

William Voigt

1986

William J. "Bill" Voigt, 61, a resident of Whitefish, died Aug. 25 at his home of natural causes.

He was born Nov. 6, 1924 at Elbowoods, N.D., a son of William and Margaret Voigt. The family moved to Columbia Falls in 1934 and in 1935 moved to Whitefish, where he completed his education.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army and following his honorable discharge returned to Whitefish, where he worked with the Great Northern Railway and in 1959 was employed with Anaconda Aluminum Co. in Columbia Falls.

He was a member of the Moose Lodge of Whitefish and Eagles Lodge of Kalispell.

Voigt married Adelia B. Probert on May 29, 1954 and she preceded him in death on Aug. 7, 1979. He also was pre-

ceded in death by his parents and one brother, Vincent.

He is survived by three sons, Dave, Ron and Willie, all of Whitefish; six daughters, Karen Watson of Fairbanks, Alaska, Cindy Voorhees of Seattle, Tana Voigt of Arlington, Texas, Dorothy Broad and Chery Main, both of Kalispell, and Verna Hawley of California; 11 grandchildren; three sisters, Dorothy Voermans of Whitefish, Hildegarde McClurg of Eugene, Ore., and Irene Knapton of Florence, Ore.; one brother, Norbert of Whitefish, and a number of other relatives.

Rosary was recited Aug. 28. Graveside services and burial were Friday at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Kalispell, with Rev. Jack Hunthausen of the St. Charles Catholic Church of Whitefish officiating.

^{12 Mar. 1986} Lulu Vincent, 101

POLSON — Lulu "Lou" Anna Vincent, 101, Polson, died of natural causes Wednesday in St. Joseph Convalescent Center.

~~She was born March 12, 1885, in Manistee, Mich., to William and Elizabeth Forth. She was reared and educated in Manistee.~~

She married William C. Vincent Oct. 1, 1914, and they moved to Polson in 1916. Mr. Vincent was an engineer who came to Polson to lay out the city's sewer system. He later worked for the Security State Bank for many years.

Mrs. Vincent was an early member of the Priscilla Club, and was one of the originators of the Show Boat in Polson. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and did volunteer work for the city library in its early days.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1975, and by a son, William Vincent Jr. in 1979.

Survivors include two sons, Wade Vincent, Charlo, and Robert Vincent, The Dalles, Ore.; 13 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be at a later date under the direction of the Mosley Funeral Home in Polson.

^{5 July 1986} Phyllis Vink, 54

Phyllis D. Vink, 54, Polson, died of cancer Saturday in a Missoula hospital.

She was born Nov. 18, 1931, in Mason City, Iowa, a daughter of Ole T. and Bernice Dolan. She was a graduate of Minot State College and taught school in North Dakota for two years. She moved to Scobey in 1954 where she was a teacher for 10 years.

She married Cornelius Vink in Scobey in 1957. The couple settled in Polson in 1971.

Survivors include her husband, Cornelius of Polson; a brother, Hubert Dolan of Bremerton, Wash.; and two sisters, Carmen Johnson of Auburn, Wash., and Viola Dowell of Buren, Wash.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Scobey Lutheran Church with the Rev. Steven Benson officiating. Burial will be at Scobey Cemetery.

Squire Simmons and Carr Funeral Home of Missoula is in charge of local arrangements.

^{7 Jun 1986} Dorothy Vinson, 82

LIBBY — Dorothy E. Vinson, 82, Libby, died of natural causes Saturday evening in the Libby Care Center.

She was born June 26, 1903, in Thief River Falls, Minn., to Peder and Elizabeth Mosleth. She was reared and educated in Thief River Falls, Plentywood and Wolf Point.

On Sept. 8, 1924, she married Elton F. Vinson in Wolf Point.

Mrs. Vinson was employed as a waitress at a cafe in Glasgow until moving to Bigfork in 1937. She and her husband moved to Troy in 1944 and to Libby in 1950.

Her husband preceded her in death in 1966.

Mrs. Vinson belonged to the Presbyterian Church, VFW Auxiliary, Senior Citizens and the Royal Neighbors, and enjoyed traveling.

Survivors include two daughters, Harriet Welch, Troy, and Marilyn Kair, Libby; three sons, Verle, Richard and Dale Vinson, all of Libby; 13 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday at Vial Funeral Home in Libby with the Rev. Wilford Luce officiating. Burial will be in City of Libby Cemetery.

8 Feb, 1986
Earl Van Dort, 73

Earl J. Van Dort, 73, Kalispell, died Saturday morning at Brendan House.

He owned and operated Ford Heating in Kalispell for 12 years until his retirement in 1974.

Born March 12, 1912, in Holland, Mich., he was a son of Anthony and Janet Van Dort. He was raised in Holland, graduating from Holland High School in 1931.

He went to work as a salesman for Holland Furnace Co., and was transferred in 1950 to Great Falls, where he was Western branch manager. He moved to Kalispell in 1954 when the company failed.

On June 26, 1937, he married Betty Johnson in Holland. She died in 1981.

He was a member of Bethel Baptist Church and the Elks.

Survivors include three sons, David in Elk, Wash., Jon and Gene, both of Kalispell; a daughter, Doloris Whyte, Kalispell; his mother, in Holland; two brothers, Paul in Holland and Dale in Grand Rapids, Mich.; three sisters, Verna Nawn and Peachy Bagladi of Holland and Dorothy Harmsen of Grand Haven, Mich.; and 10 grandchildren.

Visitation is Tuesday, noon-8 p.m., at the Weatherford Funeral Home. Services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Weatherford Funeral Home, with burial in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Montana Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 2088, Great Falls, 59403.

Mary VanManen

PLAINS--Mary Cornell VanManen, 86, died of natural causes Monday at the Clark Fork Valley Nursing Home.

She was born Sept. 21, 1900, in Bayshore, Long Island, N.Y., to Albert E. and Adabelle Smith Cornell. In 1910 she moved with her parents to a homestead.

She married Marinus T. VanManen on April 3, 1929, in Billings.

Mrs. VanManen lived in Edgar, Billings, Missoula, Plains, Kalispell and Noxon before moving to the nursing home three years ago.

She enjoyed camping, fishing, cooking and listening to the opera. She was a housemother for a sorority in Missoula and belonged to the VFW Auxiliary in Billings and the Plains-Paradise Extension Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a daughter, Lois; a son, Charles; two brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include a daughter, Mary Smith, Noxon; a son, Donald VanManen, Noxon; a brother, Robert Cornell, Billings; a sister, Helen KindsFater, Billings; seven grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and a great-great-granddaughter.

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Evalina VanderPas

Evalina VanderPas, 94, whose election as mayor of Kevin 50 years ago was noted in major newspapers across the country, died Saturday morning at the Immanuel Lutheran Home, where she had lived since 1977.

She was born Sept. 25, 1891, in Donovan, Ill., to George and Anna Griffin. One of nine children, she worked as a domestic for a short time before moving to Sheridan, Wyo., and then to Roundup, where she worked as a waitress.

She married B.C. Herd in Roundup. They moved to the oil boomtown of Kevin, where she bought the Kevin Hotel and operated it for years.

In 1936, she ran for mayor and won. Although she was not the state's first woman mayor, her election was still unusual enough that the wire services sent the story nationwide.

Elnora Vedrine, 96

27 Mar 1986
Elnora Evelyn Vedrine, a former Whitefish resident, died Thursday afternoon at the Mountain View Nursing Home in Eureka, where she had lived for the past several years.

She was born April 21, 1889, in Tabor, Iowa, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry John Bachler. She was raised in Iowa.

On July 13, 1913, she married Martin Narnst in Whitefish. He preceded her in death on Sept. 16, 1947.

She married Eugene H. Vedrine on May 18, 1951, in Whitefish. He preceded her in death on May 19, 1974.

Also preceding her in death were a son, Henry Narnst, in 1973, and a brother in 1958. Survivors include a granddaughter, Pat Post of Portland, Ore.; a grandson, Don Narnst of Dallas; two great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Jack Hunthausen of St. Charles Catholic Church of Whitefish officiating. Burial will be in the Whitefish Cemetery.

She served only one term as mayor, and in 1942 married Henry VanderPas. They lived on the east shore of Flathead Lake, then moved to Phoenix, Ariz. After the death of her husband in 1969, she moved to Connecticut to live with her daughter, Thelma. They moved back to Montana in 1976, and a year later she entered the Lutheran home.

Surviving are a son, Warren Herd, Kevin; a daughter, Thelma Roog, Kalispell; and many grandchildren.

The body has been forwarded by the Johnson Funeral Home to the Burns Funeral Home in Shelby, where services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. Burial will be in Mountain View Cemetery there.