

*16 Sept. 1986 - Intake*  
**Hazel Smith, 77**

Hazel E. Smith, 77, Whitefish, died of natural causes Monday morning at North Valley Hospital Extended Care.

She was born Jan. 27, 1909, in Scarborough, Maine. She was raised and received her education there.

She married Robert N. Smith on May 7, 1927, in Blackburn, Maine, and they moved to Whitefish in 1945.

She was preceded in death by five brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include her husband at their home in Whitefish; four daughters, Dorothy Baker of Kalispell, Myrtle Cagle of Whitefish, Audrey Christianson of California, and Ruth Chapman of Columbia Falls; two sons, Robert Smith of California, and Rodney Smith of Bigfork; 20 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with Dr. David V. Kauffman officiating. Cremation has taken place.

**Helen E. Smith, 77**

*1 Apr. 1986*  
Helen E. Smith, 77, Columbia Falls, died Tuesday evening at North Valley Extended Care.

She was born March 16, 1909, in Columbia Falls to William L. and Cora A. Ford. She was raised and educated in Columbia Falls and graduated from high school in 1927. She worked as a cook at Montana Veterans Home for several years.

She married Frank Smith on March 15, 1931, in Kalispell.

She worked as a cook at Half Moon during World War II. She later worked as a cook at several restaurants in the Columbia Falls area.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Columbia Falls.

She was preceded in death by a grandson and a great-granddaughter.

Survivors include her husband at the family home; three sons, Charles R. "Bob" Smith, William L. Smith, and Leo F. Smith, all of Columbia Falls; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; an uncle; two aunts; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls with the Rev. Jerry Buchanan of First Baptist Church and the Rev. Ralph Werner (retired) officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at Van Leuven Funeral Home.

**Irene L. Smith**

*22 Jan 1986*  
Irene L. Smith, age 66, Columbia Falls, died Wednesday at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

She was born April 18, 1919 in Castlewood, South Dakota to Arne and Phoebe Friskey. She was raised and educated in Williston, N.D. and Fairview, Montana.

In 1937 she moved to Fort Peck. She was married to Joe W. Smith on April 24, 1937 in Wolf Point.

They lived on the family farm near Fort Peck and Nashua. In 1946, they moved to Columbia Falls where Joe worked on the Hungry Horse Dam.

They owned and operated the Sportsman Club Bar in Columbia Falls from the late 1940's, until 1959. In 1960 they returned to the family farm near Fort Peck. They owned and operated the Nashua Bar in Nashua for many years. They retired in 1976 and returned to Columbia Falls.

She is preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Eino Wirtanen in 1983.

She is survived by her widower, Joe W. Smith of Columbia Falls; one son, Richard G. Smith of Columbia Falls; two daughters, Mary Ann Francis of Columbia Falls and Sylvia Stugelmeyer of Conrad; three sisters, Martha Downing of Redding, California, Gloria Lester of Seattle, Washington, and Sandra Webster of Detroit, Michigan; one brother, Charles Wirtanen of Billings; eight grandchildren, Yvonne, Dan, Darryl, Jay, Janet, Jodi, Robin and Doug; and three great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls. Rev. Thomas Gopp officiated. Burial followed in Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

24 Mar. 1986  
**John S. Smith, 73**

LIBBY — John S. Smith, 73, Libby, died Monday of natural causes in Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He was born Oct. 31, 1912, in Missouri to Boston and Carrie Smith. He served in the armed forces during World War II and then was employed as a truck driver in Billings.

In 1965 he moved to Libby, where he was employed at St. Regis Lumber Co. sawmill.

On March 17, 1972, he married Effie Carr in Libby.

Mr. Smith was active in Little League, and was a member of the American Legion, VFW and the Moose Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Effie, Libby; four stepdaughters, Lorraine Brown in South Dakota, Wanda Hill in Libby, Darla Dodd in Arizona, and Aletta Lloyd in California; five stepsons, Lloyd, Arlan and Delbert Carr, all of Libby, Melvin Carr of

Kalispell, and Glen Carr in Idaho; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday at Vial Funeral Home in Libby with Tom Howland officiating. Burial with military graveside rites will be in the City of Libby Cemetery.

**Reginald Smith, 75**

Reginald A. Smith, 75, Marion, died Tuesday evening in St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula. 4 Mar. 1986

He was born April 25, 1910, in Canada, a son of Oscar and Jane Smith. At an early age he moved with his family to Marion where he attended grade school. He also attended Flathead County High School.

On Aug. 6, 1938, he married Amy Kinniburgh in Kalispell.

Mr. Smith engaged in logging work all his life. He was employed at Glacier Memorial Gardens prior to his retirement.

He was preceded in death by a son, Donald L. Smith, 1981.

Survivors include his wife, Amy, at home; four sons, Reginald Dean Smith of Kalispell, Richard A., Alfred J., and Ronald Smith, all of Marion; a sister, Viola Schluter of Chewelah, Wash.; 12 grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Friends may call at Johnson Chapel until 2 p.m. Friday for visitation.

Private graveside services will be Friday afternoon in Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Ralph Werner, retired Baptist minister, officiating.

The family suggest memorials to a charity of the donor's choice.

**LISA MARIE SMITH 1986**

Lisa Marie Smith, age 5, died December 11, of injuries from a fire at her Kalispell home.

She was born July 31, 1981, in St. Paul, Minnesota, and lived in Kalispell since late-1981. Lisa was in the Kalispell Head Start Program and was attending pre-kindergarten at Elrod School.

Survivors include her parents, Ivy Smith and James Nelson, and sister, Amber Maxine Smith, all at the family home in Kalispell; grandparents Norma Littlefield, St. Paul; James

Smith, St. Paul; Royce and Maxine Nelson, Kalispell, Kalispell, and Dale and Angela Wicklander, Sr., St. Paul; great grandparents Zada Sweem, Cameron, Missouri and Florence Littlefield, St. Paul; and a number of other relatives.

Funeral services were December 13, at the Weatherford Funeral Home with Rev. Nathan Bemis, pastor of Bible Baptist Church, officiating. Burial followed at Lone Pine Cemetery in Bigfork.

## Russell Smith, 84

*1984*  
Russell E. Smith, 84, died early Saturday morning in the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He had worked in the woods and for the Forest Service for many years.

He was born Sept. 24, 1901, in Elliot, Iowa, a son of W. Clark and Julia Smith. His family moved to Montana when he was six weeks old and settled in the Lake Blaine area. They later moved to Apgar, and then to Coram.

He was married to Mary Hillings in 1933, and was preceded in death by her and one daughter in 1934. In 1956 he married Anna Baker and was preceded in death by her in 1970.

He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the U.S. Navy from November of 1942 until his honorable discharge in October of 1945. In 1972 he entered the Montana Veterans Home, where he had resided since.

He was preceded in death by one brother, and is now survived by two sisters, Elsie Hodges of Whitefish, and Marie Kearney of Portland, Ore.; a stepdaughter, Evelyn Rose of Denver, Colo.; seven nieces and nephews, including Dorothy Birky of Kalispell.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Darell Allison, pastor of the Whitefish Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens where military graveside rites will be conducted by local veterans organizations.

## Victoria Sneddon

*23 June 1986*  
Victoria Rose Sneddon, stillborn baby of Bruce A. and Diana M. Sneddon, died June 23, 1986, in Montgomery, Ala.

She is survived by her parents; a brother, Robert; and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sneddon of Whitefish and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Knupp of Salem, Ore.

A private graveside service will be held Monday at 10 a.m. a Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Howard Hunter of the United Methodist Church will officiate.

Arrangements are by the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls.

## Julia Sowa

*1986*  
Julia Sowa died April 9 in Glasgow's Nemont Manor. She was 90.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 15, in St. Raphael's Catholic Church with Father Robert Fox officiating. Burial was in Highland Cemetery with Bell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were James Montfont, Dennis Wright, Robert Rohde, George Zeiger, Edward Bundus and John Besaw.

She was born May 7, 1895 in Hinsdale, and lived in Valley County all her life. Her parents were Peter and Elizabeth Sowa.

Survivors include five sisters, Elizabeth Sowa of Glasgow, Mary Cossette and Pauline Greve, both of Oakland, Calif., Anna Mytrin of Dawson Creek, B.C., Canada, and Rose Greene of Columbia Falls.

## *31 Jan 1986* T. Stafinbil, 91

Theresa Stafinbil, 91, a Kalispell resident until five years ago, died Friday in Spokane.

She was born July 9, 1894, in Oconto, Wisc., to Alexander and Mary Russell. She grew up in Wisconsin, then on Nov. 29, 1916, married Herman G. Stafinbil at Glasgow.

They homesteaded there until 1923, then moved to Kalispell. Her husband was a carpenter and steam engineer at the Many Glacier Hotel.

She was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church and the church Altar Society. She was past president of the Navy Mothers Club of Kalispell.

Surviving are four sons, James in Tacoma, Wash., Jack in Spokane; and Donald and Michael in Sacramento, Calif.; a daughter, Edna May Spainhower of LaBelle, Fla.; a sister, Marie Gomber, in Oconto; 10 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Her husband preceded her in death on Feb. 20, 1977.

Rosary will be recited Monday at 7 p.m. in the Johnson Mortuary chapel. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated Tuesday at 10 a.m. in St. Matthew's Church with the Rev. Michael O'Neill as celebrant. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

## Kenneth Spencer, 68

LIBBY — Kenneth Spencer, 68, Libby, died of heart failure Sunday morning at St. John Lutheran Hospital.

He was born Oct. 25, 1918, in Libby to Ernest and Mable Spencer. Reared and educated in Libby, he was employed by J. Neils Lumber Co. in Libby before entering the U.S. armed forces during World War II. He served in the South Pacific theater.

After his discharge, he returned to Libby and rejoined J. Neils Lumber Co.

On Feb. 4, 1945, he married Dolene Hugill in Libby.

During his career with the J. Neils Lumber — later the St. Regis Paper Co. — Mr. Spencer worked as a sawyer, a dozer operator and then as a road maintenance superintendent until his retirement in April 1982.

He was a member of St. John Lutheran Church and the Cabinetview Country Club, where he was active in league golfing.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister.

Survivors include his wife, Dolene of Libby; three daughters, Judith Schmidt of St. Louis, Donna Munson of McMinnville, Ore., and Gail Maestas of Gig Harbor, Wash.; a son, Keith Spencer of Vancouver, Wash.; two brothers, Ralph and Leonard Spencer, both of Libby; and nine grandchildren.

Services will be 2 p.m. Friday at St. John Lutheran Church in Libby with the Rev. Michael Flannery officiating. Burial with military honors will be at the City of Libby Cemetery under the direction of Vial Funeral Home of Libby.

The family suggests memorials to the Libby Volunteer Ambulance or the Salvation Army.

## Wilbert Steiger, 59

Wilbert E. Steiger, 59, died of cancer Sunday at his home in Troy.

He was born March 22, 1926, in Hazelton, N.D., to Jacob and Martha Steiger. He was reared and education in Hazelton and served in the Army during World War II.

On March 20, 1948, he married Irene Schmidkunz in Bismarck, N.D.

Mr. Steiger lived in Bismarck for many years, where he was employed by the James Igoes Construction Co. He moved to Troy in 1968 and was employed by the St. Regis Paper Co. in Libby. He was a member of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union.

Survivors include his wife, Irene, Troy; two daughters, Evelyn Peterson and Esther Steiger, both of Troy; five sons, Arnold, Libby, Allen, Belle Fourche, S.D., Dale, Raymond and Terry, all of Troy; his father Jacob Steiger, Bismarck; four brothers, Teddy and Fred, both of Bismarck, Emile, Great Falls, and Alfred, Fargo, N.D.; a sister, Emma Reeb, Bismarck; and 24 grandchildren.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Thursday at the Troy Cemetery with the Rev. Gene Bushnell officiating. Military honors will be by the VFW and American Legion.

Arrangements are by Vial Funeral Home of Libby.

## E. Stanley, 88

LIBBY — Elizabeth M. Larson Stanley, 88, Libby, died of natural causes Thursday at St. John's Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

She was born April 1, 1897, at Swamp Creek, to David and Louise Hayott. She received her schooling at Manike School.

She worked as a cook in various places around Libby most of her

Her first husband, Vic Larson, died in 1967. In 1970, she married Elmer Stanley. He died in 1974. She was also preceded in death by four sons: Carl, Clifford, Clarence and Chester.

She is survived by a daughter, Mildred Applegate, St. George, Utah; a son, Charles Larson, Libby; 12 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday at Vial Funeral Home Chapel in Libby with the Rev. Wilford Luce officiating.

Interment will be in the City of Libby Cemetery under the direction of the Vial Funeral Home, Libby.

## Stella Starkey, 59

LIBBY — Stella M. Starkey, 59, Libby, died Saturday at St. John's Lutheran Hospital in Libby, due to complications from diabetes.

She was born July 26, 1927, in Orting, Wash., to Walter and Rachel Hansen. She was raised and educated in Washington. She moved to Libby in 1969. She had been in government service for 30 years, the last 12 years with the Forest Service in Libby.

She owned and operated the Hi-Note Cafe in Libby from 1972 to 1974. She raised 10 foster children from 1969 to 1972.

She retired from the Forest Service in July 1986.

She is survived by a daughter, Claudia Starkey of Libby; two sons, David Starkey of Phoenix, Ariz., and John Starkey of Libby; three brothers, LeRoy Hansen of Walla Walla, Wash., Albert Hansen of Monument Valley, Utah, and Dale Hansen of Seattle; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday at United Methodist Church in Libby with the Rev. Rachel Lieder-Simeon officiating.

Burial will be at the City of Libby Cemetery under the direction of Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, to the American Diabetes Association, or to the United Methodist Church in Libby.

13 Sept 1986  
**Alberta Stark, 73**

Alberta Stark, 73, of Marion, died Saturday morning in Kalispell Regional Hospital.

She was born April 20, 1913, in Wabach, Neb., a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Christensen. She was educated in Burley, Idaho, and spent much of her life in Idaho and California before moving to the Flathead Valley in 1976. She had lived in Marion since that time.



She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and the Emblem Club in California.

She was preceded in death by four brothers. In 1976, she married Elmo Stark in Carson City, Nev., and is now survived by him at the family home.

She is also survived by a son, Stewart Briskin of Kalispell; two daughters, Leola J. Brelsford of Bozeman and Nadine West of Fair Oaks, Calif.; three brothers, Calvin Christensen of Oregon, Harlan Christensen of Chehalis, Wash., and Loren Christensen of Antioch, Calif.; three sisters, Mary Murchison of Sacramento, Calif., and Marge Trees and Elaine Thomas of Chehalis.; 11 grandchildren; six great grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. on Monday in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints with Bishop Luther French officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

**Floyd Stark  
Dies At 52,  
Private Rites**

4 May 1973  
Floyd F. Stark, 52, an electronics technician for the Flathead National Forest, died today in Kalispell General Hospital.

Born in Watertown, Minn., Nov. 22, 1920, the son of William and Freda Stark, he received his education in Mound, Minn. He entered the U. S. Army in 1938 and was a master sergeant at the time of his retirement Oct. 1, 1959.

He moved to Kalispell in November 1959 and went to work for the Flathead National Forest. He retired July 25, 1972, due to health. Mr. Stark was a member of the Retired Enlisted Men's Assn.

Surviving are his widow, Julie K. Stark, Kalispell; two daughters, Mrs. Lyle (Susan) Jaeger, Shimatori, Greece, where her husband is stationed with the Air Force; Joan Stark, a son, Bruce W. Stark, both at home; five sisters, Mrs. Adeline Schoen, Kimball, Minn.; Mrs. Alfred (Louise) Heitz and Mrs. LaVerne Nichols, both of Mound; Mrs. Ralph (Sue Ann) Wilson, Monticello, Minn. and Mrs. Art (Jayne) Janses, Minneapolis and one grandson.

The Weatherford Funeral Home is in charge of the private services followed by cremation.

30 Mar. 1986  
**Louise Stark, 76**

Louise Bissonnette Stark, 76, Lakeside, died Sunday afternoon of natural causes at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born Feb. 11, 1910, in Minneapolis, Minn., the daughter of Charles and Mildred Bissonnette. She grew up on a farm near Crosby, N.D.

She received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of North Dakota, and a masters degree in psychiatric social work from the University of Chicago.

During World War II, she worked for the Red Cross at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Seattle. For a number of years, she was employed by the Veterans Administration in Chicago and Denver, working with psychotic patients in a supportive therapy role.

In April 1977, she married Robert L. Stark in Denver, Colo., and they moved to the Flathead Valley in 1980. This area was well known to Mrs. Stark since her father lived in the Swan Valley after retiring in 1949.

Survivors include her husband at the family home in Lakeside; two stepsons, Donald R. Stark of Denver, and Raymond C. Stark of Golden, Colo.; a stepdaughter, Patricia A. Halpern of Honolulu, Hawaii; four grandchildren; a nephew and several nieces.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at Lakeside Community Chapel with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey officiating. Arrangements and cremation are by Weatherford Funeral Home.

The family suggests memorials to Brendan House, 350 Conway Drive, Kalispell 59901.



18 Sept 1986  
Emma Steinert, 90, a longtime Ronan-area resident, died Thursday at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born Nov. 4, 1895, in Bessarabia, Romania, to Martin and Elizabeth Kelm Wornath. In 1915 she, her parents and eight brothers and sisters immigrated to Texas. They later lived in the Hart River area of North Dakota before moving to a homestead north of Miles City near Crow Rock.

She married Fred Steinert on April 12, 1919. They made their home at Crow Rock for a time before moving to the Post Creek area of the Mission Valley. In 1949 they moved to Ronan, where Fred Steinert sold real estate and insurance.

She was a member of the Christian and Missionary Alliance church, and was active in Bible study and missionary groups. An avid gardener, she raised her own produce but was especially proud of her roses and other flowers.

The couple moved to Kalispell in 1983 after retirement. The following year they moved to the Lutheran home, where her husband still lives.

Also surviving are a son, the Rev. Arnold Steinert, Libby; three daughters, Esther Junkert of Spanaway, Wash., Florence Schmautz of Kalispell and Ellen Fee of Oregon City, Ore.; a sister, Adella Lewis of Ronan; three brothers, Otto Wornath of Lolo, Gustaf Wornath of Missoula and Emil Wornath of Beaverton, Ore.; 16 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Shrider's Mortuary in Ronan, with the Rev. Arnold Steinert officiating. Burial will be at Mountain View Cemetery in Ronan.

14 May 1986  
**Carl Stenberg, 90**

Carl M. Stenberg, 90, a former Creston resident, died Sunday evening at Montana Veterans Home.

He was born Aug. 8, 1895, in Bronderslev, Denmark, a son of Johanna and Peter Stenberg. He was raised and received his education in Denmark. He moved to the United States as a young man.

During World War I he served in the U.S. Army where he was granted his U.S. citizenship.

He married Agnes Nielsen on May 11, 1924, in Bronderslev, Denmark. They homesteaded in Malta until moving to the Flathead in 1936 and farmed in Creston until his retirement.

He had resided at the Montana Veterans Home for the past 12 years.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Axsel, Earnest, Soren, and Martin, and three sisters, Tinne, Kristina, and Anna.

Survivors include two sons, John Stenberg of Kalispell, and Chris Stenberg of Calgary, Alberta; seven daughters, Mary Deitrick of Kalispell, Kay Sagen of Whitefish, Anne Burkhart of Salem, Ore., Agnes Tiffany of Bremerton, Wash., Carol Priddy of Junction City, Kan., Laura Hancock of Leucadia, Calif., Delores Bradley of Prague, Okla.; one sister, Helene Vilhelmsen of Copenhagen, Denmark; 30 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren and many relatives in Denmark.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday at Montana Veterans Home Chapel in Columbia Falls with the Rev. Matthew Cox of Bethlehem Lutheran Church of Kalispell officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Austin Funeral Home of Whitefish is in charge of arrangements.

24 Dec 1986  
**'Mel' Stenslie, 76**

THOMPSON FALLS — Theodore Melvin Stenslie, 76, a former Whitefish resident, died of cancer Wednesday afternoon at Clark Fork Valley Hospital in Plains.

He had owned and operated the Hanging Tree restaurant in Whitefish between 1964 and 1975, and was a former king of the Whitefish Winter Carnival.

He was born June 10, 1910, in McKenzie County, N.D., to Lauritz and Sina Bergumshagen Stenslie. He was educated in the Cherry Creek area of McKenzie County, and graduated from high school in Watford City, N.D. He also attended Montana State College in Bozeman.

He married Evelyn Smith in April 1967. The couple moved to Thompson Falls in 1981.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn, Thompson Falls; a son,

Rodney Stenslie, Eureka; a daughter, Andrea Ellis, Tucson, Ariz.; and eight grandchildren.

A funeral service is planned for 10 a.m. Monday at the Community Congregational Church in Thompson Falls with the Rev. Gaylund Olson officiating. Graveside services will be at the Rathdrum, Idaho, cemetery at 3 p.m. Arrangements are by the Shrider Funeral Home in Plains.

22 or 23  
**Stanley Stermer, 37**

Stanley J. Stermer, 37, died of gunshot wounds in November 1986 at his home in Columbia Heights. The victim of a homicide, his body was found March 7.

He was born Dec. 29, 1948, in Kalamazoo, Mich., to Larry and Ann Stermer. He was raised and educated in Scotts, Mich., and attended Green Meadow Bible Church and Vicksburg High School. He moved to Montana where he worked for Larry's Post Company and Beaver Wood Products.

He enjoyed the outdoors and was an avid hunter and fisherman.

Mr. Stermer is survived by a son, Rick, a daughter, Candy Ann Stermer, and his former wife, Nancy Stermer, all of Portage, Mich.; a brother, Mark Stermer of Rockport,

Texas; three sisters, Bev Kindig of Portage, Mich., and Carol Noel, and Rose Dewey, both of Hickory Corners, Mich.; and his parents, Larry and Ann Stermer of Scotts, Mich.

Funeral services will be held in Michigan with local arrangements by Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls.

12 July 1986  
**Orin Steubs, 78**

Orin G. Steubs, 78, Kalispell, died at Brendan House on Saturday morning.

He was a home builder in Kalispell for many years. After retiring, he operated a greenhouse at his own home.

He was born Oct. 26, 1907, in Sibley, a son of Emil and Mary Steubs.

He attended Ladysmith High School in Ladysmith, Wis., and lived on the family farm. He then worked the 200-acre farm until 1930, when he moved to Yellowstone National Park.

He married Dora Dunham on Nov. 8, 1934, and they settled in Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by a son, Arlen Dennis Steubs, and is survived by his wife at the family home; a daughter, Lou Ann Nolan of Portland, Ore.; a brother, Art Steubs of Iowa; a sister, Flora McIntyre of Wisconsin; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel, with the Rev. Robert Ross, pastor of the Christian Center Assembly of God, officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.



**ANNA STEVENS 1986**

Anna L. Stevens, 92, Kalispell, died April 1 of natural causes at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

She was born June 6, 1893 in Pisek, North Dakota, the daughter of James and Margaret Kelly. She was raised and educated in Medicine Lake, Montana and it was there that she married Dennis Stevens in 1913. The couple homesteaded and farmed in Medicine Lake.

Following Mr. Stevens' death in 1961, she moved first to Forsyth, then Missoula, and had been in Kalispell for the past 17 years.

Surviving are two sons, Ralph Stevens of Seattle, WA and Loring Stevens of Medicine Lake; one daughter, Mrs. Fred (Cynthia) Tobiason of Kalispell; ten grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, and two great great grandchildren. Mrs. Stevens was preceded in death by three brothers, three sisters, and infant daughter Vera, a son David, and her husband.

Weatherford Funeral Home has forwarded the body to Fulkerson Funeral Home in Plentywood. Funeral Services were Tuesday April 8 at Medicine Lake Congregational Church, with Rev. John C. Rieth, Pastor of Williston Congregational Church, officiating. Burial was in Medicine Lake Cemetery.

**Florence Stevens, 70**

12 Mar 1986  
Florence E. Stevens, 70, Whitefish, died Wednesday morning at her home.

She was born Nov. 24, 1915, in Whitefish, a daughter of Ralph and Fannie Garr. She was raised and educated in Whitefish.

On July 27, 1933, she married Glenn A. Stevens in Libby. They lived in Eureka and Columbia Heights for several years and had lived in Whitefish for the past 30 years.

Survivors include her husband, Glenn A., at the home in Whitefish; a son, Phillip Stevens, Whitefish; a sister, Mrs. John (Mable) Voermans, Whitefish; three grandchildren; and a number of other relatives.

She was preceded in death by a son, Gerald, in 1964.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with Dr. David V. Kaufman of Whitefish officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.



*21 Jan 1986*  
**Lewis Stevens, 56**

Lewis Ray Stevens, 56, Lakeside, died Tuesday evening of natural causes at a hospital in Galen.

He was born Jan. 18, 1930, in Somers, the son of Charles and Martha Stevens. He grew up at Swan Lake and Lakeside, and attended Flathead High School.

On Jan. 3, 1950, he married Shirley Moeller in Kalispell, and they lived in western Montana until 1964, when they moved from Polson to Tigard, Ore. They were later divorced.

Over the years, Mr. Stevens worked at a number of different jobs, including woodworker, auto mechanic, body repair man, and stone mason.

Survivors include two sons, Stanley and Thomas Stevens, both of Portland, Ore.; three daughters, Sandy Fennern and Helen Goldader, both of Portland, and Tamara Stevens in California; six brothers, Lloyd of Evergreen, Neil, Bob, Charles and Douglas, all of Lakeside, and Glen of Bigfork; five granddaughters; and a number of other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Elgie in 1942; and a sister, Grace in 1973.

Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Lakeside Community Chapel with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey officiating. Arrangements and cremation are by Weatherford Funeral Home.

*11 May 1986*  
**Alfred Stowell, 76**

Alfred Glen Stowell, 76, died May 11 in Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born Jan. 20, 1911, in Honeyville, Utah, a son of George and Clara Stowell. He received his education in Utah and was later employed as a cook, working in various cafes throughout the western United States.

He had resided in the Flathead for the past several years.

He is survived by several relatives in California and the Midwest.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the Demersville Cemetery. Friends will meet at the cemetery for the services. Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

*12 April 1986*  
**Minnie Stockwell, 85**

Minnie Stockwell, 85, a lifelong resident of the Flathead Valley, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital Saturday evening.

She was born March 20, 1901, a daughter of John and Lizzie Eisenhower, on her father's homestead northwest of Kalispell. She attended Spring Creek School and graduated from Flathead County High School in 1921.



In 1922, she married Walter "Pat" Stockwell. They ranched in the Spring Creek area northwest of Kalispell for many years before moving into Kalispell.

Mrs. Stockwell then worked as a cook at Kalispell General Hospital for 14 years.

Her later years were spent enjoying her family, gardening and sewing.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter, on May 23, 1957; a brother, Amos Eisenhower, and a sister, Edith Ramsey.

Survivors include three sons, Willard and Howard Stockwell, both of Kalispell, and John Stockwell of Las Vegas, Nev.; a daughter, Patricia Nelson of Kalispell; 16 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mabel Jaeck of Spokane, Wash.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey of Lakeside Chapel officiating. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 8 tonight.

1 Sept. 1986

### Robert Stewart, 59

POLSON — Robert Eugene Stewart, 59, Polson, died Monday of a heart attack at his home.

He was born Aug. 8, 1927, in Buffalo, Wyo., a son of Minnie and "Smokie" Harwood. At the age of five months he was adopted by Mabel and John Stewart of Quietus. He attended country schools through the eighth grade and then went on to high school in the Quietus area.

He served in the Army for three years. He then returned to the family home, where he operated his mother's ranch until 1952, when the family moved to Ronan.

He owned and operated a ranch in the Round Butte area from 1952 to 1968. In 1968, he moved to Minnesota, where he met and married Lavine Kugler. They bought a ranch in Joliet and moved back to Montana in 1972. They lived there until 1977, then moved to Polson, where he worked for Neil McAlpin and Milo Say.

Mr. Stewart had open heart surgery in August 1980, and subsequently retired due to ill health.

Survivors include his wife, Lavine Stewart, and a daughter, Jackie Stewart, both of the family home; a son and daughter from a prior marriage, Jay Stewart of Spokane, Wash., and Tanna Erickson of Ronan; a stepson, Brian Kugler of Polson; and a stepdaughter, Suzzette Kugler of Anchorage, Alaska.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday in Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Polson with the Rev. Kenneth Bartle officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Mosley Funeral Home in Polson.

### Marion Straugh, 74

<sup>12 July 1986</sup>  
POLSON — Marion B. "Scotty" Straugh, 74, died Saturday of natural causes at his home in Polson.

He was born Aug. 10, 1911, in Clearwater, Idaho, to Charles and Ruby Straugh. He received his high school education in White Sulphur Springs.

He married Verna Novak in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, on Sept. 1, 1971.

He was employed by Polson Ready Mix as a truck driver for many years. He was a longtime member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks No. 1695.

He was preceded in death by a brother.

Survivors include his wife, Verna, of the family home in Polson; four stepdaughters, Evelyn Hendrickson and Judy Walters, both of Helena, Elaine Lovec of Miles City, and Jolene Fifield of Spokane, Wash.; and several grandchildren.

Memorial services were today at the Elks Lodge in Polson.

The family requests memorials be made to the Elks Building Fund in Polson.

Arrangements are under the direction of Mosley Funeral Home in Polson.

23 Aug 1986  
**Frank Stindt, 71**

TROY — Frank Stindt, 71, Troy, died of cancer Saturday at St. John Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

He was born April 9, 1915, in Matchwood Township, Mich., to Rudolf and Laura Stindt. He was raised and educated in Michigan.

He married Ada Eggleston in 1947 in Bergland, Mich.

He worked in construction throughout the Northwest for many years before moving to Troy in 1966. He first worked in construction in the Libby and Troy areas and later was employed by ASARCO as a machinist until retiring in 1983.

He was a member of the Assembly of God Church.

He is survived by his wife, Ada, of Troy; six daughters, Jean Overall and Joann Brems, both of San Diego, Calif., Joyce Burnside of Dallas, Texas, and Judy Patton, Alice Colver and Sara Stindt, all of Troy; four sons, Frank Stindt Jr. of Libby, Arthur Stindt of San Diego, Calif., and Dan and Rick Stindt, both of Troy; seven sisters; a brother; 23 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted 2 p.m. Tuesday at Milnor Lake Cemetery near Troy with the Rev. John Jackson officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

<sup>2845 1986</sup>  
**Gregory Strack, 33**

Gregory John Strack, 33, of Kalispell, died Tuesday in Santa Cruz, Calif., as the result of injuries sustained in a car accident. He was a self-employed mechanic and electrical installer.

He was born Oct. 9, 1952, in Kalispell, a son of Mathias and Marcella Duffy Strack. He attended St. Matthew's School and the Flathead High School.

He was a member of the St. Matthew's Catholic Church and the Retreader Motorcycle Club of Missoula.

He was married to Mary Rackley in Nashville, Tenn., and is now survived by her in McMinnville, Tenn. He is also survived by two children, Michelle and Matthew Stack, both of Mountain View, Wyo.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mathias Strack of Kalispell; a brother, Richard Strack of Kalispell; four sisters, Sharon Burgad and Betty Anderson, both of Missoula, Kay Petroff of Sidney, Australia, and Rita Steinke of Kalispell; and many nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

Rosary will be recited at 7 tonight in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Monday in the St. Matthew's Catholic Church with the Rev. Michael O'Neill as celebrant.

Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home for visitation from 1-5 p.m. today.



<sup>28 Feb 1986</sup>  
**Milfred Strand, 62**

Milfred C. Strand, 62, of Echo Lake, died Friday evening of natural causes in Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was a cabinet maker and contractor for 30 years, and manufactured Strand Homes in Kalispell until retiring due to ill health in 1973.

He was born Mar. 26, 1923, in Fortuna, N.D., the son of Meinert and Beulah Strand. As a child, he came with his family to the Flathead Valley, and attended Mountain Brook School, where his mother taught. He graduated from Flathead County High School in 1940.

On May 15, 1943, he married Hilda Lanfear in Elizabethtown, Ky.

During World War II, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, serving from 1943 to 1946. He was in combat with the 261st Infantry Regiment, 65th Division in Europe, and was awarded the Bronze Star. Following his honorable discharge, he returned to the Bigfork area.

He was a longtime member of the VFW and active in many community activities.

Surviving are his wife, Hilda, at the family home; a daughter, Regina Houston of Echo Lake; a son, Terrence Strand of Kalispell; a sister, Magdalyn Brosten of Swan River; five grandchildren; and a number of other relatives.

Memorial services will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. at Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork, with the Rev. Herb Knutsen officiating. Private interment will be at Bethany Lutheran Cemetery, with military honors provided by local veterans.

Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of the Bigfork Funeral Home.

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**MARTIN "LYLE" STRAND**

Martin "Lyle" Strand, 62, died at his home in Kalispell November 22. He was born March 2, 1924 in Rapid City, South Dakota, a son of Martin and Mary Strand. He received his education and spent most of his life in Rapid City until moving to Kalispell in 1969. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. Since coming to Kalispell he worked for building contractors and for Glacier National Park as a carpenter until his retirement in March of 1986. On December 10, 1951, he married Virginia KrousKut in Denver, Colorado, and is survived by her at the family home.

He is also survived by two sons, David of Rapid City and Dick of Missoula, two daughters, Mrs. Richard (Dawne) Brown of Big Springs, NE, and Mrs. Don (Claudia) Goodrich of Pemberton, MN; two brothers, Gordon of Brighton, CO, and Harley (Bud) of Hermosa, SD; two sisters, Mrs. Rolland (Leona) Haskell of Kalispell and Mrs. Carl (June) Johnson of Round Rock, TX, and numerous grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held November 25 in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Cremation followed the services.

## T.G. Strangeland, 80

<sup>17 Apr 1986</sup>  
BROOKINGS, Ore. — Thorleif Gerhard Strangeland, 80, a former Kalispell resident, died at his home in Brookings, Ore., April 12.

He was born Nov. 23, 1905, in Tioga, N.D., to Michael and Rosann Bjerneby Strangeland. He received his education there and diesel training in Minneapolis, Minn.

He worked for American Timber Co. in Kalispell for about 20 years. In 1962, he moved to Brookings, Ore., where he was employed as a mechanic for the Akin Motor Co. for more than 20 years.

In June 1943, he married Marjorie Lorraine.

He was a member of the Lutheran Church and the Elks Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Marjorie; a daughter, Carol Hastings of Harbor, Ore.; a sister, Myrtle Stuart of Williston, ND.; three nieces and two nephews.

He was preceded in death by three sisters.

Funeral services were April 16 at Azalea Chapel in Brookings, Ore. Co-officiating at the services were the Rev. Daniel Kolasinski of Star of the Sea Catholic Church and the Rev. Gordan Myrah of Trinity Lutheran Church of Brookings. Interment was at W.J. Ward Memorial Cemetery in Brookings.

## Margaret Strash, 90

<sup>13 Nov 1986</sup>  
Margaret Strash, 90, Kalispell, died early Thursday morning at the Flathead County Nursing Home.

She lived more than 80 years in Mays Landing, N.J., before coming to Kalispell to live with her son, Ray Strash, in 1978.

She was born Sept. 27, 1896, in Mays Landing to Frank and Margaret Layton.

In 1930 she married Lewis Strash in Wilmington, Del. He preceded her in death in March 1967. Also preceding her in death were a brother and sister.

Survivors include her son, Ray, Kalispell; a daughter, Romaine Andaloro of Woodland Hills, Calif.; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Private memorial services took place Friday afternoon at the Weatherford Funeral Home in Kalispell. Cremation has taken place. The urn will be interred at Union Cemetery in Mays Landing.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Flathead County Nursing Home, 1251 Willow Glen Drive, Kalispell.

## Arthur Struss, 81

Arthur F. Struss, 81, Coram, died Tuesday evening at Kalispell Regional Hospital. <sup>4 Nov 1986</sup>

He was born July 20, 1905, in Courtland, Minn., to John and Emma Struss. He was raised and educated in Minnesota.

He married Hulda Barmer in March 1934 in Missoula. They later moved to Polson where he operated the Texaco station from 1936 to 1946. He moved to Coram where he worked as a laborer on the Hungry Horse Dam. He then worked for Rex Brown as a logger for several years. He worked as a track worker for Great Northern Railroad for 12 years before retiring in 1966.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Hulda, in 1944; a brother and a sister.

Survivors include a close friend, Alice Potter and family in Coram; a daughter, Shirley Bowdish of Kalispell; two grandchildren; 13 brothers and sisters; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. Friends will meet at the cemetery.

The family suggests memorials

to Canyon Community Church in Coram or to the charity of the donor's choice.

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## Fredrick Styler, 60

Fredrick C. Styler, 60, Columbia Falls, died Monday at North Valley Hospital. 10 Nov 1986

He was born Feb. 10, 1926, in Williams, Minn., to Fredrick and Elsa Styler. He was raised and educated in Williams and graduated from Williams High School in 1944.

He served in the Navy from June 1944 to June 1946 on the USS Hancock. He attended telegrapher school in Minneapolis, Minn. He moved to Columbia Falls where he worked as a telegrapher for the railroad.

He married Joyce Evenson on March 26, 1953, in Baudette, Minn.

For the past 30 years he worked as a carpenter for Columbia Falls Aluminum Co.

He was a member of the Eagles. He enjoyed all sports and attended all of the sports games.

He was preceded in death by his father.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce, at the family home in Columbia Falls; two children and their spouses, Rick and Lerral Styler and Susie and Phillip Eisenzimer of Columbia Falls; his mother, Elsa Styler of Baudette, Minn.; a sister, Elsie Grunz of Williams, Minn.; three brothers, Karl Styler of Grand Forks, Minn., and Herb and Walt Styler of Condon.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Howard Hunter of United Methodist Church will officiate. Cremation has taken place.

The family suggests memorials to Shodair Hospital, the Columbia Falls Volunteer Ambulance Association or to the Heart Fund.

## Beverly Sullivan

<sup>1986</sup>  
WHITEFISH — Beverly Kathleen Sullivan, 54, of Whitefish, passed away Nov. 23 at North Valley Hospital of natural causes.

She was born July 18, 1932 at Dent, Minnesota a daughter of Paul and Loretta Levin. She received her education in California, Washington and graduated from Whitefish High School in 1951.

She was employed at the Great Falls Air Force Base, aluminum plant in Columbia Falls and as a bookkeeper at the First National Bank of Whitefish and has been retired for the past several years due to her health.

She was married to Channing E. Sullivan of Columbia Falls on Aug. 4, 1961 at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho and is survived by him at their home in Whitefish.

She is also survived by one daughter, Mrs. Joseph (Kathleen) Rehbein of Kalispell and one grandson; one sister, Mrs. Oliver (Betty) Absalonson of Whitefish and her mother, Loretta Levin of Whitefish, and a number of other relatives.

Funeral services were Nov. 26 at the Austin Funeral Home with John Gildersleeve of Whitefish officiating. Burial was in the Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

## Marie Sundahl, 91

<sup>3 Sept 1982</sup>  
Marie Sundahl, 91, died Wednesday morning in the Flathead County Nursing Home.

She was born Feb. 26, 1895, in West Brooklyn, Ill., a daughter of August and Marie Chaon. She received her education in West Brooklyn. After graduating from high school, she moved to Puyallup, Wash., to be with her sister.

On Oct. 11, 1924, she married John Sundahl in Tacoma, Wash. They lived in Sumner, Wash., until 1927, when they moved to Kalispell.

She was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John, on Jan. 23, 1974, and by four brothers and five sisters. She is now survived by one son, Haven Erickson of Portland, Ore.

No public services are planned. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

## 15 June 1986 Harold Sundberg, 79

Harold Sundberg, 79, Kalispell, died of natural causes Sunday at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born May 13, 1907, in Minneapolis, Minn., the son of Frank and Anna Sundberg. As a child, he came with his family to Winter, Wis., where he was raised and educated.

He worked for the Caterpillar Co. for many years in Winter, then Peoria, Ill., and finally Port Angeles, Wash. He then worked in Redmond, Wash., as master mechanic for a construction firm until retiring in 1971. He had lived in Kalispell since 1983.

Mr. Sundberg belonged to Eagles Aerie 484 in Port Angeles, and Local 302 of Operating Engineers in Seattle.

On Nov. 17, 1966, he married Elise Rauthe of Somers in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and she survives him at the family home in Kalispell.

Also surviving are two daughters, Marlene Stanard of San Clemente, Calif., and Mercedes Nikiou of San Gabriel, Calif.; three brothers, Ralph Sundberg of Winter, Roy Sundberg of Ellensburg, Wash., and Carl Sundberg of Woodinville, Wash.; a sister, Mildred Lessard of Hayward, Wis.; five grandchildren; a great-granddaughter; and a number of other relatives.

There will be no public services. Arrangements and cremation are by Weatherford Funeral Home.

19 Nov 1986  
**Philip Sustello, 80**

Philip V. Sustello, 80, Woods Bay, died Monday afternoon in Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born May 18, 1906, in West Grove, Pa., a son of Angelo and Adalgisa Sustello. As a young boy, he moved with his family to Three Forks, where he attended elementary and high school.



He attended Montana State College in Bozeman for a year.

He was employed as a brakeman for Milwaukee Railroad for a short time and had worked as a mechanic in various places.

He lived in Bremerton, Wash., during World War II. In 1943, he moved to Woods Bay, where he operated Phil's Hardware for many years.

He was a long-time member of the Elks Lodge and Flathead Pioneer Auto Club.

On Aug. 31, 1940, he married Sylvia Brooks in Libby and is now survived by her at the family home.

He is also survived by his daughter, Mrs. Mark (Phyllis) Eisenzimer of Columbia Falls; a granddaughter, Mrs. Mike (Monica) Applegate of Columbia Falls; a grandson, Phillip Eisenzimer of Woods Bay; two brothers, Frank Sustello of Springfield, Ore., and Steve Sustello of Portland, Ore.; a sister, Helen Kendall of Honolulu, Hawaii, and a number of nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Thursday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Ron Pierce of Swan Chapel officiating. Private family burial of the urn will follow in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family suggests memorials to Bigfork Quick Response Unit.

20 Oct. 1986  
**Floyd L. Sutton, 72**

Floyd Lee "Sutt" Sutton, 72, died Sunday evening in North Valley Extended Care following a lengthy illness.

He was born on Nov. 14, 1913, in Newton County, Mo., to Dessa M. Hansford and John R. Sutton. He was raised and educated in Hockersville, Okla.

He was a ground boss for Ballard mines in Oklahoma from 1930 to 1942, then later worked in the oil fields. He moved to Redding, Calif., in 1945 where he worked at Iron Mountain and on Shasta Dam. Shortly afterward, he became an ironworker. He retired in 1971 from Local 118 in Sacramento, Calif., due to ill health.

He moved from Redding, Calif., to Columbia Falls in October 1985 to be near his daughter.

He was a member of the cavesman club in Central Valley, Calif.

He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

On Aug. 16, 1933, he married Ada Lavon Ward in Miami, Okla. She preceded him in death on Nov. 24, 1965.

He was also preceded in death by an infant son on Nov. 23, 1954.

Survivors include his daughter, Stanley Sue Forshee of Columbia Falls, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday at McDonalds Chapel in Redding, Calif.

The family suggests memorials to North Valley Extended Care in Whitefish.

27 July 1986  
**Nancy Swanson, 38**

Nancy Elizabeth Swanson, 38, a resident of rural Whitefish, died of natural causes Sunday at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

She was born Dec. 29, 1947, in Los Angeles, Calif., a daughter of William N. and Dorothy Southam.

She was raised and educated in Denver, Colo., and graduated from Jefferson High School in 1965. She attended college in Colorado for a time and lived and worked in northern Colorado until she married.

She had lived in the Flathead Valley for the past six years.

She had been a driving force in many environmental issues including the Green Peace Movement and had also been a very supportive member of the Humane Society.

Survivors include a son, Colin, at their home; a brother, Stephen C. Nelson of Jacksonville, Fla.; and other relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be 6 p.m. Tuesday at Lazy Creek Ranch, located at the north end of Whitefish Lake. Cremation will be after the services.

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

14 Mar. 1986  
**Marysia Szenter, 7**

Marysia Elsa Valin Szenter, 7, Kalispell, died Friday evening as the result of a boating accident on the Flathead River.

The daughter of Val and Linn Szenter, she was born Feb. 13, 1979, in Cove, Ore. The family had lived at Cove and at Cheney, Wash., before coming to Kalispell two years ago.

She had attended kindergarten at Hedges School. She enjoyed reading books.

Surviving are her parents, and a brother, Anthony, at home; her maternal grandparents, William and Elsa Bergman of Chester, N.Y.; her godparents, Robert and Nancy Rehm of Chester; and three uncles.

Memorial services will be Monday at 7 p.m. at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church with the Rev. Howard Mars officiating. Arrangements and cremation are by the Johnson Mortuary. The family suggests memorials be made to a children's charity of the donor's choice.

21 April 1986  
**Helmer Swenson, 87**

POLSON — Helmer Melvin Swenson, 87, Polson, died of natural causes Monday at St. Joseph's Convalescent Home.

He was born Sept. 2, 1898, in Baldwin, Wis., the son of Soren and Anna Marie Swenson. As a boy he moved with his family to Bowbells, N.D., where he received most of his education.

He served as deputy sheriff of Burke County, N.D., and was later elected to two terms as sheriff from 1938 to 1942. In 1946, he was elected mayor of Bowbells.

In 1948, he moved with his family to Polson. He worked for many years as a carpenter, serving a term as president of the local chapter of International Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners in Polson. He also was active in the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, the Masonic Lodge and the Masumola Club.

On Aug. 2, 1941, he married Agnes Linnea Anderson.

Survivors include his wife, Agnes, Polson; a son, Roger

Swenson, Chevy Chase, Md.; a sister, Sarah Cron, Bowbells, N.D.; and a grandson.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Albert of Bowbells and Sigurd of Polson.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Thursday in Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Polson.

The family suggests memorials to the Montana Heart Association, 10 First Ave. N., No. 4, Great Falls 59401.

Mosley Funeral Home in Polson is in charge of arrangements.