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## Van Rowan Howell, 81

COLUMBIA FALLS — Van Rowan Howell, 81, of 813 Fourth Ave. E., Polson, died Wednesday at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

Howell was born Jan. 2, 1899, at Sapulpa, Okla., the son of James William and Lucretia Payne Howell. He received his elementary and high school education in Cody, Wyo., and then entered the service in World War I, serving with Motor Transport Company 611 in France. Following his discharge in 1919 he was employed by the Ford dealership in Billings, and in 1937 moved to Great Falls where he managed the Connelly Machinery Co.

In 1944 he moved to Missoula, where he purchased the Mountain Tractor Co., which he owned and operated until his retirement in 1957 when he moved to Polson. During his retirement he owned and operated the Finley Point Store and worked with real estate as both a salesman and broker.

He was a member of Harmony Lodge 49 AF & AM and Scottish Rite in

Missoula; Al Bedoo Shrine Temple in Billings; and the Polson Salish Shrine Club. He also had been a member of the Presbyterian church.

In 1924 he married Louella Frances Hill in Cody, Wyo. She preceded him in death in 1964. On Aug. 22, 1966, he married Hazel Harrel in Bonners Ferry, Idaho. He is survives by his second wife. Also preceding him in death were two brothers and one sister.

Surviving, besides his wife at the family home in Polson, is one daughter, Mrs. John (Betty) Waldron of Helena; one stepson, Duane Harrel, Helena; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Victor (Georgine) Hulme of Forks, Wash., and Mrs. David (Donna Lou) Boyles, The Dalles, Ore.; three grandchildren; eight step-grandchildren; and four great-grandsons.

Following cremation at the Weatherford Crematory in Kalispell, the body will be forwarded to the Ballard Funeral Home in Cody for Masonic graveside services at the Riv-

erside Cemetery at 10 a.m. Wednesday.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Shrine Hospital in Spokane or a charity of the donor's choice.

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## Vonda D. Howke, 75

9 July 1980

Vonda D. Howke, 75, a resident of rural Whitefish, died Wednesday evening in Missoula.

She was born June 30, 1905, in Elma, Wash., a daughter of George Worth and Lily May Boulden.

She received her schooling in Washington. She married Otto N. Howke

Nov. 24, 1924, in Tacoma, Wash. In 1927 the couple moved to Whitefish.

For a number of years Mrs. Howke was a cook at Frenchie's Chinese Gardens in Whitefish and later was employed as a cook with the Whitefish School District, retiring in 1972.

She was a member of the Lady Moose of Whitefish and also the Whitefish Golden Agers.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1963.

Mrs. Howke is survived by two sons, Dale N. and Leonard, both of Whitefish; three daugh-

ters, Mrs. Ray (Joanna) Barnes of Columbia Falls; Mrs. Bob (Sally) Allen of Whitefish; and Mrs. Marshall (Peggy) Guile of San Jose, Calif.; 14 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; one brother, Oades Boulden of Olympia, Wash.; and one sister, Orpha Schmidt of Aberdeen, Wash.

Services will be July 12, 1980, at 2 p.m. in the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Bill Brackett of the United Methodist Church of Whitefish officiating. Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell.

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## Bina Hudson, 78

5 Feb. 1980

EUREKA — Bina B. Hudson, 78, Eureka, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital Tuesday.

Mrs. Hudson was born Feb. 10, 1901, in Jefferson, N.C. She moved to Montana in 1913, and in 1923 she married Horace B. Hudson. The couple moved to Rexford in 1938 and to Eureka in 1973.

Mrs. Hudson was a member of the First Church of God and the Tobacco Valley Grange, both in Eureka.

She is survived by her husband, Eureka; one son, Dale, Eureka; two sisters, Beulah Wagner and Margaret Delp, both of Hardin; one brother, Clinton Blackburn, Boone, N.C.; five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2 p.m. in the First Church of God in Eureka with the Rev. Wade Butler officiating. Burial will be in the Tobacco Valley Cemetery in Eureka.

The Vial Funeral Home in Eureka is in charge of arrangements.

D1 **Mildred H. Hoyt, 77**

BIGFORK — Mildred H. Hoyt, 77, 1510 Montana 209, Bigfork, died Wednesday following an extended illness.

She was born Dec. 27, 1902, at Northville, S.D., the daughter of Oscar and Albertina Nash. She received her elementary and high school education in North Dakota and South Dakota and graduated from Teacher's College at Beach, N.D., and then taught in various schools in North Dakota for several years. On July 17,

1925, she married Kenneth Hoyt at Alamo, N.D., and they farmed there until moving to Ferndale in 1933. They moved to Kalispell in 1948 and then back to Ferndale in 1962 where they made their home since that time.

Mrs. Hoyt was a member of the Methodist Church of Bigfork, a charter member of the Ferndale Sewing Circle and had been a member of the hospital volunteers while living in Kalispell.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth; one daughter, Mrs. Robert (Virginia) Daniel of Spokane, Wash.; one son, Lyle Hoyt of Redstone, Mont.; seven grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; one sister, Dola Driessen of Conrad; two brothers; and Orville and Willard Nash, both of Redstone.

Services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Weatherford Funeral Home with Rev. Chauncey Biffle of the Epworth Methodist Church of Kalispell officiating. Graveside services will follow at 4 p.m. at the Lonepine Cemetery in Bigfork.

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23 Oct. 1980 **Irma M. Hughes, 78**

Irma M. Hughes, 78, Indian school at Little Badger in Glacier County who had resided at 204 Two Mile Drive, died Thursday evening in the St. Joseph Nursing Home in Polson where she has lived for the past month.

She was born Dec. 17, 1901, in Columbia Falls, a daughter of John and Lucy Mengon. She was a graduate of the Columbia Falls High School in the class of 1920, and a graduate of the University of Montana in the class of 1923. She had taught high school in Fairview and Rosebud and also in Arco, Idaho. She taught

to Kalispell, where she has since lived. In 1926 she was married to William V. Hughes in Fairview, and he preceded her in death in 1954.

Mrs. Hughes was a member of the St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters, Carmella

Hughes and Alice Mengon. She is survived by one sister, Lena Cavalari of Kalispell; two nephews, John Cavalari of Kalispell and Richard Cavalari of Polson.

Rosary for Mrs. Hughes was recited Sunday evening in the Johnson Funeral Home. Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated in St. Matthew's Catholic Church Monday morning, with the Rev. Emmett Kelly as celebrant. Burial was in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

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## Willis Huggins, 72

23 Mar 1980

Willie M. Huggins, 72, of 1805 Joslyn, Helena, died March 23 in St. Peters Hospital in Helena. He was a retired truck driver for Eddy's Bakery.

Huggins was born Oct. 18, 1907, at Linden, Iowa, the son of Ira and Eva Langseth Huggins.

He moved to eastern Montana in 1925 and married Ellen Swensen in Malta Nov. 5, 1928. They

moved to Kalispell in 1937 where they lived until 1973 when they moved to Lincoln and later the same year moved to Helena, where they have made their home since.

He is survived by his wife at the family home in Helena; his mother, Eva Endermo of Kalispell; two sons, William Huggins of Kalispell and Donald Huggins of Missoula; two daughters, Iona C. Stidolph of Hillsboro, Ore., and Sharon Nyquist of Forest Grove, Ore.; one brother, Bert Huggins of Kalispell; one sister, Roberta Strasburg of Spokane, Wash.; nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Larry Copeland officiating. Burial will follow in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

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## Florence Hummer, 84

26 July 1980

BELLEVUE, Wash. — Florence Cronkhite Hummer, 84, of Bellevue, died July 26 at Overlake Hospital.

She was married in 1947 to Carl Hummer, a longtime resident and businessman in Kalispell for more than 50 years.

She is survived by a son, L. James Cronkhite of

Mercer Island, Wash.; a daughter, Mrs. Jack (Roberta) Burt of Bellevue, Wash.; two grandchildren; and a brother, Charles McEachron, Tacoma, Wash.

Services were held Wednesday at Green's Bellevue Funeral Home with interment at Rose City Cemetery, Portland, Ore.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

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## Jay D. Hunnewell, 19

*27 Apr. 1980*

Jay Donald Hunnewell, 19, of Whitefish, died Sunday morning in Havre.

He was born April 12, 1961, in Whitefish, the son of William James and Marcia Hunnewell. He received his education in Whitefish and graduated with the class of 1979. While in high school he was active in wrestling. Since

September he had been attending Northern Montana College in Havre.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. James Hunnewell of Whitefish; sister, Vanice Hunnewell of Conrad; brother, Gary, of Whitefish; and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W.F. Hunnewell of Olney, and Mrs. Grace Stinger of Whitefish.

Funeral services are under the direction of the Austin Funeral Home.

## Olive Huser, former resident, dies at 92

Olive Swenson Huser, a former resident of Whitefish, died in Bremerton, Washington Thursday.

Mrs. Huser was born May 7, 1887 in Norway a daughter of Christopher and Marin Swensen. She moved to the United States as a young child with her parents and was raised on a farm near Montevideo, Minnesota.

She married Martin Huse, Sept. 6, 1912 at Buffalo Lake,

Minnesota. He preceded her in death in 1972. She resided in Whitefish from 1919 to 1972 when she moved to Bremerton. She was a charter member of Christ Lutheran Church; a life member of the Ladies Aid Society; a life member of Vista Chapter #44 of Eastern Star all of Whitefish.

She is survived by one son, Stanley Huser and his wife, Polly of Bremerton, Wa.; two granddaughters, Karen Cook

of Renton, Wa. and Carol Horn of Redmond, Wa. and also one great grandson, Erik Cook.

Funeral services were conducted from the Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish Monday at 2 p.m. with Pastor Neil Ruedisili officiating. Burial was made in Glacier Memorial Gardens at Kalispell. Arrangements are under the direction of the Austin Funeral Home.

*7 Feb. 1980 W.F.P.*

# Whitefish crash victim identified

23 Aug. 1980

**WHITEFISH** — Mitchell Levi Hutchins, 14, of Whitefish has been identified as the victim of a Saturday evening dirt bike accident.

The accident occurred five miles south of Whitefish about 500 yards off U.S. 93 by the Forest Acres turnoff.

Hutchins was found laying alongside his bike when a friend on another bike came around a curve.

Efforts by the Whitefish ambulance crew and the boy's stepfather to revive him failed and he was pronounced dead on arrival at North Valley Hospital.

Sheriff/Coroner Al Rierson said there were no bruises or other outward sign of injury to the boy and the motorcycle was not damaged. The sheriff added that a local pathologist would perform an autopsy to determine the cause of death.

Mitchell was born March 12, 1966, in Missoula, the son of Charles and Carla Hutchins.

He moved to Whitefish when he was 7 years old and attended school there. He would have been a

freshman this year. He was active in sports, such as football, basketball and track.

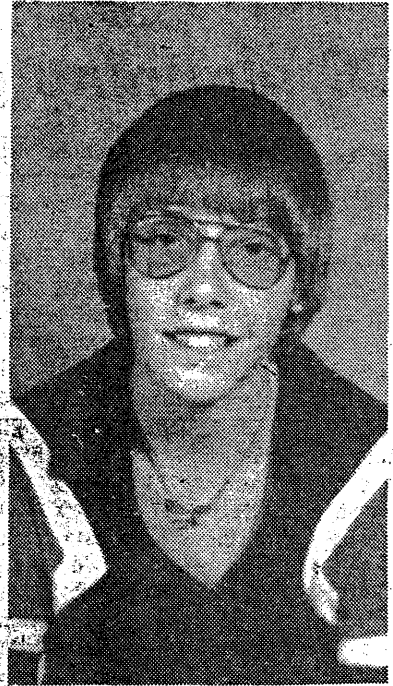
He was preceded in death by his father.

He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pettis of Whitefish; one stepbrother, John Pettis and one stepsister, Imberly Ann Pettis, both of Tuscon, Ariz.; his grandmothers, Dorothy Ross and Erma Hutchins, both of Missoula; and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Pettis of Missoula.

The funeral will be conducted at the Austin Funeral Home Tuesday at 10 a.m. with the boy's uncle, Rev. Rick Allen Pettis of the Lutheran Church of New Auburn, Wis., officiating.

Following the Whitefish funeral, the body will be forwarded to Squire, Simmons & Carr Funeral Home in Missoula, where funeral arrangements are being planned for Wednesday at a time to be announced.

Burial will be made in the Sunset Memorial Garden Cemetery at Missoula.



**MITCHELL HUTCHINS**  
Dies in Saturday accident

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## ELLEN HUTCHINSON

Ellen D. Hutchinson, 86, wife of Ansley E. Hutchinson, formerly of the Flathead, died Dec. 11 in Medford, OR. She was born March 29, 1894, in Tallula, IL. Following graduation from high school in 1912, she taught school for 11 years in Illinois, then was married on June 21, 1923, in Kalispell. Mr. Hutchinson at the time was a forest ranger with the U.S. Forest Service on the Flathead Forest at the Hungry Horse District (now inundated by the Hungry Horse Dam) and the couple spent the first several months of their married life there. The following year they were at Elk Park District (also now under the lake) where they lived in a tent. Both districts

were summer districts so winters were spent in Kalispell. The fall of 1924 they went to the Swan Lake District where they remained until 1935. In the 1920s the districts were covered by horseback and Mrs. Hutchinson frequently accompanied her husband. In 1956 Mr. Hutchinson retired from the U.S. Forest Service and they moved to Medford, OR. Survivors, in addition to her husband at the family home, 912 S. Holly St., Medford, include two daughters; and two brothers. A memorial service was held Dec. 13 at First Presbyterian Church in Medford. Cremation has been held and interment will be held later in Tallula, IL.

# Vonda Howke services were held last Saturday

17 July 1980

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She was a member of the Lady Moose of Whitefish and Whitefish Golden Agers. She was preceded in death by her husband Otto in December of 1963.

Mrs. Howke is now survived by two sons, Dale N. and Leonard Howke, both of Whitefish; three daughters, Mrs. Ray (Joanna) Barnes of Columbia Falls; Mrs. Bob (Sally) Allen of Whitefish; and Mrs. Marshall (Peggy) Guile of San Jose, Calif.; 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; one brother, Oades Boulden of Olympia, Wash.; and one sister, Orpha Schmidt of Aberdeen, Wash.

Funeral services for Mrs. Howke were Saturday, July 12 at 2 p.m. in the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Bill Brackett of the United Methodist Church of Whitefish officiating. Burial was in the Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Kalispell.