

# Robert Leroy Riddle

1897 - 1955

## Burns Fatal to Ten Sleep Man

Fifty-eight-year-old Robert L. Riddle, Ten Sleep ranch worker caught in a cooking stove explosion Monday morning, died yesterday in the Washakie Memorial hospital.

The father of three children died from severe body and facial burns at 4:40 a.m., 21 hours after

a blast apparently ignited by gasoline injured him at a cow camp cabin 20 miles southeast of Worland.

Riddle, an employe on the Don Wilson ranch near Ten Sleep, was hospitalized in serious condition at 11 a.m. Monday after driving for help. Occupying the cabin by himself, he had been preparing breakfast at the time of the explosion.

Funeral services have been tentatively set for Thursday in Ten Sleep, with Velle mortuary of Worland in charge of arrangements.

Riddle is survived by his wife, Frances; a daughter, Lois of Lander; two sons, Gene of Worland and Kenneth of Ten Sleep; two brothers, Sherman of California and Fletcher of Spokane, Wash.; and a sister, Mrs. John Mason of Livingston, Mont.

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## Last Rites for Ten Sleep Burn Victim Conducted

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TEN SLEEP — Graveside services for Robert LeRoy Riddle, 58, a long-time resident of Ten Sleep who died Nov. 29 in a Worland hospital from burns suffered the previous day, were conducted here Thursday with the Rev. William E. Iverson officiating.

Mr. Riddle was born Aug. 28, 1897, at Lead, S. D., and came to this area in 1919. He married Frances Brown July 8, 1925. He had worked as a carpenter most of his life and also helped in general ranch work.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Eugene Riddle, Worland, and Kenneth Riddle, Ten Sleep; a daughter, Mrs. Lois Mulholland, Lander; two brothers, Fletcher Riddle, Spokane, Wash., and Sherman Riddle, Burbank, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. John Mason, Livingston, Mont., and Mrs. Frank Gibler, Spokane, Wash.; and six grandchildren.

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