

Isidora Etchemendy

MILES CITY — Isidora Etchemendy, 93, of Miles City, died on Jan. 15, 1995, at the Holy Rosary Extended Care Facility where she had resided since 1990.

She was born in 1901 in Sumbilla, Navarra, Spain, to Juan and Marie Garro, one of 14 children, and came to Buffalo, Wyo., in 1919 where she worked as a housemaid. In 1922, she and Martin Etchemendy were married in Buffalo and lived there until moving to Miles City in 1942 where they continued their sheep and cattle business. From 1943 through 1949 they owned and operated the Bison Bar in Miles City and in 1950 moved to Forsyth where they owned and operated the Lariat Bar. In 1960, they returned to Miles City and Martin Etchemendy died in 1971.

Isidora was a member of the Sacred Heart Church, St. Joseph's Division of the Altar Society and R.S.V.P., spending many enjoyable hours doing voluntary sewing at both the Holy Rosary Hospital and the Pine Hills School.

She is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Margaret and Ray Reid, a son and daughter-in-law, John and Julie Etchemendy, and a son-in-law, Tom Nevland, all of Miles City; a daughter and son-in-law, Dorothy and Dale Valgamore of Nye; and a sister, Pilar Midegui of Sumbilla, Spain. Also surviving her are 15 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by a son in 1922, a daughter Vee Nevland in 1983, a granddaughter, Celeste Reid in 1981, and a grandson, Marty Etchemendy in 1987.

It is the desire of the family that any donations made on behalf of Isidora be made to the Holy Rosary Building Campaign.

Vigil services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the chapel of Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home. Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday in Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father Ben Lobo celebrant. Rite of Committal will follow in the family lot in Calvary Cemetery. Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge of arrangements.