

Harriet Helen d'Urfe Ralston

Harriet Helen (d 'Urfe') Ralston, passed away April 30, 1995, at Brendan House in Kalispell, Mont. Harriet was born in Drain, Ore. She spent her early years in Drain, and Salem, Ore.

Although of Oregon pioneer heritage, she became an "Adopted Montanan" upon her marriage to Frank C. Ralston, who was a son of an early Montana pioneer family.

They lived first in Lincoln County where they homesteaded out from Libby, then in Kalispell and Helena, later moving to Spokane and then to Seattle.

After her husband's death, she joined the foreign Service and spent 22 years overseas in Europe, Scandinavia, the orient South America, and Africa, retiring from Somalia, East Africa in 1972.

Upon her retirement she returned to Montana and lived in her home on Flathead Lake below Somers.

Harriet will be cremated, and then buried with her beloved husband in C.E. Conrad Cemetery. Services will be private. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is in charge of all arrangements and cremation.

Christine K. Reed

Christine K. Reed, age 89, passed away March 7, 1995, at Oktibbeha County Hospital in Starkville, Miss. Christine was born April 28, 1905 in Hosmer, S.D., to William and Jacobina Ruede Knittel.

Christine worked as an elementary school teacher for 32 years. She loved children.

She married Ralph Reed, and they had one son and two daughters.

Christine was preceded in death by her parents; and her husband, Ralph.

She is survived by one son, Jack Reed of Starkville, Miss.; 2 daughters, Margaret Billman of Poway, Calif. and Phyllis Reed of Davenport, Wash.; 1 step daughter, Edith Schulz; 2 brothers, William Knittel of Escondido, Calif. and Adolf Knittel of Denver, Colo.; 13 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Friday, March 10, at 10:30 a.m. at Bethany Lutheran Cemetery in Bigfork, with Bishop Mark Smith officiating. Bigfork Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Megan Ramstad, infant

Megan Marie Ramstad, daughter of Barry and Terri Ramstad, was still-born at Kalispell Regional Hospital on Oct. 31, 1995.

She is survived by her parents, Terri and Barry Ramstad of Kalispell; maternal grandparents Roy and Phyllis Bloom of Kalispell; paternal grandparents Ray and Sharon Ramstad of Whitefish; great-grandmothers Elsie Mostad of Kalispell and Agnes Karlstad and Hilda Ramstad of Mayville, N.D.; aunts

and uncles Scott, Jamie and daughter Ashley Ramstad of Kalispell, and John and Brenda Chandler of Mayville; as well as numerous other relatives.

Private graveside services will be Saturday in Conrad Memorial Cemetery with Chaplin Maggie Brown officiating. Memorials can be made to Shriner's Hospitals for Crippled Children, P.O. Box 2472, Spokane, WA 99210. Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

"Nita" Reckin, 66

Juanita Estelle Beseda Reckin, 66, of Libby, died Friday, March 24, 1995, of cancer at St. John's Lutheran Hospital in Libby. She was born Jan. 11, 1929, in Dallas, Texas, to Theodor and Minnie Beseda. She lived in Waco, Texas, until 1934 when her family journeyed to San Diego, Calif. in a Model-T Ford to find work during the Depression. She attended school there, graduating from Grossmont High School in 1946. After graduation she attended San Diego City College and then San Diego State College where she was a member of Alpha Zeta Delta Sorority. She also attended San Jose State and the University of California at Berkeley.

Nita married Gerald E. 'Jerry' Reckin in 1951. They lived in Alameda, Calif., where she was a mathematician at Ames Research Center, which became a division of NASA. In 1953 Nita and Jerry moved to San Diego where they had two children, Gene and Nancy. Nita was a homemaker and 'the worlds greatest mother and wife.' She was a long-time member of St. Luke's Lutheran Church in La Mesa. They resided in the San Diego area until 1989 when they moved to Libby, where their son Gene lives with his family. In Libby, Nita was a member of Christ Lutheran Church and PEO Chapter B.J.

Nita had many interests and found talents in everything she tried. She loved to travel and celebrate life with family and friends. She especially cherished her time with her children and grandchildren. Nita will always be remembered for her boundless generosity and compassion for others.

Nita was preceded in death by her brother Marvin in 1951 and her father in 1953. She is survived by her husband Jerry, Libby, mother Minnie Beseda, Libby, son Gene Reckin and daughter-in-law Nora Reckin, Libby; daughter Nancy Martino and son-in-law Rich Martino, Chanhassen, Minn.; brother Ruben, Santa Rosa, Calif; and five grandchildren, Kara and Rachel Reckin, Libby, and Gina, Annie and Tommy Martino, Chanhassen, Minn.

Services were held Monday, March 27, at Christ Lutheran Church in Libby with the Rev. Les Nelson officiating. Interment followed in the city of Libby cemetery. Honorary pallbearers were Nora Reckin, Debra Erickson, Doreen Johnson, Tena Conner, BGe Zimmerman, Becky Brundin, Linda Leimbach, Zoe Ann Hanley and all of her PEO sister.

Memorials can be made to Juanita Reckin for the St. John's Lutheran Hospital Foundation, 350 Louisiana Ave, Libby, MT 59923. *Libby*

Thelma 'Leta' Redd, 92

Thelma Leta Redd, 92, died at her home in Swan Valley on Dec. 21, 1995.

She was born Oct. 2, 1903, in Riverton, Iowa, to Robert and Mina Leslie. She lived and attended school in the Riverton area, graduating from Riverton High School. After high school, she attended the University of Nebraska, earning a degree in education.

She loved children and taught a Sunday school class for several years. On June 5, 1928, she married Garrison Berry Redd in Blair, Neb. She taught in a rural school near Riverton, Iowa, for six years. They moved to Montana in 1936.

She loved their home in the Swan Valley. She and Buster lived in the same home since 1940. She loved the outdoors and the beautiful scenery

that existed right outside her front door and especially the wild animals that frequented their front yard. She was a very loving and caring person who will be missed by her family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, Buster, at the family home in Swan Valley; daughters Louise Robinson, of Phoenix, Ariz., and Lois Ault of Richland, Wash.; grandchildren Cindy Rupp, Joyce Lapp, Gary Lapp, Richard Lapp, Shannon McConnell and Donn Ault. She also had seven great-grandchildren.

Visitation is 9 a.m. to noon on Wednesday at Bigfork Funeral Home. A graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Lone Pine Cemetery in Bigfork, Rev. Ron Pierce of the Swan Chapel officiating.

1995 Robert C. Reinhart

Robert "Bob" C. Reinhart, 61, a North Fork resident, died April 28 at his home on Moose Creek of complications from injuries sustained in a vehicle accident the previous week.

He was born Jan. 12, 1934, in Tamaqua, Penn. He joined the U.S. Marine Corps in 1951 and served in the Korean War. He had attained the rank of sergeant and was awarded two service medals.

Bob married Janet Larash in Lehighton, Penn. in 1955. He had worked for the police department and also became a master plumber in Pennsylvania. After retirement he and his wife moved to the North Fork area and built a home on Moose Creek. Bob loved to hunt and fish.

He was preceded in death by his father, Marvin Reinhart, who died two weeks previous to Bob's death.

Survivors include his wife, Janet, at the family home; three sons, Larry Reinhart of Ironton, Penn.; Lon Reinhart of Neffs, Penn.; Layne Reinhart of Allentown, Penn.; a daughter, Lori Reinhart of Palmerton, Penn.; his mother, Edna Miller Williams of Allentown, Penn.; step-mother, Edna Rehrig Reinhart in Lehighton, Penn.; two brothers, Burdell Reinhart and Ronald Reinhart; four sisters, Susan Easterly, Carol Isleib, Marianne Forman and Sandra Stohr; and nine grandchildren. *it H*

Irene Remley, 73

Irene L. Remley, 73, a former resident of Libby, died March 25, 1995, at Kalispell Regional Hospital. She was born at Wolf Point, Mont. on May 22, 1921, the daughter of Ray and Maie Hasner. She was raised and educated in the Wolf Point area. She married William Remley Oct. 7, 1938, at Glasgow. They resided at Wolf Point until coming to Libby in 1964. They had resided at Libby for 29 years until moving to Kalispell in 1993. She enjoyed her family, fishing, flowers and sewing. She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, Earvel Hasner, and two sisters, Viola Lenner and Mildred Stormo; and a son-in-law, David Henrichsen.

Survivors include her husband William (Bill) of Kalispell; two daughters, Barbara Henrichsen of Libby, Betty Kluth, Vada, Mont., a son, Ronald Remley, York, Neb. a brother, Clinton Hasner, Great Falls, Mont., nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services were March 28 at the city of Libby Cemetery under the direction of Nelson & Vial Funeral Home. *Libby*

Maxine Rhine, 73

Maxine L. Rhine, 73, of Kalispell, died at Kalispell Regional Hospital on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1995.

She was born Sept. 30, 1921, in Whitefish to Delbert and Ethel Stannard. She attended Whitefish schools, and in 1937 she married Charles Rhine in Polson.

The couple farmed in Kalispell for a number of years, and in 1944 they moved to Cut Bank where he was a trucker. They lived in various places and resided in Columbus, Neb., for 20 years prior to returning to Kalispell in the spring of 1994. They spent their winters in Arizona for the past several years.

She was a Methodist.

Margaret Richey, 98

25 Sept 1995
Margaret Miller Richey, 98, a Kalispell area native and daughter of a Flathead Valley's pioneer family, died Saturday at her home in Palo Alto, Calif.

She was the eldest daughter of Harry G. Miller who established Kalispell Lumber Co. in the 1890s.

She was raised in Kalispell and attended local schools. She graduated from Smith College with a B.A. in chemistry and received an M.A. from Columbia University. She taught school in Flathead County and worked as secretary for the dean of forestry at the University of Montana.

She married Lloyd G. Hornby,

She is survived by her husband, Charles, at home; three sons, Gary D. Rhine of Tucson, Ariz., Jack Rhine of Golden, Colo., and Larry Rhine of O'Lathe, Colo.; a sister, Madeline Bedal of Redding, Calif.; two brothers, Jack Stannard of Alexandria, Va. and William "Bill" Stannard of Freemont, Calif.; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens. Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 6 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday.

former superintendent of the Flathead National Forest and after his death, married Frank G. Richey, a California fishing company executive. She made her home in Palo Alto since 1942 but visited the Flathead area regularly and maintained business interests, including a part ownership in Kalispell Lumber Co. until recent years.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Gilbert A. Miller, of Kalispell.

She is survived by a daughter, a son, a sister, a brother, five grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service is planned for a future date.

Marjorie Richards, 64

Marjorie M. Richards, 64, of Columbia Falls, died Tuesday evening, May 16, 1995, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

She was born Aug. 26, 1930, in Half Moon to Fredrick W. and Gonver H. Friske. She was raised and educated in Columbia Falls.

She was married to Daniel E. Richards on April 3, 1965, in Whitefish. They made their home in Columbia Falls.

She worked at the Columbia Falls High School for seven years as a janitor. She enjoyed doing crewel needlework, her garden, her flowers, her yard and her great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by a sister and a brother.

She is survived by her husband, Daniel Richards of Columbia Falls;

two daughters, Mary Lou Grigg of Columbia Falls and Marjorie Walton of Helena; two brothers, Forrest Friske of Columbia Falls and Kenneth Friske of Fairbanks, Alaska; three sisters, June Barr of Columbia Falls, Barbara Ott of Kalispell and Joyce Dexter of Yakima, Wash.; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A funeral will be Friday at 2 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Ray Davis of the United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Visitation will be today until 8 p.m. and Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Columbia Mortuary. The family has suggested memorials to the Cancer Society.

Betty L. Rhoades, 69

Betty L. Rhoades, 69, died July 2, 1995, at St. John's Lutheran Hospital. She was born at Metaline Falls, Wash., on Dec. 10, 1925, the daughter of Fred and Lena Tucker. She was raised and educated at Metaline Falls and later had resided in the Coeur d'Alene, Idaho area. She was married to Gordon West. He died in action during World War II.

She married Russell Owen in 1946. They came to Libby that year, and operated a farm on U.S. 2 south. He preceded her in death in 1957.

She married George W. Rhoades on Feb. 28, 1958. She continued to operate the family farm and was a bus driver for Libby School District 4, as well as driving fire bus for the U.S. Forest Service until her retirement. Her husband George preceded her in death in 1988. She was also preceded in death by an infant daughter, Lena.

Survivors include six daughters, Russan Morris, Fruita, Colo.; Margie Munts, Troy; Peggy Whitted, Sevierville, Tenn.; Betty Jean Grafft, Chandler, Ariz.; Angela McLaury, Libby; Georgia Larson, Libby; four sons, Ronald West, Copperas Cove, Texas; Gordon West, Colfax, Wash.; Russell Owen, Troy; and Leon Rhoades, Kileen, Texas; 24 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services were Thursday, July 6, at Nelson & Vial Funeral Home, with Pastor J.E. Jacobson officiating. Interment was in the city of Libby cemetery.

Pallbearers were Fred Keiffer, Tim Stuckey, Robert Morris, Robert McLaury, Steve Larson and Ray Munts.

Honorary pallbearers were Jim Hogan and Ed Holiday. *J. Hogan*

Raymond Riffo

Mr. Raymond Riffo, 88, of Kalispell, died Friday, March 24, 1995, at the Brendan House in Kalispell. He was born March 19, 1907 in Philadelphia to Marion and Lillian Riffo. The family moved to Kalispell in 1910.

He worked as building maintenance until his retirement in 1952.

He is survived by a sister, Helen Herbert of Missoula, Mont.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 28, 1995, at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Friends met at the cemetery for services. Arrangements were under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

Ella Mae Robbin, 97

Ella Mae Robbin, 97, a long-time resident of the east shore of Flathead Lake and Kalispell, died Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1995, in Kalispell.

She was born May 12, 1897, in Clitherall, Minn., to Julian and Anna Morstad. Her family moved to Battle Lake, Minn., where she graduated from high school. After receiving her degree from State Teachers College in Moorhead, Minn., she taught in the public schools of Lisbon, N.D., and Minneapolis before coming to Kalispell to teach in 1927.

On Sept. 22, 1928, she married Rudolph "Rudie" Robbin who was in the hardware business with two of his brothers.

They moved to the east lakeshore where the Robbin families helped develop the sweet cherry growing industry. They were early members of the Yellow Bay Club which continues to sponsor the local cherry festival. They returned to Kalispell in



1974.

She enjoyed weaving, needlepoint, knitting and bridge. In the 1960's, she and her husband spent several winters in Long Beach, Calif.

She was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, a 50-year member of Adah Chapter No. 17 O.E.S. and a member of Chapter C of the P.E.O. sisterhood.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1976; her brothers, Andrew and Clifford, of Minnesota; and a sister, Mabel, of Kansas.

She is survived by a son, Charles, a retired teacher and his wife, Charlotte, of Great Falls; two grandsons, Jeffery, an Air Force F-15 pilot in Okinawa, Japan, and David, a student at M.S.U. in Bozeman; a great-granddaughter, Heidi Elizabeth; and a sister, Ruth Murphy, of Fergus Falls, Minn.

Funeral services will be held at Johnson Mortuary Chapel at 2 p.m. on Friday. Friends may call at the mortuary from 2-6 p.m. today and 9 a.m. to noon Friday for visitation.

Memorials may be sent to Immanuel Lutheran Home of Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

Raymond Roberts, 65

Raymond R. Roberts, 65, of Kalispell, died Monday, March 13, 1995, in a logging accident in the Seeley Lake area.



He was born on June 5, 1929, in Kalispell, to Orville and Nina Roberts. He was raised in the Mountain Brook area.

On April 16, 1949, he married Doris M. Fontaine in Kalispell.

He enjoyed working with his six sons in his logging business, especially operating his D7 cat until his death. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing and the out-of-doors.

He is preceded in death by his mother, two brothers, a sister and a granddaughter.

He is survived by his wife, Doris,

at the family home; seven children, Danny Roberts, Ronald Roberts, Delilah Bacon, David Roberts, Gary Roberts, Larry Roberts, and Kevin Roberts; 12 grandchildren; a great-grandchild; and his father, Orville Roberts, all of Kalispell. He is also survived by three sisters, Vivi Knotington of Manhattan, Judy Kirkland of Plains, and Gloria Pierce of Kalispell; and three brothers, Henry "Hank" Roberts of Kalispell, Ervin Roberts of Lebanon, Ore., and Ernest Roberts of Missoula.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Johnson Mortuary Chapel, with Harvey Hawkins of Jehovah's Witnesses officiating. Burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary until 6 p.m. today for visitation.

Kathleen Robinson, 89

Kathleen Lovegrove Robinson, 89, of Kalispell, died Tuesday, July 18, 1995, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born April 2, 1906, in London, England, to Clifford and Mary Ann Lovegrove. She married John Smith Robinson of Portsmouth, England, on Sept. 1, 1933. They emigrated to the United States with their two daughters in February, 1950, traveling on the Queen Elizabeth. They went on to Miles City to live near her sister-in-law, Ann Fairbanks, who was a war bride.

In 1965 they moved to Le Mars, Iowa, where they worked at their son-in-law's truck stop. They retired in 1972 to Paradise Park in McAllen, Texas. In 1977 they returned to Montana to live in Whitefish.

After her husband died in 1978 she moved to Mountain View Manor in Whitefish and then to The Elms in

Kalispell. After suffering a stroke in January, 1988, she moved to Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She belonged to the Anglican Church, St. Joseph The Carpenter. She had an opportunity to return to England four times and also traveled in Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Scotland and Wales. Besides traveling she enjoyed reading, walking and classical, jazz and big band music.

She is survived by two daughters, Kathleen Mears of Omaha, Neb., and Patricia Nolley of Kalispell; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be on Friday at 2 p.m. at St. Joseph the Carpenter Anglican Church, 1045 5th Avenue West in Kalispell. Burial will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

Ruth Robinson, 69

Ruth F. Robinson of Butte, died Monday morning, Sept. 18, 1995, at St. Patrick's Hospital in Missoula.

She was born in Belfry, Mont., on Jan. 22, 1926, to Floyd and Mabel Troup Blick. She received her early education in Billings. She later attended college in Minneapolis.

She served as a missionary for the Baptist Church in the highline area of Montana. After her services as a missionary, she attended Montana State University-Bozeman in nurse training. It was at this time that she met Andrew C. Robinson and the couple married in Bozeman on Dec. 19, 1948. After having lived in many areas in Montana, they moved to Butte in 1982.

She was very involved in the Assembly of God Church and, along with her husband, was very active in the Lions Club.

She is survived by husband, Andrew Robinson, of Butte; sons, Daniel Robinson of California and Bob Robinson of Butte; daughter,

Becky Fah of Henderson, Nev., daughters and sons-in-law, Mary and John Medina of Butte and Barbara and Randy Hennings of Nashville, Tenn.; grandchildren, Cheri Robinson, Robbie Robinson, Darren Fah, Tina Fah, John Roberts, Melissa Roberts, Timothy Hennings and Alicia Hennings; and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her eldest son, Timothy Robinson, who was killed in action in Vietnam while serving with the U.S. Marine Corps in 1969. She was also preceded in death by brother, Harold Blick, and sister, Esther Cortner.

Funeral services will be conducted in the Butte Assembly of God Church Wednesday afternoon at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Dennis Masters officiating. Interment will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell on Thursday at 2 p.m. The family requests that memorials be made to the Assembly of God Church or to the Gideons International.

John Roche, 80

John D. Roche, D.D.S., died at his home Friday, May 26, 1995, at the age of 80.

He was born Sept. 2, 1914, in Williston, N.D., to Bernard C. and Ida Mae Roche. He attended school in Williston, graduating from high school there in 1932.



He attended the University of Notre Dame from 1932 until 1934, then graduated from Chicago College of Dental Surgery, Loyola University, in 1938.

On Feb. 3, 1940, he married Marguerite H. Hershman, in Kalispell.

He was a captain in the Army during World War II, serving in the South Pacific, until he was discharged in September 1944.

He was a good dentist, who loved his patients. They were always first.

He was a member of the Kalispell Golf Association, Rotary International, Elks Club, and a life member of the American Dental Association. He served two terms on the Kalispell City Council, from 1965-73, was president of the Montana State Dental Association, 1957-58, and was a member of the Academy of General Dentistry.

He loved his family, was an avid golfer and truly loved his home on Flathead Lake.

He is survived by his wife, Marguerite "Hershey" Roche, at the family home; son and daughter-in-law, John Michael and Karen Roche, of Kalispell; daughter and son-in-law Lynne M. and Bob Mack, of Columbia Falls; three grandchildren, Brian Roche, of Kalispell, Dianna Roche, of Portland, Ore., and Eric Durkee, of Columbia Falls; sister Eileen Priest, of Minneapolis; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with Rev. Thomas O'Donnell, of Risen Christ Catholic Church officiating.

Urn burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Cemetery. Memorials may be made to donor's choice. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

1995 Verdi B. Rognlie

Mr. Verdi B. Rognlie, age 87, of Kalispell, died on Saturday, March 18, at Brendan House. He was born January 21, 1908 in Esmond, N.D., the son of Paul and Inez Rognlie. He received his education in N.D., and moved to Mont. as a young man.

Verdi a single man retired from the F.A.A. Flight Service Station in Missoula after 27 years active service with the Federal Government. He assisted in commissioning the Kalispell Flight Service Station in 1949.

He retired in Kalispell where he grew a large vegetable and flower garden sharing the produce with relatives, friends, and the needy. He often delivered the flowers to local nursing home's for many to enjoy.

He was Ham Radio operator with the call sign of W7FDI. He was a life member of Society of Airway Pioneers. He loved science and shared his science magazines with a local school. When his health declined he had a large telescope which he donated to the children in his school district.

He was preceded in death by five brothers, Don Forrest, Harry, Alden and Jarl; one sister, Rhema Rierson.

He is survived by one sister, Myrthle Faleide of Devils Lake, N.D., and one brother Philip Rognlie of Fargo, N.D., and many nieces and nephews.

There will be a time of Fellowship at Stan and Ellen Poier and Gertrude Rognlie residence on March 25th, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 1520 5th Ave. East, Kalispell. Cremation and arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary. Memorial may be made to the donors choice.

Theodore R. Rohla, 72

Theodore R. Rohla, 72, of Whitefish, died Sunday, Nov. 12, 1995, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

He was born Aug. 12, 1923, in Manhattan, Mont., to August and Barbara Rohla. He graduated from Manhattan High School and entered military service. He was a pilot with the 57th Bomb Wing during World War II.

He returned to Livingston to work on the railroad and retired in Whitefish after 43 years as an engineer.

He married Molly Barnick on May 23, 1964, in Minneapolis. They lived in Minneapolis and Fargo, N.D., before moving to Whitefish in 1971.

He was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting and believed fly fishing was the only real way to fish.

He was active in V.F.W. Post 276, a member of the Cooties, a member of the Moose Lodge and a member of

the Masonic Order and a Shriner. He attended several reunions of the 57th Bomb Wing in the last several years.

He is survived by his wife, Molly, at their home in Whitefish; two sons, Richard and his wife, Debbie, and Robert and his wife, Mary; five grandchildren, Andrea, Emily, Benjamin, Robert and William, all of Fargo; and three sisters, Marguerite and husband, John McInerney, of Colfax, Wash., Barbara Dial of Walla Walla, Wash., and Chris Lane of Billings.

Services will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. John Bent of the Christ Lutheran Church officiating. Cremation has taken place at Hillside Crematory.

The family has suggested memorials to the donor's choice.

Gordon V. Roush, 71

Gordon V. Roush, 71, of Kalispell, died at the Montana Veterans Home on Friday, April 21, 1995.

He was born July 18, 1923, in Kalispell, to Roy and Zoe Roush.

He received his education in Kalispell and then entered the U.S. Army, serving in India. He received the Victory Medal and the Good Conduct Medal.

He returned to Kalispell and began working on the Hungry Horse Dam. He became a government electrician on the dam upon its completion and remained working there for 34 years until he retired.

In 1965, he married Florence Johnson at Coeur d'Alene, and they made their home in Kalispell.

He had a great sense of humor and will be missed by his host of friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, and three brothers.

He is survived by his wife, Florence, at the family home in Kalispell; two children, Michael Churmage and his wife, Valorie, of Whitefish, and Michele Digiambattista and her husband, David, of Chula Vista, Calif.; two brothers, Robert Roush and Pete Roush, both of Seattle; seven grandchildren; and a number of nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday at Conrad Memorial Cemetery where military honors will be conducted by the United Veterans Organization. Friends will meet at the cemetery for services.

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

The family suggests memorials be made to the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

Emma Loretta Ryan

Emma Loretta Ryan, 85, of Kalispell, died August 8, 1995 at the Heritage Place nursing Home in Kalispell. She was born April 19, 1910 in Somers, Montana to Alfred and Olivia Bondeson. She received her education in Somers and graduated from Flathead County High School in 1928. On February 28, 1943, she married George Ryan in Kalispell. Before she was married she had worked as a clerk. Mr. Ryan was in construction in Oregon where they lived for 36 years. In 1972, they returned to Kalispell. Emma was of the Methodist faith. She is preceded in death by her husband, George, in 1985 and one brother, Floyd. She is survived by one sister, Neva Shaw of Kalispell, and numerous nieces and nephews. At Emma's request, no services will be held. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

John S. Rouzie, 82

John S. Rouzie, 82, a native of North Dakota, retired businessman and rancher, died of cancer May 21, 1995, at his home in Bigfork.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; a brother, Richard of Mercer Island, Wash., a brother, Robert, of Oconto, Wis.; a sister Grace Stone of Palm Desert, Calif.; three stepchildren; and four grandchildren.



He was an avid golfer and fisherman — his travels were extensive. The sparkling eyes and unforgettable smile reflected the wit and humor and generous soul of this kind and giving man. No one who was ever privileged to hear the stories of his life's adventures could ever forget them. He touched the lives of so many in so many different ways, and he will be sorely missed. He was indeed a very special man.

He was born in Jamestown, N.D., and educated at Jamestown College and the University of Minnesota.

He began his professional career as a FERA caseworker, then became a labor supervisor for WPA, sales manager for Firestone, and also worked in the hotel business and implement business and as a banker and rancher. He was a director of the Federal Reserve Bank in Minneapolis, co-founder of Cardinal

Petroleum Company, chairman of Bowman Hospital, founder of the Heartview Foundation, and a past chairman of the N.D. Republican Party.

He was a life member of the Elks, Masons and Shriners. He was also a member of the N.D. Highway Hall of Honor; a member of the N.D. Golfers Hall of Fame; president of the Agriculture Club at North Dakota State University; president of Thunderbird Country Club in Rancho Mirage, Calif.; an honorary member of the East African White Hunters Association; and a sponsor in perpetuity to Ducks Unlimited. He was a donor of two rooms to Eisenhower Hospital, as well as to the Salvation Army building in Bismarck, the YMCA swimming pool in Bismarck, the Mayo Foundation, and many scholarships at University of North Dakota and North Dakota State University. He had been awarded a doctorate degree from North Dakota State University.

Memorial services are scheduled for Wednesday, May 24, at 2 p.m. at St. Catherine's Catholic Church, Bigfork.

Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army, 601 S. Washington St., Bismarck, ND 58504, the Flathead Hospice, 1280 Burns Way, Kalispell, MT 59901 or to the Mayo Foundation 13400 E. Shea Blvd., Scottsdale, AZ 85259.

Bigfork Funeral Home in charge of arrangements and cremation.