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### WADE REESE obituary

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GILDFORD - Wade Reese, 85, of Gildford, died Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2003, at a Chester hospital.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Assembly of God Church in Havre. Burial will follow at Highland Cemetery in Havre.

Wade

was born on April 25, 1918, at Teresita, Mo., to George and Myrtle (Culpepper) Reese. He grew up in Missouri and received his formal education there. He came to Montana in 1937 to work on a farm near Chinook.

Wade met Edna L. Lemieux and they were married in Chinook on Oct. 26, 1940.

Wade worked as a Montana farmer most of his adult life. In 1947, the Reeses acquired their own place in the Kremlin-Gildford community, where they raised their family. Wade eventually took a second job with the Hill County Road Department. Osteoporosis forced him to retire in 1978. He remained active in the farming operations until a few years ago when his health continued to fail.

Wade was an active member of the Gildford Baptist Church, serving as a council member and church deacon. He especially enjoyed cooking for men's prayer breakfasts. He was a Gideon and supported the Bible society. He also served as a deacon at Sixth Avenue Christian Church in Havre and was a past board member of the Big Sky Christian Youth Ranch at Whitewater.

Wade enjoyed music all his life. He played the guitar and mandolin and loved to sing. His favorite music was country, folk and gospel. Wade also enjoyed hunting and fishing, a joy that he passed down to his children and grandchildren. During his time at home, Wade enjoyed writing poetry and reading true detective stories and military histories. He enjoyed gardening and watching old sitcoms on TV. In his younger years, he enjoyed playing pinochle and poker.

Wade was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his wife, Edna Reese of Gildford; sons, Glen (Catherine) Reese of Charlotte, N.C., and Ken (Loreen) Reese of Portland, Ore.; daughters, Beth (Bill) Warwick of McMinnville, Ore., and Margie (Jerry) Williams of Havre; brother, Doc (Agnes) Reese of Havre; sisters, Hazel Ball and Selma (Lloyd) Hamer, both of Missouri; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and numerous nephews and nieces.

Memorials may be made to KXEI Christian Radio, P.O. Box 2426, Havre, MT 59501.

Arrangements are by Rockman Funeral Chapel, Chester.

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