

17 Aug 1986
Ed McGonigle, 79

Edmund Donald McGonigle, 79, Kalispell, died at his home Sunday morning.

He was born Sept. 18, 1906, in Butte, a son of Charles E. and Agnes N. McGonigle. He attended Immaculate Conception School and Boys Central in Butte, and was a graduate of Gonzaga University in 1929 with a bachelor of arts degree.



In 1932, he was employed by Montana Power Co., working at various managerial positions in Columbus, Deer Lodge, Anaconda and Butte. In 1962, he transferred to Kalispell and was district manager for the company on his retirement in October 1971.

He had continued to reside in Kalispell since that time.

He was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, Kalispell Rotary Club, of which he was secretary for many years, and a member of the Royal Order of Hibernians.

He had received the Paul Harris award from the Rotary Club.

He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

On Oct. 18, 1944, he married Margaret G. Gavin Roach in Butte, and is now survived by her at the family home.

He is also survived by four children, Donald E. McGonigle and Mary A. McCourt, both of Helena, Charles J. McGonigle of Klamath Falls, Ore., and Ed P. McGonigle of Spokane, Wash.; a brother, Charles J. McGonigle of Butte; six grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

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

Rosary will be recited at 7:30 tonight in Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Private family burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery Tuesday morning. Memorial Mass of the Resurrection will be at 11

a.m. Tuesday in St. Matthew's Catholic Church with the Rev. Edmund Smith as celebrant.

The family suggests memorials to St. Matthew's Catholic School Fund.

Eva McGrady, 66

^{3 June 1986}
LIBBY — Eva McGrady, 66, Libby, died of heart failure Tuesday evening in St. John Lutheran Hospital.

She was born Jan. 12, 1920, in White Earth, N.D., to Pearl and Christine Wardlow. She was reared and educated in White Earth and later attended nursing school in Williston, N.D. She was employed

as a nurse in North Dakota, Wolf Point, Boulder and Helena before moving to Missoula in 1962. She was employed as a nurse at St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula.

In 1972, she married Donald G. McGrady in Missoula. The couple moved to Libby later that year.

Mrs. McGrady worked as a nurse at the Libby Care Center until her retirement in 1982.

She was an artist who specialized in painting western scenes.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Christine Allen, in 1985.

Survivors include her husband, Don, Libby; two sons, Tony Guerin, Libby, and Francis Guerin, Helena; and six grandchildren.

Services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Vial Funeral Home Chapel in Libby with the Rev. Charles Roman of St. Joseph Catholic Church officiating.

The family suggests memorials to the Libby Lions Club, P.O. Box 650, Libby, 59923.

FREDERIC McGRATH/1986

Frederic Joseph McGrath, 80, of Kalispell, died in the Flathead County Nursing Home on August 28. He was born March 19, 1906, in Quincy, Massachusetts, a son of Charles J. and Mary A. McGrath. He was educated in Hingham, Mass. and was a graduate of Brown University of Providence, Rhode Island, Rhode Island School of Design, and Pratt Institute of Brooklyn, New York. He lived in Plymouth, Mass., Sherman Oaks, CA and Orleans, Mass., where he was owner-operator of the Orleans Art Gallery for 5 years. He then moved to Escondido, California, Kingman, Arizona, and in 1981 to Kalispell. He was a member of St. Matthews Catholic Church. On June 18, 1934, he was married to Margaret Sutherland in Morris Plains, New Jersey, and is now survived by her at the family home.

He is also survived by four children, Corrin J. McGrath of El Paso, TX, Seton M. Haddow of Boulder City, NV, Paul S. McGrath, D.V.M., of Kalispell, and Lt. Col. Frederic J. McGrath, Jr. in the U.S.M.C. in Warrington, PA; one brother Julian C. McGrath of East Weymouth, MA; eleven grandchildren and two nephews.

Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated on August 30 in St. Matthews Catholic Church with Rev. Father Michael O'Neill, as celebrant. Burial was in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Allen McGraw, 85

^{28 May 1986}
LIBBY — Allen J. McGraw, 85, Libby, died Wednesday at St. John's Lutheran Hospital.

He was born March 2, 1901, in Richmond, Minn., and moved to Montana at an early age. He owned Happy's Inn in the 1930s and 1940s, and was retired from the Forest Service.

Mr. McGraw was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Kim Sebree of Kennewick, Wash.; a stepdaughter, Georgia Rayson of Libby; a stepson, Kurt Kelley of Portland, Ore.; four sisters, Margo Howard of Milwaukee, Wis., Laura Meshnick, Edna Radtke and Mary Durzynski, all in Wisconsin; two brothers, Dan McGraw in New Jersey, and James McGraw, Hardin; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with the Rev. Charles Roman as celebrant. Burial will be at the City of Libby Cemetery under the direction of Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

11 Apr. 1986

R.J. 'Joe' McIlroy, 42

Robert J. "Joe" McIlroy, 42, Kalispell, died Friday at his Kalispell residence.

He was born Nov. 28, 1943, in Sentinel, Okla., the son of Ted and Wanda McIlroy. He was raised and attended school in Dalhart, Texas, and then attended West Texas State University in Canyon, Texas. Mr. McIlroy then lived in Dalhart for several years, where he worked at the Ben Franklin Department Store and his grandfather's furniture store.

He later moved to Denver, Colo., where he studied at the Bear Valley School of Preaching. Mr. McIlroy had been a resident of Kalispell for the past eight years, and had been a lay preacher at the Kalispell Church of Christ.

Mr. McIlroy was a single man.

Survivors include his parents, Ted and Wanda McIlroy of Stratford, Texas; a brother, Burton McIlroy of Albuquerque, N.M.; a sister, Becky Nogde of Archer City, Texas; his grandmother, Faris Schoffner of Cordell, Okla.; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl McIlroy of Dalhart, Texas.

Memorial services will be 1 p.m. Wednesday at Kalispell Church of Christ, 241 Stillwater Road, with Evangelist Lyle Newell officiating. Funeral services will be 2 p.m.

Wednesday at Denver Avenue Church of Christ in Dalhart, with burial following at Memorial Park Cemetery.

Local arrangements were by Weatherford Funeral Home.

Timothy McIntire, 41

^{15 Apr, 1986}
Timothy John McIntire, 41, died in Los Angeles, Calif., Tuesday.

He was born July 19, 1944, in Los Angeles, a son of John Herrick and Jeanette Nolan McIntire. His grandfather, B.J. McIntire, was a Flat-head pioneer and the first attorney in Kalispell.

Mr. McIntire had been a successful actor since the age of 15 and was an acclaimed musician since his college days in the 1960s.

He wrote the lyrics and music for "Jeremiah Johnson," and sang throughout the picture. He also starred in "Sacred Ground," "American Hot Wax," "Brubaker," "The Choir Boys," "Sterile Cuckoo," and had a major role in "Kung Fu."

He was working on a picture at the time of his death.

He was also well known as a voice-over artist working for many advertisers.

He had a love of the wilderness and the Yaak area since a very early age.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Mary O'Neill McIntire; his parents, John and Jeanette Nolan McIntire of Laguna Beach, Calif.; a sister and brother-in-law, Charles and Holly Wright and their son, Luke, all of Charlottesville, Va.

Graveside services are being planned for 1:30 p.m. Saturday on the family property in the Yaak. Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

Fred M. McKay, 84

^{9 June 1986}
Fred M. McKay, 84, Kalispell, died Monday morning at Brendan House.

He was born Jan. 19, 1902, in Rolla, N.D., the son of Alexander and Margaret McKay. He spent his first 25 years in Rolla, graduating from Rolla High School in 1918. He lived in Spokane for a while, then spent about 15 years in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. He moved to Kalispell in 1960, and worked for the Bitney Hatchery for several years. Mr. McKay then owned and operated McKay's Poultry Processing in the Evergreen area until retiring in 1979. He spent two years in Tacoma, Wash., and then returned to Kalispell in 1981.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and belonged to the Eagles in Coeur d'Alene.

On Sept. 9, 1950, he married Wanda Hemphill in Coeur d'Alene, and she survives him at the family home in Kalispell.

Also surviving are a son, James W. Hegel, also of Kalispell; a sister, Ena Wilkie of Rolla, N.D.; six grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from noon to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Weatherford Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Barry Dawson of First Presbyterian Church officiating. Cremation will follow services and the urn will be interred at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

8 Jan 1986
Una McMillan, 90

Una McMillan, 90, Kalispell, died Wednesday evening of natural causes at the Immanuel Luthern Home. An active community leader, she was Kalispell city treasurer for 31 years.

She was born April 19, 1895, in Hayward, Wis., the daughter of Charles and Ella Mae Jungberg. Her father was Montana's first state forester, and a copy of his book on forestry is at the Smithsonian Institution. She graduated from Flathead County High School and Helena Business College.

On Sept. 20, 1917, she married Ward McMillan. The couple both worked at Somers Lumber Co., and in the 1930s he served as Flathead County sheriff. He preceded her in death in 1966.

Una was Kalispell city treasurer from 1938 to 1969 and was also extremely active in a number of community activities. She belonged to the Order of Eastern Star, White Shrine, Rebeccas, Royal Neighbors, VFW Auxilliary, Cootiettes, and Federated Womens Clubs. She was affiliated with the Bible Presbyterian Church. Una had lived at the Immanuel Luthern Home since July 1981.

Surviving her are a nephew, M.A. 'Art' Phanco, Spokane; a niece, Rose Cain, Newport, Wash.; and many grand-neices and nephews, including Doug and Lloyd Barrie of Kalispell and Richard Barrie of Spokane.

Visitation will be 2-5 p.m. today at the Weatherford Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home, with the Rev. Harold Kellam, retired Bible Presbyterian pastor, officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

8 Jan 1986
Lou McKnight, 77

Mabel Lucy "Lou McKnight" Vallette, 77, Woods Bay, died Saturday afternoon in Kalispell Regional Hospital.

She was born May 30, 1908, in Farmington, Utah, a daughter of William M. and Mabel L. Rose. She received her education in Utah and graduated from high school there.

On April 11, 1929, she married Carl McKnight in Butte. They lived in Idaho and Utah, and in 1935, moved to the Flathead Valley and lived in Kalispell and Somers. Mr. McKnight died on July 15, 1954.

In 1971, she moved to Woods Bay. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints of Bigfork.

Survivors include two daughters, Bonnie Culbert of Bigfork, and Linda McKnight of St. Petersburg, Fla.; a brother, Guy Rose of LaMesa, Calif.; two sisters, Eloise Hinman of Kalispell, and Beth Larkins of Phoenix, Ariz.; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Alton Rose, in 1964.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints of Bigfork with Steve Morgan officiating. Burial will be in Lonepine Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

James McNeil, 55

^{June 1976}
James Patrick McNeil, 55, Whitefish, died of heart failure Sunday afternoon at North Valley Hospital.

He was born March 10, 1931, at Albany, Ill., a son of Francis and Nora Kinney McNeil. He lived in Missouri and Iowa until moving to Whitefish in 1943.

He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1949 and served in the Korean War. He was honorably discharged. He later served in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve.

He attended Gonzaga University in Spokane. He returned to Whitefish and worked on the Great Northern Railway.

On Oct. 1, 1957, he married Colleen Fisher in Columbia Falls. In 1967, they moved to Poulsbo, Wash., where he worked for the Bangor Ammunition Depot as foreman of railroad operations.

In 1971, they moved to Alaska where he was employed by the Alaska Railroad. Since 1979, he worked as a trainman for Burl-

ington Northern Railroad.

He was a member of Whitefish Loyal Order of the Moose.

Survivors include his wife, Colleen, at the family home in Whitefish; a son, Patrick McNeil of Whitefish; a daughter, Shelley Blankenship of Morrilton, Ark.; four grandchildren; five sisters, Ellen Bauvens of Sonoma, Calif., Madonna Wenz of White Salmon, Wash., Shirley Boneen of Spokane, Wash., Nancy Andrew of Seattle, Wash., and Sister Camille McNeil of O.S.B. of Holy Angels Convent, Jonesboro, Ark.

He was preceded in death by two brother, Francis and Thomas.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Austin Funeral Home of Whitefish with the Rev. Jack Hunthausen of St. Charles Catholic Church of Whitefish officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens. Military graveside rites will be by VFW Post No. 276 of Whitefish.

Joe McNulty



Joe McNulty, 72, died June 5, 1986 of a heart-attack near his home in Troy, Montana.

He was born in Fergus Falls, Minn., June 3, 1914 to Martin and Hattie McNulty. He grew up near Fergus Falls, where he received his education, moving to Montana with his family in the spring of 1934. He worked as a truck driver and heavy equipment operator on the Fort Peck Dam project.

At the beginning of World War II he enlisted in the Army, serving as Military Policeman. Following an honorable discharge, he returned to Glasgow for awhile and also lived in Minneapolis for several years.

When work began on Glasgow Air Force Base he returned to this area where he was employed at the Air Base until completion.

He moved to Troy later where he was employed as a carpenter and has lived there until his death.

Joe was an avid sportsman and enjoyed both hunting and fishing, coming back to this area each fall for hunting and visiting friends and relatives.

He is survived by a brother, Don McNulty, Troy; five sisters Irene Larson, Spokane, Wash., Margaret Marran, Claryce Rawson, both of Troy, Dorothy Peterson, Libby and Ivy Stebleton, Glasgow; and numerous nieces and nephews, from this area including, Debra Partridge, Tami Garsjo, Kelly Garsjo, Nancy Rice all of Glasgow and Patty Baker, Lustre. Also Joe, Steve and Mike Stebleton, Glasgow and Doug La Calif and Diane Brandt, Glasgow.

Funeral services were conducted at 3 p.m. June 9th in the Troy High School Auditorium with the Rev. Gene Bushnell officiating.

Pallbearers were his nephews, Larry McNulty, Tim McNulty, Joe Stebleton, Steve Stebleton, Jim Peterson and Dick Rawson.

Burial followed at Milnor Lake Cemetery with military graveside rites.

Arrangements were under the direction of Vial Funeral Home, Libby.

26 May 1986
Karen Melby, 86

MESA, ARIZ. — Karen Melby, 86, a former Kalispell resident, died May 26 at her home in Mesa, Ariz.

She was born Sept. 19, 1899, in Pigeon Falls, Wis., a daughter of Olive and Herman M. Wiveistad.

She had lived in Mesa for 20 years.

Mrs. Melby was a homemaker. She was a member of Eastern Star, White Shrine, Scandinavian Fraternity of America, and served as mother advisor for Rainbow Girls.

She was a Methodist.

Mrs. Melby was preceded in death by her husband, Edry A. Melby.

Survivors include a son, Ralph of Casa Grande, Ariz.; a daughter, Anita Venell of Tempe, Ariz.; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Mission Chapel at the Larry C. Melcher Mortuary in Mesa, with interment in Mountain View Memorial Gardens, Mesa.

30 May 1986
Nelda Mead, 73

HOT SPRINGS — Nelda Bernice Mead, 73, Hot Springs, died of cancer Friday evening at the Hot Springs Convalescent Center.

She was born Dec. 15, 1912, in Welcome, Minn., to Edward and Virginia Hanley.

On Sept. 23, 1936, she married Raymond Mead in Minnesota. The couple operated a livestock trucking business in Welcome for 40 years. They moved to Colorado in 1974 and to Hot Springs four years later.

Her husband preceded her in death, as did a brother and three sisters. Surviving are a daughter, Marsha Rosenberg, Lonepine; a granddaughter, Dawn Stilson, Whitefish; and two sisters, Eloise, Fairmont, Minn., and Leore, Sun City, Ariz.

No public services are planned. Cremation and arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary of Kalispell.

Ray Meldrum, 77

21 Jan 1986
Ray C. Meldrum, 77, Kalispell, died Tuesday evening at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born Aug. 17, 1908, in Magrath, Alberta, the son of James and Bessie Meldrum. He was raised and attended public schools in Magrath. He had a trucking business there as a young man.

On June 7, 1937, he married Edra Leishman in Magrath, where they made their home until moving to Columbia Falls in 1955.

He worked at Anaconda Aluminum Co. from 1955 until retiring in 1974. He had lived in Kalispell since July 1984.

Survivors include his wife, Edra, at the family home in Kalispell; a son, Gary Meldrum of Kalispell; a daughter, Darcee Meldrum of Kalispell; three brothers, Irvan of Mesa, Wash., Lloyd of Magrath, and Lawren of Brigham City, Utah; a sister, Berta McLain of Magrath; and a number of other relatives.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday at Weatherford Funeral Home. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Friday at Weatherford Funeral Home with Bishop Luther French of the Kalispell Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints officiating. Burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

W. Mendenhall, 81

30 Nov 1986
William M. "Slim" Mendenhall, 81, died Sunday evening at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He was born March 29, 1905, in Pleasant Lake, N.D., to Murray and Emma Mendenhall. He was raised and educated in North Dakota.

He worked as a farm hand in North Dakota until 1942. He served in the Army during World War II in the South Pacific.

He moved to the Flathead Valley in the early 1950s where he worked for Great Northern Railroad for several years and then for the Forest Service.

He was preceded in death by a brother and a sister, Winnie Owens.

Survivors include a brother, Gene Mendenhall in Oregon; five sisters, Ada Wimmer of Glasgow, Rosa Faust of Los Osos, Calif., Ella Mendenhall of Los Angeles, Calif., Emma Spear of Dillon and Ida Grant of Butte; numerous nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grand-nephews.

No services are planned. Cremation has taken place. Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls is in charge of arrangements.

19 July 1986
Albert Meuli, 56

Albert L. Meuli, 56, Newberry, Mich., a native of the Flathead Valley, died July 19 at Helen Newberry Joy Hospital in Newberry.

He was a former president of the National Recreation Society and a former president of Washington State Parks and Recreation Society. Since 1975, he had been director of the Newberry Regional Mental Health Center.

Born July 31, 1929, in Kalispell, he attended Western Washington State College, where he earned a bachelor's degree in education. He later earned master's degrees in hospital recreation at the University of Minnesota and in public administration at the University of Washington.

Before moving to Newberry, he was director of the Oakdale Regional Mental Health Center in Lapeer, Mich., from 1972-1975. Prior to that he was assistant to the director for Department of Social and Health Services for the State of Washington from 1961-1972.

He was president of the Tahquamenon Area Sports Booster Club, and belonged to the Newberry Kiwanis Club, BPOE Lodge 1705, American Diabetes Association and Trinity Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara, Newberry; two sons, Charles and Matthew, both of Seattle; three daughters, Michelle Mills of Newberry, Lindell Meuli of Seattle and Maria Meuli-Bumstead of Newberry; eight grandchildren; and a sister, Patricia Wright of LaVerne, Calif.

Memorial services were Saturday at Trinity Lutheran Church in Newberry.

The family suggests memorial contributions to American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 2043, Mahopac, NY 10541 or American Association of Mental Deficiency, 1719 Kalorama Road, NW, Washington DC 20009-2684 or National Mental Health Association Inc., 1021 Prince Street, Alexandria, Va. 22314.

4 May 1986
Virgil Michels, 73

Virgil R. Michels, 73, Whitefish, died Sunday evening at North Valley Extended Care.

He was born April 8, 1913, in Creston, a son of Arthur and Mabel Michels. He spent his early years with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Mattix in Hot Springs.

As a young man he was employed at the Blackfoot Hotel and later worked for Great Northern. In 1942, he enlisted in the Army and served in Iran. In 1945 he returned to Whitefish and continued working for Great Northern in the car department. He retired from Burlington Northern in 1975.

He married Jessie Hume in 1952.

He was an avid horseman and member of Backcountry Horsemen. He was a member of Flathead County Sheriff's Posse for a number of years. He made pack trips into the Bob Marshall Wilderness for 25 consecutive summers.

He was a member of Whitefish Moose Lodge, F.O.E., Golden Agers, and BN Veterans.

Survivors include a son, Dorne Michels of Whitefish; a daughter, Laura Beth Baker of Seattle, Wash.; a stepson, Jim Hume of Denver, Colo.; a stepdaughter, Connie Mares of Pittsburgh, Pa.; six grandchildren; two sisters, Crystal Foxx of Everett, Wash., and Bernice Olson of Bainbridge Island, Wash.; and a number of other relatives.

Memorial services will be 3 p.m. Wednesday at Whitefish Moose Lodge.

The family suggests memorials to Backcountry Horsemen, P.O. Box 1192, Columbia Falls, 59912.

Cremation has taken place under the direction of Austin Funeral Home of Whitefish.

^{3 Aug 1986}
Charles Miesmer, 82

Charles Julius Miesmer, 82, Hot Springs, died Wednesday of natural causes at his Hot Springs home. He was a former horse rancher and a masseur.

He was born Jan. 11, 1904 in East Rutherford, N.J., the son of Charles and Amanda Miesmer. The oldest of six children, he was self-educated.

As a young man he worked at various ranches, and then owned and operated a ranch near Dodson in Phillips County where he raised thoroughbred and Belgium horses.

After losing his sight in 1956, he sold the ranch and moved to Hot Springs about 1960 and was a licensed masseur. From 1968 to 1975, he was employed by the Tucson National Golf Club. He had lived in Hot Springs since 1975.

Surviving are two sisters, Martha Welch and Alma Ronneberg, both of New Jersey, as well as a number of nieces and nephews.

No public memorial services are planned. Arrangements and cremation are by the Weatherford Funeral Home in Kalispell.

John Miller, 74

^{21 Mar 1986}
LIBBY — John P. Miller, 74, a Libby resident for the past 19 years, died Friday at the Veterans Administration hospital in Spokane.

He was born May 23, 1911, at Nashua to Charles and May Miller. He was raised and educated in the Nashua area.

During World War II he served in the U.S. Army. After the war he returned to Montana, working first on ranches in the Wisdom area before entering the construction trade as a carpenter and welder. He came to Libby in 1967 to work on the dam project.

He married Marian F. Turner on March 4, 1944, at Roanoke, Va. She preceded him in death in 1984. He has no known survivors.

Graveside services will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the City of Libby Cemetery with the Rev. Robert Honeychurch officiating. Military graveside honors will be provided by local veterans' organizations. The Vial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

^{23 Aug 1986}
'Ross' Miller, 63

Martin Roscoe "Ross" Miller, 63, died at his home in Eureka Saturday morning.

He was born June 23, 1923, in Cashmere, Wash., a son of Johnny and Eva May Miller. As a child he moved with his family to the Flathead Valley where he received his education. He had lived in the Flathead and Lincoln County since that time and was employed as a logger most of his life.

He served in the Armed Forces during world War II.

He was preceded in death by two brothers and his parents.

Survivors include four sons, Ronald Roscow Miller of Walla Walla, Wash., Ricky Martin Miller of Port Orchard, Wash., James Randall Miller of Cheyenne, Wyo., and Donald Albert Miller of Libby; five daughters, Susan Carroll Burgess of Spokane, Wash., Deborah Louise Miller of Eureka, Joletha Marie Mills of Libby, Lanita Jean Miller and Leida Lee Miller, both of Kansas City, Kan.; five brothers, Ken, Johnny, Norm, and Irvin Miller, all of Kalispell, and Marvin Miller of Silver Springs, Nev.; three sisters, Virginia Carrizel of Hermiston, Ore., Luella Peay of Diamond Lake, Wash., and Sylvia Evans of Newport, Wash.; and numerous grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be until 8 tonight at Johnson Mortuary. Friends and relatives will meet at Springcreek Cemetery at 11 a.m. Tuesday for graveside services and interment.

11 Jan 1986
Raymond Milner, 79

POLSON — Raymond Walteen Milner, 79, Polson, died Saturday of natural causes at St. Joseph Hospital in Polson.

He was born May 22, 1906, in Belleville, Kan., to Jonas and Pearl Milner. He was reared and educated in Kansas.

On Oct. 31, 1927, he married Lena Elsie Smith in Beloit, Kan. After their marriage they lived in Stamford, Neb., until moving to their farm south of Polson in 1931.

Mr. Milner was an active member of First Baptist Church, where he held various offices. He also belonged to the Grange.

He was preceded in death by his wife, and two sisters, Cecile Schmidt and Irma Sanderson.

Survivors include two sons, Clao Milner, Polson, and the Rev. Merle Milner, Chewelah, Wash.; two daughters, Burleen Yexley, Aloha, Ore., and Naomi Hayes, Polson; and a brother, Leonard Milner, Hemet, Calif.

Visitation will be from 1-5 p.m. today at Mosley Funeral Chapel in Polson. ~~Services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church in Polson with the Rev. Rudy Ringhoff officiating. Burial will be at Lakeview Cemetery.~~

The family suggests memorials to the First Baptist Church or the Heart Fund.

Pearl Miller, 70

ST. GEORGE, Utah — Pearl Louise Kampfe Miller, 70, a former Kalispell resident, died Feb. 26.

She was born Nov. 17, 1915, in Kalispell to Carl and Bessie Reasey Kampfe.

She married Irvin A. Miller on Dec. 24, 1937, in Kalispell.

She lived in Kalispell and in Seattle, Wash., before moving to St. George, Utah, in 1976.

She was active in the First Southern Baptist Church in St. George.

Survivors include her husband of St. George, Utah; a son, Gary E. Miller of Glenrock, Wyo.; four grandchildren; and a sister, Darlene Williams, Polson.

Funeral services were March 1 in St. George with interment in St. George City Cemetery.

6 Mar 1986
Vaughn Mitton, 60

Vaughn L. Mitton, 60, Columbia Falls, died Tuesday morning at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born June 21, 1925, in Browns Valley, Minn., to W.B. and Mina Mitton. He was raised and educated in Browns Valley.

He served in the Navy during World War II and the Korean War.

On Aug. 16, 1953, he married Hildegard Groszhars in Fargo, N.D. They moved to Columbia Falls where they owned and operated Mittons Minute Mart until selling the business in 1976. He later moved to Spokane where he operated a small convenience store until poor health forced him to retire.

He returned to Columbia Falls where he resided at the Montana Veterans Home for the past several years.

He was a member of Masonic Lodge No. 89 AF&AM in Columbia Falls.

He was preceded in death by his father, and his wife, Hildegard, in 1977.

Survivors include his mother, Mina Mitton of Browns Valley, Minn.; two sons, Terry and Keith Mitton of Columbia Falls; two stepdaughters, Jean England of Columbia Falls, and Betty Cook of Yakima, Wash.; a sister, Ruth Boatwright of Littleton, Colo.; and numerous grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls with Dr. David Kauffman officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery with military graveside honors. Masonic graveside rites will be performed by Masonic Lodge No. 89.

The family suggests memorials to the Columbia Falls Volunteer Fire Department or the Columbia Falls Volunteer Ambulance Association.

William Molloy, 68

^{23 July 1986}
POLSON — The Rev. William C. Molloy, 68, who served as priest at St. Richard's Parish in Columbia Falls and at St. Charles' Parish in Whitefish in the 1960s, died of cancer Wednesday in St. Joseph Hospital.

He was born April 2, 1918, in Butte to William J. and Martha McGlynn Molloy. Reared in Butte, he was educated in the Catholic school system there and graduated from Carroll College in 1940.

After attending St. Edward's Seminary in Kenmore, Wash., he was ordained as a priest in the Catholic church on Dec. 18, 1943, at Immaculate Conception Church in Butte.

His first assignment was at St. Patrick's Parish in Butte from January 1944 to September 1952. He then served as pastor of St. Richard's Parish in Columbia Falls. He became pastor of St. Charles' Parish in Whitefish in 1965, of St. Mary's Parish in Butte in July 1970, and Holy Cross Parish in Townsend in 1978. The following year he went

on sabbatical leave due to ill health but was named chaplain at St. Joseph Hospital in Polson in 1980.

Visitation will be from 7:30 to 8:30 tonight at Immaculate Conception Church in Polson. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday at the church.

The body then will be forwarded to the Duggan-Dolan Mortuary in Butte where rosary will be recited Friday evening. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Saturday at Immaculate Conception Church in Butte. Burial will be in Holy Cross Cemetery there.

Mosley Funeral Home in Polson is in charge of local arrangements.

^{11 Sept. 1986} **Opal Mongan, 74**

Opal A. Mongan, 74, of Libby, died Thursday morning of heart failure at the Libby Care Center.

She was born March 30, 1912, in Dougherty, Iowa, to Clark and Iva McClethen. She was reared and educated in Illinois and married Leslie Knipprath there in February of 1926. The couple moved to Libby in 1944, where she was employed as a waitress at the Ten Pin Cafe. Mr. Knipprath died in 1961.

On May 26, 1970, she married James Mongan in Libby.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Betty Barrett, in 1985.

Survivors include her husband, James, in Libby; three daughters, Annabelle Fales of Casper, Wyo.; Wilma Shearer and Donna McCully of Libby; two sons, Earl Knipprath of Libby, and Joe Knipprath of Tillamook, Ore.; three stepsons, Larry Mongan of Libby, Derald Mongan of San Francisco, and Mike Mongan of Sandpoint, Idaho; a stepdaughter, Joyce Finley of Sandpoint, Idaho; two sisters; 38 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

Services will be 11 a.m. Monday at the Vail Funeral Home Chapel in Libby, with the Rev. Raymond Bache officiating. Cremation will follow.

^{5 June 1986} **Madalyn Moore, 36**

Madalyn Moore, 36, Whitefish, died of cancer Thursday morning at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

She was born Nov. 20, 1949, in Great Falls, a daughter of John and Patricia Porro.

She graduated from high school at Simms, and moved to Whitefish in 1977.

She married Ernie Moore on Nov. 26, 1983, in Whitefish, and is now survived by him at their home in Whitefish.

She is also survived by her mother, Patricia Porro of Great Falls; a sister, Lonnie Porro of Whitefish; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Dick (Pam) Walker, and two nephews, Jason and Corey, of Whitefish; her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Harry and Jean Moore of Alliance, Ohio; and several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be 3 p.m. Saturday at Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish with the Rev. Harold Peterson and the Rev. Ralph Kalm officiating. Cremation has taken place under the direction of Austin Funeral Home.

8 May 1986
F.L. Morigeau, 76

Forest Lewis "Frenchy" Morigeau, 76, formerly of Libby, died May 8 at Clark Fork Valley Hospital in Plains.

He was born April 3, 1910, in Ronan, a son of Mary Louise Clairmont and Antoine Morigeau. He was raised and educated in Ronan.

He worked in the lumber mills at Libby. In 1972, he moved to Hot Springs where he owned and operated a second hand store.

He was member of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes and the Knights of Columbus in Libby.

He married Leona Carson and they were later divorced.

He married Ann White on Dec. 4, 1937. She died on July 7, 1982.

Survivors include four sons, Marion Morigeau of Washington, Dean Morigeau of Los Angeles, Calif., Adrian Morigeau of Deer Lodge, and Robert Morigeau of Hot Springs; two sisters, Dorothy Brown and Rose Beauvais, both of Ronan; and numerous grandchildren.

Mass was this morning at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Ronan with the Rev. William Waggenor officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery, Ronan.

Shrider's Mortuary in Ronan is in charge of arrangements.

6 Nov. 1986

Ethel Morrison

PLAINS--Ethel Claire Morrison, 90 of Plains died Oct. 29 of natural causes at the Hot Springs Convalescent Center.

She was born Feb. 3, 1896 in Hadley Township, Ill. to Ulysses and Leona Smith. As a child, she moved with her family to Nez Perce, Idaho and later Dixon, where her father homesteaded.

Nov. 22, 1915 she married Henry C. Morrison in Missoula. The couple ranched at Dixon until moving to Johnson, Wash. in 1940. Mr. Morrison died the following year.

After returning to western Montana, Mrs. Morrison lived in Dixon, Missoula, Hamilton and Plains.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, two sons, three brothers and a sister.

Survivors include a daughter, Rose Remington, Coralville, Iowa; two sons, Ralph Morrison, Bigfork, and Robert Morrison, Huson; a brother, T. T. Smith, Missoula; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Cremation arrangements were under the direction of Squire Simons & Carr funeral Home in Missoula.

A. Mortenson, 101

7 April 1986
Anna Mortenson, 101, died Monday at North Valley Extended Care.

She was born Jan. 17, 1885, in Tangen, Norway, to Ole and Lyverine Johannesen. She was raised and educated in Norway.

She moved to the United States in 1905 and settled in the Crosby, N.D., area.

In 1907, she married Fred Mortenson in Carrington, N.D. They moved to Minot, N.D., in 1908. They later moved to Westby where she operated a cafe for eight years before they moved back to Minot. She worked as a cook in several cafes in Minot until her retirement.

Mr. Mortenson died in 1957.

In 1982, she moved to North Valley Extended Care.

Survivors include a nephew, Math Finberg of Columbia Falls; and a niece, Avis Aldrich of Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Thomas Funeral Home in Minot, N.D. Burial will be in Rosehill Memorial Park in Minot.

Local arrangements are by Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls.

24 Mar 1986
Thomas Morton, 81

Thomas Newham Morton, 81, Kalispell, died in St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula Monday morning.

He was born March 16, 1905, in Bigfork, a son of Charles Dee and Mary Newham Morton. His father was one of the original homesteaders in Bigfork (Holt). He attended elementary school and graduated from high school in Bigfork.

On May 3, 1927, he married Selma M. Helseth in Kalispell.

Mr. Morton was employed by many lumber companies during his lifetime. He was an expert planer man. He retired from Stoltze Land and Lumber Co. in Half Moon in 1970.

He was a member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church; Buffalo Hill Golf Club, and in later years became an enthusiastic golfer. He was a past member of the Eagles Lodge and was an avid hunter and fisherman all his life.

In the 1930s, he played semi-pro baseball for one of the area teams and was an outstanding pitcher.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Selma, on Jan. 25, 1972; five brothers, John, James, Charles, Joseph and Paul; and a sister, Ruth Eslick.

Survivors include three daughters, Patricia Morton Hibbard, Kalispell; Mrs. Philip (Shirley) Bertelsen, Columbia Falls, and Mrs. Thomas (Kay) Ellerhoff, Helena; three grandchildren; a great-granddaughter; and many nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Matthew Cox of Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home for visitation until 8 tonight.

The family suggests memorials to the Kalispell Lakers, P.O. Box 444, Kalispell 59903-0444.

R.J. Moss, 38

R.J. ^{Husty} Moss, 38, Kila, died Tuesday afternoon of injuries from an automobile accident on U.S. 2 west of Kalispell.

He was born July 30, 1947, in Marietta, Ga., the son of Patrick E. and Rebecca Moss. He was raised in Marietta and graduated from Sprayberry High School there in 1965. He was a professional musician for a number of years, based out of Atlanta, Ga.

On March 29, 1969, he married Eddie Sue Ray in Marietta, and she preceded him in death on Dec. 10, 1981.

In 1975, he moved to Kila, and continued to be active as a professional musician. He also worked for Superior Lumber, Wild West Toyota, Electronic City, and Klingler Lumber.

He is survived by his wife, Holly Pennington, at the family home in Kila; two stepchildren, Tom Jurgens and Chelsea Rowe, also at the family home; a son, Cody Moss of Kalispell; his parents, Patrick and Rebecca Moss of Marietta; his grandmother, Janey R. Jones of Sandersville, Ga.; a brother, Randall P. Jones of Marietta; and a number of other relatives and friends.

Visitation will be from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday at Weatherford Funeral Home, after which cremation will take place. Private memorial services will take place at a later date.

The family suggests memorials to the March of Dimes, P.O. Box 191, Kalispell. Any friends who wish to share memories of Mr. Moss' life are asked to write to P.O. Box 15, Kila, 59920.

14 Feb. 1986
Tsutae Muraoka, 86

Tsutae Muraoka, 86, a native of Japan and a resident of Whitefish since 1945, died Friday at Kalispell Regional Hospital after a long illness.

He was born Feb. 25, 1899, in Yamaguchi Ken, Japan, to Mr. and Mrs. Gorokichi Muraoka.

He immigrated to California in 1918 and farmed for many years in the San Jose, Mountain View and Cupertino areas.

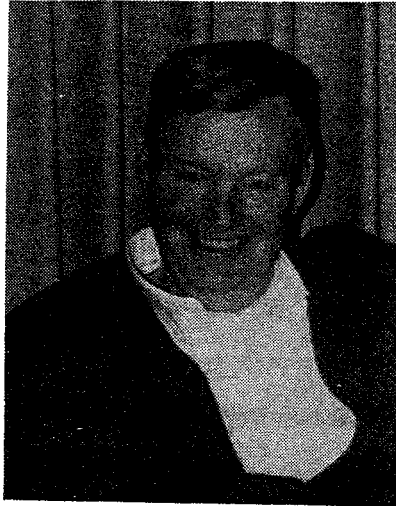
He married Toshiye Sugino on Feb. 1, 1925. In 1945, they moved to Whitefish, where he was employed by the Great Northern Railway. He retired in 1966.

He was preceded in death by an infant son, William.

Survivors include his wife, Toshiye, at the family home; seven sons, Masa of Santa Barbara, Calif., John of San Francisco, Takeo of Spokane, Jack of Kennewick, Wash., Dick of Los Angeles, Don of Green River, Wyo., and Bob of Whitefish; four daughters, Rose Lamb and Ruth McClain, both of Spokane, Betty Mow of Aiea, Hawaii, and Nancy Gilliland of Whitefish; 21 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place at the Hillside Crematory with no local services planned. A memorial service will be held Feb. 25 at the Spokane Buddhist Church in Spokane. The ashes will be interred in Japan at a later date. Local arrangements are by Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

Gerald Murch 1986



GERALD MURCH

Gerald Murch died Friday, April 4, in his residence northeast of Glasgow.

He was 63.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 8, in the First Lutheran Church with Pastor Doug Kalleson officiating. Music was by Donna Enebo and Patricia Hill. Burial was in Highland Cemetery with Bell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were Bill and Doug Murch, Larry and Lee Olson, Steve Schindler and Tom Biwer.

He was born November 24, 1922 in Nashua, the son of H. Dewey and Elma (Schindler) Murch.

He was raised in Glasgow and

entered the Navy in 1942 as an aviation machinist. He married Sophie Fretland Johnson in Williston, N.D. on June 18, 1966.

He worked as an engineer for the Great Northern and Burlington Northern Railroads from September 1950 until 1983. He has lived on a farm northeast of Glasgow all of his life. He was a member of the VFW, the Elks and the Ridgerunners.

Survivors include his widow, Sophie of the family home; his mother, Elma Schindler, of Glasgow; two sons, Allan Dale Murch and Gerald Lee Murch, both of Glasgow; three stepsons, Gordon Johnson of Williston, Gary Johnson of Nashua and Richard Johnson of Bottineau, N.D.; two stepdaughters, Dolly Cote of Williston and Judy Jensen of Draper, Utah; three brothers, Vernon Murch of Glasgow, Thurlo Schindler of Salona Beach, California and Walter Murch of Nashua; four sisters, Darlene Demko and Arlene Heikens of Glasgow, Marilyn Haugen of Aurora, Colorado, and Vivian Stover of Nashua; 19 grandchildren; one great-grandson and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Dewey Murch; one sister, Betty Marchenek; one brother, Arlo Schindler; one stepson, Darrell Johnson and one grandson, Kal Johnson.

Russell Murdock, 28

Felicia Murdock, 6

^{25 July 1984}
Russell Lee Murdock, 28, and his daughter, Felicia Marie Murdock, 6, Whitefish, died July 28 of injuries suffered in an automobile accident on Highway 87 north of Billings.

^{23 Aug 1986}
Mr. Murdock was born Oct. 6, 1957, in Whitefish, a son of James A. and Miriam Lee Allred Murdock. He was raised in Whitefish and attended school in Great Falls and Whitefish.

On Dec. 2, 1978, he married Mary E. Morgan in Whitefish.

He worked for Archie Cochrane Ford in Billings during the late 1970s and in 1979 returned to Whitefish where he worked for Burlington Northern Railroad.

Felicia Marie Murdock, daughter of Russell and Mary Murdock, was born Oct. 9, 1979, in Whitefish, where she had completed kindergarten.

Mr. Murdock is survived by his wife; his parents of Whitefish; two brothers, David of Kalispell and Ivan of Billings; a sister, Katherine Chaney of Portland, Ore.; and a grandmother, Mrs. Solvig Allred of Great Falls.

Felicia is survived by her mother; grandparents Mr. and Mrs. James Murdock and Edward A. Morgan of Columbia Falls; great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Schooley of Whitefish and Solvig Allred; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Cremation has taken place. No services are planned. Smith Downtown Chapel in Billings is in charge of arrangements.

Julia Murdock, 32

Terry Murdock, 6

^{25 July 1984}
^{10 Aug 1986}
Julia Ann Trujillo Murdock, 32, Billings, a former Flathead area resident, died July 28 of injuries suffered in an automobile accident on Highway 87 north of Billings.

Terry Lee Murdock, 6, son of Julia and Ivan Murdock, died Aug. 1 of injuries received in the same accident.

Mrs. Murdock, an active member of the New Life Assembly Church, was a devoted wife and mother and enjoyed running, playing volleyball and camping.

She was born in Toppenish, Wash., on July 5, 1954, a daughter of Jess and Elvira Trujillo. She married Ivan Murdock on Jan. 18, 1975, in Kalispell. They had lived in the Billings area for the past 10 years.

Terry was born Nov. 17, 1979, in Great Falls. He attended kindergarten at Blue Creek School in Billings.

Mrs. Murdock is survived by her husband; a son, Jerry of the family home; her parents of Wapato, Wash.; three brothers, Jess Ramon Trujillo Jr. of Lynnwood, Wash., Gabriel L. Trujillo of Seattle, Wash., and John J. Trujillo, stationed with the Marine Corps in North Carolina; three sisters, Rita J. Young, Alice M. Ortega and Rachel Navarro, all of Seattle, Wash.; and a grandmother, Angelina Payan Jaime of Wapato, Wash.

Terry is also survived by his father and brother, Jerry of the family home; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Murdock of Whitefish and Mrs. and Mrs. Jess Ramon Trujillo of Wapato, Wash.; and his great-grandparents, Angelina Payan Jaime of Wapato and Solvig Allred of Great Falls.

Services were Monday in Smith Terrace Gardens Chapel in Billings with burial in Terrace Gardens Cemetery.

'Cy' Murer, 75

23 May 1986
Marion Arthur "Cy" Murer, 75, a resident of the Mountain Brook area nearly all his life, died Friday morning at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

Born July 25, 1910, at Creston, he was a son of John and Elma Murer. He attended Mountain Brook and Kalispell schools. After completing his education, he worked in lumber mills and on logging crews as well as on the family farm.

In April 1933, he married Florence Nelson. She preceded him in death in 1965. He married Betty Mocabee in July 1970. After her death in 1977, he continued to live in the Foothill Road area until his death.

Survivors include a daughter, Arlene Hill, Columbia Falls; three sons, Loyal and Ted Murer, both of Kalispell, and Jack Murer of Libby; three stepdaughters, LuAnn Mohn of Columbia Falls, Kim Emery of San Bernadino, Calif., and Karlee Sharbono of Missoula; a stepson, Dick Larson of Missoula; a sister, Amber Nelson of El Cajon, Calif., 16 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at noon in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev. Dick Bishop, associate pastor of Christian Center Assembly of God, officiating. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation is Monday, 1-6 p.m. at the Johnson Mortuary.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Mountain Brook Scholarship Fund.

Morris Murphy, 64

29 May 1986
WHITEFISH — Morris D. Murphy, 64, Whitefish, died Thursday at North Valley Hospital. He had worked for the Flathead County sheriff's office until retiring in 1984.

He was born Feb. 1, 1922, in Gage, Mont., to Clarence W. and Edna L. Murphy. As a young man he worked on a tugboat, then he came to the North Fork to serve with the Civilian Conservation Corps.

He later worked for Lincoln's Cleaners in Whitefish for 26 years before going to the maintenance and engineering department of the sheriff's office in 1975.

Surviving are two daughters, Cheryl Dull of Whitefish and Connie Gage of Whitefish; a brother, Claude, in Great Falls; six grandchildren and two step-grandchildren. A son, Larry, preceded him in death.

Cremation has taken place. Graveside rites will be conducted at Glacier Memorial Gardens Wednesday at 10 a.m. with the Rev. Darrel Aleson of the Methodist Church of Whitefish officiating.

The family suggests memorials to the North Valley Hospital Extended Care Unit.

2 July 1987
Mason E. Myers

COLUMBIA FALLS — Mason E. Myers, 74, of Lake Blaine, died of natural causes Wednesday at his home.

He was born April 22, 1912, in Avery, Iowa, to Ed and Frances Myers. He was reared and educated in Roundup.

In September 1933 he married Merle I. DeVore in Des Moines, Iowa.

Mr. Myers worked in the coal mines near Roundup for many years. He then was employed for the John Deere Co. for 11 years in Illinois and Minneapolis. He also was a salesman for several years, and owned the Hearing Aid Center in Kalispell for 16 years.

Mr. Myers was a member of the United Commercial Travelers of America.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, a sister, a son and a grandson.

Survivors include his wife Merle, Lake Blaine; five sons, Charles of Austin, Texas; James of Kalispell; Gary of Great Falls; Kim of Jacksonville, Fla.; and Michael of Lake Blaine; four sisters, Dorothy Smith and Charlotte Heard, both of Iowa Falls, Iowa; Mary Minnich, Swanton, Ohio; and Ramona Maher, Ankeny, Iowa; an aunt, Cora Johnson, Albia, Iowa; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be 10 a.m. Monday at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls with the Rev. Bernard Sullivan officiating. Burial will follow in St. Richard's Catholic Cemetery. Visitation will be 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society or to St. Richard's Catholic Church.

15 Feb 1986
Denise Muth, 18

Denise Price Muth, 18, died Saturday morning as the result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident on Montana Highway 35 east of Kalispell.

She was born Oct. 12, 1967, in Kalispell, a daughter of Robert and Lorraine Muth. She had lived in the Mountain Brook area all of her life.



She was a graduate of Mountain Brook School and a 1985 graduate of Flathead High School. She was active in the volleyball team and the cross country ski team while in high school. She was also active in 4-H.

She attended Flathead Valley Community College.

She was employed at Sizzler Restaurant at the time of her death.

She was a member of the New Covenant Fellowship Church and the youth group of the church.

She loved animals and children and had done a great deal of babysitting. She had been accepted as a nanny in Washington, D.C., and was to leave for this position on April 1.

Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Muth Jr. of Kalispell; a brother, Robert Muth III of Kalispell; a sister, Melinda Muth, attending Carroll College in Helena; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Price of Lecanto, Fla.; paternal grandmother, Mrs. Robert Muth of Louisville, Kent.; three aunts and two cousins.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Seventh Day Adventist Church with the Rev. Halden Curtiss, pastor of the New Covenant Fellowship, officiating. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to the Mountain Brook Scholarship Fund or to the East Valley Quick Response Unit.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.