

Mrs. Connell died Jan. 22, 1996, in Tucson, Ariz., where she had lived for the past 20 years.

She was born Aug. 29, 1912, in Buffalo, to Dr. Irwin Blake and Irene (Dennis) Blake. She was raised in Buffalo and graduated from Johnson County High School in 1929. She graduated from Woodbury College in Los Angeles and worked in Los Angeles for two years.

She married H. George Connell in 1936 in Casper and lived here for 40 years, where she raised five children. She liked to play golf and knit.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and her brother, James Blake.

Survivors include her five children, Cynthia Jean Connell of Tucson, Patricia Cress of Anchorage, Alaska, Kerry Connell of Lander, Trudy Callison of Durango, Colo., and George Brian Connell of Casper; 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.