

Victoria Ann Hader, 50

Victoria Ann Hader, 50, of Kalispell, died April 24, 1997, in Missoula.

She was born Nov. 28, 1946, in Kalispell, to S. E. "Bud" and Florence Hutton Hader. She spent her early years at the family home in Kalispell.

In 1983, she entered Winter Hawk Group Home in Kalispell and lived there until February, 1991, when she entered the Spurgin and then to Easy Street Group Home in Missoula.

She led a very active life and participated in many activities. She was loved by all at the home for her great sense of humor and for keeping it lively.

She made it home to spend time with her family every 5-6 weeks and will be missed by all who have been fortunate enough to have had her touch their lives. She enjoyed walks in the outdoors, and loved all flowers and wildlife. She loved coming home to be with her family and friends. She



adored infants and small children and loved animals, especially cats and dogs.

She is preceded in death by her father, her brother, Milton LeRoy "Mickey" Hader, and sister, Betty Lou Hader Kenaston.

She is survived by her mother, Florence; sister Dorothy Hader Berger and brother Richard "Dick" Hader, all of Kalispell.

Visitation will be 1-4 p.m., today, at Johnson Mortuary. A funeral will be 11 a.m., Monday, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with Rev. Darold Reiner, of Trinity Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Conrad Cemetery.

Louis C. Hafferman, 86

Louis C. Hafferman, 86, passed away March 25, 1997, in Seattle.

He was born in Lyndhurst, Wis., on June 7, 1910, second in a family of 10 children born to William and Ida Hafferman.

His mother and father were among many who immigrated to Montana in the mid-1900s, "sure to make a fortune growing grain," on the east side of the state. They shipped the lumber for their house from Wisconsin and lived in a tar-paper shack near Gilford until his dad built their home. They arrived shortly before a drought took hold and after that the family moved to Kalispell where his dad became a logger and the family lived on a small farm.

He and his older brother, Bill, sold newspapers in Kalispell to help support their family. He attended local schools, dropping out when he was a senior to work in a logging camp, washing dishes, taking care of the horses and cleaning up around camp. After a year he returned to school and earned his diploma. He enrolled in business courses and in taking a test offered by the government he scored higher than his teacher. In native wit, he was often above the crowd.

He was employed by the U.S. Immigration Service for many years. He enjoyed his job and tried to do it well.

He met and fell in love with Arleta Raber and married her on Aug. 11, 1934. Shortly after their marriage, they were sent to Sweet Grass, on the

American-Canadian border where he served as an Immigration and Naturalization Officer. He was later transferred to Portland and then to Seattle, where he and his wife raised their three children, Jack, Janice and Joan. He retired from the immigration service in 1966, and later worked for the State of Washington in various jobs.

He was an active member of the Masonic Lodge.

He enjoyed deep-sea fishing, was an excellent gardener and carpenter, with a German background of being neat, orderly and determined. He will be remembered by his family and friends as a wonderful story teller with a good sense of humor and a man who remained interested in his children and grandchildren's lives and accomplishments.

He is survived by his wife, Arleta, in Seattle; his son, Jack, in Seattle; his daughter, Janice Agner, and her husband, John, in Seattle, and his daughter, Joan, in Trout Lake, Wash.; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two brothers, William Hafferman of Libby and Robert Hafferman of Kalispell; three sisters, Lorena Mikoski of Spokane and Edith Edwards and Ethel Selby of Phoenix, Ariz.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Marvin; and three sisters, Leona, Wilma and Isabel.

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Parham Theodore Hacker, 84, of Alder, died of natural causes early Monday at the Madison Valley Nursing Home in Ennis.

He was born Sept. 19, 1912, in Billings, and grew up on the family ranch at Park City where his family was in the sheep business. He attended local schools, then graduated in 1933 with a degree in animal husbandry from Montana State College at Bozeman.

On June 30, 1935, he married Pauline Wirak of Butte, whom he met in college.

After college, he helped at the family ranch, worked with the Farm Security Administration and raised sheep near Wilsall. He and his wife moved to the Madison Valley in 1943, and in 1946, they bought the Chowning Ranch at Ennis. They raised sheep and later cattle until selling the ranch in 1967. Two years later, they bought a small place on the Ruby River at Alder.

He then worked for the Farmers Home Administration on the Cheyenne Reservation at Lama Deer and the Montana Rangeland Resource Program for the Montana Department of Natural Resources. After 1981, he worked as a real-estate

broker and appraiser.

He served on the Ennis school board, and was a longtime member of the Montana stockgrowers and wool-growers associations, helped form the Madison County Soil Conservation District and was a supervisor for years. He belonged to the Montana Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers.

He and his wife made trips to Guatemala and Turkey for the Service Corps of Retired Executives, helping advise ranchers in both countries on crops, rangeland management, livestock and farming practices.

He was a lifelong member of Eastern Star, Masonic and Shrine organizations. He also took an active interest in politics and youth.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister and half-sister.

He is survived by his wife at the nursing home; daughter and granddaughter, Carol and Kristina Lueck of Alder, his daughter, Jo Ann Speelman, of Kalispell; a nephew; and two nieces.

K&L Mortuary of Sheridan is in charge of arrangements. Following cremation, a Masonic service is set for 2 p.m. Friday at the Masonic Temple in Virginia City.

Memorials may be sent to the Shrine Hospital for Children, c/o Baghdad Temple, 314 West Park Street, Butte, MT. 59701.

23 June Pauline B. Hacker, 85 1997

Pauline Bernadette Hacker, 85, of Alder, died of natural causes Monday at the Madison Valley Manor in Ennis.

She was born Oct. 20, 1911, in Reed Point to Louis and Sophia Wirak, one of six children. Her early years were spent on her mother's homestead on Boulder River near McLeod where her father was in the sheep business.

Before her teenage years, the family moved to Los Angeles where her mother ran a boarding home and fought a losing battle with tuberculosis. Her father then returned to his home state of Kansas. The six children moved to Butte where they were raised by Joe and Anna Russell, an aunt and uncle, who operated the Russell Refinery and oil business and had a ranch near Whitehall.

She graduated from Butte High School, then went to Montana State College in Bozeman. She graduated with a degree in home economics in 1933.

While at college, she met Parham T. Hacker, a major in animal husbandry from Park City. The couple married in June 1935 in Butte, and spent their first summer running sheep at Crow Agency. Then they worked the family sheep ranch at Park City.

They ran sheep with her uncle and aunt, Ole and Kristina Fallan, in the Wilsall area for two years before moving to the Madison Valley in 1943 where they bought a ranch. They were in the sheep and cattle business until selling the ranch in 1967. They then bought a place on the Ruby riv-

er at Alder.

She was an active community member, helping as a hospital volunteer, with parent-teacher organizations, school activities, women's clubs and Eastern Star and Rainbow Girls.

Her grand passion in life was hunting arrowheads. She enjoyed gardening, horseback riding and was a member of the Madison Valley Sidesaddle Club. One of her trips was on the Montana Centennial Train to Washington, D.C. and New York in 1967.

In March of 1993, she became a resident of the Madison Valley Manor in Ennis. She was preceded in death by her husband in late February, and brothers Richard and Russell Wirak.

She is survived by her daughter and granddaughter Carol and Kristina Lueck of Alder; daughter Jo Ann Speelman of Kalispell; brothers and spouses, Theodore and Dot Wirak in Milwaukie, Ore., Owen and Beth Wirak in Sun City West, Ariz., Joe and Rita Wirak in Great Falls; sister-in-law, Alice Wirak, in Sun City West; and numerous nieces and nephews.

K&L Mortuary of Sheridan is in charge of arrangements. Following cremation, a memorial service is set for 2 p.m. Friday, with rites by Eastern Star Chapter No. 9, at the Masonic Temple in Virginia City.

Memorials may be sent to the Shrine Hospital for Children, c/o Baghdad Temple, 314 West Park Street, Butte, MT. 59701, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

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William F. Hafferman, 88 1997

William F. Hafferman, 88, former Montana state legislator, died Wednesday at the Libby Care Center of natural causes. He had been a longtime Libby businessman and had served as state senator from Lincoln County for 16 years, serving as senate majority whip in 1967 and 1969 and as President Pro Tem in 1971. Survivors include his wife Agnes of Libby; a son, William C. Hafferman of Libby; daughter Norma Sanders of Twin Falls, Idaho; a broth-

er, Bob Hafferman of Kalispell; 3 sisters, Lorena Mikowski of Spokane, Edith Edwards and Ethyl Selby, both of Arizona; seven grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren, Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. Friday and until noon Saturday at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home. Services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at St. John Lutheran Church with the Rev. Eric Christiansen officiating, interment with military honors will be in the City of Libby Cemetery.

1997 Patricia Stevenson Hale, 57

Patricia Stevenson Hale, 57, died of chronic pulmonary obstruction disease Tuesday, May 6, at the Mountain Valley Hospice House in Missoula. She was born Nov. 4, 1939, to Robert and Marjorie Stevenson in Moscow, Idaho. The family lived in Montana, Idaho, California, and then Havre, where she graduated from high school in 1957.

to the Mountain Valley Hospice House where she was cared for with such love and dignity during the final days of her life. The address is 10450 Mullan Rd., Missoula, MT 59802.

After she married, she moved to Texas and while raising her family, she graduated from the University of Houston with a degree in art education. Most of her adult life was spent in Texas and Montana, but she also lived for some time in Iran and on the island of Malta. During that time she traveled in Europe and especially loved the sun, beauty and people of Malta.

As her health began to fail, she returned to Montana to be near family. Her strong will extended her life far beyond what was expected. Her talents included painting and writing, and she left a legacy of her watercolors. She endeared herself to so many who loved and cared for her in recent years. Her four children were the most important part of her life.

She is survived by her parents in Missoula; her children, Debra Stroh of Kalispell, Tamela Northern and Kevin Hale of Missoula, and Stephanie Rief of Croquet, Minn.; her sister, Carol DeWit of Missoula; 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Cremation and arrangements are by Garden City Funeral Home and Crematory. Memorials are suggested

James Daryl Hahn, 13

James Daryl Hahn, 13, went peacefully home to the Lord on Wednesday, March 12, 1997, while in the company of his parents and sister, his extended family, and the medical professionals who had become like family to him in the Intensive Care Unit at Kalispell Regional Hospital.



He was born Dec. 30, 1983, in Kalispell, to Paul and Ann Hahn, and was soon joined by a sister, Rebekah, now 10.

His parents and sister always considered him a gift, a child who enhanced their family and made it stronger. Though he was never able to speak, he had expressive eyes and face, a smile that cheered his family and a giggle that gave them a joy many are never privileged to experience.

His contentment with the gifts he was given gave everyone a positive perspective about their own lives, and made them feel he had taught them much about what's important in life. He had an abundance of friends at

the schools he attended, Peterson and Edgerton; at church; and at the Comprehensive Developmental Center. All who came in contact with him felt blessed by his gentle spirit and uncomplaining nature.

Music was one of his joys, and the piano pieces his sister played for him, and the stories she read to him, were particularly special. He also enjoyed riding the horse, Shadow, and liked the company of the family dog, Buddy.

He is survived by his parents and sister at the family home in Kalispell; his maternal grandparents, Bruce and Clara Potts, of Napa, Calif.; his paternal grandparents, Harold and Arvilla Hahn, of Kalispell; his uncle, Michael Hahn, of Kalispell, and cousins Sarah, Suzanne, Alan and Michelle Hahn; and many other relatives outside the state.

The Hahn family invites friends to share in a celebration of his life during visitation Sunday from 4-6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary, and at services Monday at 1 p.m. at Rocky Mountain Baptist Church. Interment will take place afterward at Conrad Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to therapeutic horseback riding, SAMS Riders, 330 Lore Lake Road, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Louise Hanger, 97

Louise Hanger, 97, died at Immanuel Lutheran Home on Saturday, July 19, 1997.

She was born June 27, 1900, in Armington, Ill., to Charles B. and Isabel A. Hanger. She attended schools in Illinois until coming to Kalispell in 1918 with the Carr-Hanger family. She graduated from Flathead County High school three months later.

She received her advanced musical education at Oregon State College in Corvallis, Ore., and Hanna Burnett School of Music in Walla Walla, Wash.

She was a teacher in the Week Day School of Religion in Milton-Freewater for five years before returning to Kalispell to teach piano. She retired from teaching piano in 1978.

She was an active member in musical circles. She had served as youth choir director and organist for First Presbyterian Church for several



years; was an active member of national, state and local music teachers associations; an active member of Central Christian Church, having served as teacher, worship leader, and superintendent of the junior department and was organist there for 35 years from 1947 to her retirement in 1983. She was organist for Johnson Funeral Home for many years.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Gertrude Dixon, and brother, John H. Hanger. She was also preceded in death by her close friend, Naomi Chenault, with whom she lived with for many years.

She is survived by her adopted son, Donald L. Hanger; two granddaughters of Annandale, Va.; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday at Central Christian Church. Burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Tuesday for visitation. The family suggests memorials be made to Central Christian Church.

Arthur J. Hansen, 70

Arthur J. Hansen, 70, passed away Tuesday, April 8, 1997, at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born May 2, 1926, in Stoneham, Colo., to John I. and Ogle M. Smith Hansen. He attended school in Stoneham through the fifth grade. He then moved with his family to Bigfork in 1936.

When he was 17, he enlisted in the Army which he served during World War II. He was attached with the 42nd Rainbow Division in the European and Rhineland Campaigns. He marched through Germany and Austria, crossing the Rhine River five separate times. His division captured Hitler's palace.

After his enlistment in the Army, he returned to Bigfork. He went to work for the operating engineers as a heavy-equipment operator.

He married Roxanne Sauke on Aug. 17, 1951, in Missoula. They spent a few years traveling while he worked road construction before moving back to Ferndale. He worked on Libby Dam as the business agent for the operating engineers. He then worked the apprenticeship program for the operating engineers for a few years before retiring in 1984.

He started Art Hansen Excavating of Bigfork which he operated until his retirement due to ill health in 1992.

He loved to spend his leisure time watching his children and grandchildren no matter what the sport or event. If they were involved in it, he

was there to support them. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed hunting. He is well known for his "Works of Art." He was a loving father and grandfather who will be truly missed by all who knew him.

He was a member of the Operating Engineers and the Bigfork V.F.W.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, H. Roxanne Hansen; and three brothers, Ingwell Hansen, Leland Hanson and Herald Hansen.

He is survived by eight children and their spouses, son Don and Mary Ann Hansen of Swan Lake, daughter Pam and Bart Anderson of Bigfork, daughter Cindy and Mike Houtonen of Bigfork, son Fred Hansen of Bigfork, son Mark and Cherie Hansen of Bigfork, daughter Debbie and Troy Thurman of Plano, Texas, daughter Bonnie and Mike Sommerfeldt of Cardston, Alberta, Canada, daughter Tracy and Scott Wicklund of Bigfork; three sisters, Mildred Wells of Phoenix, Ariz., Norma Walton of Kalispell and Jean Day of Bigfork; and 17 grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 3-7 p.m. Thursday at Bigfork Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at New Life Alliance Church (Little Brown Church), Bigfork, with the Rev. Ron Pierce officiating. Burial will follow at Lonepine Cemetery. The family requests memorials to the Bigfork Q.R.U. Bigfork Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Dorris Dorsey Harbert, 100

Dorris Dorsey Harbert, 100, of Polson, passed away on Dec. 25, 1997, at Evergreen Health and Rehab Center in Polson, from natural causes.

She was born on March 12, 1897, in St. Paul, Minn., daughter of James Harbert and Ella Dorsey Harbert. When she was about 2 years old the family moved to Kalispell, where her father established a general merchandise store known as the Fair Store.

She attended grade schools in Kalispell, Alameda, Calif., and St. Paul, Minn. In the fall of 1913, the family moved to Polson, where her father had bought a clothing store a few months prior to the move. She graduated from Polson High School in 1917.

That fall she entered the University of Montana in Missoula, where she became a member of Kappa Alpha Theta. She later attended the Normal Montana College in Dillon and graduated in 1923.

She began her teaching career in Kalispell, where she taught for two years followed by a year in Missoula. In 1929, she began teaching in Polson,

where she taught for 32 years in the first and second grades. She retired in June of 1961.

She belonged to several organizations including: Presbyterian Church and Ladies Aid; Retired Teachers Assoc.; 80-year member of the Kappa Alpha Theta; 75-year member of the Order of Eastern Star and was active in the Star Choir; 31-year member of the P.E.O. Chapter A; member of Amicitias Club; and a member of Delta Kappa Gamma.

She was also well-known for her singing at numerous weddings and funerals throughout the years.

She is survived by two cousins, Helen Munger of Port Haywood, Va., Pat Martindale of Santa Anna, Calif.; and her dear friends including Cal and Lois Hubbard of Polson.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held at the Presbyterian Church in Polson on Jan. 8 at 1:30 p.m. with the Rev. Dave Anson officiating. Memorials may be made to the Polson City Library or to the Presbyterian Church.

Arrangement and cremation are by Grogan Funeral Home in Polson.

Barbara Jean Hanson, 59

Barbara Jean Hanson, 59, of Kalispell, died Friday in Kalispell.

She was a legal secretary.

She is survived by her husband, Larry Hanson, of Kalispell, a daughter, a sister, and several other relatives.

Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary until 4 p.m. today for visitation. The body will be forwarded to the Holman, Hankins, Bowker and Waud Funeral Home in Oregon City, Ore., where services are planned for 2 p.m. Friday. Burial will be at Mountain View Cemetery there.

The family suggest memorials be made to the charity of donor's choice.

1997 Arthur 'Art' B. Harker, 78

Arthur "Art" B. Harker, 78, of Whitefish, passed away on Friday, Aug. 22, at North Valley Hospital following an extended illness.

He was born March 6, 1919, in Duluth, Minn., to Roy and Ellyn (Anderson) Harker. On Oct. 31, 1940, he married Clarine Baker in Sturgis, S.D. Together they raised seven children.

He worked with Peter Kewitt & Sons Construction Co., which took him to Denver; Piketon, Ohio; Thule, Greenland; Goose Bay, Labrador; and Trenton, N. J. The family followed to several areas, including Sturgis, S. D.; Chillicothe, Ohio; Trenton, N. J.; and, finally, to Whitefish in 1964. He purchased Ole's Plumbing & Heating in Whitefish and it was later renamed North Valley Plumbing & Heating.

In the late 1930s, he served in the Army in the last cavalry unit that actually used horses at Fort Meade, S.D. He served in Okinawa and Korea during World War II. After the war, he served with the U.S. Air Force in Rapid City, S.D.

His greatest joy was spending time with his wife at their cabin on the North Fork of the Flathead River. He enjoyed music, dancing and sports. He was a member of the St. Charles Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, the Loyal Order of Moose, the American Legion and the VFW.

He is preceded in death by a sister,

Virginia Milsop Lord, and grandson, Jeffrey Born.

He is survived by his wife at the family home; daughters Virginia Slater and husband, Charles, in Chillicothe, Ohio, Carol Born and husband, Fred, in Trenton, N. J., Peg Anderson, of Whitefish, Loretta Poncelet and her husband, Nick, of Whitefish; Buzzie Anderson and husband, Ric, in Whitefish; sons Jim and wife, Mary Harker, of Kalispell; Jeff and wife, Sheila, in Columbia Falls; sister Mona Scott, in Hawaii; brother Jerry "Carl" Harker Hanton in Ft. Meyers, Fla.; 25 grandchildren and 28 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be noon to 7 p.m. Monday, at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. A Christian wake service will be 7 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. Mass of the Resurrection will be 10 a.m. Tuesday at St. Charles Catholic Church in Whitefish. Burial with military honors will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Kalispell. Honors will be provided by United Veterans of the Flathead Valley.

Floyd Harness, 51

Floyd William "Punky" Harness, 51, of Kalispell, died Monday evening, Sept. 15, 1997, at his home in Kalispell.

Viewing will be today and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary.

Services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Johnson Mortuary, with burial following at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Family requests in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Shriners Hospital.

Laura E. Harrington, 78

Laura E. Harrington, 78, of Kalispell, died Friday, Aug. 15, 1997, at Brendan House after a short illness.

A devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, she was an inspiration to everyone she touched.

She was born Oct. 15, 1918, in Kalispell, to Myron and Laura Corney Sherman. She married John Harrington in Kalispell on May 31, 1946.

She was preceded in death by her parents; several brothers and sisters; one daughter, Pat; one granddaughter, Andie; one great granddaughter Melinda; and one great grandson Earl.

She is survived by her husband, John, at the family home; two daughters, Marcia Kelch and husband,

Lloyd, of Kalispell and Laura Jane Horn and husband, Randy, of Whitefish; one son-in-law, Ronald Emert of Weiser, Idaho; five grandchildren, Chad and Keith Horn, Tammy Tamburelli and husband, Joe, Tracy Locker and husband, Mike, David Kelch and wife, Diana; also five great grandchildren; one sister, Bernice Slethaug; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, at Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt of the Epworth Methodist Church officiating. Friends and family will meet at the cemetery for the services. A gathering will follow at the Epworth Methodist Church. Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Virginia Swenson Harris

Virginia Swenson Harris, 77, of Naples, Fla., formerly of Bigfork, died Friday, Dec. 26, after a long illness.

She had lived in Bigfork from 1989 to 1995 before moving to Naples. She was a devoted wife and mother.

Mrs. Harris and her husband formerly owned Alden Thomas Harris Antique and Interiors in Naples. She was a volunteer with the Naples Community Hospital Auxiliary and the Naples Conservancy.

She is survived by her husband, Alden Thomas Harris, Sr.; four children, Thom Harris and his wife Nancy of Chicago, Ill., Julie Harris of Naples, Dan Harris of

Ft. Myers, Fla., and Kitty Kellogg and her husband Denny of Bigfork.

Also surviving is her sister, Karyn Moore and her husband Ed, of Thiensville, Wisc.; a sister-in-law, Betty Heath of Barrington, Ill.; a brother-in-law, Louis Zanin of Oldsmar, Fla.; a grandson, Alden Harris and his wife, Cindy; one great-grandson, Tristan Harris; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Dec. 31 at the Fuller Funeral Home in Naples.

Contributions in her memory are suggested to the David Lawrence Center, 6075 Golden Gate Parkway, Naples 34116. *Bigfork*

Lacey Hallas-Harrison

Graveside service for Lacey E. P. Hallas-Harrison, stillborn daughter of Jolie J. Hallas and Joshua C. Harrison will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Thomas Gopp of Our Saviors Lutheran Church will officiate.

She is survived by her parents, Jolie J. Hallas of Columbia Falls and

Joshua C. Harrison of Lincoln City, Ore.; her brother, Ryan Serra of Columbia Falls; grandparents, Eugene G. Hallas and Deborah Hallas of Columbia Falls, and Peggy Lynn Harrison and Lonnie Dale Harrison of Lincoln City; and numerous aunts, uncles, and other relatives.

Arrangements are by Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

Lloyd Glenn Hartman, 68

Lloyd Glenn Hartman, 68, of Walla Walla, Wash., died Friday, March 7, 1997, at Park Manor Rehabilitation Center in Walla Walla.

He was born April 17, 1928, in Miles City, to Jessie "Dee" and Iva Klumpp Hartman. He attended school in Miles City.

He married Alma Leidholt on Nov. 14, 1947, in Forsyth. He spent four years in the U.S. Marine Corps.

He moved to Walla Walla from Kalispell in 1981. He retired as an auto-body man in 1984.

He was a member of Eagles Aerie 1099 Kalispell and V.F.W.

He had a cheerful, friendly nature. He was a loving father, husband and grandpa. He always had a kind word and a big smile.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Susie Mae Hartman.

He is survived by his wife, Alma, at their home in Walla Walla; a daughter, Nancy Ruhmshottel of Coeur d'Alene; three sons, Lloyd G. Hartman Jr. of Huntington Beach, Calif., Edward M.J. Hartman of Pasco, Wash. and Larry E. Hartman of Woodbridge, Va.; two sisters, Elda Chodoruck of North Las Vegas, Nev., Arma Weyerbacher of Miles City; two brothers, Miles Hartman of Miles City and Jess Hartman of Hamilton; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held in Walla Walla. Mountain View Funeral Home was in charge of cremation and arrangements.

Memorials may be made to Fraternal Order of Eagles 234, Kalispell, MT, in care of Mountain View Funeral Chapel, 1551 Dalles Military Road, Walla Walla, WA 99362.

Donald Templet Hawkins, 67

Donald Templet Hawkins, 67, died at Kalispell Regional Medical Center on July 9, 1997.

He was born April 13, 1930, in California to Louis and Adelaide Templet Hawkins. He was raised and educated in California, graduating from Tech High in Oakland in 1949. He served in the Korean War. When he returned from the war he managed a grocery business until coming to Missoula.

In Missoula he was a baker and was the owner of Sugar Shack.

He married Virginia Standefor Williams in 1958; they divorced in 1967.

He married Patty Kelly on June 24, 1990, in Kalispell.

He was a member of the Eagles and a member of the Retail Clerks Union of California.

He loved to fish, especially at Thompson Chain of Lakes, and loved to hike in the mountains around Missoula.

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

He is survived by his wife, Patty; two sons, Matt Brandon Hawkins of Kalispell and Victor Kevin Hawkins of Savannah, Ga.; a daughter, Lynette K. Lowe of Waterford, Calif.; a grandson, Brandon Hawkins of Savannah, Ga.; a stepson, Bert Mace and his wife, Bonnie, of Powell, Wyo.; two stepdaughters, Betty Lokken of Boise, Idaho, and Patty Dalrymple and her husband, Ted, of Mountain Home, Idaho; stepgrandchild Cassie Dalrymple, also of Mountain Home; and an uncle, Albert Templet, and his wife, Hattie, of San Lorenzo, Calif.

Graveside services will be Saturday at 11 a.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Military Chaplain Virgil Ray will officiate, with military honors to follow. Family and friends will meet at the cemetery. Cremation and arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Flora Maye Hawkins, 104

Flora Maye Hawkins, 104, died at her home in Kalispell on March 2, 1997.

She was born Nov. 25, 1892, in Worthing, S.D., to John and Nellie Slocombe. She was the second of six children. She attended school in Worthing. In 1911, the family moved to the Flathead to a 40-acre farm seven miles northwest of Kalispell.

She worked for several years at the Daily Inter Lake. She met and married Jim H. Hawkins in 1929. He was in the lumber business and she lived at the home they built at 504 Wood-

land Avenue in Kalispell until the time of her death. She was a worldwide traveler in her retirement years.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1976, two brothers and three sisters.

She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Johnson Mortuary chapel with the Rev. Rick Nelson of Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. Private burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

14 July, 1997 **Samuel E. Hawkins, 13**

Samuel E. Hawkins, 13, of Eureka, died Monday at his home from an accidental gunshot wound.

He was born Sept. 1, 1983, in Libby to Mike and Susie Hawkins. He attended Eureka public schools and completed the seventh grade this year. He was very active in sports, participating in football, baseball, track and Little Guy Wrestling. He wrestled in the district tournament the past two years. He enjoyed horseback and rodeo riding and was an avid hunter and fisherman.

He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served as deacon's quorum president, as well as participating in various other church activities. At the time of his death, he worked for Valley Pizza in Eureka and for his fami-

ly's janitorial business.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Eugene Ilett.

Survivors include his parents, Mike and Susie Hawkins of Eureka; brother Ben Hawkins USN, stationed in Japan; a sister, Aleksis Hawkins, and a twin sister, Linnaea Hawkins, both of Eureka; his grandparents, Walt and Juanita Hawkins and Caroline Bakkila, all of Eureka; his great-grandparents, Carl and Evelyn Anderson of Boise, Idaho; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services will be Monday at 10:30 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Eureka with Bishop Mike Smith conducting; interment will follow in Tobacco Valley Cemetery under the direction of Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

Fred Haydon, 85

Fred Haydon, 85, of Hot Springs, died at Kalispell Regional Medical Center on Friday, June 27, 1997.

A memorial service was held in Hot Springs on Saturday evening. Cremation and arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

Anthony S. Hecimovich, 70

Anthony S. Hecimovich, 70, a Whitefish resident, passed away at his home on Wednesday morning, Sept. 3, 1997, of natural causes.

He was born June 7, 1927, in Hibbing, Minn., the son of Anton and Antonia Mehelich Hecimovich. He was educated at St. Cloud's Teacher College and at the University of Idaho.

He taught for 33 years in industrial arts in the Whitefish school system and retired in 1984. He married Carol Marie Holst on June 2, 1956, in Whitefish, where the couple resided ever since. He entered the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He was an avid outdoorsman and loved hunting, fishing, and storytelling. He especially enjoyed spending his time with family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and a son, Donald Anthony Hecimovich.

He is survived by his wife Carol at the family home in Whitefish; children, David P. Hecimovich and

wife, Kim, and stepson, Eric, in Osan AFB, Korea, Jean M. Hecimovich of Hampton, Va., Julie A. Hecimovich of Tucson, Ariz., Joan L. Hecimovich and her husband, David Kis, and their daughters, Savanna and Ella of Plano, Texas, Janet G. Hecimovich and Steve Willis of Whitefish, Jill and her husband, David Gipp, of Bozeman; sister Nancy and her husband, Ed Wilusz of Sarasota, Fla.; brothers, John T. Herman and his wife, Phyllis, of Sioux Falls, S.D., George Hecimovich, and Robert Hecimovich and his wife, Inga.

A Christian wake service will be 7 p.m. Friday at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. A funeral mass will be 11 a.m. Saturday at St. Charles Catholic Church in Whitefish, with the Rev. Charles Roman officiating.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials to Home Orphans Hospice, Kalispell, Mont.

Clara D. Hedstrom, 98

Clara D. Hedstrom, 98, formerly of Whitefish, died Monday, Aug. 18, 1997, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born Jan. 16, 1899, in Osaga, S.D., to O.W. and Winifred Livingston. She was raised with four brothers and three sisters.

She lived in Belfry, Waseca, Sask., and Terry. She worked at the Terry hospital in the kitchen and laundry prior to teaching school in a German/Russian community.

She married rancher Albert C. Hedstrom on June 19, 1918, in Terry. They owned and operated a ranch in Terry. When they retired in 1972, they moved to Happy Valley near Whitefish.

She enjoyed music, playing the piano, flower gardening, crocheting

and knitting. She was treasurer for Royal Neighbors and worked for many years in the horticulture exhibit booth at the county fair.

Her husband died in 1981, and she lived at Immanuel Lutheran Home since June of 1993.

She was also preceded in death by three sons; a daughter; three brothers; and three sisters.

She is survived by a brother, Warren Livingston of Mesa, Ariz.; 10 grandchildren; 17 great-great-grandchildren; and other relatives.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2 p.m. at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Peter Ramseth, chaplain at Immanuel Lutheran Home, officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Kalispell.

1997 Matthew Raymond Hein, 19

Matthew Raymond Hein, 19, died Wednesday, July 9, at St. Patrick's Hospital in Missoula as a result of injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident on June 29 in Bigfork.



He was born June 4, 1978, in Kalispell to Raymond and Maureen Hein. He was raised and received his education in Bigfork, graduating from Bigfork High School on June 1, 1997.

He loved sports and played soccer and participated in Little Guy Wrestling for eight years in grade school. He won many medals, including third place at state. He started Little League baseball at age 8, and played first base in the minors, majors, Babe Ruth and concluded playing American Legion with the Glacier Twins. He lettered in football for three years at Bigfork High School and was named defensive back of the year in 1995, most valuable player in 1996 and received all-conference honors two years in a row.

He played saxophone with the Bigfork High School band. He trained two horses, participated in high school rodeo and was active in the Golden

Spurs 4-H Club, winning the Spirit of the Golden Spurs award. He loved the outdoors and was an avid hunter and fisherman. He also enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

He is survived by his parents, Raymond and Maureen Hein; brother, Mark, and sister, Mary Amanda, all of Bigfork. Survivors also include his grandfather, Eugene Hein and his companion, Jana DeLong, of Lakeside; grandmother Effie Dockstader Holmes and her husband, Ernest, of Bigfork; uncle J. Michael Dockstader of Bigfork; aunts Janie York of Missoula, Patsy Robinson of Sun Lakes, Ariz., and Mary Dockstader Sullivan and her husband, Paul, of Bigfork; cousins Steven and Michael Robinson of Phoenix, Marty York of Missoula, Joshua York of Great Falls, James Dockstader of Seattle, Nicole Dockstader of Bigfork, and Paul and Maureen Sullivan of Bigfork, and many friends and relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 1:30 p.m. Monday at Bigfork High School gymnasium, Rev. Richard Sodja of St. Catherine's Church officiating.

The family suggests memorials be made to Matthew Hein Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Flathead Bank of Bigfork or to the Bigfork Quick Response Unit. Arrangements and cremation are by Johnson Mortuary.

Janice Jones Heise, 75

Janice Marie Jones Heise, 75, of Thompson Falls, died Tuesday, Sept. 9, 1997, at her home after suffering with cancer.

Memorial services are to be conducted Saturday at 3 p.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Thompson Falls with the Rev. Jim Pladson officiating. Cremation has taken place under the direction of Coffelt-Bunch Funeral Service. Her remains are to be placed in a vault beside those of her husband, Bob, at Riverside, Calif.

She was born May 25, 1922, at LaPorte, Ind., to Harry L. and Jeanette A. Jones. In the late 1930s, she moved with her family to the small community of Mountain Brook, about 15 miles from Kalispell.

On June 6, 1942, she and Robert F. "Bob" Heise were married at LaPorte. She returned to Montana and stayed with her folks while he served with the military.

She lived in Indiana from 1949 to 1951, then returned to Montana where she resided until 1964, when they moved to California. Her hus-

band died in 1987. She moved back to Montana in 1988, where she has lived since that time. She spent 50-plus years raising seven children.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents and four brothers.

Survivors include a son, Daniel R. Heise and wife, Vera, of San Pedro, Calif.; six daughters, Janice Butte and husband, Bob, Ronda Heise and companion, Mike Jensen, all of Thompson Falls, Susan York and companion, Tim, of Silverdale, Wash., Dorothy Yandell of husband, Jim, of Moffett, Okla., Bobbi Christenson and husband, Hal, of Kailua, Hawaii, and Ada Heise of Plains; two sisters, Ada Leach of Williams, Ariz., and Dorothy Yeager and husband, Bob, of Bishop, Calif.; five brothers, Harry Jones and wife, Nina, Roy Jones and wife, Sue, all of Kalispell; Walt Jones and wife, Winnie, of Big Arm; Rex Jones and wife, Betty, of Whitefish; Ron Jones and wife, Eva, of Martin City; 19 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Allen F. Herriges Sr., 71

Allen F. Herriges Sr., 71, died at his home in The Dalles, Ore., on Tuesday, *17 June 1997*.

The fourth of 12 children, he was born on August 31, 1925, to Anastasia and Nicholas Herriges in Kalispell. He was raised in Whitefish.

At the age of 17, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and was then sent to the South Pacific during World War II. He served for three years and then returned to graduate from Whitefish High School in 1947.

He graduated from the Elizabeth Holloway School of Arts in San Francisco in 1950. Returning to Whitefish, he married Theda M. Runyan in 1951. He joined the Montana Army National Guard in 1952 and retired in 1975 at the rank of Command Sergeant Major.

After having three sons, they then moved to Kalispell, had two more sons and one daughter. He worked for 22 years in radio and newspaper at KOFI, KGEZ and The Daily Inter Lake in Kalispell until he and his family moved to The Dalles in 1974 and assumed the position of advertising director of The Dalles Chronicle. He retired in 1982 as publisher of The Chronicle.

He was a life member of the Whitefish chapter of the VFW.

He was preceded in death by his son in 1982, and four brothers.

Survivors include his wife, daughter and four sons, grandchildren, four brothers, including James from Columbia Falls; and three sisters, including Anastasia Follett and Caroline Fisher from Whitefish.

Funeral Mass was to be held at St. Peter's Catholic Church in The Dalles.

The family asks that memorial donations be given to Hospice of the Gorge or The American Cancer Society in Allen's name and sent to, and in care of, Spencer, Libby and Powell in The Dalles.

1997 James Edward Hendrix, 4

James Edward Hendrix, 4, died July 15 at Kalispell Regional Medical Center of drowning.

He was born April 15, 1993, in Kalispell, to Cheri and Mark Hendrix. He enjoyed giving fish kisses and bear hugs. He liked Power Rangers and Batman. He loved people and said "hi" to everyone he saw.

He is survived by his mother, Cheri Hendrix, of Kalispell; father Mark Hendrix, of Vermont; grandmother Vicky L. Higgins, of Kalispell; grandfather Bob Parker, of



Kalispell; grandparents Randy and Debbie Ransom, of Olympia, Wash.; grandparents Ed and Ella Hendrix of Humble, Texas; uncle and aunt Mike and Lisa Ransom, of Salem, Ore.; great-grandmother Jean Mays of Moreno Valley, Calif., and many other relatives and loved ones.

Visitation will be 1-4 p.m. today and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday, at Johnson Mortuary. A funeral will be 3 p.m., Monday, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel, with Pastor Daniel Lambert of Easthaven Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to the family to defray expenses, Vicki Higgins, 523 Solberg Drive, Kalispell.

Katherine Roberta Hersman, 81

Katherine Roberta Hersman, 81, passed away at her home on Flathead Lake on Monday, April 21, 1997.

She was born to Caroline and Kenneth Hellen on Nov. 17, 1915, in Somers. She was educated in Somers and graduated from Flathead High School in 1934. She attended Montana State University and was a member of the Alpha Amricon Chi Sorority.

While attending Montana State University, she met her future husband, Warren Lee Hersman. They were married June 12, 1938.

After living in various cities in Montana and Canada, they returned to Somers and built their home on Flathead Lake in 1954. Their home became a show place for their beautiful gardens.

She was a member of St. Ann's Parish in Somers.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Warren, in 1992, an infant daughter, and other sisters and relatives.

Surviving are her four daughters and their families, Daniel and Hellen Brien at the family home in Somers, Steve and Roxanne Herron of Poulsbo, Wash., Carol and Kenneth Averill of Chino, Calif., and Patty and Adrian Gamble of Tehachapi, Calif. Survivors also include a brother, Wallace R. Hellen, of Lehigh Acres, Fla.; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

In loving memory of a beloved

mother and grandma, memorials may be made to Hospice, 1280 Burns Way, #3, Kalispell, MT, 59901.

Christian wake services will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday at Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday at the chapel with the Rev. Richard Sodja of St. Ann's Catholic Church officiating. Burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Robert Heximer, 75

Robert Charles Heximer, 75, passed away Sunday, Dec. 21, 1997 at his home in Somers.

He was born May 13, 1922 in Great Falls to Charles O. and Iva I. Heximer. He attended schools in Great Falls, graduating from high school in 1940.

He then attended Oregon State University until he enlisted in the Navy. He served in the Navy during World War II.

He spent many years selling insurance for Bankers Life and Casualty. He retired from the insurance business in 1987.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his daughter, Roberta Gimblett of El Cajon, Calif.; two sisters, Patricia Hunter of San Rafael, Calif., and Jean Molino of Novato, Calif.; aunt Elna Parr and cousin Jack Sloan of Medford, Ore.

Memorial services are planned for a later date.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of arrangements and cremation.

Iva Hills, 88

Iva M. Hills, 88, passed away Monday, Sept. 15, 1997, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

She was born Nov. 5, 1908, in Wadena County, Minn., to John and Maude Kerney. She attended schools in Minnesota.

She married Lewis W. Hills Sr. on June 14, 1925, at Detroit Lakes, Minn. They moved to the Flathead Valley in 1925.

She was a wonderful wife and mother.

She loved her family dearly. She is going to be deeply missed by all that knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Lewis; son John Hills; grandson Johnnie

Jones; and a great-granddaughter, Leah Jones.

She is survived by three sons; Lewis Hills Jr. and Gary Hills, both of Lonepine, and Harold Hills of Kalispell; daughter Nina Jones and her husband, Harry, of Kalispell; 10 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

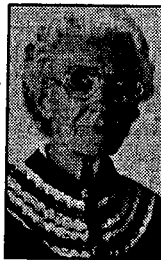
Visitation will be held Friday from 2 to 7 p.m. at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with Julia Brist officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Amy Hinkelman, 94

Amy Hinkelman, of Lake View Care Center, passed away on Monday, April 14, 1997, at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

She was born July 18, 1902, in Sheffield, England, to Mary Elizabeth and James Henry Thorpe. In 1921, she came to the United States, where she met and married the Rev. Roswell F. Hinkelman. Together, they served various congregational



churches in New Jersey, Massachusetts, Connecticut and New Hampshire.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roswell, and daughter, Roslyn Foust.

Survivors include her daughter, Beverly, and her husband, F. Mel Crompton, of Lakeside, seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place, and private family services are planned at a later date. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is in charge of arrangements.

Beryl S. Holgren, 87

Beryl S. Holgren, 87, of Kalispell, died Saturday, March 1, 1997, at Brendan House.

She was born July 8, 1909, in Eureka, to Harry and Viola Scouten. She received her education in Eureka.

On September 20, 1933, she married Robert Holgren in Kalispell. She was preceded in death by him on August 2, 1996.

She enjoyed the outdoors, flowers, baking and painting. Most of all, she enjoyed writing, having published two books. She had a good sense of humor and will be dearly missed.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Lawrence E. Holgren; a daughter-in-law, Ardish Runsthrough Keiser; four sisters and three brothers.

She is survived by a son, Brian

Holgren, and his wife, Rosemary, of Kalispell; a sister, Donna Christianson, of Seattle; six grandchildren, Georgia Lentz and Rayond Keiser, both of Kalispell, Wilbur Keiser of Billings, Celeste Keiser of Duluth, Minn., Karen Ortiz of Phoenix, Ariz., and Cory Holgren of Chicago; three stepgrandchildren, Gary Qualls of Auburn, Wash., Rhonda Gross of Bigfork, and Cory Severson of Kalispell; and a number of other relatives.

Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary for visitation from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Eureka. Burial will follow in the Tobacco Valley Cemetery.

1997 Francis 'Pete' Holloran, 85

Francis "Pete" Holloran, 85, died at his home in Enterprise, Ore., on Dec. 24.

He was born July 9, 1911, in Kalispell, to Michael J. and Ellen Marie "Murphy" Holloran.

He married Berneice Kreizenbeck on March 19, 1955. She survives him at Enterprise.

He is also survived by a niece, Betty Conrad, and husband, Wes, of Wal-

lowa; brother-in-law Jack Kreizenbeck and wife, Vi, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, a sister and a nephew.

Services were held in Oregon. Burial was at Enterprise Cemetery. A memorial contribution may be made to the charity of choice, in care of the Bollman Funeral Home, 315 W. Main, Enterprise, Ore., 97828.

Edith Homan, 67

Edith P. "Polly" Homan, 67, of Columbia Falls, Thursday, June 12, 1997, at Brendan House in Kalispell, following an eight-month battle with cancer.

She was born Aug. 16, 1929, in Hanover, N. H., to Arthur and Monti Chesley. She moved to Montana in 1948. She raised five children in Coram and worked as a flagger throughout Montana.

Local survivors include her husband, John, of Coram; daughters Sandi and husband Lenord Wilke, of Columbia Falls, Betty and husband, Randy Belston, of Columbia Falls, Bernice and Kim Hendberg, of Coram; and son Frank and wife Dale Homan, of Kalispell.

No services are planned. The family suggests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society and the American Arthritis Foundation. Columbia Mortuary is in charge of local arrangements.

Verona Homann, 89

Verona "Monie" Homann, 89, died Tuesday, Sept. 16, 1997, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

She was born June 6, 1908, in Lodz, Poland, to Alphons and Martha Neils Agather.

She attended Valparaiso University in Indiana and earned a degree in nursing. She worked at Cook County Hospital in Chicago.

Later she worked as a registered nurse until she met and married Theodore A. Homann, July 9, 1938, in Kalispell.

They had three children, Maxine, Catherine and T. Richard.

She was a lifetime member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Kalispell, also attending St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Whitefish. She was a member of the Republican Women's Club, and she enjoyed knitting.

She is survived by her loving husband, Ted Homann of Kalispell; two daughters, Maxine C. Emond and husband, Edward, of Chicago, Catherine Browning and husband, Fred, of Bigfork; one son; T. Richard Homann and wife, Mary, of Seattle; also eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church with the Rev. Donald Reiner officiating.

Burial will follow at C. E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell.

The family suggests memorials to Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church or St. Peter's Lutheran Church.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

9 Nov 1997 Elliott Holder, 76

Elliott F. Holder, 76, former clerk of District Court in Lincoln County, died Sunday at his home in Libby, following an extended illness.

He was born at Eureka, on Nov. 4, 1921, to Walter Holder and Ella Bean Holder. He was raised in Eureka and attended school there. He married Mary Ann Carr on Jan. 26, 1941. He served with the U.S. Army during World War II as an ambulance driver, returning to Eureka following his honorable discharge.

The family lived in Eureka, where he had been employed as a logger. He later served as Eureka town marshal until moving to Libby in 1951. He served as Lincoln County undersheriff from 1951 to 1955, returning to Eureka, where he again worked as a logger. He later returned to Libby, serving as clerk of District Court from March of 1963, until his retirement in January of 1987. He had been a member and past master of Eureka Lodge #93, AF & AM and a member and past patron of Lillian Chapter #64, OES.

He was preceded in death by infant sons in 1946 and 1951; his parents; brothers, Guy in 1907, John in 1922,

and Paul in 1968; and by sisters, Margaret Sluder in 1983, Kathleen Hobson in 1991, and Jacqueline Mitchell in 1996.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Mary Ann, of Libby; four sons, Walter W. Holder and his wife, Linda, of Fallbrook, Calif., James E. Holder and his wife, Lois, of Libby, John P. Holder and his wife, Michele of El Centro, Calif., and Timothy S. Holder and his wife, Kathy, of Phoenix, Ariz.; a brother, Robert W. Holder of Eureka; a sister, Lucille Payne, also of Eureka; 19 grandchildren; and 37 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home. Services will be Friday at 11 a.m. at the Nelson & Vial Chapel in Libby with Jim Holder officiating. Masonic graveside services will follow at 1:30 p.m. at the Tobacco Valley Cemetery in Eureka with rites being conducted by Eureka Lodge #93, AF & AM.

Remembrances may be made to Libby Volunteer Ambulance, Box 777, Libby, MT 59923 or Eureka Ambulance, Box 736, Eureka, MT 59917.

Willard 'Babe' Holyk, 74

Willard "Babe" Holyk, 74, of Plains, died of a brain tumor on Friday, May 30, 1997, at Clark Fork Valley Hospital in Plains.

He was born on Jan. 21, 1923, at Scobey to Joseph and Marie Holyk. He grew up in Scobey and graduated from Scobey High School in 1942. In high school he played football for four years and earned many honors for his outstanding performances. He also attended the University of Montana for one year and was on the football team.

On Nov. 15, 1942, he married Caroline Kittock in Scobey. Soon after, he enlisted in the Army and served in World War II. He returned to Scobey in 1945. He worked in insurance for many years. He was also a saddle and shoe repairman and owned and operated Holyk's Western Wear in Scobey until 1985, when he retired and moved to Plains.

He was a member of St. James Catholic Church in Plains; Horse Plains VFW Post #3596; American Legion Post #129; Knights of Columbus; Plains-Paradise Senior Citizens; Plains Golf Club; and Plains Bowling League.

He loved all sports and was active in many. He bowled for many years, winning awards for his achievements. He coached the American Legion Baseball team in Scobey and refereed high school basketball games for many years. His greatest love was golf. He hit a hole-in-one on Aug. 27, 1993, at Plains Golf Course. He loved to sing and performed in

plays in high school.

He had a wonderful sense of humor and loved a good story. He was a very proud man who loved his family and friends dearly and they did him. He was truly one of a kind.

He is survived by his wife, Caroline Holyk of Plains; four sons and daughters-in-law, Jim and Billie Holyk of Plains, Dan and Linda Holyk of Calgary, Alberta, Don and Marcy Holyk of Medicine Hat, Alberta, and Tim and Lorilie Holyk of Polson; daughter and son-in-law Diane and Bob Johnston of Plains; sister Natalie Heideman of Roseville, Minn.; 11 grandchildren, Jim and Melvin Holyk of Belton, Texas, Maury Johnston of Nashville, Tenn., Royce Johnston of Plains, Michael and Malynda Holyk of Polson, Danielle Holyk of Calgary, and Ashley, Dallas, Brooklyn and Madison Holyk of Medicine Hat; and three great-grandchildren.

Everyone is welcome to share in the celebration of life at the Mass of the Resurrection at St. James Catholic Church in Plains on Thursday at 11 a.m. Military rites and a luncheon will follow at the VFW Hall in Plains. A private ceremony on the Johnstons' property will be held at a later date for burial of the cremains.

Memorials may be made to St. James Catholic Church; Horse Plains VFW Post; Clark Fork Valley Hospital; Plains-Paradise Senior Citizens; or the Plains Golf Club.

Coffelt-Bunch Funeral Service in Plains is in charge of arrangements.

Eula E. Hopper, 85

Eula E. Hopper, 85, passed away Saturday, Jan. 25, 1997, at her home in Kalispell.

She was born Sept. 25, 1911, in Bremerton, Wash., to Charles and Lona Flesher. She moved to the Flathead Valley in 1936.

She went to work for the National Park service at Glacier National Park as a switchboard operator. After several years, she transferred into the personnel department where she worked as a clerk until she retired.

She was a sports-oriented person. She loved all sports, and attended most of her grandchildren's games in school. One of her favorite teams that she vocally supported was the Utah Jazz. Anytime they were on television, she would put on her Jazz sweat shirt and cheer for her team. She was also an avid fisherman. She loved to fish the local lakes, especially Ashley

Lake.

She was devoted to her family and friends. She loved spending time with her family and especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters, and one brother.

She is survived by a son, Pat Rupp, of Whitefish; a daughter, Susan Kennedy, of Salt Lake City; nine grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; and nephew Robert Passinetti of Bremerton.

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Private interment of her ashes will be held this spring. The family request memorials in her name be made to the National Cancer Society. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is in charge of arrangements.

Jim House, 83

Jim House, 83, died Sunday, Aug. 24, 1997, at Colonial Manor in Whitefish.

He was born Aug. 19, 1914, in Rathdrum, Idaho, to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert House. He was the youngest of seven children.

He lived in Martin City for several years and hauled lumber to the east side of the mountains.

He is survived by a brother, Robert House, of Elkton, Ore.; and several nieces and nephews, including Mrs. Ray Fisher and Betty Bras, both of Coram, and Glenna Schaeffer of Columbia Falls.

No services are planned. Arrangements and cremation are by Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

1497 Vera Jean Houseworth, 63

Vera Jean Houseworth passed away on Dec. 20, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center, following a courageous battle with kidney disease. She was surrounded by her three children at the time of her death.



She was born March 10, 1934, to Howard and Vera Draper in McGill, Nevada. She grew up on a farm in Sanpete County, Utah, where she developed her love for art by sketching on scraps of paper while tending cows at pasture.

After graduating from high school in 1952 and attending Brigham Young University, she married and moved with her husband to Michigan, Utah, Texas and Washington. She moved to Kalispell in 1974 and selflessly raised her three children as a single mother.

Throughout her successful career as a marketing supervisor with PTI Communications, her children were the most important part of her life and her devotion to them was complete. In 1976, she was diagnosed with polycystic kidney disease, a rare genetic disorder which led to the removal of both kidneys and forced her to quit work.

Since 1990, she bravely faced three weekly dialysis and countless surgeries throughout her struggle. Her attitude was always positive and help-

ful. Her utmost concern was always for the well-being of her children.

Her love of art led her back to painting following her disability. Despite the hardship of chronic health problems, her creativity allowed her to produce many works, including painting, sketches, and the illustrations for Louis A. Bibler's book "Back Home Again."

She was preceded in death by her parents and a son, Drake Houseworth.

She is survived by children Corwin Houseworth, of Hampton, Va., Alicia Gomes, of Provo, Utah, Derek Houseworth, of Woodenville, Wash.; grandchildren Brandon Houseworth and Tessa Gomes; sisters Verda Roylance, of Spanish Fork, Utah, Ione Memmott, of Magna, Utah, Phyllis Greenhalgh, of Richland, Wash., Linda Rose, of Colton, Ore., and Myrna Preuett, of Estacada, Ore.

Visitation will be 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday, at Johnson Mortuary. A funeral will be 3 p.m., Monday, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel, Rev. Robert Ross, pastor of the Christian Center, officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to the Polycystic Kidney Research Foundation, 922 Walnut St., Suite 411, Kansas City, MO, 64106, or the Buffalo Hill Terrace, 40 Claremont St., Kalispell.

Tynece Van Hoven, 80

Tynece S. Van Hoven, 80, of Columbia Falls, died Saturday morning, March 1, 1997, at North Valley Extended Care in Whitefish.

She was born July 20, 1916, in Roseburg, Ore., to Floyd and Pearl Jones.

She owned and operated Columbia Falls Lumber Co. for 25 years.

She was a member of the First Christian Church and the Food Pantry.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters, two brothers, and her husbands, Pat Kelly, Arnt Olson and Carl Van Hoven.

She is survived by a daughter; a son; a sister; two brothers; three stepsons, including Jan Van Hoven of Columbia Falls; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held Wednesday at 1 p.m. at Columbia Mortuary with the Rev. Terry Vanheyningen officiating. Burial will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell. Visitation will be Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

The family has suggested memorials be made to the Tynee Van Hoven Fund at First Christian Church in Columbia Falls, the Flathead Food Bank or to the Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch.

Bucky Hovland, 21

Bucky Carl Hovland, 21, passed away Friday, Dec. 19, 1997, in Seattle, Wash.

He was born May 12, 1976 in Sherman, Texas, to Jim Dudek and Mary Hovland.

He graduated from Bigfork High School in 1995.

He is survived by his mother, Mary K. Burrington of Bigfork; stepfather Lee Burrington of Bigfork; father James Dudek; brothers, Leif Hovland, Carson Burrington; sisters, Breeze and Brook Hovland and Britany Burrington; stepbrother Jason Jepson; grandparents, Carl O. and Marie Hovland, Mattie Dudek, Dan and Erleen Burrington; aunts and uncles, Sandy Hovland, Tim and Pam Hovland, Jim and Jo Burrington, Wally and Pat Burrington, Lynn Berry; numerous cousins and many, many friends.

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, at Swan Chapel in Swan Lake, with the Rev. Ron Pierce officiating.

The family requests donations be made to the Flathead Bank in Bigfork, to go toward a scholarship to be given to a graduating senior from Bigfork High School.

Bigfork Funeral Home in charge of arrangements and cremation.

Charlene Mahony Horne, 60, died Saturday, April 19, 1997, after a long illness in Kalispell.

She was born in Helena, on Nov. 27, 1936, to Charles F. and Emma Huth Mahony of Townsend. A graduate of Broadwater County High School in Townsend and Helena Business College, she worked nine years for Mountain Bell as secretary to the state plant manager.

She was active in bowling leagues and enjoyed dancing.

She and her sons moved to Chandler, Ariz., in 1978 to be closer to her sister. Two sons graduated from Chandler High and the third from Helena High.

In December 1985, she was admitted to Desert Cove Nursing Center in Chandler, 1750 W. Fry Road, Chandler, AZ, and transferred to Immanuel Lutheran Home in October 1993, to be closer to her sons who were attending the University of Montana.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a son, Timothy, and a niece, Kerry Sue West Baker.

She is survived by three sons and two grandsons: Shawn and wife, Julie, and sons, Eric and Scotty P. of Helena, Scott of Bigfork, and Patrick and wife, Nora Knell, of Missoula; her sister, Betty West, of Kalispell; a niece, Maureen Averill, of Bigfork; a nephew, Jack West, of Phoenix; six great-nephews; and two great-nieces in Arizona, California and Montana.

Memorial services will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Home Chapel on Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. with the Rev. Peter Ramseth officiating.

The family suggests memorials to Alzheimer Disease Research, 15825 Shady Grove Road, Suite 140, Rockville, MD 20850-4022, or to either of the nursing homes who so lovingly cared for her. Cremation has taken place and interment will be in Forestvale Cemetery, Helena.

Shirley A. Howe, 75

Shirley A. Howe, 75, formerly of Libby, died Saturday in Kalispell.

Survivors include her son, Bud Howe, and his wife, Lana, of Kalispell; four grandchildren;

two sisters; and eight great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be today until 8 p.m. at Nelson and Vial Funeral Home. Services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Interment will be at the City of Libby Cemetery.

Lucille J. Howke, 94

Lucille J. Howke, 94, of Whitefish, died Tuesday, March 25, 1997, at North Valley Extended Care.

She was born Aug. 3, 1903, in Sioux City, Iowa, to Albert and Clara Sherman. The family moved to Parma, Idaho, and she attended school in Boise until the death of her father.

She worked as an elevator operator in a hotel and then in the hotel laundry. In the late 1920s, she moved to northwest Montana, where she met and married Emmett B. Howke.

She was a member of the Lady Fireman Auxiliary and the Whitefish Women of the Moose. She enjoyed gardening, crocheting, crafts, bowling and reading. She was preceded in death by her

husband, Emmett Howke, in 1976; a son, Jack L. Howke; and a brother, Charles Virgil Sherman.

She is survived by four daughters, Roberta J. Lucas of Poulsbo, Wash., Elizabeth A. Schooley of Whitefish, Karen P. Howke of Kalispell, and Dorothy Brodhagen of Colby, Wisc.; a stepdaughter, Phyllis Hildreth of Rathdrum, Idaho; a sister, Bette McBrier of Tacoma, Wash.; 17 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

No public services will be held. The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to the American Lung Association. Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish is in charge of arrangements.

Deborah Alane Howland, 46

Deborah Alane Howland, 45, died Wednesday, Feb. 26, 1997, at North Valley Hospital following a courageous battle with cancer.

She was born Nov. 3, 1951, in Denver, Colo., to Adrian and Mary Lee Warner. She married John "Tom" Howland June 8, 1974, in Denver. They moved to

Montana in 1978.

She was preceded in death by her mother.

She is survived by her husband, Tom; daughter Cher L. Preston; sons Tay J., Lathen J. and Cailer J. Howland, all of Hungry Horse; two sisters; two grandchildren; and her father.

Memorial services were held Saturday at Kingdom Hall of the Jehovah Witness Church in Columbia Falls.

1997 Gilbert L. Hoxmer, 78

Gilbert L. Hoxmer, 78, of Kalispell, died at the Kalispell Regional Hospital on Saturday, Feb. 1.

He was born Dec. 29, 1918, in Miles City, to Bert and Blanche Hoxmer. He attended schools in Miles City, then moved with his family to Jordan, where he graduated from high school.

On Aug. 20, 1938, he married June Merwin there. He served in the Army during World War II. He moved to Hungry Horse in 1946. He helped build the first post office in Hungry Horse and worked on the Hungry Horse Dam until its completion.

He was an excellent salesman. He sold real estate and boats. In 1978, he retired after selling medical insurance for many years.

He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Laurie, in 1991.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, June, at the family home; son Gary Hoxmer, of Somers; sister Jean Kneiser, of Prescott, Ariz.; grandson Steven Hoxmer, of Houston, Texas, and granddaughter Valerie Hoxmer, of Missoula.

Cremation has taken place. At his request, no public services are planned.

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Clara Hulit, 93

Clara Merle "Nan" Hulit, 93, of Columbia Falls, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 10, at North Valley Extended Care in Whitefish.

She was born Sept. 19, 1903, in Greenfield, Iowa, eldest child of Ira G. and Molly Moody Darner. As a young child, she moved with her family to Sweetgrass.

In her teens, she worked with her mother in the restaurant where she met her future husband, a cowboy, Phillip Hulit.

They moved to the Flathead Valley in 1928. In 1945, the family moved to the homestead northwest of Columbia Falls. She lived there until entering the North Valley Extended Care in 1992.

She enjoyed gardening, her flowers and found great pleasure in embroidering and crocheting pillowcases as gifts for family and friends. Her grandchildren relished the ice cream cones at "Gramma Nan's." She

always had the coffeepot on and homemade goodies ready and thoughtful advice was available.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1952, and also by one sister, two brothers, two sons, John and James, a grandson and a great grandson.

She is survived by a son, Lee Hulit, and wife, Peggy, of Columbia Falls; daughters Mollie Boisen of Martin City, Vera Prichard and husband, Forrest, of Columbia Falls and Dixie LaValley and husband, Tom, of Columbia Falls; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Lorraine Darner, of Havre, and a niece and a nephew.

A graveside service was held today at Fairview Cemetery. Rev. Rick Buzzell of Hungry Horse Chapel officiated.

Columbia Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

1991 Richard Warren 'Dick' Hullett, 71

Richard Warren "Dick" Hullett, 71, passed away on Tuesday, Feb. 11, at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born June 18, 1925, in Lakota, N. D., to Herman and Vi Hullett. He served as an aviation radioman in the U.S. Navy. While in battle, his plane was shot down near Japan. Following an honorable discharge, he became a certified watchmaker and operated his business in Lakota.

He married Harriet Lien on Aug. 26, 1951, in Grand Forks, N. D., and moved to Montana in 1953.

He was active as a volunteer for the Bigfork Fire Department and served on the Bigfork School Board. He retired from Anaconda Aluminum Co. in Columbia Falls as a senior buyer in 1982.

He was preceded in death by his

parents; brothers Bill and Gene; sister Anna; and an infant daughter, Melanie.

He is survived by his wife, Harriet, at home in Bigfork; son Rick and his wife, Susie, and their daughters, Sara, Stacy and Rhonda Hullett, of Bigfork; Barry and his wife, Vikki, and their daughters Kayla, Jenna, and Alysa Hullett, of Spokane; daughters Holly Boyle and her husband, Patrick, of Bremerton, Wash., Michele Hayward and her husband, Doug, and their sons David, Cam and Paul of Salmon Arm, B. C.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service was Saturday, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Bigfork QRU or the charity of the donor's choice.

Genevieve G. Huntsinger, 88

Genevieve G. Huntsinger, a long-time resident of the Flathead and retired teacher of Columbia Falls and Kalispell schools, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 15, 1997, at Immanuel Lutheran Home.



She was the daughter of Austin and Laura Cook Gubser. She was born Oct. 31, 1908, in Medical Lake, Washington. Genevieve spent her early years living in eastern Washington. She received a bachelor of arts degree in education from Washington State University. She then moved to Columbia Falls to teach, first in the upper grades, and then in the high school.

She married Russell Huntsinger of Columbia Falls. In 1933, they established permanent residence on the east shore of Flathead Lake where they built their home and developed a small cherry orchard.

She continued to teach. She obtained her graduate schooling largely from the University of Montana. Prior to her retirement in 1969,

she had completed 35 years of teaching, including 18 years in the middle grades of Elrod School in Kalispell. In 1977 the Huntsingers sold their lake shore property and moved to Kalispell.

In addition to having been a member of several professional organizations, including Delta Kappa Gamma, an honor society for outstanding women teachers, she belonged to First Presbyterian Church of Kalispell and was a past matron of Estella Pomeroy Chapter 68, O.E.S. in Columbia Falls. She was also a member of A.A.U.W., Pi Lambda Theta, and Phi Kappi, national honor fraternity.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1981, a sister, Loma Stookey, brothers, Tom and Robert Stookey, and Harold Gubser.

She is survived by several cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at First Presbyterian Church in Kalispell, with the Rev. Larry Gaylord officiating. Her ashes were buried next to her beloved husband, Russell, in Conrad Cemetery. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is in charge of cremation and burial arrangements.

Ned Hutchinson, 54

Former Whitefish resident Ned Hutchinson, 54, died in Tacoma, Wash., on Feb. 26, 1997.

He was born Feb. 6, 1943, to Orman and Alice Hutchinson in Whitefish. He attended Whitefish schools and graduated from Whitefish High School in 1962.

He enlisted in the Army and served for five years. Part of that time he was stationed in Germany. During his free time there he toured Europe. After an honorable discharge he returned to Whitefish and worked for the Great Northern Railroad. He spent his free time skiing, hunting and fishing.

He later moved to Seattle, where he worked as a heavy equipment operator. He married his wife,

Shirley, who preceded him in death Nov. 3, 1994. He was also preceded by his father on Aug. 26, 1971, and his mother on Feb. 20, 1996.

He is survived by his daughter, Heather, and her husband, Jim Ralph, of Sumner, Wash.; son Todd of Seattle; granddaughter Nicole and grandson Jimmy; sister Joan and her husband, Carl Storkson, of Olney, and Ann Smith and her husband, Gary Smith, of Kalispell; and many nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place in Tacoma and a private wake was held for friends and family. His ashes will be buried with his parents at the Whitefish Cemetery on May 26 with a memorial service to be held at that time.

He was loved in life and will be missed in death.