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Harold Warren plaque dedicated at McGraw Memorial Park Warren was local historian and community leader

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Harold Warren was the founder and first president of the Park County Historical Foundation and Sept. 21, the Park County Historical Society unveiled a plaque identifying the blue spruce tree planted in memory of Warren at McGraw Memorial Park in Bailey.



Warren gets plaque in McGraw Memorial Park

William Douthett (left), grandson of deceased Park County historian Harold Warren, and Warren's daughter, Nancy Warren (center), pose with Karen Christenson, president of the Park County Historical Society, behind a plaque that was dedicated to Harold Warren, Sept. 21, 2015, at McGraw Memorial Park in Bailey. (Photo by Walter L. Newton/The Flume) operated between 1942-48 (Photo courtesy of Jackie Powell and Gary Higgins).

Warren died June 4, 2005. He was born Oct. 19, 1911, in Clay Center, Kansas. He and his wife Lenore made a life together searching for and finding traces of Indians in Park and Jefferson counties.

They lived in Park County near Bailey for over 50 years.

He had been researching local history for most of that time as well as writing numerous articles for the Fairplay Flume.

He had also been captain of Troop A of the Colorado Mountain Rangers when they headquartered at Bailey, commander of the Sheriff's Posse, leader of National Rifle Association's Junior Rifle Club and taught hunter safety classes for the what was then known as the Colorado Game and Fish Department.

Warren had presented historical programs to schools and other organizations for many years. The community remembered him as the Park County historian. He was an employee of the Social Security Board, U.S. Geological Survey and was retired from the United States Forest Service.