

THURSTON DOYLE

1877-1961

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Thurston Doyle was born in Nebraska 16 February 1877 and lived in McCook, Nebraska and Box Elder, Nebraska for a number of years. In 1900 he married Eldora (Dora) Little but by 1920 he had purchased a ranch in Hyattville, Big Horn Co., Wyoming and lived there until 1944 when he and Dora bought the Hatfield Ranch in Ten Sleep Canyon, which they sold later to the Methodist Church and is now called Circle J. They had 5 daughters: Evelyn, Fern, Gladys, June, and Gayle (1930 census shows the fifth daughter as Darlene Doyle) and one son, Dean Doyle, who stayed on for a lifetime in the Paintrock area. After they sold the Ten Sleep Canyon location they moved into Ten Sleep and bought the home previously known as the William Pearson residence an English emigrant. He passed away July 1, 1961.

The Doyles are mentioned in the book "Paintrock Tales and Bonanza Trails" (compiled by Hyattville Historical group), on p. 330 an anecdote is detailed about Thurston and Harry Cook. Their daughter June Doyle married Raymond Gossens and lived in the vicinity of Ten Sleep until she passed away at the age of 97; she taught school and was a vigorous and energetic representative of the Doyle family

Thurston Doyle, 84, Area Rancher, Dies

TEN SLEEP — Thurston Doyle, a long time resident of Hyattville, died July 1 at the Rest Haven Home in Thermopolis after an extended illness. He was 84.

Funeral services were held at the Veile chapel in Worland July 3 at 10 a.m. and burial was in the Ten Sleep cemetery. Pallbearers were grandsons and grandsons-in-law.

Doyle was born at McCook, Neb., Feb. 16, 1877. On Feb. 7, 1900, he married Dora Little in McCook and the couple had six children. The family moved to Hyattville in 1920 where Doyle engaged in ranching. In 1944, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle bought the Hatfield home in the Ten Sleep canyon and lived there until 1954 when they sold the place to the Methodist church of Worland and moved to the present family home in Ten Sleep.

On March 26, Doyle suffered a stroke and entered the Worland hospital where he remained until May 10, when he was removed to the Rest Haven Home.

Doyle is survived by his widow; one son, Dean Doyle of Hyattville; five daughters, Mrs. Evelyn Bechtel of Casper, Mrs. Fern Crall of Dallas, Tex., Mrs. Gladys Morrison of Colorado Springs, Colo., Mrs. June Gossens of Ten Sleep and Mrs. Darlene Kershner of Bozeman, Mont.; 12 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.