

Funeral Services for 'Jake' Frison at Ten Sleep [Newspaper clipping in Edna Greet scrapbook, probably Northern Wyoming Daily News, Worland, Wyoming, Thursday, Jan. 30, 1941.]

Jacob Charles Frison, 78, pioneer rancher and stockman of the Ten Sleep country, who suffered a stroke in September and was confined to his bed since that time died at his ranch home a mile from Ten Sleep Thursday forenoon.

Jacob Charles Frison was born February 24th, 1862, in Rome, New York and died January 23, 1941 in Ten Sleep, Wyoming, following a prolonged illness. He lived 78 years, 10 months, and 29 days. He leaves to survive him, Margaret Shields, his wife; three sons, Robert Frison, New Casale, Wyoming; Paul and Ted Frison, Ten Sleep, Wyoming; seven grandchildren, Kay and Joan Frison, Newcastle, Wyo.; Margarette Inez, Willis Charles, Gerald Paul, and George Frison of Ten Sleep, Wyo.; and Mrs. Marcella Campbell, and great grandson, Gerald Campbell, Bloomington, Ill; one sister, Mrs. Mary Hall of Denver, Colo. Two sons, George Stephen Frison and James Alfred Frison, and one daughter, Annella Frison, died many years ago.

#### Biographical Sketch

Jacob Charles Frison, better and widely known as "Jake" Frison, was the son of French refugees, following the hectic times that followed the War of '71, in Alsace and Loraine. He was orphaned at a very tender age, and became a virtual wanderer. and his youth was spent in traveling and he had at the age of 21 visited every state and territory in the Union, also Canada and Mexico. He became a brakeman on the St. Louis Iron Mountain and Southern Railroad, next he worked on the Santa Fe, then on the Mexican Central south to Mexico City, then went to work as a firemen on the Colorado Midland R. R. in the early eighties when the road was building into Leadville, Colo.

In 1891 he was married to Miss Margarette Shields, of DeSoto, Mo., and they moved to Basalt, Colo. They lived in that vicinity until the years of 1901 when as a railroad engineer, he quit the Railroad, and with his family came overland in a covered wagon to Ten Sleep, having spent 69 days on the road.

Since that time he had lived continuously in the Ten Sleep valley, devoting his entire time to ranching and livestock. Perhaps his greatest contribution to society was his conviction, the example that he set in life, as he lived from day to day --- fearless, courageous, and loyal.

His early life had forced him to establish a 'sense of direction' --- a philosophy, that has been indelibly stamped upon the pattern of his past, depicting a common policy of loyalty, honesty, and personal endeavor. His single policy in life was to the end that he might become solely responsible as an individual, and answerable to that great obligation of a citizen--- "Individual Responsibility."

#### Funeral Services

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Father Krass of Thermopolis Saturday afternoon at the Ten Sleep Community Church, which was filled to overflowing with friends, many of whom attended from Worland as well as the surrounding country. The beautiful floral tributes were the outward manifestation of the high esteem in which Mr. Frison was held. Music was furnished by a Ten Sleep quartete composed of Mrs. Vernon Rice, Mrs. Dave Egbert, Mrs. Roy Shriver and Mrs. Sam McPike with Virginia Pearson at the piano. Selections were "The City Foursquare," and "Auld Lang Syne." The latter selection was typical of the genuine friendliness of the pioneer

ranchman.

Pallbearers were W. E. Hatfield, Birch Warner, O. E. Nowels, M. C. Bader, M. J. Lynch and W. A. Waldo. Internment was in Ten Sleep cemetery.

Jake Frison will be greatly missed and the Washakie Signal Fire (a local newspaper) joins the community in expressing sincere sympathy to Mrs. Frison and her family.