

Kenneth Vern James, 78

Jason Allen Jackson

Jason Allen Jackson, 14 month old infant son of Michael and Ginger Jackson died at his home in Kalispell on Monday, June 20. He was born April 14, 1993 in Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Mathew, On April 17, 1992. He is now survived by his parents Michael and Ginger Jackson and brother, Jon Thomas Jackson, at the home in Kalispell; his grandparents, Lois Jackson of Kalispell, David Jackson of Marion; Al and Diann Leohner of Kalispell; and numerous aunts, uncles, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held on Friday in the Riverside Alliance Church with Rev. Mike Phillips officiating. Burial followed in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

Kenneth Vern James, 78, died Friday, July 8, 1994, at Powell Hurst Care Center in Portland, Ore., after a long battle with lung cancer. He had been in failing health for a number of years.

He was born in Kalispell on May 10, 1916, to Jesse and Ida Marie James. The family of 11 was the first James family in Kalispell. Mr. James was the last of the "James boys" of his generation. He was preceded in death by all nine of his brothers and sisters.

He graduated from Flathead High School in 1934 and was active in music and drama. One of his favorite groups was the Campus Kings.

In 1936, he married Dixie Ordish in Kalispell and is survived by a daughter of that marriage, Jackie James Gillam of Kalispell.

He served in the Marine Corps in the South Pacific in World War II.

Mr. James was a very talented musician who played trumpet and had a dance band in the early 1940s.

He played with the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra for a time and he was also noted for his beautiful singing voice.

Mr. James had been a long time resident of Portland and retired as a factory representative for Austin Products Company of Dallas, Texas. He was a member of Masonic Lodge No. 46 in Portland.

In 1947 he met his wife, Melba, and they were married in Portland.

Mr. James is survived by his wife, Melba at the family home in Portland; three sons, Harley, Richard and Bill, and daughter, Cynthia, all of the Portland area; eight grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and grand nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place and military Masonic rites will be held Friday at Wilamette National Cemetery in Portland.

The family requests that donations be made to Mount Hood Hospice, P.O. Box 835, Sandy, Ore., 97055; or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Thelma Grace Jackson

Mrs. Thelma Grace Jackson, 76, of Columbia Falls, died in the Kalispell Regional Hospital on Wednesday morning, December 7. She was born May 2, 1918, in American Fork, Utah, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Thrasher. When she was one year old she moved with her family to Oroville, Wash., where she had received her education.

On September 8, 1939, she was married to Earl R. Jackson in Oroville. They then moved to Republic, Wash., until 1942 when they moved to Coulee Dam. In 1952 they came to Hungry Horse, Mont. and have lived in the Flathead since that time.

Mrs. Jackson was a member of the Baptist Church in California. She is survived by her husband, Earl, at the home in Columbia Falls; one son, David L. Jackson and his wife, Betty, of Columbia Falls; two brothers, Paul and Harold Thrasher both of Oroville, Wash.; two sisters, Dorothea Huber of Coos Bay, Ore. and Dorothy in California; four grandchildren, Sherry Toole, Kimberly Hanson, Theresa Creighton and Billie Jo Hill all of Columbia Falls and a number of nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held at 12:30 p.m. on Friday in the Glacier Memorial Gardens with Rev. Terry Forke, pastor of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church of Columbia Falls officiating. Friends will meet at the cemetery for the services. Friends may call at the Johnson Mortuary until 6 p.m. on Thursday for visitation.

Josephine Jaquette

Josephine Jaquette died of natural causes at the Montana Veteran's Home in Columbia Falls on Thursday, Jan. 27, 1994.

She was born and raised in the Flathead Valley, the daughter of Walter and Luella Jaquette, pioneers of the Flathead Valley. Her mother died when she was very young and her father married her mother's sister, Mary Patton. Josephine regarded her second mother as a wonderful and caring person.

She was a graduate of Spring Creek School; Flathead County High School; and the Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing in Spokane.

She served in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps from 1941 until 1945 during World War II. She attended Washington State College from 1951-1952 and graduate studies at Rutgers University in 1953 with subsequent courses in 1970-71

at Flathead Community College.

She worked at local hospitals until her retirement and was active in the Centennial Celebration.

She was preceded in death by her two brothers, James and Paul Jaquette and her sister, Isabel Jaquette Duncan.

Survivors include her four sisters, Mrs. Mark (Dorothy) Hodgson of Columbia Falls, Mrs. Arthur (Luella) Wilcox of Monterey, Calif., Mrs. Douglas (Nancy) Gilchrist of Bozeman and Miss Eleanor Jaquette of San Mateo, Calif.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Larry Gaylord of First Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial of urn will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Alice B. Javner, 75

Alice B. Javner, 75, of Swan Lake, died Thursday, Jan. 6, 1994, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

She was born Aug. 2, 1918, in Great Falls, to Hjalmer and Anna Lundy. She attended grade school and high school in Great Falls.

On June 28, 1935, she married Kenny Javner in Great Falls. They were musicians and made their living playing music. They would travel to Swan Lake in the summer, playing music and enjoying the area. They moved to Swan Lake in 1958, becoming full-time residents.

Alice loved her home in Swan Lake and the area so much she hated to leave for any length of time, even to shop. Her favorite thing to do was walk in the area. She would walk to the post office and visit with every-

one. She loved the people and everyone who knew her loved her. She also had a passion for sewing and crossword puzzles. She was a lifetime member of the Federation of Musicians, local 642.

She is survived by her husband at Heritage Place; daughters Carol Wickham and her husband, Don, Arlee Snell and her husband, Jim, Betty Goeddertz, all of Kalispell; sister Bertha O'Hare, of Great Falls; brother Elmer Lundy, of Calif.; 10 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by a brother, Walter Lundy.

A memorial service is planned at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Swan Chapel, with Rev. Ron Pierce officiating. Arrangements and cremation are by Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

Kenneth M. Javner, 82

Kenneth M. Javner, 82, died Dec. 17, 1994, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

He was born June 6, 1912, to Marquis and Eleta Javner in Ashland, Wisc.

On June 28, 1935, he married Great Falls native Alice B. Lundy, in Great Falls. They were musicians and made a living playing music. They would travel to Swan Lake in the summer, playing music and enjoying the area. They moved to Swan Lake in 1958, becoming full-time residents.

He was involved with a 30-minute radio program, "Nash Ambassadors." He also worked for Great Northern Railroad as a fireman and ran Sportsman Bar for four years. He traveled throughout Montana playing music. He was the leader of The Royal Bards and a lifetime member

of the Federation of Musicians Local No. 642.

He loved Swan Lake. His passions were fishing, backpacking and river floating.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Alice; sisters, Ardith and Isabell; and a brother, Duane.

Survivors include three daughters, Carol Wickham, Betty Goeddertz, and Arlee Snell, all of Kalispell; two brothers, Donald of California, and John of Chrystal, Minn. two sisters, Pearl Javner and Bernice Mens, both of Minnesota; 10 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with the Rev. Tim Bartholamew officiating. Memorials can be made to Swan Lake Volunteer Fire Department.

Georgie May Jensen, 85

Georgie May Jensen, 85, died Thursday, June 23, at the Heritage Place in Kalispell.

She was born Feb. 7, 1909, in Everett, Wash., to Martha and William Guinard. She was educated in Columbia Falls and Kalispell.

On Aug. 11, 1928, she married Alvin C. Jensen in Coloma, Mich., and moved back to the Kalispell area. Eventually, they settled in Charlo, remaining there from 1945 to 1990.

She was active in the Charlo Senior Citizens Center before moving to Missoula.

She enjoyed sewing, raising flowers, early mornings with her family, sharing with her family stories and events of her earlier years in the Flathead.

She loved her family. She was warmly regarded as "mom, grandma and great-grandma." She touched many lives.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1960; granddaughter Denise Jensen in 1986; daughter-in-

law Fern Jensen in 1991; sisters Gladys, Lottie and Alice and brothers P.D. and William Jensen.

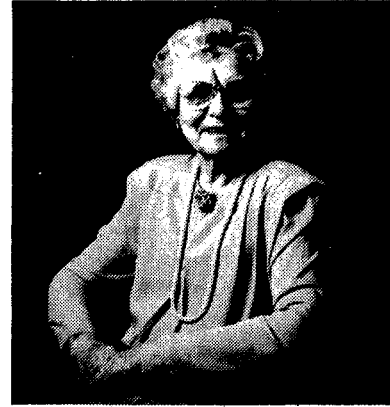
Survivors include sons James H. Jensen and his wife, Jacqueline, of Kalispell and Alvin C. Jensen and his wife, Wanna, of Banning, Calif.; daughter Rosemary Detert and her husband, Roger, of St. Ignatius; nine grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and two nieces.

Visitation is 1-8 p.m., Monday at Shrider's Mortuary in Ronan.

A service is scheduled 11 a.m., Tuesday, at Faith Lutheran Church in Ronan, Pastor Rand Drollman officiating. Burial will follow services at Ronan Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be grandsons James L. Jensen, Alvin Jensen, Mark Jensen, James R. Jensen, Bruce Detert, Daniel Detert; her grandson-in-laws Brad Moholt, Bill Cole and Ron Boespflug.

The family suggests memorials to Faith Lutheran Church in Ronan or the Charlo Senior Citizens Center.



Lillie Amundson Jensen

Lillie Amundson Jensen, 98, passed away June 6, 1994 at St. Pats Hospital in Missoula. Lillie Margaret Amundson was born in Westby, Wis., April 15, 1896 to Otto and Carrie Amundson. Lillie at age 12, moved with her homesteading family to Joplin, Mont. She married Walter Jensen on Jan. 7, 1919 in Kalispell and they started ranching and raising a family in the Lake Mary Ronan, Proctor area. Eventually they moved to the family home on the West Shore of Flathead Lake at Polson. Here she spent some 70 years of her life raising a family, enjoying her home, flower garden, and get togethers with family and friends. She was a life long member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Polson, active in ladies aid and other projects. She was a member of Royal Neighbors of America.

Lillie was preceded in death by her husband Walter in 1961; one sister Gerda Edwards, and two brothers; Sigurd Amundson of Kalispell, and Leif Amundson of Joplin.

Surviving are one sister, Viola Dittrich of Edmonds, Wash.; 4 sons; Walden of Missoula, Harlan of Hot Springs, Donald of Elmo, and Wayne of Kalispell; 3 daughters; Nordis Baker of Tacoma, Wash., Dolores Franzen of San Diego, Calif., Doris Hanson of Edmonds; 23 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday at 2 p.m. at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Polson with Pastor Ken Bartle officiating. Burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. Pallbearers and honorary pallbearers are grandsons: Sigurd, Leif, Paul, Robert, Bruce, Derek, Wylie, Allan, Tim, all Jensens and Greg Ditter, Doug and Ron Franzen.

The family suggests memorials to be sent to the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Polson.

George Jester, 66

George Jester, 66, of Bigfork, died at his home on Sunday, Jan. 23, 1994, of natural causes.

He was born Oct. 6, 1927, in Bristol, Conn., to George H. and Minnie Jester. He had lived in Plainville, Conn., and in 1953 was married to Ruth Johnson in West Hartford, Conn.

He had served with the U.S. Navy and also the U.S. Marine Corp. Following his honorable discharge he was self-employed as a manufacturer's representative until his retirement in 1987.

The couple had moved to Orleans, Mass., in 1987 and in 1990 moved to Bigfork.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth of

Bigfork; one son, Andrew Jester of Bigfork; and one brother, Richard H. Jester of Dataw Island, S.C.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday in the Community United Methodist Church of Bigfork with the Rev. Jim Cavender officiating.

The family suggest memorials may be made to the Flathead Animal Shelter or to the Bigfork Quick Response Unit.

Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

Sybil Jester

Mrs. Sybil Jester, 65, of Bigfork, died on Wednesday, November 9, 1994 in the Kalispell Regional Hospital of natural causes. She was born March 31, 1929 in Wellington, Texas. In 1941 the family moved to Canyon, Texas.

In 1945, Sybil married Jess Canada of Cascade.

She was preceded in death by her late husband, John Jester, whom she married in 1965. In 1984 they moved to Bigfork where the family residence is now located.

Sybil, or "Lil Bit" as her friends knew her, is survived by her children, Robert Canada of Wash., Larry Canada of New Zealand, Arthur Canada of Ore., Sylvia Carlson of Wash., and Janet Hurt of Nev. and a sister, Joy Martin of New Mexico.

A proud mother, sister, aunt, grandmother and great-grandmother who will be missed by all.

Private family services are pending. Arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

Gordon E. Jewett, 89

Gordon E. Jewett, 89, of Kalispell, died at Kalispell Regional Hospital on Sunday morning, June 12, 1994.

He was born Feb. 22, 1905, in Black Duck, Minn., to Olavus and Ida Jewett. He received his schooling in Minnesota and attended Superior College of Superior, Wis., where he had his own dance band.

In 1936, he moved to Kalispell and worked as a boat builder and carpenter. He was employed in Glacier National Park for a number of years prior to his retirement in 1977.

Mr. Jewett was an accomplished artist and painted many beautiful pictures. He was a member of the painters union.

He was preceded in death by a son, Gary Jewett in 1977.

On Nov. 25, 1939, he married Gladys Hissong in Somers and is now survived by her at the family home.

He is also survived by a son, Jan Jewett, of Missoula; a daughter, Gail Jansen, of Appleton, Wis.; two sisters, Luella Skifstrom in California and Verna Nelson of Chewelah, Wash.; 10 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Graveside services and urn burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday at Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Fred Krause, pastor of Whitefish Christian Church officiating. Friends will meet at the cemetery for the services.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

Margaret Francis Jincks, 76

Margaret Francis Jincks, 76, of Somers, died at her home on Friday, Feb. 11, 1994, of natural causes.

She was born Jan. 3, 1918, in Newark, N.J., to Edna and Wilbur Pruden. She received her education in New Jersey and entered the U.S. Army in 1943.

While in the Army she was married to Willard Jincks on March 4, 1944 in Victorville, Calif., and the couple honeymooned on Big Bear Lake in California. Following her honorable discharge from the service in 1945, the couple moved to Somers, where she had since resided.

She was a member of the Cowbells; the Ladies Home Demonstration Club; and also a member of Central Bible Church.

She enjoyed gardening, her flowers, hunting, crocheting, making



quilts and especially loved fishing. She worked cutting and selling Christmas trees and raising registered Hereford bulls.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters; and one grandchild.

Survivors include two daughters, Cindy Hoover of Rexford and Cathy Dolbin of Springfield, Ore.; two nieces, Dale Bland and Debbie Marquette, both of Somers; one nephew, Eddie Marquette of Essex, Calif.; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held for both her and her husband, Willard, at 1 p.m. on Wednesday in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey of Lakeside Chapel officiating, with military honors conducted by the United Veterans. Friends will meet at the cemetery for the services.

Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary for visitation from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. on Wednesday.

Willard Guy Jincks, 80

Willard Guy Jincks, 80, of Somers, died in the Brendan House on Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1994.

He was born Dec. 20, 1913, in Lebanon, Ore., to Charles and Hattie Jincks. At an early age he came with his family across the Oregon Trail in a covered wagon.

He received his education in Somers, attending high school there. He worked as a contractor, cutting Christmas trees and other forestry products. He also worked part-time for the U.S. Forest Service in fire control.

He served in the Army from 1942 until his honorable discharge in 1946. He then returned to Somers. He worked for the Forest Service from



1969 until his retirement in 1979. He was a member of the American Hereford Association. His hobbies included gardening, tending fruit trees, hunting, fishing and tying flies.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret; a brother, Clarence; sisters Daisy and Jenny; grandson, Ray.

Survivors include two daughters, Cindy Hoover, of Rexford, and Cathy Dolbin, of Springfield, Ore.; sister Ruby Marquette, of Somers; nieces Dale Bland and Debbie Marquette, of Somers; nephews Eddie Marquette, of Essex, Calif., and Howard and Harold Marquette, both of Washington; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held for both Willard and his wife, Margaret, on Wednesday in Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements were by Johnson Mortuary.

17 May Emil Job 1994

Graveside services for Emil A. Job, 84, are 2 p.m. Thursday (today) at the Montana Veterans Home Cemetery in Columbia Falls. He died Tuesday morning at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He was born Sept. 21, 1909, in Linton, N.D. to David and Karoline Job. He was raised and educated in Linton, N.D.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1944 to 1946. He worked as a ranch hand in Montana for many years.

He had resided at the Montana Veterans Home since 1985.

He was preceded in death by his parents and six brothers and sisters.

Surviving are two brothers, Chris Job and Ben Job of Linton, N.D.; two sisters, Emma Gardner of Minneapolis, Minn. and Sarah Triggs of Bismarck, N.D.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The Rev. Tod Fox of the Canyon Community Church will officiate. Military honors will be conducted by the United Veterans of Flathead County.

Albert M. Johnson, 78

Albert M. Johnson, 78, longtime Flathead Valley resident, died at Brendan House on Wednesday, Nov. 2, 1994.

He was a devoted husband, loving father and dedicated grandfather.

He was born Nov. 22, 1915, in Kremlin to John and Josephine Johnson. He was in the CCC camps at Swan Lake in the 1930s and also worked on the Fort Peck Dam. In 1940, he assembled airplanes at Lockheed aircraft base in California. He served in the Army in World War II in Japan.

On March 30, 1949, he married Loretta Ruggles in Westby. She now survives him at the family home in Kalispell.

After working for the city of Kalispell for 18 years, he retired in 1978 for health reasons.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Oliver Johnson; sister Harriet Rosebrook; two infant sons; a grandson and one infant sister.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Don (Linda) Clapper, of Kalispell, and Mrs. Larry (Vivian) Peterson, of Whitefish; one brother,



Norman O. Johnson, of Gresham, Ore.; sister Mable Sorenson, of Westby; grandchildren, David Weisz, of Whitefish, Tami Peterson, of Kalispell, and Toni, Alan and Jessica Peterson, of Whitefish; and great-grandchildren Kevin, Keith and Kayla Weisz, all of Whitefish.

He was a lover of horses, life, and the great outdoors and will be greatly missed by all.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Johnson Mortuary Chapel, Rev. H. Peder Waldum officiating. Burial will be at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary 1-4 p.m. today for visitation.

Ray John, 72

Ray John, 72, died Saturday, July 9, 1994, at his home in Otis Orchards, Wash.

He was an eight-year resident of Otis Orchards and formerly of Kalispell.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret John at the home; son and daughter-in-law, Carl and Vickie John of Anchorage, Alaska; daughter and son-in-law, Deborah and Allen Maggard of Spokane, Wash.; sister, Loie Souter of Tulsa, Okla.; grandsons, David and his wife, Wendy Mag-

gard, and Jay Maggard; and great-grandchildren, Mickey and Chelsie.

Visitation will be held Wednesday from 5-9 p.m. and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Thornhill Valley Funeral Home in Opportunity, Wash.

Funeral services will be Friday at 11 a.m. at Fairmont Memorial Park, Little Rock Chapel in Spokane. The Rev. Ray Reuf will officiate.

Memorials to the Hospice of Spokane, P.O. Box 2215, Spokane, WA 99210-2215 are preferred by the family.

Bernard 'Ben' Johnson, 77

Bernard Farrell "Ben" Johnson, 77, of Ronan, died Friday, Jan. 28, 1994, at St. Patricks Hospital in Missoula after being ill for several months.

He was born Nov. 22, 1916, to Bernard F. and Florence Haegg Johnson in the family home at Round Butte, near Ronan. He lived most of his life in the same home. He attended Ronan schools and the University of Montana.

As a young man, he worked at Missoula Mercantile. During World War II he was production scheduler in the tool and die department of Consolidated Aircraft in San Diego. Later, he worked at Teslow Inc. and Peavey Co., of Ronan, but his first love was cattle ranching.

On June 28, 1942, he married Letitia Kleinhans, of Somers. They lived in San Diego until returning to the family ranch west of Ronan in 1945. They have four daughters and sons-in-law, 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He took great joy in flying small planes and took his family and friends around the state and even across the country. Other hobbies were bowling, fishing, hunting and spectator sports.

He served on the Joint Board of Control for the Flathead Irrigation

District from 1983 to 1993. He was an early member of the Creston Experimental Station advisory board and held office for the Round Butte Water Co., the subordinate Grange, and the Ronan United Methodist Church administrative board. He also participated in a variety of community benefits.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Bruce.

Survivors include his wife; daughter Florence Pallett, and her husband Bob, of Spokane, daughter Lyn McKee and her husband, Bob, of Hamilton, daughter Doreen Johnson and her husband, Gary, and daughter Karin Lautzenheiser, and her husband, Tom, of Missoula, and all their families; his brother, Dale, of Lolo; seven cousins and many nieces and nephews.

Rev. Richard Gay will officiate at the funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at Ronan United Methodist Church. Burial at Ronan Cemetery will follow.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Ronan United Methodist Church, Round Butte Clubhouse or the Missoula County Cancer Society, 3005 Queen St., Missoula.

Visitation will be at Shrider Mortuary, Ronan, 1-8 p.m. today.

1994 Charlotte Kempf Johnson, 76

Charlotte Kempf Johnson, 76, of Kalispell, died of cancer in the Brendan House on Monday, June 20.

She was born June 20, 1918, in Fergus Falls, Minn., and grew up in Dunn Center, N.D. She graduated from nurses training in 1940 in Great Falls and married William R. Johnson on Dec. 20, 1940.

She moved to Chester in 1948, and was asked to help establish a community hospital.

The family moved to Kalispell in 1956, where Charlotte was head nurse at the county nursing home and then director of nursing at Immanuel Lutheran Home. She retired in 1979.

She was preceded in death by a brother in North Dakota.

Survivors include her husband of 54 years, William Johnson of Kalispell; son William C. Johnson, of Memphis, Tenn.; daughter Charlene Herron, of Kalispell; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Private services were held on Friday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Burial was in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials be made to Flathead Valley Community College, where a scholarship for nursing students will be established. Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

Charles G. 'Bill' Johnson, 83

Charles Glenn "Bill" Johnson, 83, of Plains, died Saturday, Dec. 31, 1994, at his home.

He was born Nov. 17, 1911, to Edwin L. and Louise Jackson Johnson in Plains, where he spent all his life. He received his education in Plains, graduating from high school in 1929. In school, he was active in sports, playing basketball, football and participating in track. He worked at the creamery, and in the summer, worked for the U.S. Forest Service, manning a lookout and working on fire crews.

He attended the University of Montana for three years; he was a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. He later attended banking school in Seattle.

He started working at First National Bank in Plains in 1934, working continuously until his retirement in 1976. He remained a director until 1987.

He was an active member of the community, serving on the school board, and as chairman of the cemetery board, as treasurer and board member of the Community Methodist Church, and member of the city council.

He was a past president of the Chamber of Commerce, a charter

member and past president of the Lions Club, and a volunteer fireman. He was a 59-year member of the Ponemah Lodge AF&AM, a Past Master and First Grand Master of Montana. He also belonged to the York Rite of Missoula and Algeria Shrine in Helena. He was a member of United Methodist Church in Plains.

The Johnsons travelled extensively through the years.

Bill, as he was affectionately called by his friends, will be long remembered for his unfailing courtesy, his outstanding good humor, and his infectious smile.

Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Kathryn, and a daughter, Katie Lou Rosenow, both of Plains; four grandchildren, Marcie Albright of Kalispell, Jason Rosenow of Phoenix, Ariz., Betty Burman of Bartlesville, Okla., and Jodie Chacon of San Salvador; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Plains United Methodist Church.

The family suggests memorials to the United Methodist Church of Plains, Plains Community Library, or a charity of the donor's choice.

Arrangements are by Coffelt-Bunch Funeral Services.

Lydia L. Johnson, 91

Lydia L. Johnson, 91, a resident of Tobacco Valley for more than 50 years, died Friday, March 4, 1994, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born Nov. 28, 1902, in Monroe, Wis., to Robert and Fannie Gempler. In 1904, the family moved to South Dakota, where she attended school, later moving to Minnesota in 1917.

She married Hugo Swanson in 1920 and they had two children, Alvera and James. He later preceded her in death.

She married Walter Johnson in 1929 and they had a son, Eugene. They came to Montana in 1935, residing first in Kalispell. In 1942, they moved to Eureka. Her husband, Wal-

ter, preceded her in death in 1966.

She was a gardener extraordinaire putting in a garden as recently as last year. She was a longtime member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

She is survived by a daughter, Alvera Mortensen, of Hayward, Calif.; two sons, James Swanson of Kalispell and Eugene Johnson of Eureka; a brother, Emil Gempler, of Garvin, Minn.; 10 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be today at 2 p.m. at Holy Cross Lutheran Church with the Rev. Eldon Martin officiating. Burial will be at Tobacco Valley Cemetery under the direction of Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Janet Johnson, 95

Janet I. Johnson, 95, a resident of the Kootenai Valley for the past 58 years, died July 16, 1994, at Libby Care Center. She was born Aug. 23, 1898, at Butte, Mont., the daughter of James and Harriet Helps. She resided in Butte with her family until the family moved to homestead near Red Lodge, Mont. in 1913.

She married Cally Wilson on Dec. 25, 1916; to this union was born three children. He preceded her in death in January of 1924. She married August Johnson Feb. 20, 1929. He adopted the children. The family then moved to Libby in 1936 where she had since resided. Her husband August preceded her in death in 1966. She was also preceded in death by a son in 1920 as well as one grandson. She was a member of the Church of the Nazarene and the Libby Senior Citizens.

Survivors include a daughter, Edna Visger, Libby; a son, James Johnson, also of Libby; five grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were July 18 at the Church of the Nazarene with Rev. Lloyd Howell officiating. Interment was in the City of Libby Cemetery. *Libby*

Melvin L. Johnson, 72

Melvin L. Johnson, 72, of Kalispell, died of a stroke Sunday, Nov. 13, 1994, at Kalispell Regional Hospital, with his family at his side.

He was born Feb. 16, 1922, in Roseau, Minn., to Oscar and Hulda Johnson and was baptized and confirmed at the First Lutheran Church. Mel graduated from Roseau High School in 1940.

During March of 1944, he enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps and on July 25, 1944, he married Claryce Hegre, of Roosevelt, Minn. in Oceanside, Calif. The day after their marriage, he left for a two-year tour of duty with the 4th Marine Division and it culminated with the U.S. invasion of Iwo Jima during World War II. He was honorably discharged from the Marines in 1946.

Mel and Claryce returned to Roseau, where he was a lineman for the Roseau REA. In 1965, they moved their family to Kalispell. Mel continued working as a lineman with Flathead Electric Co-op until his retirement in 1983.

Mel was proud of, and thoroughly enjoyed, his family. He was a caring and devoted husband of more than



50 years, a loving father and kind grandfather. He was a generous man who gave from his heart to all people, both in knowledge and deeds. He will be missed by all who knew him. His interests, which always included his family, were hunting, fishing, camping, and boating on the many lakes surrounding the Flathead.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and four sisters.

He is survived by his wife, Claryce, at the family home in Kalispell; a son, Norm, and his wife, Vickie, of Kalispell; a daughter, Cindi, and her husband, Dave, of Hamilton; two grandsons, Paul and Nathan; two granddaughters, Jennifer and Jamie; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mel was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, National Rifle Association, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and the Montana Sheriff's Association.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday at Bethlehem Lutheran Church with the Rev. Rick Nelson and the Rev. H. Peder Waldum officiating. Burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be made to Bethlehem Lutheran Church or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary for visitation from 9 a.m. until noon on Thursday.

Nina B. Johnson, 71

Nina B. Johnson, 71, of Whitefish, died Wednesday, July 6, 1994, at her home after a six month battle with cancer.

Nina was born Dec. 1, 1923, to Alfred and Mauren Holy Omoth at Sheyenne, N.D. She was raised in Eddy County, N.D.

On Aug. 1, 1942, she married Robert W. Rosenberg. They moved to Victor in 1957, and to Whitefish in 1963. Mr. Rosenberg passed away Oct. 22, 1978.

On April 22, 1984, she married Harley B. Johnson in Whitefish and is now survived by him at their home in Whitefish.

She is also survived by her daughters, Diane (Roger) Lyman of Grace City, N.D., and Vonnie (Ward) Fifield of Fairfield; a son, Ron (Karen) Rosenberg of Whitefish; stepsons, Dave (Paty) Johnson of Butte and Johnny (Pat) Johnson of Whitefish; seven grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren;

and five step grandchildren.

She is also survived by her sisters, Suneva Gisi of New Rockford, N.D., and Gladys Westerhausen of Williston, N.D.; and brothers, Oliver, Clarence and Milton Omoth of New Rockford.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one granddaughter, two sisters, and three brothers.

Visitation will be at the Austin Funeral Home until 6 p.m. today. Casket will be not be open at the funeral.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at Austin Funeral Home with the Rev. Bob Neilson of Calvary Lutheran Church of Evergreen officiating. Burial will follow in Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Whitefish Funeral Home of Whitefish.

The family has suggested memorials to the Hospice Fund.

1994 Olaf Johnson, 77

Olaf Clarence Johnson, 77, died Dec. 8 at the Sweet Memorial Nursing Home in Chinook.

Survivors include three sons, including Jerry, of Whitefish, and Sven, of Kalispell, a daugh-

ter, a brother, nine grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and numerous relatives.

No funeral services will be held and cremation has taken place. Edwards Funeral Home of Chinook is in charge of arrangements.

Russell 'Bert' Bertrand Johnson, 90

Russell "Bert" Bertrand Johnson, 90, of Whitefish, died Sunday, July 3, 1994, at his home in Whitefish of natural causes.

Bert was born March 23, 1904, to Carl and Caroline Johnson in Madison, Wis. He attended school in Madison and briefly in Portland while the family lived there and worked in the shipyards. Returning to Madison, he graduated from Madison High School in 1922.

In 1923, Bert and his brother, Art, were credited with saving the life of a drowning boy in Lake Mendota, Wis.

He attended the University of Wisconsin, where he was an outstanding halfback for the football team and majored in geology. He was a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity and the University R.O.T.C. program.

In 1925 he married Lucille Harbort of Madison and they traveled west that year to Tacoma, Wash., where he began his career with Tacoma Gas & Electric Co. His job transferred him to Kalispell; Corvallis, Ore.; Marshfield, Ore.; Yreka, Calif.; Klamath Falls, Ore.; Casper, Wyo.; and finally back to Kalispell, where he was chief clerk of the Mountain States Power Co. until 1959 when he was transferred to Whitefish as manager of Pacific Power and Light. He retired from the position in 1968 after 42 years of loyal and effective service.

He was happiest relaxing or putter-

ing at their cabin at Bitterroot Lake. He was an avid hunter, fisherman, and knew the Flathead Valley and surrounding mountains like the back of his hand.

Bert was very active in civic affairs during his years in Kalispell, serving as president of Rotary Club, president of Chamber of Commerce, served on the school boards, Montana Reclamation Association, and Judges Juvenile Committee. In Whitefish, he was involved in City Council, Winter Carnival, Rotary, and Chamber of Commerce. He was the chairman of the financial drive for the new Whitefish hospital in 1966.

Bert was preceded in death by his son, Duane C. "Duke" Johnson, in 1992.

He is now survived by his wife, Lucille C. Johnson at their home in Whitefish; two daughters, Marjorie A. Hanson and her husband, Jack W., of Polson, and Carole R. McNeel of Havre; a daughter-in-law, Jane B. Johnson of Billings; a sister-in-law, Cecilia Johnson of Madison; 12 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one niece and one nephew.

Services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with Dr. David V. Kauffman of Whitefish Christian Church officiating. Cremation has taken place under the direction of Austin Funeral Home.

Jack Jay Johns 1994

Mr. Jack Jay Johns, 85, of Somers, died at his home on his birthday, Monday, June 20 of heart disease. He was born June 20, 1909 in Kalispell a son of James Jay and Laura Stiles Johns. In 1941 he entered the Army Air Corp and served in World War II, Korea and Vietnam until his retirement in 1967.

In 1947 he married Maria Gacek and they returned to Kalispell following his retirement. Jack returned to the University of Montana in 1968 to continue his studies. He valued education highly, achieving a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Washington. Jack was active in many environmental groups and was Treasurer of the Montana Wilderness Association until 1994. He contributed many environmental and educational causes as well as many charities.

Jack is survived by his wife, Maria of the family home in Somers; his children, Jeannette Kirkland of Temecula, Calif., James Johns of San Diego, Calif., and Karen Bailey of Nashville, Tenn.; as well as numerous grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place. At Jack's request no services will be held. Arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

Rolland 'Rollie' Curtis Jones, 50

Rolland "Rollie" Curtis Jones, 50, of Kalispell, died Saturday morning, May 21, 1994, at his home in Kalispell.

He was born July 22, 1943, in Salem, Ore., to Rolland and Lois Jones. He was the second of five children.

He was married to Shirley Joanne Combs on July 30, 1966, in Lebanon, Ore. Rollie loved his family very much and he enjoyed the woods and wildlife of Montana, especially duck hunting and fishing on the Flathead River by his home.

Rollie owned and operated Big Sky Floors in Kalispell. He specialized in hardwood floors and was well known as a top craftsman throughout the valley. He appreciated working with

many fine contractors and individuals in the area.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley, of Kalispell; his son, Eric, of Albany, Ore.; his two daughters, Stacey and Heather, of Kalispell; his father, Rolland "Ron" Jones, of Albany, Ore.; his two brothers, David Jones, of Starbuck, Wash., and Nathan Jones, of Albany, Ore.; his sister, Sherril Croshaw, of Albany; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday at Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Harvey Hawkins of the Woodland Park Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses will be officiating. Graveside services will follow at Conrad Cemetery.

Loren Joslin, 95

Loren Joslin, 95, of Kalispell, died in Immanuel Lutheran Home on Tuesday evening, Sept. 20, 1994.

He was born Aug. 24, 1899, at St. Joseph, Mo., the youngest of four children of Eunice and Joseph Joslin. His father was a carpenter and general contractor. Loren graduated from high school and normal college and was a teacher at age 19.

He enlisted in the U.S. Army in World War I and served in Germany. He moved to Maudlow, Mont., with his three children and a niece and advertised for a housekeeper. Edith Minetto answered the ad and was hired. She and Loren were married March 3, 1937. They had lived in Maudlow, Three Forks, Lombard, Loweth and Ringling.

Loren had worked for the Milwaukee Railroad. Following disability retirement he was elected general chairman of the Brotherhood Maintenance of the Way, Minneapolis, Minn. He became a fieldman for Rerat Law Firm and visited railroad employees who had been injured to determine if they had a case against the railroad. He worked until the age of 80.

He and Edith traveled extensively in Europe, Alaska, Hawaii and the U.S. They retired to Dillon and moved to Kalispell in 1988.

Loren had been active in the Masonic Lodge, the American Legion as commander, and the Presbyterian Church. He loved singing, and memorized many songs and poems.

He moved to Immanuel Lutheran Home in 1990.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Edith on March 24, 1992, and by one son, Donald.

He is now survived by his children, Francis of Tacoma, Wash., Loren of Chula Vista, Calif., Stanley Stamper of Colorado and Arizona and Beatrice O'Donnell of Kalispell; and a number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and other relatives.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Dan Heskett, pastor of the Northridge Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary until 6 p.m. on Friday for visitation.