

OBITUARY FOR MINNIE FRANK DRON

1889-1966

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Minnie Frank Dron was born in Iowa in January of 1889 to Minnie Frank (father's name not found). In 1900, Minnie was shown as the stepdaughter of Harry Baugh, Walden, Larimer, CO. By 1910, Minnie had two brothers William and George Frank and a sister Mabel B. plus half-brothers David and Joseph Baugh and they lived in Whalen, Fergus, MT. She married Tony Dron, a native of Romania, in Billings, MT in 1925. The couple were engaged in raising sheep for a short time in the Ten Sleep area and then purchased land in the Ten Sleep canyon where they worked an apple orchard. In 1927, their firstborn, Theodore H was born but passed away as a toddler (not yet 2 years of age) and is buried in the Ten Sleep cemetery. A daughter, Theodora (Theo) was born in 1928 and lived with Minnie and Tony until she graduated from high school in Ten Sleep 1947. She was survived by daughter Theo and grandson Vincent Horn. Minnie Dron passed away in 1965 (as per obit of Tony Dron)[*shown on the headstone as 1966.*]

Memories: Minnie Dron was a quiet, unassuming woman and made very little appearance in the community, attending Theo's activities in the company usually of her husband Tony. The family as Ten Sleep canyon residents removed from daily Ten Sleep life and interacted only from the harvesting and selling of their apples. Minnie and Tony took over the responsibility of their grandson almost from birth. They essentially raised Vincent Horn who also graduated from Ten Sleep high school.

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Mrs. Tony Dron Dies at Hospital

Mrs. Tony (Minnie M.) Dron, 76, died at Washakie Memorial hospital here Thursday evening following a week's hospitalization. She had been in ill health for some time.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Ten Sleep Methodist church at 2 p.m. Monday, with the Rev. Howard Kildow officiating.

Burial will be in Ten Sleep cemetery. Veile mortuary of Worland is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Dron was born on April 24, 1889, in Keokuk, Iowa, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Frank. She spent much of her childhood in North Park, Colo., moving to Wyoming in 1911. She resided for several years in Casper, where she met her husband. They were married in Billings, Mont., in 1925.

The couple moved from Casper in 1927 to a ranch near Ten Sleep, where they had since made their home.

She is survived by her husband; one daughter, Mrs. David (Theo) Horn of Worland; one grandson; two brothers, Joe Baugh of Forsyth, Mont., and George Frank of Santa Margarita, Calif., and one sister, Mrs. Frank Compton, also of Santa Margarita, Calif.

It is not known whether another brother, Willard Frank, is living.