

Esther LaBar, 71

Esther G. LaBar, 71, Billings, died of cancer Aug. 28 in St. John's Lutheran Nursing Home.

She was born Feb. 15, 1915, in Roundup, a daughter of Martin and Bernice Swanson. She graduated from high school in Billings in 1933 and from the University of Montana in 1937. She served as vice president and acting president of the student body at the university, was University Women's tennis champion, president of the Pan-Hellenic Council, was the first co-ed lieutenant colonel of the reserve Officers Training Corp. and a member of Alpha Phi sorority.

On June 11, 1939, she married Alem L. "Bud" LaBar in Missoula.

Ray Lamb

SACO -- Former Saco resident, Ray Lamb, 79, died Sunday Jan. 12, in Hamburg, Iowa, when visiting at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Don Athen.

He was born Feb. 8, 1906, at O'Neil, Nebraska, to Harvey and Clemence Osier Lamb, and moved with them to the north Saco community when they homesteaded there in 1918.

He attended a Saco rural school. In his youth, he worked as a ranch hand in the Saco community and in the building of Fort Peck Dam. He then worked for the railroad and retired in 1972. He was an avid baseball player in his earlier days.

Since his retirement, he enjoyed visiting his children and looking up long time friends and relatives.

He married Nolen Bakhagen in Malta, May 22, 1934, and they had four children.

He is survived by his widow, Nolen of Bellevue, Nebraska; one brother, Robert Dale of Farmingdale, Long Island, New York;

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She was one of the initial directors of the Hoiness LaBar Insurance Co. in Billings and a member of the American Lutheran Church, Friendship Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, Daughters of the Nile and American Legion Auxiliary.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Donald A. of Great Falls; a daughter, Mrs. Dale W. (Sharon E.) Haarr of Kalispell; two sisters, Mildred Murphy of Seattle, Wash., and Norine Bollinger of Lodi, Calif.; and five grandchildren.

Services were Tuesday in the American Lutheran Church in Billings with burial in Mountview Cemetery. Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary in Billings was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials to the Deaconess Development Foundation, Box 3566, Billings 59103, or the American Lutheran Church are suggested.

11 Aug 1986
'Phil' LaBreche, 76

Theophile R. 'Phil' LaBreche, 76, a former Glacier County commissioner and longtime Browning-area rancher, died Monday of natural causes at his home in Whitefish.

He was born May 8, 1910, on the Pendergrass ranch on the Blackfeet Indian Reservation. He grew up and attended schools in Glacier County.

He and his wife, Patricia Vegas LaBreche, ranched northeast of Browning for many years.

An avid sportsman, he was a longtime member of the National Rifle Association. He also belonged to the Cut Bank Elks Lodge for 29 years.

His wife died in January 1984. Survivors include a daughter, Geri Baker, Kalispell; a stepdaughter, Shelli Pruttis, Chinook; a stepson, Pat Johnson, Homer, Alaska; a sister, Melvina Harwood, Browning; a brother, Medore LaBreche, Great Falls; two grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service is set for 4 p.m. Tuesday at the Little Flower Parish in Browning. The family has suggested memorials to the Montana chapter of the American Lung Association.

27 Feb 1986
W.J. LaCombe, 77

TROY -- Wilfred J. LaCombe, 77, Troy, died Thursday of a heart attack.

He was born March 2, 1908, in Montana, Wis., to George and Anna LaCombe. He was raised and educated in Whitetail, where he ranched and farmed.

He married Lillian McArthur on Dec. 24, 1929, in Plentywood. In 1949, he went to work for the Soo Line railroad as a section hand. He retired in 1973 and had raised Appaloosa horses since.

He moved to Troy in 1984. He was a member of the National Rifle Association and the Whitetail Sports Club.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian LaCombe, Troy; two daughters, Merylu Fisher, Troy, and Anita Miller, Tustin, Calif.; a son, LeRoy LaCombe, Spokane, Wash.; two sisters, Georgetta Overland, Whitetail, and May Morris, Puyallup, Wash.; two brothers, Ray and Fred LaCombe, both of Whitetail; 10 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were today at Vial Funeral Home Chapel in Libby with the Rev. Ed Folkwein officiating.

Cremation under the direction of Vial Funeral Home were after the service.

20 Feb 1986
R.J. Landwehr, 92

Robert J. Landwehr, 92, died Thursday in Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born June 12, 1893, in Clear Lake, Minn.

On May 6, 1919, he married Mary G. Reinbold in Elbowoods, N.D. They continued to live there until 1936 when they moved to Kalispell. They owned and operated Landwehr Cabins for many years.

Mr. Landwehr was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus.

He was preceded in death by a son, Jerome, in 1966, and his wife, Mary, on April 21, 1978.

Survivors include two sons, Vincent and Leonard Landwehr, both of Kalispell; two daughters, Mrs. William (Eleanor) Hedstrom and Dolores Lampman, both of Kalispell; a sister, Oliva Hoffman of Renton, Wash.; 14 grandchildren; 27 grandchildren; and a number of other relatives.

Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m.

ETHEL LANCASTER *1986*

Ethel Mae Lancaster, 91, a former Kalispell resident, died November 7 in Scripps Memorial Hospital in Encinitas, California following a brief illness. She lived in Encinitas since leaving Kalispell in 1955. She was born February 19, 1895 in Wheaton, Minnesota, the daughter of Richard and Kate Hardy. She was raised in Minnesota and married Charles E. Lancaster, also from Wheaton, on February 23, 1914. After spending several years in Saskatchewan, Canada, they moved to Kalispell in 1925. Mrs. Lancaster sold Modern Woodmen of America life insurance for many years while her husband was on the Kalispell Fire Department. Mr. Lancaster died in 1960. Mrs. Lancaster was also preceded in death by one brother and one sister.

Surviving are two sons, Sidney and James, in California; a granddaughter and three great grandsons, all in California.

Mass was celebrated on November 12 in St. Johns Catholic Church in Encinitas and burial was in Eternal Hills Cemetery in Oceanside.

Sunday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Monday in St. Matthew's Catholic Church with the Rev. Stan Malnar as celebrant. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

19 Nov 1986
L. Lampman, 57

Laureta "June" Lampman, 57, Kalispell, died Monday evening in North Valley Hospital.

She was born Aug. 5, 1929, in Salmon, Idaho, a daughter of Harold and Laureta Black. She received her education in Salmon and graduated from high school there.

She attended a Missoula nursing school.

She married Joe Moats in Salmon, Idaho, and they continued to live there. They were later divorced.

In 1964, she married Clayton Lampman in Ellensburg, Wash. They lived in a number of places following Mr. Lampman's work in construction, including Washington, Idaho, California, Wyoming, Pennsylvania, North Dakota and Arkansas.

They had lived in Colstrip prior to moving to Kalispell in April.

Mrs. Lampman was a member of the Royal Neighbors of America and the Rebekah Lodge.

Survivors include her husband, Clayton, at home; two daughters, Leslie Anderson of Niantic, Conn.,

and Linda Billingsly of Delta, Utah; a brother, Harold Black of Phoenix, Ariz.; two grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Arnold Carlson, retired Episcopal minister, officiating.

James LaPlante, 88

1 June 1986
James Francis LaPlante, 88, a former Whitefish resident, died Sunday in Miami, Fla.

He was born Sept. 5, 1897, at Fergus Falls, Minn., a son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie LaPlante. He received his schooling at Fergus Falls and was in the military service during World War I.

He married Norma Kanne on Jan. 23, 1923, upon his return to Fergus Falls.

In the early 1940s he and his wife moved to Chula Vista, Calif., where they resided until 1945, when they moved to Seattle, Wash. In 1946, he and his wife came to Whitefish.

They purchased the Reeves Restaurant and operated it until 1952. They then moved to Pullman, Wash., for a year and then returned to Whitefish to operate the Whitefish Moose Club.

Mr. LaPlante later became chef at Big Mountain Ski Lodge. He was one of the original stockholders of Big Mountain. He retired in 1979, when he and his wife moved to Chicago, Ill., to live with their daughter, Pat. His wife, Norma, died in 1981.

In 1984, he moved with his daughter to Miami, Fla.

He was a member of St. Charles Catholic Church and Swamp Creek Club of Whitefish.

He was preceded in death by two sisters and three brothers.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. John (Patricia) MacDonald of Miami, Fla.; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two brothers, John LaPlante of Whitefish, and Joe LaPlante of Chula Vista, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Jack (Leona) Levinson of Minneapolis, Minn.; and nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by Austin Funeral Home.

'Sonny' Lane, 69

30 Nov 1984
After ~~30 Nov 1984~~ Sonny James Lane, 69, Whitefish, died of a heart condition Sunday morning at his home.

He was born Jan. 16, 1917, in Great Falls, the son of James Allen and Della Margaret Lane. He graduated from high school in Great Falls in 1936.



He worked for Anaconda Company and was a professional boxer for several years before enlisting in the U.S. Navy in 1943.

After Mr. Lane's tour with the Navy, he attended the University of Chicago and the College of Great Falls. He worked at Tiber Dam from 1952 to 1954.

He was a car salesman for many years in Great Falls. He worked for City Motor Company, Barnes Buick, Don Rebal Lincoln Mercury and Ryan Oldsmobile.

In 1973, the family moved to Whitefish, where Mr. Lane worked for Roy Stanley Chevrolet and DePratu Ford.

He enjoyed reading and spent hours at the library. He was an ardent golfer, enjoyed playing cards and was an entrepreneur.

Mr. Lane was preceded in death by a sister, Lois Isaacson of Great Falls.

Survivors include his former wife, Lela Lane of Whitefish; a daughter, Patricia Lane-Helmbrecht of Havre; two sons, Steve of Helena and David of Seattle, Wash.; a niece; two grandsons and a granddaughter.

Memorial services will be 3 p.m. today at Austin Funeral Home of Whitefish with the Rev. John Hunt-hausen of St. Charles Catholic Church officiating. Cremation has taken place.

The family suggests memorials to Whitefish Lake Club Junior Golf Foundation, P.O. Box 666, Whitefish, 59937, in care of Mike Dowaliby.

14 MAR 1986
Ellie Large, 56

EUREKA — Ellie Allers Large, 56, Eureka, died of a heart attack Friday evening at North Valley Hospital.

She was born Oct. 16, 1929, in Kalispell, to Jess and Effie John. She grew up in the Flathead Valley and graduated from high school in Whitefish.

She married Charles "Bud" Allers on April 12, 1948. The couple resided in Whitefish before moving to Eureka in 1970. Mr. Allers preceded her in death in 1981. A son, Jack Allers, also preceded her in death in 1984.

She married Charles Large on July 6, 1983.

Mrs. Large was a volunteer dispatcher for the Eureka Police Department. She corresponded with pen pals worldwide, and shared her various hobbies by teaching them to her friends.

She was a member of St. Michaels and All Angels Episcopal Church in Eureka.

Survivors include her husband, Charles, Eureka; a son, Ted Allers, Eureka; six daughters, Margaret Juenke, Columbia Falls, Patty Armogost, Billings, Terry Blair, Eureka, Cathie Davis, Trego, Shawnee Stone, Worchester, Mass., and Beth Duncan, Williston, N.D.; her mother, Effie Joachim, Eureka; two stepsons, Jim Chilcote and Chuck Large, both of Missoula; a brother; four sisters and 27 grandchildren.

Services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Eureka with the Rev. Spaulding Howe officiating. Burial will be at Tobacco Valley Cemetery under the direction of Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

14 Aug 1986
Daniel Lapp, 88

Daniel I. Lapp, 88, formerly of Kalispell, died Thursday evening at the home of his daughter in Grand View, Idaho, where he had resided for the past four years.

He had farmed in the Creston area, worked as a caretaker at Conrad Memorial Cemetery, and later as caretaker of Whitefish State Park. He moved to Grand View in 1983.

He was born July 31, 1898, in Roseland, Neb., a son of Emmanuel and Nancy Lapp. In 1916, he moved to Kalispell, where he married Lela Oesch on June 8, 1921.

He was a member of the Mountain View Mennonite Church of Creston and had attended the Knight Community Church in Grand View.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lela, on Jan. 18, 1981, and is now survived by one daughter, Arlene Shank of Grand View; two sons, Harold Lapp of Napa, Calif., and Elwin Lapp of Portland, Ore.; one sister, Frances Kaufmann of Kelseyville, Calif.; four grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Duane Oesch of the Nampa Mennonite Church officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Visitation is from 5-8 p.m. Monday and 8 a.m.-noon Tuesday.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Grand View Senior Citizens, Box 453, Grand View, Idaho 83624.



10 MAR 1986
Vera LaPlante, 82

Vera Bethel LaPlante, 82, Whitefish, died Monday afternoon at North Valley Extended Care.

She was born July 1, 1903, in Kalispell, a daughter of Leonard and Ivadell McCauley. She was raised and educated in Whitefish.

She married John B. LaPlante on July 18, 1951, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho and the couple had resided in Whitefish since.

She was a member of Holy Nativity Episcopal Church of Whitefish.

Survivors include her husband, John, at the home in Whitefish; two sons, Jim Yeats of Sparks, Nev., and Bill Yeats of Whitefish; three stepdaughters, Beverley Collins and Ginger Cosgrove, both of San Diego, Calif.; and Carol Trimm of Napa, Calif.; a stepson, Don LaPlante of Spokane, Wash.; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by a husband, George Yeats; a son, Albert Yeats; and a daughter, Raynette Yeats Millsap.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Thursday at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Wendell R. Phillips of Holy Nativity Episcopal Church of Whitefish officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens. The casket will not be opened for viewing.

14 Feb. 1986
Lucretia Larsen, 75

FORTINE — Lucretia Weydemeyer Larsen, 75, a native of Fortine, died Friday in Spokane after a long illness.

She was born April 15, 1910, near Fortine to early pioneers Harry P. and Margaret C. Weydemeyer. She attended grade school in Fortine, graduated from Libby High School in 1927, and attended Billings Polytechnic College for a year.

On Oct. 9, 1930, she married Carl Larsen at the Weydemeyer home. The couple lived in Fortine, Waco, Texas, Eureka, Libby and Missoula before moving to Spokane in 1956.

She was employed by the Federal Aviation Administration at Geiger Field, Spokane, for many years.

Despite ill health in her later years, Mrs. Larsen wrote and published two books: "My Footprints on the Sand," a collection of poetry and prose, and "The Wholesome Ways of Our Olden Days," a family history.

Survivors include her husband, Carl; a daughter, Joan Read, Spokane; a stepdaughter, Delma Swift, Boise, Idaho; a brother, Winton Weydemeyer, Fortine; two sisters, Olga Johnson, Grant's Pass, Ore., and Marian Johnson, Centralia, Wash.; seven grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; six nieces and two nephews.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Donald, in 1982.

Funeral services were Tuesday at Audubon Park Methodist Church in Spokane under the direction of Hazen and Yaeger Funeral Home. The body will lie in state at the Vial Funeral Home in Eureka on today and Friday from 1-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Fortine Cemetery with the Rev. Don Nielsen of the Church of God officiating.

21 Mar. 1986
Belma Larson, 88

POLSON — Belma O. Larson, 88, Polson, died of natural causes Friday in St. Joseph Convalescent Home.

She was born June 12, 1897, in Vang, N.D., to Olie and Nellie Olson. She grew up and attended school in North Dakota.

In January 1923, she married Alfred M. Larson in Vang. The couple moved to Polson from North Dakota in July 1936.

Mrs. Larson was involved in a floral business in Polson and was active in the Polson Garden Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1975 and by three brothers and four sisters.

Survivors include three sons, Norwin Larson in Polson, Burnell Larson in Circle, and Harris Larson in Anchorage, Ala.; a daughter,

Shirley Meiers in Clarkfield, Minn.; two sisters, Tema Soby in Bremerton, Wash., and Viola Cramer in Portland, Ore.; 14 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Polson with the Rev. Alvin O. Skivrsrud officiating. Burial will be in the family plot at Pleasantview Cemetery in Polson. Shrider's Mortuary in Ronan is in charge of arrangements.

15 Feb. 1986
'Chet' Larson, 64

LIBBY — Chester "Chet" Larson, 64, died Saturday at his home in Libby of a heart attack.

He was born July 16, 1921, in Libby to Victor and Elizabeth Larson. He was reared in Libby and attended school there.

Mr. Larson was a construction worker throughout the Northwest and also worked at Zonolite in Libby before joining the J. Neils Lumber Co. He worked for the lumber company and the St. Regis Paper Co. for 38 years, retiring in 1983.

He was a member of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union.

He was preceded in death by his father and three brothers.

Survivors include a daughter,

Loretta Jones, Libby; two sons, Larry and David Larson, both of Libby; his mother, Elizabeth Stanley, Libby; a sister, Millie Applegate, St. George, Utah; a brother, Chuck Larson, Libby; and four grandchildren.

Services will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Vial Funeral Home Chapel in Libby with the Rev. Wilford Luce of First Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial will be in the City of Libby Cemetery.

Luwanna Larson, 36

POLSON — Luwanna Lee Kirkaldie Larson, 36, died of a heart attack Thursday at her home at Turtle Lake.

She was born June 18, 1950, at Harlem on the Fort Belknap Reservation to Louise and William L. Kirkaldie. She and her family moved to the Flathead area in 1953 and then lived in various places before returning to Polson in 1965. She graduated from Polson High School in 1968.

On March 17, 1970, she married Jerrold E. Larson in Missoula. They resided in the Polson area since their marriage.

Mrs. Larson was a member of the Fort Belknap Reservation. She enjoyed bowling and doing embroidery and also did volunteer work at the Polson Public Library.

She was preceded in death by a son, William Jerrold Larson, in 1979; a sister, Janice Faye Kirkaldie in 1964; and a brother in infancy.

Survivors include her husband, Jerrold, and a son, Matthew, both at the family home; three brothers, Dallas Howard of Fort Belknap, Delmer Howard of Silverton, Idaho,

and Everett Howard of Salt Lake City; four sisters, Charlene Martinez of Fort Collins, Colo., Jo Ann Howard of Great Falls, Sharon Munsinger of Dodson, and LaDonna Fowler of Polson; her parents of Polson; and numerous other relatives.

Memorial services will be 1 p.m. Monday at the New Life Christian Center in Polson with the Rev. Miles Finch officiating. Mosley Funeral Home in Polson is in charge of arrangements.

Leo Larson

Leo Larson, 68, died near his home in Seeley Lake, Aug. 8, 1986. He was born in Glasgow, a son of Hasken and Alma Larson.

He served three and a half years in the Air Force and otherwise spent most of his life in Glasgow where he worked construction and was a mechanic at the air base and locally.

In 1945, he married Catherine Hession. They had a son, and both preceded him in death, as did his parents, a sister and a brother.

In 1974, he married Ruthe

Douglass. In 1977, they moved to Seeley Lake.

Surviving are his widow, Ruthe, of Seeley Lake; brothers, Robert of Hamilton, and Glen of Martinez, Calif.; four stepchildren, Diane Heinrich, Burlington, Iowa, Donna Schultzer, Fort Walton Beach, Fla., Terry Douglass, Havre, Tracy William, Kalispell, and 11 stepgrandchildren.

He will be cremated and no services were held.

10 Oct. 1986 - Interlake



Hannah J. Larson

12 July 1986

Hannah J. Larson and her husband lived in Zahl, N.D., until moving in 1944 to Nashua where she worked as a grocery clerk. In 1966 they moved to Williston, N.D., and she lived in Walla Walla, Wash., before moving to Billings in 1969. She was a member of Peace Lutheran Church and Mary Circle, and enjoyed crocheting and her grandchildren.

Mrs. Larson, 82, died Saturday in Billings Deaconess Medical Center.

Born in Yankton County, S.D., a daughter of Henry O. and Julia Johnson, she homesteaded with her family in Williams County, north of Williston. On Nov. 8, 1927, she married Carl W. Larson in Sidney; he died in 1968.

Survivors include a son: Louis D. of Wenatchee, Wash.; a daughter: Mrs. Sed (Nola J.) McCafferty of Billings; three brothers, Alvin and Jay Johnson, both of Wenatchee, and Kermit Johnson in Pismo Beach, Calif.; two sisters, Evelyn Dahl of East Helena and Gen Harper of Napa, Calif.; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Services were held in Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Zahl, N.D., with Fulkerson/Sletten Funeral Home in charge. Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary was in charge of local arrangements.

23 July 1986
Bill Lauman, 74

Willis Albert "Bill" Lauman, 74, longtime resident of Somers, died Wednesday at University Hospital in Seattle, Wash., following a brief illness.

He was born April 23, 1912, in the Lake Blaine area, to Adolph and Hattie Lauman. He received his education in the Lake Blaine area.

He worked for Glacier Park Co. at Kila, Marion, and Somers for 39 years. He retired from the Somers facility in 1974.

On April 14, 1938, he married Florence (Flora) Bruce in Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and three sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Flora, of the family home in Somers; a son, Dale Lauman of Somers; three brothers, Clayton and Carl



Lauman, both of Kalispell, and Chris Lauman of Sutherlin, Ore.; three sisters, Lillie Belden and Karen Syverson, both of Kalispell, and Hellen Tower of Midland, Mich.; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Saturday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey of Lakeside Chapel officiating. Burial will be at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Friends and relatives may call at Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 8 tonight and until noon on Saturday.

30 Sept 1986
Lyle LaRue, 72

Lyle C. LaRue, 72, a former Kalispell resident, died Saturday in Marysville, Wash.

He was born Dec. 31, 1913, in Elmo and was raised in Kalispell. He attended public schools, graduating from Flathead High School.

He served in the Army during World War II.

He was a general contractor in the Flathead Valley for many years until moving to Texas in about 1965. After a short time in Texas, he lived in San Francisco, and then Marysville, Wash., the last three years.

Mr. LaRue was preceded in death by his wife, Helen O. LaRue, in October 1976.

Survivors include a son, Jim L. LaRue of Atlanta; a daughter, Jill Vilinskas of Redmond, Wash.; four grandchildren; and a number of other relatives.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Friday at First Baptist Church in Kalispell with burial to follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements are by Weatherford Funeral Home.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church, 301 W. Wyoming St., Kalispell.

8 Feb 1986
George LaRoi, 74

George Henri LaRoi, 74, Whitefish, died Saturday morning at North Valley Hospital.

He was born Nov. 8, 1911, in Waco, Texas, a son of George Henry Gibbs LaRoi and Florence LaRoi. As a small child, he moved with his parents to Chicago, Ill., where he received his education and graduated from the University of Illinois.

He later moved to Winnetka, Ill., where he became vice president of McDonnell and Miller Inc. of Chicago. He retired in 1972.

He married Ruth Ehler on Nov. 24, 1934.

The family later made their home in Wisconsin for a short time. They moved to Bozeman for six years, then to Missoula for a short time, then to Woodinville, Wash., until 1985, when they moved to Whitefish.

He was president of Northfield Illinois Lions Club and life member of American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth, of Whitefish; two sons, George III of Edmonton, Alberta, and J. Larry of Libertyville, Ill.; a daughter, Mrs. Arthur (Rita) Vail, Whitefish; and nine grandchildren.

Graveside services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday at Whitefish Cemetery with the Rev. Ken Peterson of First Presbyterian Church officiating.

Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at Austin Funeral Home.

12 June 1986
Minnie Latch, 88

Minnie H. Latch, 88, Columbia Falls, died Thursday at North Valley Hospital.

She was born Nov. 18, 1897, in Spring Hill, to Henry O. and Lenora J. Scheytt. She was raised and educated in Belgrade.

She married James L. Latch on Sept. 22, 1923, in Harlowtown.

She worked as seamstress for a time. She then worked in an aircraft sheet metal plant in Las Vegas, Nev., during World War II. She later worked as a clerk in Cook City. They lived in Harlowton for several years before moving to Great Falls in 1946.

In 1974, they moved to the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls where she resided until the time of her death.

She was active in sewing projects at the home and helped to feed the patients in the nursing home.

She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Chapter No. 112 in Grass Range; Flathead County Auxiliary of Barracks No. 362, and VFW Auxiliary No. 1087.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James, in 1975; a son,

Boyd Colvin in 1982; and a sister, Velma Kellie.

Survivors include a son, Emil N. Colvin of Seattle, Wash.; a daughter-in-law, Hermie Colvin of Seattle; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A service will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at Van Lueven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Bob Orear of the Church of Christ in Columbia Falls will officiate. Burial will be in Montana Veterans Home Cemetery.

1 Aug 1986
C. Lawrence, 59

Charles Erling "Spec" Lawrence, 59, of Swan Lake, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital on Friday evening following a heart attack.

He was born Oct. 13, 1926, in Kila, a son of William and Lena Lawrence.

He entered the U.S. Navy and served two years during World War II. Following his honorable discharge, he worked on a fishing boat in Alaska for a time.

He then returned to Montana, where he has worked as a logger, outfitter and trapper for a number of years. He was a member of the Swan Lake Volunteer Fire Department for 30 years, and a counselor at the Swan Lake Youth Camp.

In 1961, he married Alvera Samuelson in Couer d'Alene and is now survived by her at the family home in Swan Lake. He is also survived by three daughters, Gayle Lawrence of Swan Lake, Karen Bielenberg of Bozeman, and Paulette Prinzing of Helena; a son, Daniel Bielenberg of Bigfork; two brothers, Lester Lawrence of Kalispell and Vern Lawrence of Swan Lake; a sister, Gladys McGovern of Bigfork; two grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Arnold Lawrence; and a daughter, Laurie Lawrence.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by the Johnson Mortuary.



11/30/1986 - d 11/29/86
Edwin Lavadure, 68

Edwin "Red" Lavadure, 68, died at his home in Kalispell on Saturday morning of cancer.

He was a former deputy sheriff in Phillips County, and then worked at the Anaconda Aluminum plant.

He was born Sept. 26, 1918, in Zortman, a son of Phillip and Annie Lavadure. In his early years he worked at mining and ranching. On Sept. 23, 1943, he entered the U.S. Navy and served as a Chief Petty Officer in the Pacific Theater until his honorable discharge on Feb. 26, 1946.

In 1950, the year he was appointed deputy sheriff, he married Reba Elliot. In 1956 they moved to Columbia Falls, where he worked at the aluminum plant until retiring in 1982.

He was elder emeritus of the Central Christian Church, a former member of the Glacier Lions Clubs, carried Meals on Wheels for the Senior Citizens Nutrition Program before his illness, and was a volunteer worker with the Flathead Food Bank.

He is now survived by his wife, Reba, at the family home; by two sons, Ralph of Carmichael, Calif., and Woodrow of Reno, Calif.; three brothers, Joe and Ben Lavadure of Kalispell, and Robert Lavadure of Vancouver, Wash.; two sisters, Meda Larson of Tacoma and Isabel Warren in Alaska; seven grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Eugene Mockabee, pastor of the Central Christian Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens with military honors by local veterans' organizations.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Central Christian Church or the Flathead Food Bank.



A.P. Lawrence, 69

15 July 1986
Arnold P. "Arnie" Lawrence, 69, died July 18 at the Veterans Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah.

He was born Jan. 30, 1917, at Swan Lake, the son of William and Lena Lawrence. He grew up and received his education in the Swan-Bigfork and Kila areas.

On Jan. 15, 1938, he married Frances L. Winter in Somers. They made their home in the Swan Lake and Bigfork areas where he worked as a saw operator at sawmills.

In April 1941 he was inducted in the U.S. Army at Fort Douglas, Utah. He served overseas as a sergeant in the paratroopers and received the Army of Occupation (Japan) Medal, the Victory Medal, and the Asiatic-Pacific Service Medal. He received an honorable discharge at Fort Lewis, Wash., in September 1946.

When he returned to Bigfork, he became a barber and operated his own shop for many years. He was known as "The Clipper" to many. Health problems forced him to retire in 1972.

He was a member of St. Catherine's Catholic parish in Bigfork.

Survivors include his wife, Frances, at the family home in Bigfork; a son, Joseph (Joe) Lawrence, Swan Lake; two daughters, Saralene (Sally) Hopkins of Revelstoke, British Columbia and Kathleen (Kitty) Stolar of Parksville, B.C.; three brothers, Lester of Kalispell, and Vernon and Erling, both of Swan Lake; a sister, Gladys McGovern of Ferndale; seven grandchildren; a great-grandchild and numerous nieces and nephews.

Cremation was in Salt Lake City. Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Friday at St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Bigfork.

The family requests no flowers. Donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

EMIL C. LEE 1986

Mr. Emil C. Lee, 88, Kalispell, died in the Brendan House on October 14. He was born October 8, 1898, in North Dakota, a son of Swin and Sissel Lee. He attended schools in North Dakota and as a young man moved to the Flathead Valley where he lived most of his life.

Mr. Lee was a gunsmith and coin collector. He was a Lutheran and a member of the Kalispell Eagles Lodge. On November 11, 1935 he married Myrtle Billedeau in Kalispell.

Survivors include his wife, Myrtle, at the family home, and one son, Wallace Lee, Monroe, Washington. He was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters.

Graveside services were held October 17 in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery with Rev. Howard Mars, pastor of Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating.

JOHN LEE 1986

John Allen Lee, 41, of Kalispell, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital December 4. He was born January 17, 1945 in Whitefish, a son of James W. and Ella Mae Lee. He attended Evergreen School and graduated from Flathead County High School in 1963. He was involved in the printing trade for 26 years. He owned and operated Kalispell Stamp and Seal Works with his wife for the past 10 years. He enjoyed outdoor sports and bowling. He was a youth baseball coach for 5 years, serving on the board of directors; he helped with the Evergreen wrestling program; coached Rotary basketball and youth soccer, and was a member of the Evergreen Lions Club. In 1967 he married Karen Richards of Kalispell and is now survived by her at the family home.

He is also survived by two sons, Jeremy and Matthew Lee, both at home; his mother and stepfather, Ella Mae and Dan Montpetit of Creston; one sister Sue Schmied of Aurora, CO; two brothers, Bob and Bill Lee, both of Kalispell; eight nieces and nephews and numerous other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father in July of 1972.

Funeral services were held December 6 in Central Christian Church. Burial was in Glacier Memorial Gardens. The family suggests memorials be made to the Evergreen Babe Ruth Fund or the Evergreen Lions. Both memorials may be sent c/o Greg Phillips, 1274 Highway 2 East, Kalispell.

16 Dec. 1986 - Inter Lake

Oline Lee, 106

Oline Lee, 106, died Saturday evening in Flathead County Nursing Home where she resided for the past 10 years.

She was born Nov. 20, 1880, in Oslo, Norway, a daughter of Ole and Oline Thoreson. She received her education in Norway and was trained in a business school there as a shop tender.

When she was 18 years old, she came to North Dakota with her mother and younger brother, and they settled with a sister and two

brothers who were earlier immigrants.

On Aug. 12, 1899, she married Andrew Lee at Sheyene, N.D., where he was farming.

She was confirmed in the Lutheran faith as a child.

She enjoyed crocheting and making things for her family.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1927, and by two daughters, Sue Anderson and Anna Stenerson, and a son, Thormod "Tom" Lee.

She came to Kalispell about 20 years ago.

Survivors include three sons, Oswald Lee of New Rockford, N.D., Ole Lee of Carrington, N.D., and Thoralf Lee of Kalispell; two daughters, Mrs. Harold (Selma) Belcher of Lynnwood, Wash., and Mrs. Art (Beatrice) Lynn of Shafer, Minn.; 18 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Local family members include grandson, Sidney Anderson, and his wife, Carol; their daughter, Kalie

Rae Just, and her daughter, Jacque Kay; and Mrs. Lee's son, Thoralf.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Thursday in Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Barry Dawson of First Presbyterian Church officiating.

Family and friends will meet at Johnson Mortuary before proceeding to the cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home until 8 p.m. Wednesday for visitation.

—Correction—

The Oline Lee obituary in Tuesday's Inter Lake should have listed 18 grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren, and 11 great-great-grandchildren as her survivors.

Jeanette A. Lengstorf, 83

Jeanette A. Lengstorf, 83, died Saturday evening in Immanuel Lutheran Home where she had resided for the past several months.

She was born Nov. 16, 1903, in Montevideo, Minn., a daughter of Edwin and Carrie Boe. She was educated in Neving, Minn., and worked in homes prior to her marriage.

On Dec. 11, 1922, she married Charles Lengstorf in Hibbing, Minn. The couple moved to Butte where Mr. Lengstorf worked in the underground copper mines until contracting silicosis. The couple returned to Minnesota where they farmed at Big Fork, Minn., until 1954, when they moved to Kalispell.

Mrs. Lengstorf was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church and was active in the church. She also was a member of the Carpenters Auxiliary and enjoyed neighborhood get-togethers.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles, on July 24, 1982; a son, Walter, and a daughter, Eileen Murray.

She is survived by four sons, John of Kalispell, Charles Jr. of Durham, N.C., Clifford of Potlatch, Idaho, and Floyd of Arizona; three daughters, Cecilia Bertram of

Kalispell, Alice Gamble of Spokane, Wash., and Laura Rajala of Haines, Alaska; one brother, Eric Boe of Bemidji, Minn.; 27 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

Services for Mrs. Lengstorf will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Matthew Cox, pastor of Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating.

Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Visitation at Johnson Mortuary will be until 8 tonight.

Memorials to Immanuel Lutheran Home have been suggested by the family.

Norman Lee, 58

Norman "Pee Wee" Lee, 58, a former Kalispell resident who had lived in Darby since 1954, died June 22 at Marcus Daly Memorial Hospital in Hamilton.

He was born March 14, 1928, in Kalispell to Edward and Vetia Drollinger Lee and was raised and educated in the Kalispell area. He served in the Navy during the end of World War II.

On March 13, 1948, he married Fern Kelly in Kalispell. The couple moved to Darby in 1954 and had resided there since.

He spent most of his life working in the lumber industry, and was an active supporter of the Darby School athletic programs.

Preceding him in death were a son, Bill; his parents; and a brother, Edward.

Survivors include his wife, Fern, of the family home in Darby; a daughter, Vicki Lee of Hamilton; and a son, Ray Lee of Hamilton.

Graveside services were June 26 at Lone Pine Cemetery in Darby with the Rev. Clifton Samson officiating.

Cremation has taken place at Daly-Leach Chapel in Hamilton.

The family suggests memorials to Darby Voluntary Ambulance, c/o Hugh Hopwood, P.O. Box 131, Darby 59829.

4 Sept 1986
Lyle Leseberg, 82

Lyle S. Leseberg, 82, Kalispell, died Thursday morning at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls. He was a former wrangler and construction worker.

He was born April 15, 1904, in Lander, Wyo., a son of Edward A. and Phoebe L. Leseberg. He attended school in Lander and spent a year at a Catholic school in Alliance, Neb.



As a young man, he worked on ranches in Wyoming as a ranch hand and hunting guide. In 1927 he moved to Idaho, and then to Montana in 1928, where he was a wrangler on the E Bar L ranch at Missoula.

On Aug. 17, 1942, he entered the U.S. Army and served until his honorable discharge in Mar. 13, 1943, at Camp Beale, Calif. He worked on the building of Hungry Horse Dam, and at an assembly plant in Long Beach, Calif. He moved to Anchorage, Alaska, where he worked on the Alcan Highway, and was employed in road construction at St. Lawrence Island and Valdez.

Returning to Kalispell in 1972, he lived at the Big Sky Manor until this year. He was an active member of the Kalispell Senior Citizens.

On Jan. 5, 1929, he married Mabel L. Walls in Missoula. They were later divorced, and he married Helen M. Donica in Salmon, Idaho. They were divorced in 1948.

He is now survived by three brothers, Edward H. and George L. Leseberg, both of Nyssa, Ore., and Ralph W. Leseberg of Provo, Utah; 14 nieces and nephews and several grandnieces and grandnephews.

Funeral services will be 1:30 Monday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Edmund Smith of St. Matthew's Catholic Church officiating. The body will then be forwarded to the Hudson Mortuary at Lander, Wyo., where services

and burial are planned for 2 p.m. Friday. Friends may call at the funeral home from 1-5 p.m. today for visitation.

4 Mar 1986
Margaret Lenon, 76

Margaret "Peg" Lenon, 76, a former Kalispell resident, died Tuesday at Bozeman Deaconess Extended Care Facility.

She was born March 7, 1909, in Helena, a daughter of Max and Jean Houston Jacobs. She graduated from the University of Montana with a degree in botany. Her senior year she was Outstanding Woman Athlete of the Year.

After graduating, she married Percy H. Lenon in Helena, and they moved to Kalispell.

In 1966, she moved to Hillcrest Retirement Home and in 1974 to Bozeman Deaconess Extended Care Facility.

She was an active bridge player in Kalispell and was an avid sports-woman, enjoying camping, hiking, and fishing. In her later years she enjoyed reading.

She was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Kalispell.

Survivors include a son, James H. Lenon of Bozeman; two daughters, Jean Schlechten of Bozeman and Anne Daley of Somers; and five grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1960.

Memorial services are pending in Kalispell and will be announced later.

Dahl Funeral Chapel in Bozeman is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials the Bozeman Public Library are suggested.

28 Feb 1986
Mary Leppart, 71

Mary Alice Owens Leppart, 71, died at her home in Kalispell on Friday morning.

She was born Feb. 5, 1915, in Conrad, a daughter of Earl and Nellie Copley. She received her early education in Conrad, and later moved to Kalispell, where she graduated from Flathead County High School in 1933.

In 1934 she married Robert D. Owens in Kalispell, and was preceded in death by him in 1963. She had remained in Kalispell most of her life.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Kenneth, in 1983, and is now survived by a son, Patrick B. Owens of Brockton, Mass.; a daughter, Lynn M. Andrews of Kalispell; a sister, Nadine Absolonson of Kalispell; eight grandchildren, three great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Thursday in the Johnson Mortuary with the Rev. Barry Dawson, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Fred Lettman

1986

OPHEIM -- Fred Lettman, 93, died on Sunday, Feb. 16 at a nursing home in Killeen, Texas. Funeral services will be held at the Crawford-Bowers Funeral Home in Killeen on Thursday, Feb. 20 at 3 p.m.

Lettman was born March 23, 1892 in Henrietta, Texas. He lived in Texas, Kansas, Colorado and North Dakota before moving to Montana in 1916.

In 1930 he married Elsie Garbe and they farmed southeast of Oheim until 1962 when they moved into Opheim where they resided until moving to Killeen, Texas. Fred served in the U.S. army during World War I. He also worked on the Great Northern Railway section crew and

tended bar in Opheim. He was a member of the Charles Carrigan American Legion Post in Opheim.

Survivors include his widow in Killeen, Texas; two sons, Fred Jr. of Killeen and Joe of Los Angeles, Calif.; two daughters, Patsy Dobbs of Bloomington, Minn., and Bernice Brosious of Fairfax, Va.; 10 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren; nephews, Sam Hinerman of Larshan and Ray Hinerman Jr. of Whitefish; nieces, Alice Hinerman of Melstone, Norma Hinerman of Los Angeles, Calif., Eilene Hanson of Whitefish and Ethel Bagley of Cascade.

Mrs. Elsie Lettman's address is 2900 Zephyr Road, Killeen, Texas 76543.

1986

John Leininger

John Samuel Leininger, 78, died January 12, in the Valley View Nursing Home.

Services were held Wednesday, January 15, in Bell Chapel with Pastor Don Paulson officiating and Thursday, January 16, in the Assembly of God Church in Westby at 1 p.m. with Pastor Claude Bowers officiating. Burial was in Fortuna, North Dakota, with Bell Mortuary in charge.

Serving as pallbearers were Scott Wigness, Robert and Duwayne Leininger, Brian and Logan Thompson and Spencer Legaard.

Born February 14, 1907 in Prescott, Wisconsin, he was the son of John and Margaret Leininger.

He was raised in the Fortuna area. He was a sheepherder for 40 years, herding in Montana, Wyoming, Idaho and California, much of the time controlling a band of 2,500 sheep. He had lived in Glasgow for many years.

Survivors include one sister, Charolette Wigness of Fortuna; one brother, David Leininger of Westby, Montana; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by three brothers.

Louis Leader, 73

LIBBY ^{23 Dec 1986} - Louis W. Leader, 73, died of cancer Tuesday morning at his home in Libby.

A Libby resident since 1964, he had worked for Higdem Ford, W.R. Grace & Co. and Burns Security Service.

He was born Oct. 24, 1913, in Great Falls to Mr. and Mrs. William Leader. Raised in Zortman and Great Falls, he later moved to Claresholm, Alberta. He served in the Canadian armed forces during World War II.

On June 18, 1948, he married Katherine Madson in Seattle.

He worked at the Navy base at Oak Harbor, Wash., and in a Cut Bank auto body shop before settling in Libby.

He was a member of the Libby Assembly of God.

Survivors include his wife, Katherine, Libby; three daughters, Faith Leader, Tacoma, Wash., Rachelle Murphy, Olympia, Wash., and Katherine Thompson, Libby; a son, George, Seattle; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2 p.m. at the Assembly of God church with the Rev. J.E. Jacobson officiating. Burial will follow at the City of Libby Cemetery under the direction of the Vial Funeral Home.

3 Apr. 1986
Robert Lester, 60

Robert P. Lester, 60, Somers, died Thursday afternoon at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

Before his retirement in 1983, he had worked for the Anaconda Aluminum Co. for 26 years.

He was born June 16, 1925, in Kalispell to William and Henrietta Lester. He attended Kila School and Flathead High School. Then he worked with his father as an independent logger for several years.

On Jan. 1, 1944, he married Charlotte Bull and they moved to Somers. She died in 1980, and on Sept. 4, 1982, he married Evelyn Moriarty in Coeur d'Alene.

He was a member of the Bigfork Masonic Lodge No. 150.

Surviving are his wife, Evelyn, at home; a son, Bill, Bigfork; a daughter, Myrna Goldsby of Olympia, Wash.; a stepson, Terry Moriarty of Helena; a stepdaughter, Kathie Newell of Havre; a brother, Jack, Spokane; three sisters, Pauline Marr and Wilma Shepard, both of Spokane, and Beva Bingham of Whitlash; five grandchildren and two stepgrandchildren.

Funeral services will be Monday at 11 a.m. in the Eidsvold Lutheran Church with the Rev. Wayne Pris officiating. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation is today until 6 p.m.



Jean A. Lewis

Former Glasgow resident Jean A. Lewis, 60, died April 24, 1986 in Salem, Ore.

Services were conducted April 29 at 1:30 p.m. in the Virgil T. Golden Chapel in Salem. Interment was in Belcrest Memorial Park there.

She was born in Glasgow on April 19, 1926, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Moe, who farmed north of Nashua. The family later moved to Glasgow and then to Vancouver, Wash., where she graduated

from high school in 1941.

Lewis was a licensed public accountant. She worked for Brenner and Co. and the John Hancock CPA firm, and served on the Marion County Elections Board for many years.

Survivors include her daughters, Jane Lewis, Bend, Ore., and Mary Lewis Kinsman, Salem; brothers, Oscar Moe, Kalispell, and Lawrence Moe, Lewiston, Idaho.

Otto N. Lietz, 76

Otto N. Lietz, 76, died Friday evening at his home in Martin City.

He was born Sept. 17, 1910, in Sauk Centre, Minn., to Edward and Augusta Lietz. He was raised and educated in Sauk Centre, Minn.

He married Florence M. Grant-ham on Oct. 9, 1931, in Plentywood. They farmed in the Scobey area of eastern Montana for many years.

They moved to Martin City in the spring of 1950. He founded the Lietz Logging Co. in 1953, and it later became a family operation.

He was a director of the Martin City Fire Department and served on the church board of Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Florence, in 1979; three sisters, Clara Heinz, Mary Lietz and Bertha Lietz; a brother, Albert Lietz; and a grandson, Danny Buzzell.

Survivors include three sons, Donald, David, and Glenn Lietz of Martin City; five daughters, Mrs. Ewing (Connie) Micken of Spokane, Mrs. John (Eileen) Lyons of Mesa, Ariz., Mrs. Kenneth (Virginia)

Strowbridge of Martin City, and Mrs. Vernon (Avis) Thompson and Mrs. Keith (Carol) Buzzell, both of Columbia Falls; a sister, Lillian Levang of Castle Rock, Wash.; a brother, Edward Lietz of Richmond, Wash.; 26 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday at Canyon Community Church in Coram with the Rev. Tod Fox officiating. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Visitation will be until 8 tonight at Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls.

The family suggests memorials to Canyon Community Church in Coram.

29 Sept 1986 - Interlake

Nancy Lippel, 93

^{10 Nov 1986}
POLSON — Nancy Grantier Lippel, 93, Polson, died of natural causes Monday in Polson, where she had resided since 1976.

She was born in Great Falls and grew up and attended school there.

She was employed by Kranz Flowers in Great Falls before her marriage to Herman E. Lippel in April 1913.

During World War II, the couple lived in Seattle where Mr. Lippel served with the Coast Guard and Mrs. Lippel was employed by Boeing.

They returned to Great Falls after the war. Mrs. Lippel was employed as a seamstress at the Ideal Laundry in Great Falls from that time until her retirement in 1969.

She belonged to First Baptist Church in Great Falls for many years.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1969; a son, Harvey, in 1979; and a son, Russell in 1985.

Survivors include a daughter, Leona Tiffany, Polson; a sister and three brothers, all of New York; seven grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Friday at Highland Cemetery in Great Falls under the direction of Croxford & Sons Mortuary.

Phyllis Lloyd, 53

^{21 Jan 1986}
TROY — Phyllis A. Lloyd, 53, a longtime resident of Troy, died Tuesday morning of cardiac arrest at St. John Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

She was born Aug. 27, 1932, in Osage City, Kan., to Leroy and Mary McDowell. She moved to Troy as a child and was reared and educated there.

Survivors include her husband, Roy, Troy; a daughter, Willie Williams, Troy; two sisters, Johna Runyan, Troy, and JoAnne Lundine, Libby; a brother, D.C. Swartout, San Antonio, Texas; a grandchild and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Phillip Williams, in 1979.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Friday at Troy Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Vial Funeral Home of Libby.

Richard Montford Lewis

Richard Montford Lewis, always known as Fordie, was born April 23, 1921, in Dover, Idaho, and grew up in the Opheim area where he attended country school north of town and then attended High School in Opheim.

He had been a patient at the VA Hospital in Loma Linda, California several weeks before his death on May 20, 1986. Interment was at Riverside National Cemetery Friday May 23. The Dickey Mortuary of Fontana, California was in charge of the arrangements.

Music for the service was provided by Arlene Hughes, Fontana Church of the Abundant Life.

Fordie entered the Army Air Corps in the summer of 1940. He served a training period in California at several bases and became an armament-installer for bombers and was stationed in London, England at the Univeristy of Edinboro dormitories while serving in the Eighth Air Force.

In 1944 and 1945 Fordie served with the Ninth Air Force in France and Germany and had to move back into France a while, early in 1945 during the Battle of the Bulge.

For several months after V-E Day, he was stationed about 80 miles south of Berlin, Germany at Kamenz. Fordie came back to the states aboard ship and was discharged at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Survivors include one daughter, Cary Jackson, Fontana, California; a son, Craig Lewis, Twin Falls, Idaho; two sisters, Marion Dunn, Barstow, Calif., and Arlene Larson, Opheim; and three brothers, James Arneson, Lompoc, Calif.; Doug Arneson, Glasgow, and John Arneson, Colorado Springs, Colorado; and four grandchildren.

Fordie was preceded in death by both of his parents.

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The only gesture man does not share with other animal is the smile.

Katheryn D. Lindstrom, 82

Katheryn Dewey Lindstrom, 82, Kalispell, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital Wednesday evening.

She was born Jan. 27, 1903, in St. Cloud, Minn., a daughter of John and Mary Dewey. She spent her early life in Monticello, Minn., and graduated from high school there.

On July 6, 1922, she married Carl Lindstrom in Monticello. They lived in Hibbing, Minn., where Mr. Lindstrom was a plumber for the local schools. They later owned and operated the Knotty Pines Resort at Warba, Minn.

In 1964, they moved to Kalispell to be near their daughter.

Mrs. Lindstrom was preceded in death by her husband, Carl, on April 9, 1968.

She lived in Columbia Falls for a short time until ill health caused her to move to Kalispell.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Robert Carl Lindstrom; and a daughter, Ruth Frances Brad-

ford. ^{8 Jan. 1986}
Survivors include two sons, Lloyd O. Lindstrom of Beaumont, Texas, and Dean D. Lindstrom of Pontiac, Mich.; a daughter, Ardis K. Shelton of Kalispell; 16 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Saturday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Frances Loraas, 59

^{15 Jan. 1986}
Frances M. Loraas, 59, Kalispell, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital Wednesday evening.

She was born March 14, 1926, in Taylor, Texas, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bryan. She received her education in Texas and graduated from Taylor High School.

She lived in various places throughout the United States and worked as a certified dental assistant for about 20 years.

In 1976, she came to Kalispell and married Richard B. Loraas.

She was a member of the Calvary Lutheran Church and the Ladies of the Moose.

She is survived by her husband, Richard, at home; a son, William M. Kellis, of Anchorage, Alaska; five stepchildren, Kathryn S. Moore, Sue Laporte, and Tamara Loraas, all of Kalispell, Brian Loraas of Helena, and Valora A. Loraas of Elmendorf Air Force Base; a brother, Earl Bryan of Fort Worth, Texas; a sister, Flo White of Dallas, Texas; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Monday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Mel Oehrtman of Calvary Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens. Friends may call at Johnson Chapel for visitation from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Herman Loff, 94

^{25 Jan 1987}
Herman G. Loff, 94, Coram, died of natural causes Tuesday at North Valley Extended Care.

He was born Aug. 29, 1891, in Erskine, Minn., to Lars J. and Eva M. Loff. He was reared and educated in Erskine and worked on the family farm near there for many years. He later was a grain buyer at Oslo, Minn., and Nekoma, N.D., and also farmed in the Nekoma area until retiring in 1955.

In 1956, Mr. Loff moved to Martin City where he owned and operated a service station for several years. He also delivered mail to Glacier National Park in the 1960s. In his later years he was employed as a cashier for Phil Buck at local auctions.

Mr. Loff enjoyed gardening, and was active in the Canyon Community Church at Coram.

He married Inger Kingsland on May 20, 1915, in Erskine, and was preceded in death by her on June 18, 1959. On Oct. 6, 1959, he married Blanche Buzzell in Havre. She now survives him at North Valley Extended Care.

Also surviving are two daughters, Inez Cowan, Clallam Bay, Wash., and Ila May Wilhelmi, Sisters, Ore.; two sons, Arthur Loff, Edmore, N.D., and Robert Loff, Kalispell; four stepdaughters; a stepson; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and three sisters.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Tod Fox of Canyon Community Church will officiate. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Visitation will be 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

The family suggests memorials to Canyon Community Church in Coram.

Dennis Lucey, 46

^{23 June 1986}
EUREKA — Dennis A. "Buzz" Lucey, 46, Eureka, died Monday as the result of a logging accident at Star Meadows.

He was born Oct. 22, 1939, in Missoula, to James and Mary Lucey. He graduated from Sentinel High School, where he lettered in wrestling and football.

He married Lynn E. Ansell Aug. 15, 1959, in Missoula.

He attended Iowa State and wrestled there for two years, then transferred to the University of Montana, where he received a bachelor's degree in forestry. He was employed by the U.S. Forest Service for 11 years in Missoula, Seeley Lake, Superior and Murphy Lake near Eureka.

Mr. Lucey moved to Eureka in 1968 and later worked for Jim Hurst Sr. Lumber Co. and then Plum Creek Lumber for 12 years. He went into private logging in 1981.

He founded the Lions Den, a booster club in Eureka and started and then coached AAU wrestling in Eureka for 15 years.

He was a member of First Baptist Church and the Montana Logging Association.

Survivors include his wife, Lynn D., a daughter, Julie, and four sons, Wayne, Dennis, Kyle and James Lucey, all of Eureka; his parents, James and Mary Lucey of Bigfork; a brother, James Lucey of Anaheim, Calif.; one granddaughter; and numerous other relatives.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church in Eureka with the Rev. Carl Pershall officiating.

Interment will follow at Tobacco Valley Cemetery under the direction of Vial Funeral Home of Eureka.

19 Aug 1986

Pearl Long, 76

TROY — Pearl E. Long, 76, Troy, died of cancer Tuesday at St. John's Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

She was born Oct. 8, 1909, in Alexander, N.C., to George and Dora Rogers. She was raised and educated in Whitetail, and married Alvin Long there on Nov. 7, 1927. He died in 1945.

She worked as a cook and waitress throughout Montana and Arizona. She moved to Trout Creek in 1970 and to Troy in 1972.

She was a member of the Troy Christian Fellowship Center.

Survivors include a son, Sherman Long, address unknown; three sisters, Evelyn Potter, Eureka; Grace Ramsey, Rochester, Minn.; and Sadie Rankin, Englewood, Colo.; five grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were to be held today in Troy with burial following at Milnor Lake Cemetery.

Inga Amelia Long

Inga Amelia Long, 80, died Feb. 22 in Nemont Manor. 1986

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Feb. 26, in Bell Chapel with Pastor Dallas Smith officiating. Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery with Bell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were Kevin, Jay, Howard and Clayton Long and Mark Stolen.

Born in Asquith, Saskatchewan, Canada on Sept. 16, 1905, she was the daughter of Sherman and Annie Brevig.

On Nov. 15, 1930 in Saskatoon she married Vernon Eugene Long.

They moved to Big Beaver after their marriage and lived there until 1950. They moved to Wolf Point and lived there until her husband died in 1977. She lived at Fort Peck for five years and moved to Nemont Manor in 1981.

Survivors include two sons, Wilber Long of Fort Peck and Kenneth Long of Velva, N.D.; six sisters; 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1977 and two sons, Delmer in 1955 and Harvey in 1974.

16 Oct. 1986 - Interlake

Zelma Lowe, 78

Zelma Lowe, 78, Kalispell, died Wednesday afternoon at North Valley Hospital.

She was born Dec. 20, 1907, in Cloverport, Kent., to Charlie and Eva Barbee. She was raised and attended public schools in Breckinridge County, Kent.

In 1926 she married Alfred Blain in Kentucky, and they were later divorced.

She married John L. Lowe in Kalispell in 1951, and they made their home on a ranch in Lost Prairie for 14 years. The Lowes then lived in Somers for several years and resided in Kalispell since 1969.

She was a member of Central Bible Church in Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John, in 1976, as well as a son, a brother and two sisters.

She is survived by a sister in Kentucky and several other relatives.

Graveside funeral services will be 1 p.m. Friday at Conrad Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Weatherford Funeral Home. Officiating will be the Rev. C. Fred Crowe, minister of visitation of Epworth United Methodist Church.

18 Mar. 1986
Anna G. Luce, 52

Anna G. Luce, 52, Columbia Falls, died Tuesday evening in North Valley Hospital.

She was born Feb. 28, 1934, in Lakeside, a daughter of Harry E. and Fern Kraft. She attended Demersville and Kalispell schools.

On July 1, 1950, she married Lewis Luce in Kalispell and they moved to Columbia Falls.

Mrs. Luce is survived by her husband, Lewis, at the family home; two sons, Ron Luce and Bill Luce, both of Columbia Falls; three daughters, Leila King of Havre, Julia Schooler of Halfway, Ore., and Cathy Nicklaus of Columbia Falls; two brothers, Harry Kraft of Livermore, Calif., and Harland Kraft of Salem, Ore.; a sister, Mildred Kraft of Columbia Falls; eight grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Saturday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Howard Hunter of United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Frank Lukenbill, 71

Frank D. Lukenbill, 71, of Kalispell, died Thursday morning at the Fort Harrison veterans' hospital at Helena.

He had resided in the valley since 1922 and drove a truck for Quality Produce for 11 years.

He was born Sept. 2, 1915, in Velva, N.D., the son of Herman and Nora Lyght Lukenbill. In October 1922 he moved with his family to the Flathead Valley, settling in the LaSalle area. He was educated in Kalispell and then drove a truck for his father, hauling cord wood and short logs.

In October of 1941 he entered the U.S. Army and received his basic training at Camp Grant, Ill., and then worked as a hospital orderly at Luke Field near Phoenix. He was later a medical corpsman in charge of the First Aid Station in Phoenix, before receiving his honorable discharge in December of 1945.

Returning to Kalispell, he worked for Quality Produce before

semi-retiring because of ill health. He was a member of the Church of the Nazarene.

He was a single man and preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by five sisters, Edna Rexford, Ann Holmquist, Thelma Rales, and Lula Lukenbill, all of Kalispell, and Lena Rogers of Phoenix; an uncle, Harry Thompson of Anderson, Mo.; an aunt, Clara Ruthenburg of Portland; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Lukenbill will be 10 a.m. Monday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel, with the Rev. Jon Martin, Pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, and Rev. James Bartz, retired Nazarene pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Heart Fund or to the Montana Diabetic Association.

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Emma

Josephine Lukin

Emma Josephine Lukin, 95, died April 11 in the Valley View Nursing Home. 1986

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 15, in Bell Chapel with Pastor Robert Nilsen officiating. Music was by Brenda and Ronald Canen. Burial was in Highland Cemetery with Bell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were Tom Dooper, Danny George, Tommy Irwin, Amos Gribble, Tom Rodgers and Al Sampson.

She was born December 17, 1890 in Fort Clark, N.D., the daughter of Hellick and Bergit Bagley.

She lived in Valley County since the early 1930s. She worked as a cook at Fort Peck, Nashua and at Sam's Super Club in Glasgow. She was known as an excellent cook and pastry maker. She and her husband moved to Glasgow in 1967 and raised a granddaughter, Carrol Overton Dooper, from infancy. She made her home with a granddaughter, Kay Persons, in Avon, from July to December 1985 then became a resident of Valley View Nursing Home in Glasgow. She was a member of the Glasgow Senior Citizens and enjoyed playing whist.

She married Peter Lukin on September 19, 1916 in Mandan, N.D. He died in 1968.

Survivors include one son, John Robert Lukin, at Valley View Nursing Home; one daughter, Myrtle Wing of Glasgow; six grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1968, two daughters, Annie Overton in 1958 and Framces Loges Stewart in 1977; her parents; four sisters; three brothers and one grandson, Bobbie Jo Overton.

John Robert Lukin



John Robert Lukin, 66, died Saturday, July 5, 1986, in Valley View Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 8, in Bell Chapel with in-

tern pastor Jeff Blank officiating. Music was provided by Brenda Canen. Burial was in Highland Cemetery with Bell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were Paul Peterson, Jack Schatt, Jim Whitish, Al Sampson, Tom Lund and Brownie Doke.

He was born August 20, 1919 in Weldon, Montana, the son of Peter and Emma Lukin.

He served in World War II in the European theatre. While serving in the service he earned the bronze star. He worked for the Wittmayer Grazing Association for many years. He was very fond of animals and loved his dog Spike.

Survivors include one son, Robert Wayne Lukin; one sister, Myrtle Wing of Glasgow; and many nieces (including Carrol Dooper of Glasgow), nephews and cousins.

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Barbara Lukes

PLAINS--Funeral services were conducted Oct. 23 in Groveton, Texas for Barbara J. Lukes, 44, former resident of Plains, who died Oct. 21 in Groveton from complications from diabetes. Services were conducted in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Randy Thomas officiating. Another service was held at St. John's Catholic Church in Hondo, Texas with the Rev. Paul Leary officiating.

Mrs. Lukes was born Nov. 11, 1941 in Hondo. She lived in Montana from 1972 to 1984 in Superior and Plains and had lived in Groveton the past two years. She was a member of AGLOW.

She is survived by her husband, Richard "Dick" Lukes, former Plains-Thompson Falls District Ranger; two sons, Robert, Bozeman, and John, San Antonio; a daughter, Elizabeth Lukes, Groveton; her father and mother, Milton and Evelyn Highsmith, D'Hanis, Texas; grandparents, Robert and Nettie Koch, Hondo; three brothers, Ray Highsmith, San Antonio, and James and Claude Highsmith, both of Hondo; a sister, Kay Barber, San Antonio, and numerous other relatives and friends.

Burial was at St. John's Cemetery in Hondo.