out. Bill was laughing, and said, "T told him somebody backed into your vehicle, and I know who was!" We all had a laugh because of there not being any damage and Bills sense of humor. When I visited Bill recently at Emerald Court, he immediately remembered that happening. We send our prayers and sympathy to all Bill's family members and friends.

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**Garold W. And Theresa L. Newton** - November 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ My heart and prayers at this time and always go out to the family of Bill! Be at peace now with no more 'pain'. He will very much be missed by many. My heart especially go out to Brad, Greg and Kim, his children and his many grandchildren and great nieces from Lusk, Torrington area, that i know! All my love to Leslie Lemons family, Geof Cummins family in Lusk my love to all of you. Also to Sue Johnson, whom she was very close to Bill.

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**Bobbi Kraft** - November 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ I'm remembering,

*You tinkering with old gadgets,  
riding on that old tractor.*

*You lived/loved to be outside,  
under that big blue sky.*

*You were happy most any place,  
It didn't take much.*

*Never a minute was wasted,  
You found plenty to do.*

*You said "Life is what you make it"  
Simple things, your tractor,  
It was worth millions to you.*

*The tales you use to tell us, the girl's  
they did believe. The spelling bee's games to town, or what's that  
sign.*

*Things you said can never be replaced,  
Some so funny, you had to laugh.  
We lived to see what you would do next.*

*We had special days and special times,  
from just a quiet moment, or a ride  
to dinner at Beacons.*

*You made it all so special each time.*

*You liked to tease/teach with your riddles, you would not cease, till  
you got a reaction, then you were pleased.*

*That was just you, and we love you for it.*

*But now your gone, an never forgotten.*

*I would just bet, on a tractor or in a Truck, you can be found!*

*RIP~Bill*

*Love, Patty Thompson*

**Patty A Thompson** - November 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *So sorry to hear about Bill. Our thoughts, prayers and sympathy to you Brad, Greg, Kim and families. Bill was a good and caring man. And we always liked his stories and jokes. God's blessings.*

*Sincerely,  
Ted and Lori*

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**Ted & Lori (Lay) Niemeyer** - November 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM