Claudine W. Koger

Claudine Winifred Koger, 87, of Wheatland, Wyo., died Thursday, Jan. 3, 2008, at Platte County Memorial Hospital in Wheatland.

A memorial service will take place in the spring in Monarch, Mont. Cremation has taken place under the direction of Gorman Funeral Homes—Platte Chapel of Wheatland. Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

She was born Aug. 4, 1920, in Sidney, Iowa, the daughter of George William and Winnifred Proctor Grandstaff. Her parents farmed near Sidney and Thurman and in 1929 moved to Grinnell where she spent her childhood.

She was married on Jan. 4, 1945, to Donald E. Koger, and lived in numerous places while he fulfilled a 20-year commitment to the United States Navy. After retirement from the Navy, they settled in San Pedro, Calif., where they lived until moving to Raynesford, Mont., in 1974. Following the death of her husband on Jan. 24, 1995, she lived alone until moving to Wheatland to live with her son Kenneth and his wife Gail in June 2005.

She is survived by her son Kenneth of Wheatland; two daughters Rae Whitman of Winter Haven, Fla., and Judith Mehrans of Tucson, Ariz.; two sisters Shirley Harter of Montezuma and Mary Curry of Deep River; seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; one sister Virginia Pruska and two brothers, Gene and Ronald Grandstaff.