

JOHN S “Jack” HAWKS
1868-1959

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John [Jack] S Hawks was born in Iowa in 1868. He was in Red Lodge, Carbon, MT in 1900 and about that time he married Adie M Putton. They were living in Nye, Stillwater, MT and owned their own property in 1910 (U.S. census) and all four of their children were born there between 1903-1909: John W, George, Zula [Zella] and Thelma. By 1920 census reports, Adie had passed away and Jack Hawks was a widower and had his mother-in-law Mary Putton living with them. In the mid-twenties, the Hawks family moved to Ten Sleep, Washakie, WY. Jack ran a poolroom/bar combination for several years and then bought the Ten Sleep Bar where he and his daughter Thelma worked. A Mrs. Hawks lived down the same street and took care of Jack's orphaned daughter as his son John W passed away in 1931 in Ten Sleep. Jack passed away in 1959.

Memories: The Hawks family made a living in a way (at that time) that was somewhat looked askance at (poolrooms and bars), but as far as I know they walked a careful line and were respectable citizens in the town's view. Fb

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Ten Sleep Resident Dies in Hospital

Jack Hawks, 89, a long time resident of Ten Sleep, died Tuesday night at the Washakie Memorial hospital following a short illness.

Hawks was a retired bar operator and prospector. He had resided in Ten Sleep since the early 1920s. He was born Dec. 9, 1869, in Illinois.

Hawks is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Peggy Travis, Wichita, Kan., and Mrs. Thelma Davis, Ten Sleep. His wife and a son preceded him in death several years ago.

Funeral arrangements are pending at the Veile mortuary.