

**SWEARINGHAM, Albert : Mother is Elizabeth Book a daughter of Peter Book and Catherine Heighdecker**  
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Birth: Aug. 10, 1924  
Cheyenne  
Laramie County  
Wyoming, USA  
Death: May 20, 2005  
North Platte  
Lincoln County  
Nebraska, USA

Albert Jack Swearingen, 80, of North Platte, died May 20, 2005, at Great Plains Regional Medical Center in North Platte.

He was born Aug. 10, 1924, at Cheyenne, Wyo., to Albert Newton and Elizabeth Agnes Book Swearingen. He grew up and attended school in Cheyenne. After his schooling he started working for the Union Pacific Railroad in Cheyenne in the store department as a material handler.

On April 19, 1943, he married Dorothy Marie Numrich at Kimball. On May 27, 1943, he joined the U.S. Army and served until April 8, 1946. He returned to Cheyenne and to the Union Pacific Railroad as a pipe fitter. They lived there until 1970, when they moved to Pocatello, Idaho, with a promotion. In 1975, they moved to North Platte, where he took a medical retirement from the Union Pacific Railroad in 1979.

Mr. Swearingen was a member of Cheyenne Masonic Lodge 1 AF & AM, Scottish Rite Valley of Hastings, Korein Shrine Temple at Rawlins Wyo., and Post 1884 Veterans of Foreign Wars in Cheyenne.

Survivors include a daughter, Karen (Roy) Phillips and a son, "Jack" Albert John (Nancy) Swearingen, all of North Platte; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; a sister, Marie (Earl) Ratcliff of Napa, Idaho; a brother, Ted (Jessie) Swearingen of Farmington, N.M.; and several nieces and nephews and other family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a half sister, Viola Malmstead; and a nephew, Billy Ratcliff.

A memorial has been established to the Shriner's Hospital Transportation Fund. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Odean Colonial Chapel at C & Sycamore with the Rev. Dr. Nathan Wadewitz officiating. Burial will be in the Fort McPherson National Cemetery with military honors provided by the North Platte Veterans Honor Guard. Masonic graveside rites by Platte Valley Lodge 32 AF & AM.

Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. today and from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday and before the service on Tuesday at Odean Colonial Chapel at C & Sycamore.