

## Pearl Bader 1912 - 2004

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WORLAND — Pearl E. Bader, 92, of Ten Sleep, passed away October 20, 2004 at Worland Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center.

Pearl was born Feb. 1, 1912 in Shoels, Neb., to Christian W.H. and Erna Sophia (Jensen) Hansen, who both came from Denmark. Her parents were separated at the time of her birth. Erna brought Pearl and her big sister, Rosa Ella, to the Lower Nowood in 1915. She attended Mann School.

In 1920, her mother married Charlie Miller, whom Pearl referred to as her father from then on. They lived in Dixon Canyon for a short time and then moved to the Tolman Ranch so the children could attend school. The family then moved to Ten Sleep where Pearl received the rest of her education until she was a junior.

Ten Sleep had only three years of high school, so she came to Worland for her senior year. She graduated from Washakie County

High School in 1930 with a normal training certificate.

She began working at the Deep Creek School in Washakie County as a teacher. After one year of teaching, Pearl attended summer school in Laramie.

She married Merton Bader Jr. in 1934 in Red Lodge, Mont.

She left the teaching field until 1948 when she started teaching in Ten Sleep. In 1936 their daughter, Myrna Joyce, was born. During this time she attended summer school and took correspondence courses. She finally received her B.A. degree in education from the University of Wyoming in 1961. This same year the Ten Sleep senior class, which had once been her first-graders, dedicated the class annual to her.

Pearl was a member of the National Education Association, the Wyoming Education Association, Washakie County Education Association and Ten Sleep Classroom Teachers Association. She was also a member of the United Methodist Church and was financial secretary for many years. She was a charter member and past matron of Signal Cliff Chapter No. 49 O.E.S. and was grand representative of North Carolina from Wyoming. She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma and was Wyoming Teacher of the Year in 1966.

Pearl was preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Rosa Ella; and one brother, Larry H. Miller.

She is survived by her husband, Merton C. Bader and daughter, Myrna Pannell, both of Ten Sleep; two grandchildren, Graig (Heidi) Pannell of Snohomish, Wash., and Starla (Wade) Atkinson of Casper; four great-grandchildren, Joshua and Nickolas Pannell of Snohomish, Wash., Zackary Saint of Casper and Stephen (Julie) Saint of Winnemucca, Nev.; and two great-great-grandchildren, Gabriel and Sophia Saint.

Funeral services will be held Monday, Oct. 25, 11 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Ten Sleep with Pastor Grover Briggs officiating. Burial will follow in the Ten Sleep Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the United Methodist Church of Ten Sleep or the Ten Sleep Senior Center in care of Bryant Funeral Home, P.O. Box 524, Worland, WY 82401.

Bryant Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.