



## William 'Bill' Franks

December 13, 1925 - August 14, 2013

Memorial services for WILLIAM J. 'BILL' FRANKS, 87, will be held at 2pm Saturday, August 24, 2013 at the Lingle Community Presbyterian Church with Reverends Peggy Brown and Curtis Hill officiating. Bill died at his home on August 14, 2013 and cremation has taken place. Memorials may be made to any environmental cause of the donor's choice. 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 December 13, 1925 in Lyman, Nebraska the son of James and Cora (Flint) Franks. He grew up and received his education at the Liberty Rural School north of Morrill, Nebraska and later graduated from the Mitchell, Nebraska High School in 1943. He then attended the Scottsbluff, Nebraska Junior College. He married Patricia Floyd on October 9, 1948. They moved to a farm south of Lingle, Wyoming and he farmed in that area for the rest of his life.

Bill served on several boards among them the Wyoming Water Development Commission to which he was appointed by Governor Jim Geringer in 1995 and served until 2003, the Goshen Irrigation District for almost forty years, and the Holly Sugar Beet Board. He ran a couple of unsuccessful campaigns for State Senate and State Legislature.

Bill is survived by a daughter Georganne "Georgie" Hunter of Lingle; five grandchildren Grant Hunter and his wife Meghan of The Woodlands, Texas, Haley Oliver and her husband Dusty of Lafayette, Indiana, Graham Franks and his wife Brynn of Shoshoni, Wyoming, Matthew Franks and his wife Danielle of Bozeman, Montana, and Cora Franks of Laramie, Wyoming; six great grandchildren Quinton, Charlotte, and Anderson Hunter, Fynn and Samuel Franks, and James Franks; two sisters Shirley Cunningham of Monroe, Louisiana, and Virginia Scofield of Scottsdale, Arizona; and a special friend Erma Carpenter of Austin, Texas. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Pat; and two sons Jim and Joe.

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG **24**. 2:00 PM (MT)

Community Presbyterian Church  
Lingle, WY 82223

# Tribute Wall

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“ I remember my dad making a deal for Bill to feed some cattle and they became friends. We send our sympathy and prayers all Bill's friends and family members.

Garold W. Newton And Theresa L. Newton - September 13, 2014 at 01:46 AM

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“ I hope you know CARROTS are the only vegetable they are serving up there!! And you will have to eat them all. Rest in peace and try not to give the big guy too much of a hard time :) Tammi Harshberger



Tammi Harshberger - August 23, 2013 at 03:14 PM

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“ I had the pleasure of being an officer of the Lingle State Bank that Bill was one of the founders and a Director. He took his responsibilities seriously and over time I found him to be a great help to me as well as being a confidant. His leadership in many areas of life will definitely be missed. I reach out to Georgie and all of his descendents with both sympathy and empathy.  
Keith Whitney



Keith Whitney - August 21, 2013 at 03:30 PM