

OBITUARY BILL COOK

William H. 'Bill' Cook, 82, died on July 13, 2008, peacefully in his sleep at his home in Worland. He was born on August 1, 1925, in Riverton, to Joseph and Anna (Joergens) Cook. His mother died when he was six years old. His father and stepmother Alma, whom he considered his mother, raised him. During his youth he had been very sick and at age 18 he finished the 10th grade.

He then enlisted in the Merchant Marines serving his country during WWII from 1943 to 1946. He served as a cook on a freighter. Years later he also received his honorable discharge from the Coast Guard.

He moved to the Missouri Valley where he worked on a family farm. It was here that he met Bonnie Lund. They were married on June 30, 1948.

His career took him back to Riverton where he began working at the airport for Challenger Airlines as a station agent. He moved to Worland nine years later where he became the Airport Manager for Frontier Airlines the next 23 years retiring in 1982. He then managed the bowling alley until 1988.

His hobbies included hunting, fishing, bowling and listening to country music.

He had the honor of receiving his GED from high school just a couple of years ago.

He is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Bonnie in 2004; and stepsister, Ruth Smith. He is survived by his daughter, DiAnn Butler of Thermopolis; niece, Tess Piercy, and extended family.

Burial will be in Mountain View Cemetery in Riverton.