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1992 Emma Babcock, 84

Emma Babcock, 84, Woodland, Wash., died in her daughter's residence in Oregon City, Ore., on March 23 of lung cancer.

Emma May Holcomb was born Nov. 27, 1907, at Wishek, N.D., to George and Margaret Holcomb. She attended school in North Dakota until age 11 when she went to work to help support her family.

On April 5, 1949, Emma was married to Harold Babcock. They lived in Kalispell for several years until moving to Idaho, then on to Oregon, before settling and residing in Woodland for the past 23 years. Mrs. Babcock lived in Oregon City for the past few months before her death.

Mrs. Babcock enjoyed being outdoors, where she enjoyed riding and racing horses and fishing. One of Emma's favorite places was the state of Montana. Emma

found pleasure in being with her family and friends.

Surviving Emma is her husband, Harold of Woodland; her sons, Lee Shipp of Lampasas, Texas, Darwin Shipp of Vancouver, Wash., Orville Shipp of Kalama, Wash., and LeRoy Shipp of Portland, Ore.; her daughters, Lois Benoist of Lampasas, Texas, Geraldine Mahaffey of Kalama, Wash., Janet Wilcox of Roseburg, Ore., and Arlie Lyons of Oregon City; 25 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren.

Emma was preceded in death by a son, Edward Martin Shipp.

Graveside services for Emma will be held on today at 11 a.m. at Mount Zion Cemetery near Estacada, Ore.

The family requests memorial contributions to Willamette Falls Hospice, 1678 Beaver Creek Road, Oregon City, Ore., 97045.

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1992 Seeley Bache, 84

Seeley Bache, 84, of Libby, died Oct. 27 at Libby Care Center.

He is survived by two brothers, Esbon Bache and Raymond Bache, both of Libby; and several nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 1-9 p.m. Friday and until noon Saturday at Vial Funeral Home.

Services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at Assembly of God Church. Burial will be in City of Libby Cemetery.

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'Polly' Aretha Badley, 73

Helen "Polly" Aretha Badley, 73, mother of Daniel P. Badley of Kalispell, died Feb. 26 in Philomath, Ore., of natural causes.

She is survived by her son in Kalispell, two other sons, a daughter, two brothers, a sister, eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

At her request, no services will be held.

Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army or the Philomath Food Bank, c/o DeMoss-Durdan Garden Chapel, 815 NW Buchanan Ave., Corvallis, Ore. 97330.

## 1992 Nora O. Bailey, 85

Nora O. Bailey, 85, of Kalispell, died Aug. 14 at Brendan House.

She was born April 13, 1907, in McHenry, N.D., to Fred and Sarah Ellis. As a small child, she moved with her family to a farm in Sidney. At age 14, she moved to Whitefish, where she graduated from high school.

On March 14, 1925, she married Harold G. Bailey in Kalispell, and they made their home in Whitefish. The Baileys lived in Havre from 1945-1966, when they retired to Somers. They moved to Kalispell in 1984.

Harold passed away June 27, 1988.

Nora was an avid outdoors enthusiast and took her children on hikes and camping trips before they were able to walk. She was still hiking and

camping into her 80s. She also enjoyed the hours she spent on gardening and yardwork.

Surviving are three daughters, Guinevere Beller of Kalispell, Elaine Cloud of Somers, and Phyllis Sirucek of San Jose, Calif.; 14 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren; and numerous other relatives and friends.

Memorial services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Weatherford Funeral Home in Kalispell, with the Rev. Ron Pierce, pastor of Swan Chapel, officiating. Private urn burial will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch Foundation, PO Box 80807, Billings, 59108-0807.

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**Earl F. Bain, 77**

Earl F. Bain, 77, died Feb. 25 at his home in Troy of natural causes.

He is survived by his wife, Alma, of Troy; two sons, including Floyd Bain, of Troy; two daughters; one brother; two sisters; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday at Vial Funeral Home.

Services will be Monday at 11 a.m. at Libby Baptist Church. Burial will be in Milnor Lake Cemetery.

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**1991 Eugene 'Gene' Paul Baker, 63**

Eugene "Gene" Paul Baker, 63, died Tuesday, Sept. 29, at his home in Columbia Falls.

He was born Feb. 10, 1929, in Poplar, to Clarence and Enna Baker. He attended schools in Wolf Point and Poplar. He served in the Army Air Corps during the Korean War.

He married Phyllis Higgins, of Noonan, N.D., on June 2, 1951.

Gene worked as a steam engineer for Plum Creek Lumber Co. until he retired in February, 1991.

He is preceded in death by a son, a brother and two sisters.

He is survived by his wife, of Salt Lake City; daughters Carleen Baker and Debbie Norwood, of Salt Lake City; sons Robert and Diana Baker of Fayetteville, Penn., Bruce and Theresa Baker and Brad and Linda Baker of Salt Lake City and Rod and Ada Bak-

er of Somers; 12 grandchildren, brothers Charles and Lawrence Baker of Wolf Point, Gerald Baker of Brookings, Ore., and Dwight Baker of Columbia Falls; sisters Iola Adams, of Great Falls, Bernice Scoville, of Wolf Point and Betty Lou Fossum, of Polson and many other relatives and friends.

Eugene will be remembered for his love and concern for all and his great love for country music. He lived each day by "Don't worry, be happy."

A service will be held at 2 p.m. today at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls. Rev. Thomas Gopp will officiate. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Columbia Mortuary, formerly Van Leuven Funeral Home, is in charge of arrangements.

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**1992 Ernest G. Baker, 86**

Ernest G. Baker, 86, Whitefish, died Jan. 27 at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish of natural causes.

He was born June 3, 1905, in Columbia Falls a son of Edgar and Flora Baker. Ernest was raised in Whitefish, receiving his education at Whitefish schools. He was a member of the first gridiron team in 1923.

For many years, Ernest worked in the family logging operation in the valley and near Olney.

During World War II he served in the Armed Forces and after the war returned to the Flathead Valley where he served as a member of the Flathead County Sheriff Department. In the 1960s he ran for Flathead County auditor and retired after holding the position for 10 years.

He was married to Alice M. Bachert on July 16, 1941, in Kalispell and she preceded him in death on June 2, 1986.

Ernest is now survived by a cousin, Gladys Carr of Seattle, Wash.; three nephews, Ernie W. Baker of Whitefish, Bruce C. Baker of Bull City, Ariz., and Edward A. Baker of California; two nieces, Alice M. Baker of San Luis Obispo, Calif., and Flora L. Sladek of Anaheim, Calif.; and many friends.

Funeral services will be Friday at 11 a.m. at Austin Funeral Home with the Rev. Kathy Cooper of the Holy Nativity Episcopal Church officiating. Burial will follow in Whitefish Cemetery with the Flathead County Sheriff's Department providing a honor guard.

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**1992 Geraldine Baker, 39**

Geraldine Baker, 39, of Columbia Falls, died at her home Aug. 10 after a long illness with cancer.

She was born Dec. 28, 1952, in Afton, Wyo., to Alvin and Barbara Corsi. She was raised and attended schools in Utah.

She married Kenneth Baker in 1975, and the couple lived in Montana where they have made many loving friends with her generous heart and smile.

Some of her hobbies include reading, crocheting and traveling.

She was preceded in death by her father, Alvin Lee Corsi.

Geraldine is survived by her husband, Kenneth, in Columbia Falls;

four daughters, Barbara Gruel in Whitefish, and Brandi, Ruby and Keni Baker, all of Columbia Falls; her mother, Barbara O'Brien, of Denver, Colo.; two brothers and six sisters; a granddaughter, Maryha Cafarell; and many aunts, uncles, nephews and nieces.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Whitefish Church of God, with the Rev. Larry Lautaret officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Kalispell.

Arrangements are under the direction of Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

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1992 **Mury W. Baker, 67**

Mury W. Baker, 67, of Ronan, died July 6 after a courageous battle with cancer at St. Luke Hospital in Ronan.

He was born July 2, 1925, to Ute L. and Carrie Jane Baker in Jordan. He graduated from Polson High School and served in the U.S. Army in occupied Japan.

His family homesteaded near Jordan until 1931, when they moved to Fort Peck, where his father worked on the dam. In 1935, the family moved to western Montana living in Olney, Rollins, Dayton and Proctor.

In 1951, he married Gretchen Daley. They farmed in the Round Butte area west of Ronan for 36 years.

He is survived by his wife, Gretchen, of Ronan; his children, Glen Baker of Polson, Barry and

Shirley Baker of Ronan; Laurie and Greg Boyd of Missoula, and Jeanine and Allen Simons of Missoula; a brother and sister-in-law, William and Lorraine Baker of Billings; five grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and a son, Jack, who died in Vietnam.

Visitation will be today from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Thursday from 9 a.m. until noon at Shrider's Mortuary in Ronan.

Funeral services will be Thursday at United Methodist Church in Ronan at 2 p.m., with the Rev. Dick Gay officiating. Burial will follow at Lakeview Cemetery in Polson.

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

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**Leonard Lee Baker, 31**

Leonard Lee Baker, 31, of Denver, Colo., died Dec. 12, 1992, at his home of viral pneumonia.

He was born May 3, 1961, in Fairfield, Neb., to James P. and Bonnie L. Baker. He graduated from Grangeville High School in Grangeville, Idaho, in 1979.

He graduated December of 1983 from the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, with a bachelor's degree in science.

He was preceded in death by his father, James P. Baker, in April, 1991, and a brother, Timothy W. Baker, in May, 1992.

He is survived by his mother,

Bonnie Drapal, and his step-father, Roy Drapal, of Superior, Neb.; sisters Maxine Leineweber of Hungry Horse and Paula Rickman, of Clarkston, Wash.; brothers Steven Baker of Elk City, Idaho, and Chauncey Baker, of Grangeville; his grandmother, Leva Bailey, of Edgar, Neb. and several nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

A graveside service will be 3 p.m., Monday, at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. Rev. Rick Buzzell of the Hungry Horse Chapel will officiate.

Arrangements are by Columbia Mortuary, Columbia Falls.

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**Rose Amelia Baker, 90**

Rose Amelia Baker, 90, of Libby, died at her home Friday, Oct. 9, 1992.

She was born Feb. 19, 1902, in Kalispell, to Peter and Rose Levo. She grew up on the family farm near Batavia.

As a young adult, she went to Eureka to work for Dr. Long and while there, she met and married Graeme Baker in 1924. Following a short stay in South Bend, Wash., the family moved to Kalispell, where Rose was to maintain her residence until 1947.

She acted as a mid-wife from her home and a number of Kalispell residents owe their first moments to her care. Subsequently, she became a saleswoman at Woodwards, a position she maintained until she started her

own grocery store in Bozeman in 1947.

She sold the store in 1949 and returned to Kalispell. Shortly thereafter, she managed a Woodward branch store in Hungry Horse during construction of the dam. With the completion of the dam, the store closed and she returned to Bozeman, where she could be near her son and his family.

Rose worked briefly in the office of Kessler Dairy in Bozeman and then became a laboratory technician for the chemistry experiment station at Montana State University. She worked there until her retirement in 1967.

She moved to Florida in 1973 and lived there until 1988, when she

returned with her son and his family to a farm south of Libby. She was in ill health in these latter years but enjoyed the visits of a number of her old friends from Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Arthur and Louis.

Survivors include her son, Graeme Baker, of Libby; three grandchildren, Kile Baker of Ellicott City, Md., and Kim and Karl Baker, both of Libby.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Terry Van Heyningen of Central Christian Church officiating.

Burial of urn will follow in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

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## 1992 Timothy W. Baker, 34

Timothy W. Baker, 34, of Clarkston, Wash., died of leukemia May 29 at Swedish Hospital Medical Center in Seattle, Wash.

He was born March 16, 1958, in Independence, Mo., to James P. and Bonnie Baker.

He graduated from high school in Cottonwood, Idaho. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1976 to 1987.

He was studying nursing at Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho.

Tim enjoyed the outdoors, hunting and fishing. He had a private pilots license and enjoyed flying.

He was preceded in death by his father, James P. Baker in 1991.

He is survived by five brothers and sisters and their spouses, Stephen and Betty Baker of Elk City, Idaho, Leonard Baker of Den-

ver, Colo., Chauncey Baker of Grangeville, Idaho, Maxine and Bill Leineweber of Hungry Horse, and Paula and Jeff Rickman of Clarkston, Wash.; his mother and stepfather, Bonnie and Roy Drapal of Superior, Neb.; a son, James Baker of Auburn, Wash.; a daughter, Cassandra Baker of Auburn; and several nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held today at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Rick Buzzell of the Hungry Horse Chapel will officiate. Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls is in charge of arrangements.

The family has suggested that memorials be made to the family, c/o Maxine Leineweber, Box 143, Hungry Horse 59919.

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## Theron Barney, 62

Theron Barney, 62, died June 13 at a campground near Missoula.

Theron was a former resident of Columbia Falls.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday at the LDS Church in Columbia Falls. Burial will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Van Leuven Funeral Home.

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## 2 Dec 1992 John (Jim) Bardole, 75

John (Jim) Bardole, 75, of Libby, died Wednesday on arrival at St. John Lutheran Hospital in Libby of an apparent heart attack.

He is survived by his wife, Georgina of Libby; two sons, including Joe Paul Bardole of Libby; a sister; and six grand-

children.

Visitation will be from 1-5 p.m. Sunday and until noon Monday at Vial Funeral Home.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at City of Libby Cemetery with military honors provided by the VFW and American Legion.

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## Christine Barton, 77

Christine Barton, 77, of Whitefish, died Tuesday evening, Sept. 1, 1992, at North Valley Extended Care Unit.

She was born April 11, 1915, near Hedgesville, Mont., to William and Maggie Murdock. In 1916, she moved with her parents to Whitefish, where she was raised and educated.

On Feb. 14, 1934, she married Orville Barton in Lewiston, Idaho.

She attended the First Presbyterian Church in Whitefish. She enjoyed arts and crafts, particularly ceramics, knitting, and crocheting. She was an avid reader and was a member of the Tuesday Housewives bowling league. She most enjoyed taking care of her home and family.

She was preceded in death by a

brother, a sister, and a son, Ronald.

She is survived by her husband, Orville, at the family home in Whitefish; a son and daughter-in-law, Jake and Wendy Barton in Whitefish; a grandson, Jared Barton, in Whitefish; two sisters, Anne Gardner in Maine and Isabella Metcalf in Columbia Falls; a brother, James Murdock, in Whitefish; and several nieces, nephews, and friends.

Graveside services will be Friday at 11 a.m. at Whitefish Cemetery, with Dan and Jan Robeson officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

The family has suggested that memorial contributions can be made to the American Heart Association.

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## 4 Nov 1992 John Barton, 84

John Barton, 84, died Wednesday at his home near Libby.

He is survived by his wife Lottie, of Libby; step-daughter Bernice Coup, also of Libby; a grandchild and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be 1-9 p.m. today and until noon Monday at the Vial Funeral Home. Services will be 2 p.m., Monday, at the Vial Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Charles Couch officiating. Burial will be in the Libby Cemetery.

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## John R. Bartosh, 67

John R. Bartosh, 67, born Feb. 3, 1925, died of cancer Monday, Dec. 14, 1992, in Fort Collins, Colo.

Surviving family members include his wife, Patricia; a daughter, Carol Metz, and a son, John Michael, of

Colorado; sisters, Ella Bear of Kalispell, Anna Cooper and May Plamondon of Colorado, Neva Delaney and Rose Reaser of California; and many nieces and nephews.

Burial will be in Colorado.

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## Mary Elizabeth Bauer, 86



Mary Elizabeth Bauer, 86, of Creswell, Ore., died of natural causes Thursday in Eugene, Ore.

She was born July 19, 1905, in T y v a n , Saskatchewan, Canada, to Elias

and Lorancy Withy Annis.

She lived in Lincoln and Flathead counties until 1987, when she moved to Oregon.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Bauer; a daughter, Lorancy Rose; and sister-in-law, Fannie Bauer.

Survivors include her daughter, Lucille Pope of Eugene, Ore.; a son, Russell Bloneshine of Eureka; nine

grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt, pastor of Epworth United Methodist Church, officiating. Friends will meet at the cemetery for services.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

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## Ronald Beasley, 71

Ronald Beasley, 71, Libby, died

April 6 at Kalispell Regional Hospital of cancer. 1992

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn of Libby; a daughter, Anita Beasley of Libby; two sons, including Stephen Beasley of Libby; three sisters, including Generia Stutsman and Louise Mitchell, both of Libby; three brothers, George and Louis (Swede) Beasley, both of Libby, and Robert Beasley of Troy.

Services will be Thursday at 10 a.m. at Vial Funeral Home Chapel. Burial with military honors will be in the City of Libby Cemetery.

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## 1992 Evelyn A. Beaver, 81

Evelyn A. Beaver, 81, of Kalispell, died at Kalispell Regional Hospital Aug. 15.

She was born Sept. 29, 1910, in Detroit Lakes, Minn., to Andrew and Alma Okerson Johnson.

She received her early education in Detroit Lakes and received her teaching degree from Moorhead State College.

On June 14, 1930, she married Alfred Hjalmer Beaver in Detroit Lakes, where they made their home.

In 1974, Mrs. Beaver moved to Kalispell to be with her daughter.

She was a wonderful mother and grandmother.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a daughter, Yvonne.

She is survived by a son, DuWayne Beaver of Chicago; three daughters, Donna Berglund of Kalispell, Betty England of Callaway, Minn. and Wanda Zurn of Minneapolis; two sisters, Marge Bisson of Alexander, Minn. and Alice Bunnis of Detroit Lakes; two brothers, Roy and Orville Johnson, both of Detroit Lakes; 18 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren; and other relatives.

Private family services were held at Johnson Mortuary Chapel Aug. 15. The body is being forwarded to West-Kjos Funeral Home in Detroit Lakes, where services are planned for Thursday at 2 p.m. Burial will be at Oak Grove Cemetery in Detroit Lakes.

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## Jennet Orr Beaver, 93

Jennet Orr Beaver, 93, of Kalispell, died at Kalispell Regional Hospital on Nov. 13, 1992.

She was born Aug. 15, 1899, at Trail Creek, south of Livingston, to Thomas and Isabelle Orr. Her family moved many times when she was young, as her father was a miner. They finally settled in Klein (near Roundup) where she graduated from the Klein High School in 1918. She was the first woman to graduate from Klein High School.

She also graduated from the Dillon

Normal School and taught in Klein before moving to Kalispell in 1924. She taught in Kalispell schools before retiring, with many years at Hedges Elementary.

On June 11, 1931, she married Frank Beaver. She has no immediate survivors.

Graveside services and burial will be 1 p.m., Monday in Sunset Hills Cemetery in Bozeman. Visitation will be 1-4 p.m. Sunday at Johnson Mortuary. Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

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## Edward G. Beck, 85

Edward G. Beck, 85, of Condon, died at his home Dec. 31, 1992

Services will be announced by Squires, Simmons & Carr Funeral Home of Missoula.



## Bob E. Bell

Bob E. Bell, age 51, a resident of Olney, Mont., died Wednesday, Aug. 26, as the result of an accident on his 4-wheel ATV, in the upper Whitefish Lake area.

Bob was born July 1, 1941 in Wilson County, N.D., a son of Mr. and Mrs. James Bell.

When he was 17, he graduated from high school and entered the U.S. service, he met and married Jan Doyle and they had four children.

He received his honorable discharge on May 3, 1984 and moved to the Flathead Valley. He loved the outdoors and spent most of his time hunting, fishing, and camping with his family and friends. He was active in Montanans for Multiple Use, but his greatest love was his family.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents.

He is now survived by his wife Jan at their home. One daughter; Paula Bergeson of Columbia Falls. Three sons; Tom, Mike, Brandon, all of Whitefish. His grandchildren; Justin, Samantha, Bryant, Tanner and Mathew to whom he was affectionately known as Dadoose.

Bob is also survived by three brothers; James Lee Bell of Kingsport, Tenn., Raymond Bell of Wagram, N.C., J.C. Whaley of Goldsboro, N.C.. Four sisters; Lottie Whitley of Wilson, N.C., Mrs. Leroy Strickland of Sarotoga, N.C., Buelah Prichett of Walstoneburg, N.C., and Mary Newcomb of Snow Hill, N.C., and a number of other relatives and numerous good friends.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Sept. 1, at 2 p.m. at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with burial following in the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell with Military Graveside Honors.

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## Jilleen Bell, 44

Jilleen Grace Leavitt Mangeris Bell, 44, of Hayden Lake, Idaho, died Thursday, Sept. 17, 1992, at home from an extended illness.

She was born in Berkeley, Calif., on Sept. 17, 1948, to Bert and Joyce (Hopkins) Leavitt. She was raised and schooled in Las Vegas, Nev.

In 1981, she moved to Kalispell and to North Idaho in 1986. She graduated from the Hollywood Beauty Academy, and was a member of the Kootenai County Saddle Club.

She was a creative seamstress and an avid horsewoman.

She is survived by her son, Terry (Bear) Mangeris, of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; her daughters, Traci Mangeris and Jamie Bell, both of Hayden, Idaho; her mother, Joyce Leavitt, of Las Vegas; her brothers, Rodney Leavitt

and Wade Leavitt, both of Las Vegas, and her sister, Christine Woodbury of O'Fallon, Ill., and Janae Runyon of Las Vegas.

She was preceded in death by her son, Timothy Mangeris, and a brother, Terry Leavitt.

Visitation is at Yates Funeral Home, Coeur d'Alene Chapel today from 3-8 p.m.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Hayden Lake Ward, with Bishop Roger Roth conducting. Burial will be Tuesday at Bunkerville Cemetery in Bunkerville, Nev.

Memorials may be sent to The Waldon House, c/o KMC Foundation, 2003 Lincoln Way, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814.

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## 1992 Roy Bendorf, 82

Roy Bendorf, 82, of Kalispell, died at Kalispell Regional Hospital Saturday, Oct. 10.

He was born Sept. 23, 1910, in Ray, N.D., to Alvin and Nettie Bendorf. He graduated from High School in Ray.

In 1935, he moved to Conrad. He served in the U.S. Air Force in World War II in the China/Burma/India Theater and flew over the Himalaya Mountains in a Cargo C46.

Following his discharge from the Air Force, he moved to Shelby, where he managed the Montana Trading Post Clothing Store for 32 years. In 1946 he married Dolores Leonetti in Shelby.

After retiring in 1978, they moved to Kalispell, where he lived ever since. He enjoyed wood working and his garden.

He was preceded by one brother and an infant son.

Survivors include his wife at the family home, son Jerry Bendorf, of Las Vegas; daughter Gail Stewart of Ft. Macleod, Alberta; sister Alva Samford, of Mesa, Ariz.; brother Ernest Bendorf, of Conrad; three granddaughters; two grandsons; one great-granddaughter; one niece and

one nephew.

Graveside services will be 1 p.m. Monday at Conrad Memorial Cemetery with military honors conducted by the local veterans.

Friends will meet at the cemetery for services. Family and friends may call at Johnson Mortuary for visitation 9 a.m. to noon Monday.

The family suggests memorials be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

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## Marvin Bennett, 60

Marvin Bennett, 60, of Bigfork, passed away and went to be with the Lord Aug. 30, 1992. He died at home, following a lengthy illness with ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease).

He was born on a farm near Walker, Minn., on April 29, 1932, to Glenn and Carrie Bennett. Upon graduation from Walker High School in 1950, he enlisted in the Navy and served as a radarman on the carrier USS Wasp during the Korean Conflict. Honorably discharged as a Radarman Petty Officer First Class in 1954, he returned to Minnesota to attend the University of Minnesota.

On Dec. 21, 1956, he married Patricia Widder in Northridge, Calif. They made their home in southern California, where Marv completed his studies at California State University in Northridge, earning a bachelors degree in history. He then joined the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, where he served meritoriously as a deputy sheriff for 14 years.

The Bennetts had "discovered" Bigfork on a previous summer vacation, and decided to move there in 1972. Marv purchased the Bigfork Standard Station and worked as a mechanic, tow-truck driver, and school-bus driver. He earned a reputation as an honest, hard-working, good-natured, dependable businessman.

A devout Christian, he derived his inspirational outlook from his unshakable faith in God. His commitment to Christ was demonstrated in his long association with the Little Brown Church in Bigfork. Through the years, Marv served the church in virtually every capacity: as a mem-

ber, an elder, and a Sunday school teacher. Even after the onset of his illness, he continued to serve from his wheelchair as director of the church's Pioneer Youth Group until his health made that too difficult. Brave to the end, Marv always lived by his motto, found in Romans 12:12: "Be joyful in hope patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

Marv left a simple, yet enduring legacy. He was a credit to his citizenry, a man who epitomized everything that's good about rural America.

Surviving are his wife, Patricia, at the family home; two daughters, Melanie Moore and Diane Treece, both of Kalispell; a son, Grant, of Falcon Heights, Minn.; his father, Glenn Bennett, of Walker; three brothers, James and Don, both of Minneapolis, and Ralph of West Covina, Calif.; four sisters, Helen Bakker and Lozina Dahn of Walker, Arlene Trebonsky of Chicago, and Joanne Nelson of International Falls, Minn.; two grandchildren, Cody and April Moore of Kalispell; and many friends, especially among the people of Bigfork whom he so enjoyed.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Carrie, in 1985, and a brother, Merle, in 1988.

Friends may call at Bigfork Funeral Home Wednesday from 4-8 p.m., after which the casket will remain closed.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at the Little Brown Church in Bigfork, with the Revs. Ernest Lambright and Steve Meltzer officiating. Burial will follow at Lone Pine Cemetery, with military honors presented by the United Veterans of the

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## Archie Bengtson

Archie Bengtson of Spirit Lake, Idaho passed away at his daughter's home in Meridian, Idaho on June 15, 1992.

Archie was born Oct. 17, 1909 in Karlstad, Minn., the son of Charles and Hannah Looner Bengtson. When he was nine he and his family moved to Whitefish. He was one of the 32 students who graduated with the 16th graduating class from Whitefish High School May 16, 1929. He received his teaching certificate from Western Montana State Normal College in Dillon in 1937.

Archie lived and worked in numerous places in Washington, Idaho and Montana which included Newport, Priest River, Anaconda, Charlo, Dillon and Glacier Park where he spent 13 summers beginning in 1926.

He served in the U.S. Navy (CB's) on Guam during WW II and the Korean Conflict. He remained on Guam after his discharge in 1953 as a civilian employee. He returned to Spirit Lake after he retired.

Archie devoted himself to the Boy and Sea Scouts, DeMolay and Masonic Orders, American Federation of Government Employees, Senior Citizen Organizations and his friends and family.

A real joy in his life were the years he spent as a teacher and the continuing relationship with former students.

Archie is survived by his wife, Winifred Knott Bengtson; a son, Kermit Q. Bengtson of Guam; a daughter, Karen L. Bennett of Boise, Idaho; a daughter and son-in-law, Kristin and Bruce White of Meridian, Idaho; a son and daughter-in-law, Karl F. and Betty Bengtson of Port Angeles, Wash; a brother and sister-in-law, Roy H. and Anna Bengtson of Kalispell; sisters, Ethel Taylor of Kirkland, Wash., Lilly Holden and Violet Howard of Fresno, Calif., Dahlia McMillan of Basin, Wyo., Helen Bondorant of Everett, Wash; a sister-in-law, Eunice Bengtson of Kirkland, Wash; 9 grandchildren; 3 step-great-granddaughters and one great-grandson.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Rose Christensen, and a brother, Quentin Bengtson.

At his request, no services

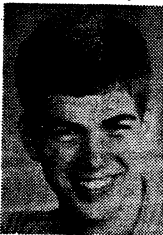


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## David Robert Benson, 18

23 Jan 1992  
David Robert Benson, 18, died Thursday afternoon in a car accident on Montana 209 near Bigfork.

He was born Sept. 18, 1973, in Missoula, to David V. and Linda Hislop Benson. The family lived in Clearfield, Utah, for the next three years. They then moved to Denver, Colo., where Dave lived until moving to Bigfork in August 1990.



He completed his junior year and was midway through his senior year at Bigfork High School, where he was affectionately known as "Super Dave." He was elected secretary of the student council, worked on the yearbook staff, participated in drama, and attended both Boys State and Youth Legislature.

He had played on the Bigfork High football and golf teams as a junior. He was also active in Catholic Youth Coalition and Civil Air Patrol.

He had an appointment to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, and was one of only 10 Montanans receiving Congressional nomina-

tions to the U.S. Naval Academy. He was a recipient of both Army and Air Force ROTC scholarships to the school of his choice.

Surviving are his mother, Linda Benson of Bigfork; his father, David V. Benson, and stepmother, Jane, of Littleton, Colo.; a sister, Amy Benson of Boulder; a stepbrother and stepsister, Ryan and Michelle Oliver, both of Littleton; his grandparents, Bob and Charlotte Hislop, and David and Mary Lou Benson, all of Bigfork; and numerous other relatives and friends.

Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated Monday at 2:30 p.m. at St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Bigfork, with the Rev. Fr. Bob Hislop, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Helena, as celebrant. Memorial services will also be held Monday at 3:30 p.m. at the Bigfork High School gymnasium.

Bigfork Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Cremation has taken place at Weatherford Crematory in Kalispell.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Dave Benson Scholarship Fund, care of Bigfork High School, P.O. Box 188, Bigfork Mont., 59911.

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## Lillie B. Benson, 94

Lillie B. Benson, 94, of Kalispell, died at Immanuel Lutheran Home on Tuesday, Dec. 8, 1992.

She was born Nov. 18, 1898, in Skein, Norway, to John and Caroline Isakson. She came to Montana in 1910 with her family, settling near Swan River. She attended schools in Swan River.

Lillie was employed many years by her brother, Iver Isakson. She was a welder in the ship yards in Seattle during World War II.



In 1922, she married Carroll Eslick and he preceded her in death. She later married Karl Benson.

Survivors include her husband, Karl, of Sheridan, Wyo.; a son, Leonard Eslick, of Kalispell; a grandson, Brad Eslick, of Kalispell; a niece, Pat Rigdon, of Lakeside; two sisters-in-law, Bessie Dickinson and Gladys Isakson of Kalispell; and many other nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday at Immanuel Lutheran Home.

Cremation and arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

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## Beulah Beito, 73

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Beulah Beito, 73, of Troy, died Saturday at her home in Troy.

She is survived by her husband, Gilman Beito, of Troy; three sons, including Gilbert Beito of Troy and Duane Beito of Kalispell; a daughter; five brothers and five sisters; 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 1-9 p.m. today and until noon Tuesday at Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Troy Cemetery.

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## 20 Mar 1992 Carl Bradford 'Brad' Berentz, 47

Carl Bradford "Brad" Berentz, 47, died Friday after a short illness at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born Sept. 14, 1944, to George and Helen Berentz in Washington, Kansas. He was raised and educated in Leavenworth, graduating from high school in 1962.

He then began his higher education at Kansas State University and Emporia Teachers College. He was a member of Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity. His education was interrupted by his entry in the Air Force Feb. 25, 1965. He was a decorated veteran, serving overseas in Turkey and then Vietnam.



After his honorable discharge in 1968, he returned to college, earning his teaching and master's degrees. He next taught school at Council Grove and then at Exeter, Mo.

He married Tasha McAfee in Leavenworth, Kansas on Jan. 26, 1983. They moved to the Kalispell area later that

year. He began working for Kelly Main Street Furniture, and continued to do so for the past nine years.

He was a member of United Methodist Church in Leavenworth, and a member of the VFW. He loved fishing and the wilderness, and was an avid sports enthusiast.

He is survived by his wife, Tasha, at the family home; two daughters, Tracy Lynn Berentz and Hillary Ann Berentz, both of Potosi, Mo.; four stepchildren, James Griffitts of Wichita, Kansas; Dixie Nelson of Columbia Falls, Wesley Griffitts of San Clemente, Calif., and Lori Abramovitz of Warnego, Kansas; a sister, Lillis Boyer of Olathe, Kansas; an aunt, Marcella Tubbs of Wichita; a niece, a nephew, 12 grandchildren, and a number of other relatives.

Memorial services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at Epworth United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt officiating.

Arrangements and cremation are by Weatherford Funeral Home & Crematory in Kalispell. Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Cancer Society, PO Box 1002, Kalispell, Mont., 59903-1002.

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## 1992 Scott J. Berg, 22

Scott J. Berg, 22, Kalispell, died Feb. 11, of injuries sustained in a car accident on U.S. 2 north of Kalispell.

Scott was born on Feb. 17, 1969, at Havre, the son of James V. and Mary F. (Livesay) Berg. He was raised in Havre, graduating in 1989, from Havre High School, where he participated in track.

He moved to Kalispell, where he worked at M.J.'s Restaurant and later Fred's Restaurant as cook and kitchen manager. Scott enjoyed motorcycles and water skiing.

He is survived by his parents in Havre; one sister, Cindy A. Roberts of Kalispell; one brother, Chad A. Berg of Havre; his paternal grand-

mother, Olga Berg of Havre; his fiancée, Theresa Thibert of Alamosa, Colo.; and numerous aunts and uncles.

Scott was preceded in death by grandparents Walter Berg, and Lawrence and Martha Livesay, and an aunt, Donna Jean Berg.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at First Lutheran Church in Havre with the Rev. Kenneth DuVall officiating. Burial will follow at Highland Cemetery, Havre.

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

Arrangements are by Weatherford Funeral Home in Kalispell and Holland & Bonine Funeral Home in Havre.

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## 1992 Ella Bergt, 99

Ella Bergt, 99, of Texas, died at Manor Care Nursing Home in Webster, Texas, on July 5.

She was born March 24, 1893, in LeRoy, Minn., to Ole and Gena Nasby. She lived in Minnesota until 1912, and moved to Wisconsin in 1914.

In 1916, she moved to Montana and married Gottfried Bergt. In 1921, they moved to Kalispell. Following his death in 1962, Ella moved to Phoenix, Ariz., to live with her daughter, Eva.

Two and a half years ago, she moved to Houston, Texas, to live with her daughter, Esther.

She was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church in Phoenix and Trinity Lutheran Church in Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her

husband; a son, Harvey; and a sister, Sophia Nasby.

Survivors include three daughters, Dorothy Ellis of Lakewood, Colo., Eva Rathwell of Phoenix, and Esther Guy of Houston; a son, Norman Bergt of Liberty Lake, Wash.; two brothers, S. J. Nasby of Mesa, Ariz., and Arthur Nasby of Billings; three sisters, Soanield Sohlyur of Mesa; Pearle Sebring of Miles City; and Lena Johnson of Butte; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday at Johnson Mortuary Chapel, with the Rev. Darold Riener of Trinity Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery.