

Funeral services for Mrs. Reas Axtell are held Wednesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Reas T. Axtell were held Wednesday afternoon, July 21, at the Christian Church with Vernon Hollett, the pastor, officiating. Interment followed in Bethlehem Cemetery.

Mrs. Axtell died Sunday evening, July 18, at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction where she had been a patient for six months.

Music for the ceremony was provided by Raymond and Nina Den Beste who sang "Good Night and Good Morning" and "Whispering Hope", accompanied by Mrs. L. C. Bradshaw. Pallbearers were fellow postal workers Donald Wood, Charles Keenan, Lloyd Simpson, Harold Goding, Bruce McKnight and Joe Schmalz.

Claudine Rose Hice was born April 6, 1918, at Midway, a daughter of Claude Ivan (Tede) Hice and Rose Holybee Hice. She had lived in the Crawford-Paonia area most of her life.

A housewife and clerk at the Paonia Post Office, she was married to Reas Axtell on Feb. 26, 1959 at Gunnison.

She attended schools in Crawford and was graduated from high school there and was employed in defense work at Covina, Calif., during World War II. She attended a business college for two years. She was an employee of the Star Mercantile in Paonia for 7½ years before taking her position at the post office.

Mrs. Axtell is survived by her husband; a son, Leonard Leroy Lowe of Paonia; her mother, Mrs. Rose Hice of Paonia; a brother, Glenn Hice of Midway; and a sister, Mrs. Al (Thelma Moeller) of Paonia, and many aunts, uncles and cousins in this area.