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Helen Earhart ^{18 Feb 1979}

Graveside services for Miss Helen Earhart will be conducted in the Lone Pine Cemetery near Bigfork at 11 a.m. Saturday with the Rev. Chauncey Biffle, pastor of the Epworth United Methodist Church, officiating.

Miss Earhart, former

resident of Bigfork, died in Alamogordo, N.M., Feb. 18.

She is now survived by three brothers, Herbert, Laurence and Wilbur Earhart, all of Alamogordo; and three sisters, Mrs. Home Martens of Pipestone, Minn., Mrs. Richard Gilman of Bigfork and Mrs. Robert Marsden of Alamogordo, N.M.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Funeral Home.

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Joseph Eastwood, 72

^{31 Mar 1979}
Joseph "Earl" Eastwood, 72, of Browning, died in Cut Bank on Saturday. He was born Oct. 12, 1902, in Kalispell, a son of James Edward and Artá Belle Eastwood.

He attended schools in Kalispell, Libby and Canada, and on March 26, 1928, he was married to Isabella Taylor in Cranbrook, B.C., Canada. He had been employed with the Lyford Plumbing and Heating in Kalispell for a number of years and was then a partner in the Kalispell Plumbing and Heating business. In 1952 he moved to Browning, where he had since resided.

He was a member of the Lake Lodge 50 IOOF of Kalispell for over 40 years, and a member of the Browning Lions Club and the Glacier Masonic Lodge 147.

He is survived by his wife, Isabella, at home; one son, John of Casper, Wyo.; one daughter, Mrs. Burton (Arta "Marion") Giles of Spokane, Wash.; one brother, Edward "Leroy" of Glen Ferry, Idaho; two sisters, Mrs. Pearl Renick of Cranbrook, B.C. and Mrs. Edward (Jennie) Clarke of Kalispell; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Services for Eastwood will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev. Walter Mason, pastor of the Browning Methodist Church officiating. Ritualistic rites will be conducted by the Lake Lodge 50 IOOF. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery where ritualistic rites will be conducted by the Kalispell Masonic Lodge 42 AF&AM.

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Ellena Edens, 57

^{8 Dec 1979}
Mrs. Ellena M. Edens, 57, who had resided at 406 Willow Glen Drive, died in Kalispell Saturday afternoon.

She was born April 9, 1922, in Baker, a daughter of Matt and Bertha Nasset. She received her education and spent her early life in Baker and Ekalaka.

July 24, 1941, she married Elmer Sieler in Baker. They did ranch work there until 1955 when they moved to Kalispell. Sieler died Jan. 1, 1972.

On June 15, 1973, she married William Edens in Kalispell.

She is survived by her husband, William, at home; five sons, Elmer, Allen and Phillip Sieler, all of Kalispell, John David Sieler of Spokane, Wash. and Paul E. (Joe) Sieler of Eureka; 17 grandchildren; one brother, Bud Nasset of Hinsdale; one sister, June Pierce of Ekalaka; and several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services for Mrs. Edens will be conducted in the Bethel Baptist Church at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday with the Rev. H.L. Inabnit officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery under the direction of the Johnson Funeral Home.

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Ruby H. Edwards, 79

^{14 Feb 1979}
Mrs. Ruby Helen Edwards, 79, Kalispell, died Wednesday. She was born Sept. 24, 1899, in Milwaukee, Wis., a daughter of Frank and Kathryn Vranek. She received her education in Milwaukee and in 1920 was married there. Her husband preceded her in death as did a son, Roger, and a daughter, Frances.

She then moved to Kalispell where she married William J. Stubbs in 1946. He preceded her in death in 1963. In August 1964, she married George Duncan Edwards of Billings, and he preceded her in death Feb. 19, 1966. She had continued to live in Kalispell until about a year ago when she entered the Bigfork Convalescent Home.

She is now survived by three sons, Darwin Carpenter, Madison, Wis.; Jerry Carpenter, Wautoma, Wis., and Richard Carpenter, Sandi Park, N.M.; one daughter, Gladys Lovejoy, Wautoma, Wis.; 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services for Mrs. Edwards will be announced by the Johnson Funeral Home.

Lee Elbert Eichinger

76 Apr 1979

Lee Elbert Eichinger, 68, a resident of Pinnacle, died in Whitefish Thursday.

Eichinger was born July 6, 1910, in Clear Lake, S.D., a son of George and Florence Eichinger. He received his schooling in Clear Lake and then continued to live and work in that area until he married Juanita Murphy, Oct. 27, 1934, in Canton, S.D. The couple then moved various places: Pineston, S.D.; Huron, S.D.; Brookings, S.D.; Norton, Kan.; Los Angeles, Calif.; Aberdeen, S.D. and Fargo, N.D., where Eichinger was a retail stores businessman. In 1955 the family moved to Great Falls and in 1966 to Shelby, where he retired and moved to Pinnacle in 1975.

He loved the outdoors and was always helpful in Scouts.

He was a past district governor of District 37C of Lions International; and a member of the Elks Lodge in Shelby. While in Great Falls, he was active in the nationally known Elks Drum and Bugle Corps. He was

a special deputy in the sheriff's department. He was a chairman of the church board of the Shelby Methodist Church, and a former deacon of the Congregational Church of Great Falls.

He is survived by his wife, Juanita at the family home in Pinnacle; one son Michael of Kellogg, Idaho; one daughter, Mrs. Loren (Veeann) Ambers, Alturas, Calif.; two grandchildren; one brother, George, Palm Springs, Calif.; two sisters, De Ette Purdy of Englewood, Calif., and Mrs. Robert (Fay) Glasser of Lakewood, Ohio. He was preceded in death by an infant son, George Lee, in 1938.

He was cremated at his request. A memorial service will be held Tuesday at 1 p.m. from the Shelby Methodist Church.

Austin Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Memorials have been suggested to the Lions International Foundation, in care of Darrell Olson, Glacier National Bank, Columbia Falls.

17 Nov 1979
A.E. (Buzz) Eiselein, 63

A.E. (Buzz) Eiselein, 63, of 861 N. Main Kalispell, died Saturday morning in Kalispell Regional Hospital. He was a member of a prominent Montana newspaper family.



BUZZ EISELEIN

Eiselein was born Nov. 12, 1916, in Boulder, the son of A. H. and Gladys Eiselein. He attended schools in Boulder and graduated from Boulder High School and then went to Intermountain College, Billings. He worked in the printing and photography business in Chinook, Roun-

dup and Whitehall and Cut Bank. Together with his father and brothers, he was a pioneer in introducing the use of photos into Montana newspapers through the photo engraving process. He married Jean McKenzie Sept. 15, 1940, in Boulder.

He entered the service in 1942 and served as a photographer with Naval Aviation. He set up the lab for processing reconnaissance films in the South Pacific for VD1 and VD3 Squadrons. When he was discharged in 1945 he was a chief photographers mate.

From 1945 to 1951 he was head of the photo engraving department of the Great Falls Tribune. He then moved to Kalispell to start the Montana Engraving Co. In 1968 he founded Kalispell Litho Lab which he and his wife operated.

Eiselein was a long-time member of the Kalispell Rotary Club and the Kalispell Elks Lodge 725.

Surviving besides his widow, Jean, at the family home are one son, Dr. E. B. Eiselein, Tucson, Ariz.; two brothers, Gordon Eiselein, Billings and John Eiselein, Berkeley, Calif.; and two grandsons. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother.

At Mr. Eiselein's request there will be no services and his body was cremated. The family suggests memorial to the Montana Council of Boy Scouts of America. Weatherford Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Lloyd Elsberry, 78

7 Mar 1979
Lloyd Edgar Elsberry, Kalispell. He was preceded 78, died at the North Valley Hospital Wednesday in death by two brothers.

Elsberry was born July 15, 1900, in Wausa, Neb., a son of Perry and Gertie Elsberry. He received his schooling in Nebraska, and in 1932 moved to the Glasgow area, where he farmed. In 1940 he moved to Olney. He logged and farmed in the Olney area until 1973 when he moved to Whitefish. His property in Olney housed the community church and Sunday school.

He was married to Anabelle Kimball in 1921 in Nebraska; she preceded him in death May 11, 1960.

Elsberry was a member of the Whitefish United Methodist Church.

He is survived by four brothers, Milton, Waterloo, Iowa, Earl, Royal, Neb., Harold, Brunswick, Neb., and Clayton, O'Neil, Neb.; three sisters, Rose Rasmussen, Dillon, Colo., Alda Albers, Persia, Iowa, and Lela Jensen, Brunswick, Neb.; and other relatives including cousins, Dean Beller and Susan Clay, both of

Services will be conducted from the Austin Chapel Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. The Rev. Loy Estes of the United Methodist Church, the Rev. Don Heinrichs and Dr. David Kauffman will conduct services. The body will be forwarded to Plainview, Neb., for burial. Memorials have been suggested to the extended care unit of North Valley Hospital.

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Elsie S. Ely, 77

16 Nov. 1979

Mrs. Elsie S. Ely, 77, of 1101 Whitefish Stage, died in Kalispell Friday morning.

She was born June 29, 1902, in Moore, a daughter of Henry and Celina Deranleau. She received her education and spent much of her early life at Moore and Lewistown.

She married Jesse Embrey, who preceded her in death. On Aug. 1, 1932, she married Arthur G. Ely in Great Falls. The couple lived at Sun River until 1940 when they moved to Kalispell. In 1963 they moved to

Spokane, Wash., until 1973 when Mrs. Ely returned to Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arthur in 1970, and one son, Joseph. She is now survived by one daughter, Celina Jane Wilson of Kalispell; three step-daughters, June Staigmiller of Cascade, Helen Rorvik of Choteau and Charlotte Cummings of Anaconda; two sons, Rolland and Gerald Ely of Fairfield; a sister, Mrs. Anna Moritz of Renton, Wash.; a niece, Irene

McLaughlin of Kalispell, one great-grandchild, and two great-great-grandchildren.

Rosary services for Mrs. Ely will be recited in the Johnson Chapel at 7 p.m. Sunday. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated in the Church of the Risen Christ at 9 a.m. Monday with the Rev. Juan Diphe as celebrant. Graveside services and burial will be held in the Greenwood Memorial Terrace Cemetery in Spokane at 4 p.m. Monday.

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23 Oct. 1979

James Ericksmoen, 36

LIBBY — James D. Ericksmoen, 36, died Tuesday near Libby.

He was born Oct. 17, 1943, at Greenwood, Wis. He worked as a logger in Wisconsin before coming to Libby in 1967.

He was employed by Libby Dam Builders for a short period of time before being employed as a sawyer for the St. Regis Paper Co.

He married Frances Buehler June 12, 1965, in

Longwood, Wis. He was a member of Christ Lutheran Church.

He is survived by his wife, Frances of Libby; one daughter Vickie Rae and one son, William John, both of Libby; his mother, Mildred Ericksmoen of Owen, Wis.; and one sister, Betty Mageland of Clarksville, Tenn.

Memorial services will be Thursday at 7 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church with the Rev. Sheridan Erickson officiating.

Funeral services and burial will be later this week in Owen, Wis.

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4 Nov. 1979

Tim Erikson, 25

For further story of Tim Erikson's accidental death Tuesday, see Page A-8.

PLENTYWOOD — Tim Erikson, 25, was pronounced dead on arrival at a Plentywood hospital Tuesday after he was injured in an oil rig accident Tuesday morning.

He graduated from Plentywood High School in 1972 and attended Flathead Valley Community College. He worked for the U.S. Forest Service at Spotted Bear. He worked for two years as a guide at Big Mountain Outfitters.

He married Ardis Stackbein at Bonners Ferry, Idaho, on Dec. 26, 1975. Since September 1978, he has lived in Plentywood, where he was working on the oil rigs.

He is survived by his

wife, Ardis; two sons, Michael and Danny, of the family home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Erikson of Plentywood; paternal grandparents and his maternal grandmother; and four brothers.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Plentywood Lutheran Church. Burial will be Plentywood Memorial Cemetery.

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Ruth Ida Eslick, 84

16 May 1979

Mrs. Ruth Ida Eslick, 84, of 4645 Montana 35, Bigfork, died in Kalispell late Wednesday evening.

She was born June 3, 1894, in Holt, near Bigfork, a daughter of Charles D.

and Mary Morton. She received her education at Holt and had lived in the Bigfork area all of her life.

On June 7, 1916, she married Henry Eslick at Holt, and was preceded in death

by him on Aug. 29, 1966. She was also preceded in death by two brothers, and is now survived by two sons, Merle and Joseph, both of Bigfork; one daughter, Mary Britton of

Hamilton; four brothers, Paul and Charles Morton, both of Bigfork, Joseph Morton of Oceanside, Calif., and Thomas Morton of Kalispell; five grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Arrangements for Mrs. Eslick are incomplete and will be announced later by the Johnson Funeral Home.

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Paul F. Etheridge, 68

5 Apr 1979

Paul F. Etheridge, 68, of 202 Eighth Ave. W., died Thursday in the Kalispell Regional Hospital. He was a retired school district employee.

Etheridge was born Oct. 12, 1910, in Fruit Hill, Ky., the son of Kelly and Cora A. Etheridge. When he was 3 years old, he moved with his parents to Wyoming, where he lived until 1928, when he moved to Chicago, Ill.

In 1942 Etheridge moved to Moorcroft, Wyo., and to Kalispell in 1955. He worked for various firms here before starting work as janitor at Peterson School. He retired in November 1971 because of health reasons.

On Nov. 24, 1939, Etheridge married Martha M. Dearing in Chicago and is now survived by her at

home. Also surviving are a son, Richard in Stockton, Calif.; two daughters, Mrs. Bob (Gloria) Johnson of Kalispell and Mrs. William (Beverly) Lambert of Sacramento, Calif.; two brothers, H. E. Let of Nebraska, and Jim of Berthould, Colo.; two sisters, Mrs. George (Juanita) Simers of Hotchkiss, Colo., and Mrs.

Buddy (Thelma) Glover of Sundance, Wyo.; and eight grandchildren.

Private funeral services are scheduled Wednesday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Dr. Odin A. Baugh, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Cremation will follow in the Weatherford Crematory.

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L. Lloyd Evans, 62

27 June 1979

LIBBY — L. Lloyd Evans, 62, died unexpectedly last Wednesday.

He was born April 28, 1917, at American Falls, Idaho. He graduated from the University of Montana Law School, Missoula, in 1949.

He came to Libby to practice law after graduation. He retired from law practice in April of this year.

He married Judy Rose Nov. 1, 1972, at Sandpoint, Idaho. He and his wife lived on the Bull Lake Road near Noxon since 1977.

Evans was an ardent environmentalist and was active in many conservation groups.

He was a member of the Solid Rock Church of Noxon, the VFW, the American

Legion and the Montana Bar Association.

Survivors include his wife Judy of Noxon; six sons, Charles of Salt Lake City, Utah, Kelly of Libby, Curt of Spokane, Wash.,

Michael of Noxon, Jeffrey Rose of Spokane, and David Rose of Noxon; one daughter, Claire Evans of Bozeman; his mother, Tena Evans of San Gabriel,

Calif.; one sister, Lucille Hammontree, also of San Gabriel; and several grandchildren.

Services will be today at 2 p.m. at the Faith Bible Church of Libby with the Revs. David Antroseio and David Nelson officiating. Cremation will follow. Memorials may be made to the Western Sanders County Involved Citizens, 209 Bull River, Noxon.

Troy Evans, 81

26 Mar. 1979

Troy Evans, 81, who had resided at 202 Garland St., Kalispell, died in Kalispell Monday morning. He was born Jan. 26, 1898, in Idaho Falls, Idaho, a son of John and Louise Evans. He spent his early years in Bannack, where his father was sheriff of what was the territorial capital. He attended school in Dillon and in 1914, he moved to Butte.

He was married to Leone M. Buch in Butte in February 1919, and they recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. Evans was engaged in the office equipment business and became very active in youth, civic, governmental activities. He was president of the Lions Club when they founded the Sunshine Camp, a summer camp for the area's under-privileged children. He coached amateur boxers under the auspices of the Butte Elks for 25 years. He was active in the Amateur Athletic Union and served as Montana president of that organization.

In the late 1940s, he served two terms in the Montana Legislature and two terms in the Montana Senate. He is said to be the only Republican senator ever to represent Silver Bow County.

He was later appointed

to the Montana Boxing Commission, serving as chairman and subsequently as executive secretary.

He was a member of the Elks Lodge over 43 years and was made an honorary life member of the BPOE 240 in Butte in 1967.

In 1954 he moved to Helena as the deputy director of Federal Bond Sales for the Treasury Department until retiring in 1967.

In 1978 he moved to Kalispell where he has since resided.

He is survived by his wife, Leone, at home; two sons, Jay T. of Carmichel, Calif., and Leo B. of Kalispell; 12 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. Tom Bolitho of Butte.

Services for Evans will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 2 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey, pastor of the Lakeside Chapel, officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Alfred Evenskaas, 81

26 Jan 1979
 Alfred C. Evenskaas, 81, Bertine Evenskaas. He attended school in Milan, Minn., and moved to Scobey in 1910. He farmed there until moving to Kalispell in 1935, where he farmed northwest of town. He retired in 1957. Evenskaas played the fiddle and competed in many contests throughout the country and had won many awards. He was never married.

Evenskaas was born July 23, 1897, in Watson, Minn., the son of Theodore and Evenskaas played the fiddle and competed in many contests throughout the country and had won many awards. He was never married. Evenskaas was a member of the Old Time Fiddler's Association; Aerie No. 234, Fraternal Order of Eagles; and Kalispell Lodge No. 725, B.P.O.E.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Myers (Helma) Johnson of Dowagiac, Mich., and Mrs. Alice Ellis of Butte; two brothers, Herbert of Butte and Stanford of Missoula; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. John Rieth, pastor of the Faith Free Lutheran Church, officiating. Cremation will follow in the Weatherford Crematory. The family suggests memorials to the Old Time Fiddler's Association.

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Anna J. Everhart, 90

15 Jan 1979
 WHITEFISH — Anna J. Everhart, 90, died Monday in the Extended Care Center of North Valley Hospital.

She was born Dec. 18, 1888, at Churdan, Iowa, the daughter of Samuel and Annie Groves. She received her education in Iowa and moved with the family in 1908 to an Eastern Montana homestead.

Nov. 23, 1912, she married Cary D. Everhart at Glendive. The couple moved to Whitefish in 1912 where Everhart was a machinist for the Great Northern Railway. They moved to Anchorage in 1949 and returned to Whitefish in 1963. He died May 18, 1969.

She is now survived by one son, Howard Whitefish; three daughters, Mrs. Aaron (Jeane) Rothman, Washington, D.C.; Mrs. Maurice (Evelyn) Cusick and Mrs. Rex (Vera) McMurdo, both of Whitefish; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be announced later by the Great Austin Funeral Home.