

**IRA W THOMPSON**  
(1903-1950)

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Ira W Thompson (Jack Thompson) was born 30 October 1903 in North Dakota to George W and Ona A Thompson (according to the Social Security death index). In the 1910 U.S. census the family were in Musselshell, Yellowstone Co, MT and he was still in Musselshell in 1920 (1920 U.S. census) with his parents and brothers George Emery, Ray John, Edward and Earl Thompson. He later moved to Wyoming and was always listed as a laborer in his adulthood. He married Pauline (----?) in Worland in the late 1940's and they moved to Ten Sleep where they purchased a small log house. In Ten Sleep he did "odd jobs" as an independent worker. One day in March 1950 as he was walking up the street he lived on, he passed away from a heart attack. He and Pauline had no issue.

*Memories: Jack Thompson was a big man with a quiet, gentle way—one of deep inner courtesy. His wife Pauline told me he was the kindest person she had ever known. Fb*

## Ten Sleep Man Dies Of Heart Attack

TEN SLEEP — I. W. Thompson died of a heart attack Friday morning while working at the Short Stop service station in Ten Sleep.

Thompson was born in Lisbon, N. D., in 1903, and was raised on a ranch near Roundup, Mont., where he spent his childhood. At the age of 18 he enlisted in the Marine corps and spent one year in the Philippines. Following his discharge two years later, he joined the cavalry and rode with the Border Patrol for two years.

He came to Wyoming and worked at various ranches. He helped with the building of the Ten Sleep-Buffalo highway across Powder River pass. Thompson was a member of the Worland police force for approximately two years, and during that time also acted as deputy sheriff under John S. Nicola.

He married Pauline Roe in Roundup in 1944, and in May, 1948, he and his wife moved to Ten Sleep, where he was employed by the service station.

He is survived by his widow; two step-daughters, Mrs. Jim Jensen of Lyman, Wyo.; Mrs. Etna Feather, Worland; his mother, Mrs. Ora Thompson of Monroe, Wash.; and three brothers, Ed of Fonroe; Emery of Bellingham, Wash., and Earl of Olympia, Wash.

Funeral arrangements are not yet complete. Arrangements are under the direction of the Veile Mortuary.