

George Jerry Cotton, 95, past away on Friday April 27, 2018 at Sheridan Manor surrounded by his loved ones.

Jerry was born April 1, 1923 in Sheridan WY. to George L & Edna (Swinyer) Cotton.

He served in the US Army during World War II in Germany & France.

He married Bonnie-Jean Smith April 25, 1944 in Harden MT. They made their home in Sheridan.

He was a Life Member of the VFW Post 1560 and a member of the Elks Lodge 520.

Jerry was a avid fisherman and hunter, he shot the first legal moose on the Big Horn mountains that he loved & knew like the back of his hand. He delivered ice in the Sheridan & surrounding area for over 50 years. He was a meat cutter & ran a butcher shop.

Jerry was a real cowboy and loved it.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, wife Bonnie, son LeRoy W. Cotton, daughter April Bee Cotton, two brothers Roy E. "Cy" & Jack L. Cotton, and one sister Evelyn Reimers. He is survived by a daughter Georgia J. Cotton Sheridan, son George D. "Sam" (Wyla) Cotton, son John E. Cotton, sister Ruth (Cotton) Deutsch, nine grandchildren, Shannon Marshall, Kevin Cotton, Tanna Gliddon, Katelynn & Connor Herchert, Scott, Richard, Christopher & Nicholas Cotton. Seventeen great grandchildren and ten great great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews that he truly loved.



# Jerry Cotton



*April 1, 1923 - April 27, 2018*



### Footprints In The Sand

One night a man had a dream.

He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the LORD.

Across the sky flashed scenes from his life.

For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand:  
one belonging to him, and the other to the LORD.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him  
he looked back, at the footprints in the sand.

He noticed that many times along the path of his life  
there was only one set of footprints.

He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times of his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the LORD about it:

"LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you,  
you'd walk with me all the way.

But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life  
there is only one set of footprints.

I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me."

The LORD replied:

"My son, My precious child, I love you and I would never leave you,

During your times of trial and suffering,  
when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."



*In Loving Memory of*  
**George Jerry Cotton**

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE**

Thursday, May 3, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

Kane Funeral Home

**OFFICIATING**

Pastor Terral Bearden

**MUSIC**

Whispering Pines, Ghost Riders In The Sky, Amazing Grace

**PALLBEARERS**

Robert Garretson, Devaun Cotton, Nathan Hurlbert  
Bobby Marshall, Scott Cotton, Jerry Jowett

**HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

Ashton Gliddon, Keaden Smith, Angelo Rodriguez  
Christopher Barajos, Teague Cotton, Nicholas Marshall



Interment will be in the Elks Memorial Cemetery.

With Military Honors.

A reception will follow at the VFW, 758 Broadway, Sheridan, WY.