

Hayden M. 'Pete' Blair, Obituary, Northern Wyoming Daily News, Worland, Wyoming, January 30, 1997, page 2.

BUFFALO -- Worland native and longtime Washakie County resident Hayden M. "Pete" Blair, 77, died on Tuesday, Jan. 28 at the Veterans' Home of Wyoming in Buffalo.

He was born on Oct. 28, 1919 in Worland, a son of Felix and Willie Blair. He was raised and educated in Worland, and graduated from Worland High School in 1937.

He worked in the Worland and Ten Sleep areas for a time after high school, then joined the U.S. Army in 1939. He served in the Pacific Theater during World War II.

He married Alma McCreery on Sept. 10, 1943 in Billings, Mont., and they made their home in Florida and Texas while Mr. Blair served in the Army.

After the war they moved back to Worland, where Mr. Blair took over the family ranch, which they operated until 1958. The family then moved to Ten Sleep, where Mr. Blair worked on a ranch. He purchased Big Horn Service Center in Ten Sleep, which he operated until he retired in 1990.

He continued to live in Ten Sleep until 1996, when he moved to Buffalo to live with his daughter and her family. Mr. Blair became a resident of the Veterans' Home in September 1996.

He was a member of the Ten Sleep Lions Club and VFW.

He is survived by his daughter Ann Patik and her husband Grant of Buffalo; and three grandchildren, Farrah, Garrett and Kurt Patik, all of Buffalo.

He was preceded in death by his wife in May 1989; by his parents; a son, Gary Blair; and a brother, Merwyn Blair.

Visitations are scheduled from 1 to 10 p.m. Friday at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo, and from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Saturday at the Ten Sleep Methodist Church.

The service is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday at the Ten Sleep Methodist Church, with the Rev. Ole Natwick officiating. Burial will be at Ten Sleep Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Stephen Ministry Program of the United Methodist Church in Buffalo, or to the Ten Sleep Ambulance Service in care of Adams Funeral Home, 351 N. Adams Ave., Buffalo, 82834.

Adams Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.