

## Roderick O'Connell, 81

15 Oct 1989

Roderick O'Connell, 81, passed away in Mesa, Ariz., Oct. 15.

He was born Dec. 5, 1907, to Joseph and Helen Waigel in Kalispell. He graduated from Flathead County High School. He attended an electrical trade school in Chicago, the University of Montana at Missoula, and a business school in Spokane.

He worked for United Airlines for many years.

He was preceded in death by his

parents; a stepfather, Louis O'Connell, and a brother and a sister.

On April 8, 1976, he married Selma Wheaton of Kalispell.

He is survived by his wife in Mesa; one brother, Charles O'Connell of Kalispell, and several nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place and memorial services will be held Friday, Nov. 3, at 11 a.m. at St. Matthew's Church.



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Mrs. Eunice Odegaard, 90, dies on November 20 in the Immanual Lutheran Home where she has resided since January 1987. 1989

She was born September 23, 1899, at Sauk Centre, Minnesota, a daughter of Eugene and Edith Irish. She was the second of 10 children.

She graduated from high school in Sauk Centre and moved to Billings, Montana, to live with her aunt and uncle.

She began a 19-year teaching career at Wibeaux, Montana. After one year she moved to Emmons County, North Dakota where she met and married another school teacher, Elmer Odegaard, on October 26, 1927. She continued teaching and in 1938, the Odegaards moved to Fort Morgan, Colorado, where she taught.

In the 1950's they lived in Kalispell for about a year and then moved to Salem, Oregon, where they bought a motel. They lived in Salem for 15 years, and in 1965 moved to Leisure World, at Seal Beach, outside of Los Angeles.

They traveled through the U.S. and visited Mexico, Canada and Hawaii. They moved to Kalispell in 1986.

She is survived by her husband, Elmer, at the Immanual Lutheran Home and several nieces and nephews including Polly Nikolaisen and Clayton Odegaard both of Kalispell.

## Della Omdalen

5 Oct 1989

Mrs. Della Omdalen, 99, of Kalispell, died Thursday at Brendan House.

She was born Dec. 8, 1889, in Park River, N.D., the daughter of Ellif and Doria Edwards. She received her education at Park River.

On March 27, 1911, she married Oscar Omdalen, in Adams, N.D. The couple made their home there until 1950, when he preceded her in death.

In 1950, she moved to Kalispell, where she has since resided. She was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by numerous brothers and sisters, and is now survived by a niece, Myrtle Saverud of Kalispell, and a nephew, James Johnson of Columbia Falls, and several other nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Monday at Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Mary Ronning, associate pastor of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, officiating.

Friends and relatives may call at Johnson Mortuary for visitation today from 1-4 p.m. and on Monday until 2 p.m. Friends will meet at the cemetery for services.

## John 'Jack' Michael O'Neill, 48

23 Oct 1989

John "Jack" Michael O'Neill, 48, of Kalispell, died in the Kalispell Regional Hospital on Saturday evening.

He was born March 9, 1942, in Lackawanna, N.Y., a son of Dennis and Aurora O'Neill. He received his education in New York and on Dec. 31, 1959, he entered the U.S. Navy where he served until Dec. 31, 1961, when he was honorably discharged due to disability.

He moved to Kalispell in 1972.

On Sept. 21, 1982, he was married to Alicia Trinidad in Kalispell.

He was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church; the Kalispell Eagles Lodge; VFW and DAV.

He enjoyed fishing and camping

and the outdoors.

He was preceded in death by his mother and is now survived by his wife, Alicia, at home; his father in Buffalo, N.Y.; a daughter, Liza T. O'Neill of Kalispell; one brother, Ken O'Neill, and one sister, Frances Cozzo, both of Buffalo, N.Y.; and one niece.

Rosary for Mr. O'Neill will be recited in the Johnson Chapel at 7 p.m. today. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated in St. Matthew's Catholic Church at 2 p.m. on Wednesday with the Rev. Michael O'Neill as celebrant. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery where military honors will be conducted by the local veterans organizations.

# OBITUARIES

## Hazel Viola Olson, 75

Hazel Viola Olson, 75, Kalispell, died Sunday afternoon of natural causes at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born Jan. 5, 1914, at Somers, the daughter of Charles and Edith Elsass. She attended the Little Red School House in Lakeside, and graduated from Flathead County High School in 1932. She then attended Western Montana College in Dillon.

On Nov. 23, 1937, she married Harold Olson in Boise, Idaho, and the couple made their home in Kalispell.

Except for her college days, Mrs. Olson lived all her life in the Flathead Valley. Mrs. Olson had been a cook in logging camps and taught in the rural



schools, including 12 years at West Valley.

Mrs. Olson was an active member of Northwest Retired Teachers, Central Bible Church, and Delta Kappa Gamma sorority. She devoted her life to serving Montana's youth.

She was preceded in death by her husband on Aug. 27, 1979, and by her parents, three brothers and a sister.

Mrs. Olson is survived by one daughter, Carole Miller of Lakeside; one grandson, Michael Miller, also of Lakeside; and one sister, Anita Syth of Bull Lake.

Visitation will be today until 8 p.m. at the Weatherford Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 2:30 p.m. at Weatherford Chapel with the Rev. Dennis F. Jingst, associate pastor of Central Bible Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Central Bible Church.

March 1989

## Arnold Oiland, 77

Arnold Oiland, 77, of Deer Park, Wash., died June 28 of natural causes while visiting friends in Kalispell.

He was born Jan. 14, 1912, in Galata, Mont., the son of Andrew and Sigrid Oiland. He was raised and educated in Spokane, and then attended pharmacy school.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. He was with the 23rd Field Hospital in such Pacific Theater countries as New Guinea and the Philippines.

Following his honorable discharge, he was a pharmacist in a number of Montana communities, including Kalispell. Mr. Oiland retired in 1975, and had lived in Deer Park ever since.

He was of the Lutheran faith. He was a Mason, and belonged to the Sons of Norway and Disabled Ameri-

can Veterans (D.A.V.). He was a life-long bachelor.

Mr. Oiland is survived by a brother, Victor Oiland of Deer Park; a sister, Sue Elliott of Spokane, and numerous other relatives and friends.

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

Memorial services will be July 22 at 1 p.m. at the Hennessey-Smith Funeral home in Spokane, with the Rev. Ladd Bjorneby, pastor of Spokane's Central Lutheran Church, officiating. Donation of the remains to medical science was arranged with the W.A.M.I. program at Montana State University.

Weatherford Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

The family suggests memorial contributions to a charity of the donor's choice.

## Robert H. Olsen, 65

Robert H. Olsen, 65, Libby, died of cancer Dec. 15 in Sacred Heart Medical Center, Spokane. 1989

He and his wife, Shirley, moved to Libby in 1956. He worked for St. Regis Paper Co. until retiring in 1985. He then drove a school bus until his death.

Survivors include his wife, Libby; two daughters, including Vikkie Olsen, Libby; six sons, including David, Kalispell, Allen, Gary and Mark, all of Libby, and Brian, Whitefish; and a sister.

Services will be 1 p.m. Wednesday at Vial Funeral Home. Burial with military rites will be at City of Libby Cemetery.

Memorials to the Heart Fund or the American Cancer Society are suggested.

## Roderick O'Connell, 81

Former Kalispell resident Roderick O'Connell, 81, died Oct. 15 in Mesa, Ariz. 1989

He worked for many years for United Airlines.

He is survived by his wife, the former Selma Wheaton of Kalispell, in Mesa; and one brother, Charles O'Connell, Kalispell.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held later.

**Stella J. Orsborn, 73**

<sup>26 May 1989</sup>  
Stella J. Orsborn, 73, of Libby, died Friday at St. John's Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

She moved to Libby from Shelby in 1953.

Local survivors include her husband Leo, son Carl, and sister Margaret Theonnes, all of Libby.

Parish vigil services will be Monday at 7 p.m. at Vial Funeral Home and Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated Tuesday at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Burial will follow in the City of Libby Cemetery.

# Funerals

## William C. Orton Jr., 85

Memorial services for William C. Orton Jr., 85, will be Friday at 3 p.m. at Bennett Hall, Montana Veterans Home.

Mr. Orton died Jan. 25 at the home.

Survivors include a son, William C. Orton III, Tulsa, Okla.

Cremation has taken place.

8 Feb 1989

## Colleen Boley Osborne, 56

<sup>15 Oct 1989</sup>  
Colleen Boley Osborne, 56, Somers, died Sunday at Brendan House in Kalispell, following a brief illness with an extremely rare blood cancer.

She was born Aug. 12, 1933, at Burley, Idaho, the daughter of Blaine and Fern Boley. She was raised on a ranch near Burley, and graduated from Murtaugh High School in 1951. She then worked as a photograph tinter for Schacklett's Studios in Twin Falls, Idaho, and some of her work won national acclaim and is still displayed at Twin Falls Bank and Trust Co.

On Sept. 2, 1952, she married Bill Osborne in Twin Falls, and they lived in Burley until 1956. The Osbornes then lived in the Missoula area until coming to Somers in 1970.

Mrs. Osborne was past president of the ladies division of the Montana Water Well Association, the National Water Well Association, and the International Ground Water Institute.

She and her husband traveled extensively, including trips to Europe, Africa, the Middle East, and throughout the United States.

She had a lifelong interest in ceramics, and was a well known porcelain artist and china painter. She was a member of both the Flathead and

Montana China Painters Associations, and the Shining Mountain Doll Club.

Among her other interests, she was an avid gardener and had been a 4-H leader in Lolo for a number of years.

She was a very caring mother and grandmother, and a friend to all she knew.

She is survived by her husband, Bill, at the family home in Somers; a son, Michael Osborne of Somers; four daughters, Katy Osborne of Challis, Idaho, Marjorie Gardner of Somers, Gina Sorensen of Lakeside, and Elizabeth Marvin, Fayetteville, Tenn.; two brothers, Blaine Boley Jr. and Stanley Boley, both of Murtaugh; six grandchildren, and a number of other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a grandson, William "Billy" Toney, and a niece, Janice Boley.

Friends may call at the Weatherford Funeral Home today until 7 p.m., or at the Christian Center Assembly of God on Wednesday from noon until 2 p.m.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Christian Center Assembly of God, with the Rev. Randall Nicolai, pastor of Northridge Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

## Melva J. Osler, 60

8 Jan 1989

Melva J. Osler, 60, of Eureka, died of cancer Thursday at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

Born Sept. 9, 1928 in Kalispell to Howard and Mabel Dickinson, she was raised and educated in the Trego-Fortine area.

On Feb. 15, 1946, she married Phillip J. Osler in Kalispell. The couple lived in the Fortine area until moving to Eureka in 1972.

Mrs. Osler was an avid sports spectator who enjoyed camping.

She was preceded in death by two grandchildren and her father.

Survivors include her husband in Eureka; two daughters, Ellen Biggar of Eureka and Debbie Waisanen of Elk River, Alaska; two sons, Greg and Bob, both of Whitefish; her mother Mabel Aemisegger of Eureka; two sisters, Beverly Swing of Libby and Pat DeShazer of Eureka; four brothers, Jack Dickinson of Trego, and Buster Dickinson, Phillip Dickinson and Barry Dickinson, all of Whitefish; 10 grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Services will be 2 p.m. Monday at Eureka Baptist Church with the Rev. Carl Pershall officiating. Burial will be at Tobacco Valley Cemetery under the direction of Vial Funeral Home.

### Jeanine Orr, 56

Jeanine Orr, 56, Libby, died of cancer April 10 at Kalispell Regional Hospital. *1989*

She worked at Western News in Libby for several years. She and her husband, Marion, owned Marion Orr Excavating for many years.

Survivors include her husband, Libby; three sons, including Scott and D.C., both of Libby; a daughter; two brothers; and a sister.

Visitation will be 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday at Vial Funeral Home, Libby.

Services will be Saturday at 11 a.m. at First Presbyterain Church, Libby. Burial will be at City of Libby Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to First Presbyterian Church or to the American Cancer Society.

### Edward Ostheller, 85

*20 Nov 1989*  
Edward Ostheller, 85, of Libby, died Friday at Libby Care Center.

He moved to Libby in 1930 and had worked as a miner, in a lumber yard, as a horse-team driver, and in logging.

He was married to Ethel Ketjens in Libby.

He was preceded in death in 1983 by a son, Harry.

Local survivors include his wife in Libby and a son, Wesley, in Kalispell.

Visitation will be 1-9 p.m. today at Vial Funeral Home in Libby. Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at the funeral chapel.

### Charles Ray Owen, 34

*20 May 1989*  
Charles Ray Owen, 34, of Kalispell, died in the North Valley Hospital on Saturday.

He was born April 2, 1955, in Kalispell, to Bernard and Eleanor Owen. He attended Kalispell schools and was a graduate of Flathead County High School in the class of 1973.

On Aug. 5, 1974, he was married to Kathryn Sena in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Mr. Owen was employed as a grocery store clerk for a short time, and for the past 13 years has been a route driver for Meadow Gold Dairy.

He was a member of the Riverside Alliance Church and the Eagle Shield Corporation.

Survivors include his wife, Kathryn, and two daughters, Jessica Kay Owen, 8, and Sophia Marie Owen, 4½, all at the family home; his parents, Bernard

and Eleanor Owen, and two brothers, Robert Owen Sr. and Edward John Owen, all of Kalispell; four sisters, Patricia Treat, Jeannine Danielson and Kathleen Owen, all of Kalispell, and Bernadette Dagle of Orlando, Fla.; his grandmother, Rose Katzdorn of Seattle, Wash.; his father and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Sena of Libby; his brother-in-law, Ivan Sena and family of Wasilla, Alaska, and many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Mr. Owen will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Nathan Bemis of Bible Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 8 p.m. on Tuesday.