

Marian A. Kalberg, 75

Marian A. Kalberg, 75, died peacefully at her home at Woods Bay on Monday, Aug. 4, 1997, surrounded by her family, whom she cherished.

She was born Dec. 8, 1921, in Huntley to H.E. and Alma Snell.

She married Ray Kalberg on Dec. 5, 1945, in Billings. They lived in several places in Montana, including Missoula in 1946-49, Billings in 1949-67, and Great Falls in 1967-81. They retired to Bigfork in 1981.

She loved to sew and it showed in the beautiful things she made over the years. She loved the peaceful tranquility of working in her garden.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Wally Snell.

She is survived by her husband of 52 years, Raymond Kalberg, of Woods Bay; two sons and their wives, Dale and Connie Kalberg of Missoula and Gary and Sandy Kalberg of Kalispell; a daughter, Kim Kalberg, of Hamilton; two sisters, Gertrude Parry of Billings and Florence Johannes of Worden; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Private family services will be held later. The family requests memorials to the Bigfork Quick Response Unit. Bigfork Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Harold Kaski, 79

Harold Clyde Kaski, 79, passed away Oct. 5, 1997, at his home in Kalispell.

He was born Feb. 4, 1918 in Brantwood, Wisc., to Hemmie and Amelia Berhow Kaski.

He married Wilma Pekkala in 1942 in Louisiana.

They had nine children: Yvonne and her husband, Paul Heidegger, of Lonepine, Ronald and his wife, Judy Kaski, of Lakeside, Merry Kaski and her husband, Bill Joy, of Novi, Mich., Harold and his wife, Marjorie Kaski, of Battle Ground, Wash., Cheryl and her husband, Terry Hilliard of Bryant, S.D., Patricia and her husband, Don Homola of Yacolt, Wash., Faith and her husband, Aaron Jolma, of Lonepine, John and his wife, Janice Kaski, of Battle Ground, Rebecca and her husband, Peter Uskoski, of Battle Ground; 64 grandchildren; 74 great-grandchildren; seven brothers and sisters, Wayne Kaski of Sun Prairie, Wisc.; Virgil Kaski of Rollins, Beulah Levanen of Hancock, Mich., Delyla Pekkala, Marilyn Johnson, Doris Lee, all of Battle Ground, and Ardith Rosenlund of Yacolt, Wash.; one aunt, Anna Selvala of Ft. Atkinson, Wisc.; and numerous cousins and a host of Christian brothers and sisters.

He was preceded in death by his

parents; two brothers; one sister; and three grandchildren.

He was a member of the 173rd Field Artillery during World War II.

Funeral services will be held today at 2 p.m. at the Old Apostolic Lutheran Church in Lakeside, with Rod Uskoski and Robert Ruonavaara officiating.

Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Cemetery.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

1991 Delores 'Tootsie' Kasper, 63

Delores "Tootsie" Kasper, 63, of Ellendale, Minn., died on Sunday, April 6, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident near Hope, Minn.

She was born Nov. 4, 1933, in Albert Lea, Minn., to Anthony and Florence Kulla Janka. She graduated from Ellendale High School.

She was united in marriage to Mark Kasper on Aug. 7, 1954, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Owatonna, Minn.

She worked at Steve's Meat Market for 10 years, then owned Dee's Crafts for 12 years in Ellendale.

She was a member of St. Aiden's Altar Society and Parish.

She is survived by her husband, Mark Kasper, of Ellendale; four sons, Stephen and Carol Kasper of Owatonna, Tim and Laurie Kasper of Clarks Grove, Minn., Mike and Paula Kasper of Austin, Minn., and Jeff and Cheryl Kasper of Owatonna; three daughters, Debbie and Doug Braaten

of Owatonna, Julie and Ron Peterson of Kalispell, and Susan Andersen of Ellendale; 15 grandchildren; one brother, Rudy and Darla Janka of Ellendale; three sisters, Catherine and Myron Wencil of Owatonna, Pat and Milo Wobschall of Waseca, Minn., and Mary and Tom Supulla of New Richland, Minn.; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Owatonna with the Rev. Thomas Hargesheimer officiating. Burial will take place at Sacred Heart Cemetery. Visitation will be held today from 4-8 p.m. at Brick-Postlewaite Funeral Home and on Wednesday from 9-10:15 a.m. at the funeral home.

She was loved very much and will be missed dearly by her family and friends.

20 Feb **George Irvin Keck, Jr., 66** 1997

George Irvin Keck, Jr., 66, of Columbia Falls, died Thursday, at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

He was born Oct. 12, 1930, in Columbia Falls to George and Ethel Keck. He was raised and educated in Columbia Falls and then entered the Air Force, serving in the Korean War.

He was an electrician and worked for Plum Creek Lumber Co., Lockheed Air and Bethlehem Steel. He retired in 1993 and returned to Columbia Falls. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and enjoyed woodcarving.

He was preceded in death by a brother, John, and by a son, Kelly.

Survivors include a son, Duane Tucker, of Missoula; daughter Sheila Hannah, in Midland, Texas; three granddaughters; his mother, Ethel Keck, of Columbia Falls; sisters Ethel and husband Orval Prichard, in Columbia Falls, Helen and husband Wayne Gryde, of Polson; Gertrude and husband Bob Seliger, in Hungry Horse, Linda and husband Ed Boucher, of Kalispell, Doris and husband Scott King, in Melissa, Texas; brothers Robert Keck and wife Jean, of Everett, Wash., and Joe Keck in San Francisco, Calif.

A memorial service will be announced later by the family. Arrangements are by Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

Lewis Keck, 68

Lewis E. Keck, 68, passed away Sept. 30, 1997.

He is survived by his wife, Juanita Keck, at the home; sons, Jim W. Keck of Helena, Bob Keck of Roanoke, Va., Ken Moon of Spokane, Mark Moon of Chatteroy, Wash.; daughters, Shirlee Steinke of Spokane, Marcy Lawless of Japan; brother Don Keck of Sandpoint, Idaho; sisters, Dorothy Black of Deer Park, Wash., Marty Karlovich of Great Falls; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a

brother, William Keck, in 1983.

He was a resident of the Spokane area for seven years.

He worked for Burlington Northern Railroad as a locomotive engineer, retiring in 1990 after 40 years of service.

He was a member of Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers for 40 years.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday at Hennessey Valley Funeral Home, 1315 N. Pine Rd., Spokane, WA.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 900 N. Maple, Spokane, WA 99201.

Robert Martin Keeper, 27

Robert Martin Keeper, 27, of Gallatin, Mo., died Wednesday evening, May 21, 1997, of injuries from a vehicle accident in Caldwell County, Mo.

He was born Jan. 26, 1970, in Lynnwood, Wash. He graduated from the J.C. Penney High School in Hamilton, Mo., in 1989.

He served in the U.S. Army and was employed as a nurse's aid at the Daviess County Care Center in Gallatin. He attended the Cameron Christine Center Church in Cameron, Mo.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Carl Keeper; paternal great-grandmother, Iva Keeper; and his maternal grandfather, Clarence Knoblich.

Survivors are son, Robert Martin Jr., of Gallatin; his mother and stepfa-

ther, Kathy and Roy Lormis, of Colorado Springs, Colo.; his father and stepmother, Gary and Pat Keeper, of Eureka; sister, Shawna Keeper, of Colorado Springs; aunt and uncle, Karen and Roger Schell, of Othello, Wash.; aunt and uncle, Linda and Jim Deitrich, of Othello; stepbrother, Jeremy Lormis, of Ripon, Wis.; two stepsisters, Angela Belding of Ripon and Lauri Lormis of Yakima, Wash.; paternal grandmother, Irene Keeper, of Yakima; and many relatives and friends.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at Bram Funeral Home in Gallatin. Burial will be in Brown Cemetery in Gallatin. Visitation will be today at the funeral home. The family will receive friends from 1 p.m. until service time on Sunday at the funeral home.

Glen D. Keil Sr., 69

Glen D. Keil, Sr., former Kalispell resident, quietly passed away at his home in Florence, Ariz., on July 7, 1997, after a brief battle with cancer. He was 69 years old.

He was born on Sept. 24, 1927, in Conrad. After graduating from high school, he joined the Army. After leaving the service, he worked with his father in the family's bowling alley in Shelby. There he met Deo Marie Nelson. They were married on April 9, 1950.

They have seven children, Barbara Arend of Bellevue, Wash., Beverly DuBos of Kalispell, Brian Keil of North Bend, Wash., Glen Keil Jr. of Palmer, Alaska, Eileen Probasco of Kodiak Alaska, Jennifer Keil of Anchorage, Alaska, and Jessica Keil of Anchorage. They have eight grandchildren and one great-grandson.

They resided in Kalispell and Issaquah, Wash., finally settling in Palmer, Alaska where they lived for

almost 25 years.

He worked in construction most of his adult life. He eventually started his own business with his son, Glen Keil Jr.

He was a member of the Moose Lodge, the Elks Lodge and the American Legion. An avid hunter and fisherman, he shot a record moose on the Iditarod River in Alaska two days before his 65th birthday. It's registered in Boone and Crockett Club Records of North American Big Game as well as the All-Time Boone and Crockett record book.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Doris Keil, and by his sister, Joycelyn Williams.

He is survived by his brother, Keith, of Kalispell.

A memorial service is planned for him in Palmer, Alaska, at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to your local hospice organization.

Margaret A. Keith, 80

Margaret A. Keith, 80, passed away in Mission Viejo, California on December 30, 1997, after a long struggle with lung disease.

She was born Margaret Annetta Ruegsegger on January 9, 1917, in Kalispell, to Margaret Helen and Wesley F. Ruegsegger. She attended the Flathead public Schools, graduating from High School in 1934.

She held various secretarial positions until her marriage. On November 12, 1939 in Cardston, Alberta she married William "Bill" G. Keith and became a member of the large Keith family.

Bill and Margaret owned and together operated the Keith Cleaners, located on Main Street in Kalispell, from 1943 until they closed the business in 1967. Margaret was employed as a deputy clerk for the Flathead County Court House from 1968 to 1972. She then returned to her profession of secretary and was employed by the law firm of Warden, Walterskirchen, Christiansen & Johnson. She retired in 1982, to care for her ailing husband.

Margaret was a member of the Presbyterian Church, a Red Cross



volunteer, acting as receptionist at the blood drawings, and a volunteer for RSVP. She greatly enjoyed her volunteer hours and friends at the Red Cross and RSVP programs. Margaret loved spending time with her family and traveling. She loved playing bridge and golf, a sport which she started playing at the age of 66.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Jean Young, a brother, Gordon Ruegsegger and her beloved husband, Bill Keith.

Margaret is survived by daughter and son-in-law Mowry and Art Yearout of Great Falls; daughter and son-in-law Billie Jean and Tom McGivern of Foothill Ranch, Calif., and daughter and son-in-law Marsha and Bob Worthington of Helena; seven grandchildren, Alexandra Marshall, Christopher Gygi, Laura Girard, Geoffrey and Jennifer McGivern, Glendie Loranger and Keithi Worthington; three great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service and interment will be held the end of May. Exact date and time will be announced. The family prefers memorials to the First Presbyterian Church of Kalispell or to an organization of donor's choice.

50 years 1949 Margaret Keith

A memorial service for Margaret Keith who died Dec. 30, 1997 in California, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell.

Robert Arthur Keith, 56

Robert Arthur Keith, 56, died Dec. 30, 1997 in Houston, Texas.

He was born Oct. 21, 1941 in Kalispell. He was a graduate of Washington State University and spent the next 30 years with the Westin Hotel Corp.

He began work in Billings, moving to Portland, Chicago, Dallas and Houston, where he continued duties as comptroller of the Westin Galleria and Westin Oaks Hotels. While with Westin he received the Thurston-Dupar Inspiration Award.

After retirement he spent his time

doing a great deal of volunteer work.

He is survived by his sister, Mary, in California; brothers, John and Harry of Kalispell; and numerous nieces and nephews and countless friends.

A memorial service was held in Houston on Jan. 3, 1998, at his residence.

A graveside memorial service will be held in Kalispell this summer.

The family has requested that any donations be made to the Omega House, a hospice, at 602 Branard, Houston, TX 77006, or a charity of your choice.

Mary Elizabeth Dobrowski Keller, 86

Mary Elizabeth Dobrowski Keller, 86, was called home by her Lord one day before her 87th birthday.

She died on Aug. 8 in the Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

She was born Aug. 9, 1910, in Wibaux County to Walter and Mary Dobrowski. In 1926, she moved to Minneapolis, where she worked until she moved to Kalispell in 1934. She worked at Kalispell General Hospital until she married Charlie A. Keller on Nov. 2, 1935. The couple farmed west of Kalispell until they moved to their farm near Columbia Falls in 1954. They built their home there in 1967.

She enjoyed gardening and was proud of her vegetables and flowers and was happy giving them to friends and family. She made articles for the St. Richard's Church Bazaar for many years. She delighted being with children and helping them. She made many Afghans and enjoyed music and playing her violin. She loved to



wear hats. Any time she went shopping, the hat shop was on her agenda almost first.

In 1952, the couple adopted a son, Roger, who preceded them in death in 1989. She was preceded in death by her husband, Charlie, in 1990.

She is survived by sisters Helen Gonsior, of Kalispell, Rose Burling, of Minneapolis, and Clara Robison, of Seattle; brothers John Dobrowski, of Mesa, Ariz., Stanley and Joe Dobrowski, both of Wibaux and Ed Dobrowski, of Kalispell; granddaughter Shannon Keller, of Whitefish; daughter-in-law Elizabeth Keller Howke, of Whitefish and many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews and cousins.

Visitation is 1-4 p.m., today, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday. Vigil service will be 7 p.m. Monday at Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, the Rev. Kevin O'Neill as celebrant. Burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Samaritan House because of Mary's admiration for the work and help of this charity.

Bernice M. Kellogg, 89

Bernice M. Kellogg, 89, died Monday April 28, 1997, at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

She was born June 26, 1907, in Rising City, Neb., to Otto and Lottie Ireland Lux. When she was very young, she lived with her family first in Canada, then in Idaho.

She was married to Walter Le Roy Kellogg on Dec. 31, 1924, in Coeur d'Alene. They lived there until 1929, when they moved to Kalispell. Walter died in March of 1984 while fishing.

She was very good with her hands. She was very accomplished at knitting, embroidering and needlework. She loved the outdoors, especially gardening. When she was younger, she loved to take her grandsons camping and fishing. They were her pride and joy. In recent years, she took up crossword puzzles. She was very good at doing them and would spend hours mastering the puzzles.

She will be missed by everyone who knew her.

She was preceded in death by two

brothers, Richard and Robert Lux, and a sister, Frieda Thompson.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Gerry and Bob Souhrada, of Columbia Falls; three grandsons and their spouses, Terry and Kathy Souhrada of Missoula, Mark Souhrada and Debra Aurand of Columbia Falls, and Scott and Donna Souhrada of Spokane; great-grandchildren, Tassie and Jamie Souhrada of Missoula, and Conor and Carly Souhrada of Spokane; sister, Margie Roth, of Coeur d'Alene.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt officiating. Interment will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family request memorials to the Flathead Senior Companion Program for the Visually Impaired, c/o Mary Wake, 1128 Kenwood Dr. Apt E. 5, Kalispell, MT 59901 or the charity of the donor's choice.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Lee E. Kelsey, 77

Lee E. Kelsey, 77, of rural Whitefish, died Sunday, Aug. 3, 1997, at North Valley Hospital.

He was born Sept. 9, 1919, in Lewistown to Frank and Maud Kelsey.

From 1949 to 1953, he worked for Dempsey Sawmill in Olney. In 1953, he began working for Anaconda Aluminum in Columbia Falls. He retired as a systems operator in 1981.

His hobbies included golf, cribbage and music. From 1940 until 1960, he played his guitar with the late Bob Lawrence and with Butch Cady.

He was preceded in death by two

brothers, Bud and Herk, and a sister, Elda.

He is survived by his wife, Ocie Irene, at their home west of Whitefish; a daughter, Joan Stanley, of Sacramento, Calif.; a son, Michael, of Everett, Wash.; two sisters, Harrie Knoepke and Vera Kalanick, both of Great Falls; a brother, Morris Leroy Kelsey, of Carlsbad, Calif.; and a number of other relatives and friends.

Graveside services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Arrangements are by Austin Funeral Home.

1997 Herbert Kessel, 85

Herbert P. "Herb" Kessel, 85, a former Libby businessman, died Friday, Oct. 31, at St. John Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

He was born July 21, 1912, at Dodson, to William and Anna Kessel.

He had owned and operated the Libby Bakery and also had worked at Adkins Supermarket in Kalispell before moving to northern Idaho. He returned to Libby several years ago where he had since resided.

He was preceded in death by his wife Maude; his parents; a sister; and a brother.

Survivors include his sons, Bruce Kessel of Libby, William Kessel of Ft.

Mohave, Ariz., Morris Krigbaum of New Meadows, Idaho, and Lamoine Krigbaum of Spokane; two brothers, Ted Kessel of Spokane, and Marvin Kessel of Coeur d'Alene; three sisters, Clara Myrhaug of Libby, Ethel Frederick of Puyallup, Wash., and Irene Rogers of Coeur d'Alene; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Libby. Graveside services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Forest Cemetery in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Memorials may be made to Libby Volunteer Ambulance, Box 777, Libby, MT 59923.

Mildred Beatrice Wallum Kickbusch, 93

Mildred Beatrice Wallum Kickbusch, 93, of Thompson Falls, died of natural causes Monday, Jan. 20, 1997, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

Memorial services will be conducted Saturday at 1 p.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Thompson Falls with the Rev. Jim Pladson officiating. Inurnment is to take place in the spring at Highland Cemetery in Havre. Cremation has taken place under the direction of Garden City Funeral Home & Crematory of Missoula.

She was born Aug. 1, 1903, at Albert Lea, Minn., the oldest of six children born to Peter and Louise Paulson Wallum. At the time of her death, she was the lone family survivor.

At age 7, she moved to Montana where her parents homesteaded in north central Montana, north of Gildford, in Hill County. It was there she met her future husband, August Kickbusch, a neighboring homesteader, when he helped Mildred's father build a barn. They began dating in the summer of 1918 after August returned from a brief stint in

the U.S. Army.

They were married on Jan. 5, 1921, in Hingham. They made their home on the Kickbusch homestead, where they farmed. Following the Great Depression of 1929, they moved with their seven children to the Bear Paw Mountains south of Havre in 1933, and to Havre in 1936.

She worked at various jobs in Havre before her employment at Northern Montana College as a cook from 1948-1963 where she fondly was called "Kickie" by her peers and the many students she nurtured. During this time, August became well known for his large vegetable gardens. He died suddenly of a stroke Sept. 14, 1959.

She later lived in Santa Maria, Calif., for 25 years before moving back to her beloved Montana in 1986. She lived in Great Falls briefly before moving to Thompson Falls where she resided at Lions Lodge until moving into a daughter's home in mid-1995. She resided at Colonial Manor in Whitefish since Aug. 8, 1996.

She was a member of Our Saviors Lutheran Church of Thompson Falls

where she regularly attended services, Bible study and circle meetings for nearly a decade.

She loved to crochet and will be remembered for her numerous fine-stitched afghans and doilies.

Survivors include children, Helen Tadewaldt and husband, Charles, of Desert Hot Springs, Calif., Estelle Ward and Pete Burnett, of Auburn, Wash., Wilma Berg and Bob Berg, of Great Falls, Willard Kickbusch and wife, Kay, of Havre, and Jean Kato of Thompson Falls; seven grandchildren; 63 great-grandchildren; 29 great-great-grandchildren; and a daughter-in-law, Lucille Kickbusch, of Kalispell.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by a daughter, Eleanor Laugen, in 1980; a son, Roy Kickbusch in 1995; two sisters, Hazel Goldberg and Jeanette Ferris; three brothers, George, Clifford and Howard Wallum; six grandchildren, Carolyn Knutson, Jola Kickbusch Dorlarque, Terry Ward, Paul Clay, Lynelle Berg and Marvin Knutson.

Memorials may be made to Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Box 734, Thompson Falls, MT 59873.

Kenneth Kienzle, 40

Kenneth L. "Ken" Kienzle died by drowning in Swan Lake on Aug. 9, 1997.

He was born July 27, 1957, to Helmer and Loreina Kienzle in Billings. He began his education in Billings and continued in Helena, from third grade through his freshman year. In 1973 the family moved to Bigfork, where he played football for three years at Bigfork High School, graduating with the class of 1976. He worked all of his adult years in the tile business, first as a partner with his father. On Jan. 1, 1996, he became sole owner of Western Montana Tile. He was highly respected by all contractors and homeowners for whom he did work.

His greatest love was snowmobiling as one of the Three Musketeers



with friends Carol Field and Stuart Johnson. He also enjoyed his four wheeler and hunting trips. His newest sport was jet skiing. He was learning to ride and had the best life jacket available. He made the mistake of not taking the time to put it on for the last run of the day.

He is survived by his parents, Helmer and Loreina Kienzle; special friend Carol Field; many uncles, aunts and cousins.

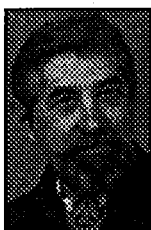
He was preceded in death by his infant brother, Kelly Lynn; grandparents, Sam and Bertha Kienzle and Peter and Alvina Dewald; one aunt and two uncles.

Funeral services will be Monday, at 11 a.m. at Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork with the Rev. Jack Shannon officiating.

The family requests memorials be made to Swan Mission Search and Rescue.

Donald Kiger, 67

Donald Dale Kiger, a loving husband and father, 67, died on Monday, Nov. 10, 1997, at home surrounded by the warmth of his family, after a courageous battle with cancer.



He was born Aug. 18, 1930, in Milwaukee, Wisc., the son of Dale and Mary Murn Kiger. He lived most of his youth in Munster, Ind., prior to enlisting in the U. S. Marine Corps on Oct. 21, 1947.

On Sept. 15, 1950, as part of the First Marine Division, Reinforced, he was involved in the amphibious seizure of Inch'on and subsequent capture of Seoul, Korea.

He also participated in the Wonsan-Hungnam Chosin Campaign from Oct. 28, 1950 to Dec. 11, 1950

For extraordinary heroism while serving in the U.S. Marine Corps, he received the Presidential Unit Citation for service in Korea together with a ribbon bar and one bronze star; Good Conduct Medal for service from 1947-1950; China Service Medal for service in China 1949-1949; and the United Nations Service Medal.

He also received the National Service Medal and the Korean Service Medal with one Silver Star for participation in the North Korean Aggression; Communist China Aggression; First United Nations Counter offensive; Communist China Spring offensive; and the United Nations Summer-Fall offensive.

He was a lithographer by trade and worked for many years for Rand McNally, Hammond Division, where he met his wife, Katrina.

He worked locally for Thomas

Printing from December 1979 to June 1991, at which time he took an early retirement.

A descendent of the Cherokee Indians, he was an avid hunter and a lover of nature. This was taught to his children at a very young age. Even though he was only a member of the Flathead Valley Clay Target Club for a short time, he enjoyed the competition and the friends that he made.

He was preceded in death by both of his parents.

He is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Katrina of Kalispell; seven children, Jeffrey Kiger of Kalispell, Bryan Michael Kiger and wife, Debbie, of Atlanta, Ga., Michael Kiger and wife, Penny, of Kalispell, Greta "Grit" Birky and husband, Rich, of Sweet Home, Ore., Genelle "Charlie" and her intended, Larry Brunmeier, of Billings, Leigh Allegra and husband, James, of Bonita Springs, Fla., and Bryan Arthur "Henry" McCray and wife, Rhonda, of Salt Lake City, Utah; 11 grandchildren, Rhys, Danielle, Justin, Taylor, Jordan, Ray, Alyxandra, Heather, Heidi, Brandon, and Benjamin; a brother, Bo Kiger of Munster, Tenn.; a sister, Beverly Hicks of Clinton, Ky.; and his loving mother-in-law, Grace Koehler of Riverdale, Ill.

Memorial services will be Thursday at 1 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with Earl Davison officiating.

The family suggests memorials be made to Home Options Hospice, 1280 Burns Way, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Cremation has taken place. Cremation and arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

1997 Henry Kimerly, 52

Henry W. Kimerly, 52, passed away Saturday morning, Nov. 15, at his home in Columbia Falls after battling cancer for several months.

He was born Oct. 11, 1945, in Deer Lodge, to George A. and Bessie J. Kimerly.

He worked at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard in Bremerton, Wash., for many years.

He retired in May 1996 and returned to his so-loved mountains of Montana.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sisters, Evelyn Pierce and Darlene Robertson; and a brother, Bill Sanford.

He is survived by his wife, Glenda Kimerly of Columbia Falls; daughter



Nicki Kimerly of Columbia Falls; five sisters, Betty Delaware of Hot Springs, Rose LaTray of Anaconda, Ida Bateman of Toston, Annie Collins of Deer Lodge, and Edith Hurlbert of Ravalli; three brothers, George Kimerly of Missoula, Herbert Kimerly of Deer Lodge, and Howard Sanford; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held Thursday at 1 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 in Columbia Falls with military graveside honors.

Visitation will be today from 1 to 8 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

The family will be present from 4 to 8 p.m. to greet people.

1997 Claudie Marie Kimes, 85

Claudie Marie Kimes, 85, of Pikeville, Tenn., died Saturday, April 12, at Bledsoe County Hospital.

She was until recently a resident of Kalispell. She moved to Pikeville to be with her daughter. She was baptized as a Jehovah's Witness in 1943 and was unwavering in her faith to death.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Marshall Kimes; brothers Harry, Robert, Russell and James Hill and sisters Viola Moon and Anne

Lawman.

She is survived by her four children, Andrew G. Kimes, of Shelby, Anona B. Artz, of Pikeville, Tenn., Claude A. Kimes and Delores I. Courter, both of Kalispell; 10 grandchildren and several great grandchildren; brother Omar Hill of Port Orchard, Wash., and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah Witnesses on Woodland, Ave., 2 p.m., Saturday, May 3.

Barbara Hartin Kincaid, 68

Barbara Hartin Kincaid, 68, died Feb. 12, 1997, in Spokane. She had homes in Spokane and Lakeside.

She is survived by her husband, John Kincaid of Spokane; two daughters and sons-in-law, Mary and Alan Lerner of Kalispell and Anne and Steve Stinson of Billings; a son and daughter-in-law, John and Sally Kincaid of Yakima, Wash.; a brother, John Hartin of Beaver-creek, Ore.; a sister-in-law, Shirley Horning and her husband, Bill, of Vancouver, Wash.; seven grandchildren, Hailey, Allison, Joan, Leslie, Jean, Mike and John; and a niece and two nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Dr. David and Edith Irene Hartin, and her sister, Mary Hartin.

She was born June 11, 1928, in Spokane. She married John Kincaid on March 1, 1952, in Spokane.

She attended Lewis and Clark High School in Spokane, and graduated from the University of Montana in Missoula.

She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, where she met many longtime friends and was active as an alumna.

She was a gifted, devoted and gracious wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend. She treasured her friendships, enriching the lives of those she touched.

In recent years, she devoted herself to volunteering at the Barton School, teaching English to recent immigrants from many nations.

She was a member of the Junior League of Spokane; an active member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church; and a member of the St. Clement's Guild.

She and her husband spent the summer months at their family home at Flathead Lake. She was an avid flower gardener and reader, but her greatest pleasure in life came from sharing time with her family and friends.

A memorial service will be Friday at 2:30 p.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Spokane, with the Rev. Robert Dunn and the Rev. John Hay co-officiating. Ball & Dodd Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Friends may make memorial contributions to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church or Barton School, 318 S. Cedar, Spokane, WA.

Nellie King, 95

Nellie Florence King 95, passed away at the Heritage Place nursing home in Kalispell of natural causes.

She was born April 19, 1902 in Sharp, Ky., the daughter of Ferdinand Lawrence and Jessie Allen Scull. She was raised and attended schools in various places, including Washington, Kansas, and Arkansas. She graduated from high school in Conway, Ark., in 1920, and then attended the state teachers college in Conway.

She married John Roy King in 1925, and he preceded her in death 12 years later. She completed her education at the University of Idaho in Moscow, Idaho. She taught school for 30 years.

She belonged to NEA and was a life

member of the First Baptist Church in Arkansas. She was an excellent seamstress and enjoyed hand work.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; two sisters; a brother; and a daughter, Rachel Robbins.

Survivors include a daughter and her husband, Jane and C.M. "Bud" Fishel of Lakeside; a brother, Harold Scull of Sonoma, Calif.; seven grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild.

Graveside services will be held at a later date at the Fairview Cemetery near Kalispell. Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. 7 Oct 1997 FL

1997 Theodore D. 'Ted Dell' Kinniburgh, 54/1997

Theodore D. "Ted Dell" Kinniburgh, 54, died at his home in Marion on Friday, July 4, of heart failure.

He was born Feb. 24, 1943, in Kalispell, to Frank K. and Dorothea E. Kinniburgh.

He was educated at the Marion School through the eighth grade and graduated from Flathead High School in 1960.

He was a heavy equipment operator and worked driving trucks and in the woods.

He was preceded in death by an infant son, Ted Allen Kinniburgh.

He is survived by his mother, Dorothea and her husband, Lincoln Harris, of Marion; sons Steve and

Kevin, of Kalispell, Arly and Shane, in Tennessee; daughter Kendra Vermulm, of Cut Bank; his companion Lou Ella Schwenke; brother Kent Kinniburgh, in Mississippi; sisters Elaine Thompson and April Wagar, both of Marion; 15 grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

He was much loved and will be missed by family and friends. No public services are planned. Private urn burial will be at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

Charles Kinnick, 90

Charles Stanley "Stan" Kinnick, 90, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 18, 1997, at his home in Kalispell.

He was born Aug. 23, 1907, in Coulee City, Wash., to Charles Edward and Maude Kinnick. He attended schools in Washington and then moved to Montana in the late 1930s.

He loved the outdoors and most of his jobs were in the great outdoors. When he was younger he worked for the park service as a smoke chaser, then went on to work for the U.S. Forest Service. He then went to work for the Great Northern Railroad, where he retired.

He married Lila J. Davis on Sept. 14, 1937, in Coeur d'Alene. They lived in Evergreen for many, many years. Lila passed away on Oct. 5, 1989. They had been married for 52 years.

He loved the outdoors. Fishing, hunting and gardening were some of

the things he loved to do. He will be missed by all that knew him.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife.

He is survived by his two daughters, Mary "Betty" Thompson and her husband, Bob, of Puyallup, Wash., and Ruth Springer and her husband, Elmer, of Kalispell; two brothers, George and Ralph Kinnick, both of Kooskia, Idaho; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held Friday from noon until 5 p.m. at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell.

The family request in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Brendan House in Kalispell. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

1997 Elmo V. Kinsey, 83

Elmo V. Kinsey, 83, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 23, at the Montana Veterans' Home in Columbia Falls.

He was born July 16, 1914, in Lampasas, Texas, to V. T. and Florence Blackwell Kinsey. He spent several years in Texas before moving to New Mexico as a young man. He went to work as a cowboy, a job he enjoyed and was very good at.

During World War II, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps, where he worked as a mechanic. He served in North Africa, Sicily and Italy. After the fighting stopped in Europe, he served the rest of the war in the Philippines.

After the war, he returned to New Mexico and married Mary Ann Johnson. They owned a herd of dairy cows and he worked as a dairyman for many years. Later, he gave up the dairy business and worked as a carpenter, another job he was very good at.

He was an avid hunter in the truest sense of the word, hunting

only for meat the family would eat and showing love and respect for the outdoors.

He and Ann moved to Montana in 1983. She passed away in 1989.

He was also preceded in death by a grandson.

He was a caring person who will be missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his son, Larry Kinsey, of Alvin, Texas; seven daughters, Peggy Kinsey, of Denver; Cynthia Tillman, of Frenchtown; Kathy Kinsey, of Farmington, N. M.; Candy Britt-Griffin, of Bigfork; Betsy Kinsey, of Morris Plains, N. J.; Ginger Masoner, of Buckhorn, New Mexico and Bonnie Aguirre, of San Diego, Calif.; sister Jewel Nelson, of Rutheron, N. M.; 19 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

A private family memorial service is planned later. His ashes will be interred at Florida Cemetery in Durango, Colo. Arrangements and cremation are by Bigfork Funeral Home.

Ida M. Kinshella, 89

Ida M. Kinshella, 89, died Wednesday, Aug. 27, 1997, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born March 16, 1908, in Pine River, Minn., to Bert and Alice Henry Becker. She was raised and educated in Minnesota. She moved to Kalispell in 1927 with her family.

She married Ernest Kinshella on Sept. 9, 1929.

She worked at the Sisters of Mercy Hospital from 1960 to 1974, when she retired. At the time of her death she resided at Brendan House.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Ernest, in 1970; two granddaughters, Jackualine McGregor and Laurie Hall; two sisters and two brothers.

She is survived by four daughters, Norma Jean McGregor and husband,

John, of Spokane, JoAnn Hall and husband, Monty, of Hot Springs, Arlene Knutson and husband, Buster, of Kalispell, and Joyce Vlasak, also of Kalispell; eight grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is today until 6 p.m. and Saturday until service time at Johnson Mortuary. Vigil service will be at the mortuary chapel today at 7 p.m., and the Mass of Christian burial will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at St. Matthew's Catholic Church with the Rev. Kevin O'Neill as celebrant. Burial will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell.

The family invites family and friends to a luncheon after the services at the church basement.

1997 Helen Louise Kinzle, 80

Helen Louise Kinzle passed away Thursday, May 23, at St. Luke's Hospital in Ronan.

She was born Jan. 17, 1917, in Great Falls. She was raised and educated in Butte, where her father, a graduate of MIT, was an engineer with Anaconda Mining Co.

She attended Colorado Women's College and pursued a business career in San Francisco.

She married Theodore Kinzle on Sept. 3, 1966, in San Francisco. They retired to Flathead Lake in 1981 and

moved to Polson in 1991.

She is survived by her husband, Ted, of Polson; sisters Leslie McGee, of Lopez Island, Wash., and Jane Dodge, of Puyallup, Wash., and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Eugenie Jaccard and brothers, Frederick C. Jaccard, Jr., Gilbert W. Jaccard and Hiel E. Jaccard.

A memorial service will be 11 a.m., Wednesday, at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in Polson. Arrangements are by Grogan Funeral Home.

Lavern Kirkland, 80

Lavern Burnard Kirkland, 80, died Wednesday, Nov. 19, 1997, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

He was born April 8, 1917, in Sidney, to Archie J. and Phobe Lester Kirkland. He received his education in Sidney and Kalispell. He was never married.

He went into the U.S. Marine Corps in 1942, serving in the South Pacific. He operated the Amph Trac 997 Flame Thrower and worked with construction and heavy equipment. He received an honorable discharge in 1945.

After the service he worked in Alaska as a heavy equipment operator and also in Hawaii. He returned to live in Kalispell about 1962, and

has lived here until the time of his passing. He enjoyed fishing and hunting.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Marguerite Troxel; and four brothers, Clarence, Lawrence, Tim, and John.

He is survived by two brothers, Clifford Kirkland of Kenai, Alaska, and Archie Kirkland of Kalispell; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery, with the Rev. Kenneth Mottran officiating. Military honors by the United Veterans of the Flathead will also be given.

Cremation and arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Ella Kline, 92

Ella Kline, 92, passed away Thursday, Sept. 11, 1997, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

She was born Feb. 16, 1905, in Russia, and moved to the United States when she was a very young child. She was raised in southern Minnesota, where she attended school.

She married Joseph Kline and they made their home in Minnesota. She moved to Kalispell in 1992, where she resided ever since.

She loved to cook and bake. Everyone that ever ate her baked goods would agree they were the best.

She was very good at doing specialty cakes and had made many different kinds for all types of occasions.

She will be missed by her family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Joseph Kline Sr.; a son, Joseph Kline Jr.; and 11 brothers and sisters.

She is survived by a daughter, Audrey Pemble of Columbia Falls; a sister, Elsie Sack of Waseca, Minn.; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

A private family visitation was held Saturday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Burial will be at 11 a.m. Sept. 26, at Bigfork Cemetery in Bigfork. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of local arrangements.

A. Marion Knapton, 71

A. Marion Knapton, 71, died Friday, July 18, 1997, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

She was born Oct. 7, 1925, in Rexford, to Thomas and Ada Hughes. When her father was killed in an accident, her mother remarried and she became the daughter of Mac Fulkerson.

She had three sisters, Muriel Jones and Margaret Hundahl, both of Kalispell, and Jean Diver of New Brighton, Minn.; and three brothers, Tom Hughes of Camarillo, Calif., and Jim Fulkerson and Art Fulkerson, both of Whitefish.

She graduated from Whitefish High School and later attended Bozeman Nursing School.

On Aug. 17, 1945, she married Ray Knapton of Whitefish. They had two children, Ed "Bo" Knapton of Newnan Lake, Wash., and Kris Skyberg, of Columbia Falls. There are five grandchildren and one great-grandson.

She was active in her church, The Holy Nativity Episcopal, and enjoyed working the concession stand for the Glacier Twins.

The family has suggested memorials to the Shepherd's Hand in Whitefish in lieu of flowers.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Holy Nativity Church in Whitefish. Arrangements for cremation were made through Austin Funeral Home.

Dana Knoepfle, 44

Retired Chief Master Sergeant Dana Knoepfle, 44, died Saturday, July 12, 1997, at his home in Spokane, with his family at his side.

He was born Feb. 8, 1953, in Bottineau, N.D., to Dewain and Olive Knoepfle. He attended Columbia Falls High School, and in February, 1974, he enlisted in the Air Force.

He was stationed in several states and countries during his career. While he was stationed in Rapid City, S.D., he met his wife, Sandra Coronado, who was also in the Air Force. They had two sons, Daniel, 11, and David, 9.

On Feb. 9, 1994, while he was stationed in Omaha, Neb., he was selected for promotion to Chief Master Sergeant, the Air Force's highest enlisted rank.

He enjoyed many outdoor activities, such as golf, hunting and fishing. One of his favorite sayings was "There are no shortcuts to anyplace worth going." He lived his life this

way at work and at home with his family. He will be remembered with love and respect by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his father, Dewain Knoepfle, and a brother, Darwin Knoepfle.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra Knoepfle, of Spokane; two sons, Daniel and David Knoepfle, of Spokane; his mother, Olive Knoepfle, of Columbia Falls; a brother, Demont Knoepfle, of Columbia Falls; two sisters, Duana Knoepfle of Kalispell and Darla Iverson of San Diego, Calif.

Graveside inurnment will be Saturday at 11 a.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls with the Rev. Bob Nilsen of Calvary Lutheran Church officiating. Military graveside honors will be provided by the United Veterans of the Flathead.

A reception will be held after the services at 125 Falcon Lane in Columbia Falls. Columbia Mortuary is in charge of local arrangements.

1991 Ben A. Knudson, 85

Ben A. Knudson, 85, of Columbia Falls, passed away Thursday, May 8, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

He was born June 15, 1911, in Cecida, Minn., to Adolph and Carrie Knudson. He was the eldest of three brothers, whose father logged and farmed.

He completed his schooling in Bemidji, Minn., and went to work farming for a cousin. There, he met Louise Otto. They were married on June 15, 1937.

He went to work as a saw filer at a lumber mill in Bemidji in 1942. He was transferred by his company to the Plum Creek Mill outside Kalispell in 1957. He retired in 1978.

His favorite pastimes were playing cards, especially cribbage, with friends, fishing, and going for a drive with his wife. They traveled to Minnesota, Kentucky, Colorado and Cali-

fornia.

He is survived by his wife, Louise, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home; children, Alta Bunch, of Fremont, Calif., Alton Knudson, of Florida, Karen Pierce, of Bemidji, Jerry Knudson, of Kalispell, Lila Stahlberg, of Kalispell and Sandra Bates, of Gunnison, Colo.; two brothers; 12 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

Visitation will be noon to 5 p.m., today, at Columbia Mortuary. A funeral will be 2 p.m., Monday, at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. Rev. Peter Ramseth will officiate. Burial will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery. The casket will not be open after the service.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Montana School for the Deaf and Blind in Great Falls or the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

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Louise Rose Knudson, 77

Louise Rose Knudson, 77, a former resident of Columbia Falls and of Bemidji, Minn., passed away Thursday, June 26, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born Jan. 22, 1920, in Big Falls, Minn., to Ernest and Katherine Otto. She had an older stepbrother and a younger sister who she raised after the deaths of her parents when she was 13. She found work as a housekeeper to support herself and her sister.

On June 15, 1937, she married Ben Knudson in Bemidji. He was a cousin

of her employer.

In 1957, he was transferred to the Plum Creek mill near Kalispell and they made their home in Columbia Falls. She worked hard growing and canning vegetables, baking, making her children clothes and quilting. She enjoyed reading, whist, rummy and western music. Later in life, she learned oil painting. She and Ben enjoyed traveling to visit their children.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ben, in May 1997.

She is survived by her six chil-

dren: Alta Bunch in Fremont, Calif., Alton Knudson in St. Cloud, Fla., Karen Pierce in Bemidji, Minn., Jerry Knudson, of Kalispell, Lila Stahlberg, of Kalispell, and Sandra Bates in Gunnison, Colo.; 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be 1-5 p.m. today at Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. Funeral services will be 3 p.m. Monday at the funeral home with the Rev. Peter Ramseth officiating. Burial will follow at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Richard Joseph 'Dick' Knox, 62

Richard Joseph "Dick" Knox, 62, a Montana state representative, died Wednesday evening, May 7, 1997, at St. Vincent Hospital in Billings, due to complications from acute leukemia.

He was born in Denton, on Aug. 18, 1934, to Joseph and Marian Day Knox. He attended school at Stanford. In 1945, the family moved to Kalispell, where he continued his schooling and graduated from Flathead High School. He went on to attend Flathead Valley Community College.

On Feb. 3, 1952, at Kalispell, he married Doris Tutvedt. They made their home in Kalispell until 1972, when they moved to Lewistown. In 1974, they moved to Winifred where they have farmed and ranched on the Missouri Breaks.

He served four terms in the house of representatives in the Montana Legislature. He was a member of the environmental quality council and chairman for three terms of the natural resources committee.

He was an active member of the American Lutheran Church in Winifred, serving on the church council. He was a former member of the Winifred school board and served as a trustee of Flathead Valley Community College. He was also president of the Missouri Breaks Multiple Use Association.

He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He enjoyed American and European history and traveling to historic sites. His greatest joy was being surrounded by his family and

friend.

He is survived by his wife, Doris, of Winifred; two daughters, Donna and her husband, Lance Johnsen, of Malta; and Nina and her husband, Water Zidack, of Billings and Bozeman; four sons, Steven Knox and his wife, Reta, of Winifred, Paul Knox and his wife, Ginger, of Winnemucca, Nev., Joseph Knox and his wife, Jackie, of Great Falls, and Matthew Knox and his wife, Karla, of Winifred. He was known as "Papa" to 17 grandchildren: Lisa Edmister, Richard Johnsen, Lucas Johnsen, Nikki Knox, Robert Knox, Matthew Knox, Jessica Knox, Jacob Knox, Jeffrey Knox, Duane Webb, Madison Knox, Steven Knox, Trent Knox, Colter Knox, Sally Knox, Sarah Knox, and Madeline Zidack; and two great-grandchildren: Sawyer Edmister and Shelby Johnsen. He is also survived by three sisters, Jeanne and Red Brown of Whitefish, Barbara and Eddy Fuller of Kalispell, and Sunny and Rick Waller of Wenatchee, Wash.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be at Winifred High School gymnasium on Monday at 2 p.m. The Rev. Ted Hamann will be officiating. Interment will be at the Winifred Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Lutheran Church, Winifred or the Winifred High School Scholarship Fund.

Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge of arrangements.

Jeffrey Carl Knutson, 45

Jeffrey Carl Knutson, 45, of Missoula, went to be with the Lord on Monday, July 21, 1997.

He was born Sept. 20, 1951, in Great Falls, to Carl and Lillian Knutson. He was a graduate of Great Falls High School.

He entered the Navy in 1972 and later went on to become an engineer for Burlington Northern Railroad. He coached many youth teams and his family was always foremost in his life. He was an avid fisherman and hunter and treasured time spent in the mountains.

He was an active member of Kings Christian Church.

In 1975, he married Carol Garnett, also of Great Falls. They had three children, JoEllen "Joey," Casey, and Seth. They lived in Whitefish four years, Havre 11 years, and then resided in Missoula.

He was preceded in death by his father and a brother.

He is survived by his wife, their children, his mother, and a sister, Laurie Mattheisen, of Great Falls, and was adored by many nieces and nephews.

He was a wonderful and devoted husband, father, son, brother, uncle and friend.

Memorial services will be Friday at 11 a.m. at South Hills Evangelical Church, 5425 Gharrett Ave., Missoula, with the Rev. Charles Couch of the Kings Christian Church officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to The King's Christian Church Building Fund, 1819 Holborn St., Suite B, Missoula, MT 59802.

Local arrangements are under the direction of Garden City Funeral Home.

George Kofford, 88

George Kofford, 88, died Friday, Nov. 21, 1997, at his home in Bigfork.

He was born Aug. 14, 1909, in Dancy, Wis., to John and Ella Johnson.

Memorial services are pending and will be announced at a later date.

Bigfork Funeral Home is in charge of funeral arrangements.

Elizabeth Kolby, 90

Elizabeth Kolby, 90, a long time resident of Lakeside, passed away Sept. 16, 1997, at the Lakeview Care Center in Bigfork.

She was born on Dec 2, 1906, in Missouri to Mr. and Mrs. Slim Parrick.

She moved to Montana as a young girl and lived in Lakeside with her family. She received a teaching degree and taught school in Hog Heaven and Arlee.

She met Ambrose Kolby at a dance in Polson and they were married Dec. 23, 1933. They adopted their daughter, Lynda, in 1945. Beth traveled with her husband in his selling business for some time, then they settled in Lakeside and bought the Lakeshore Motel and lived there until the time of her passing.

She was a member of the Lakeside Chapel church and enjoyed gardening bridge and reading.

She is preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her husband, Ambrose, of Bigfork; daughter Lynda Burns and husband, Jerry, and their children, Jamie Burns, Danielle Gibbs and husband, Trevor, all of Missoula; two sisters, Bonnie Hacker of Kalispell, and Kate Harrison of Sturgis, S. D., also numerous nieces, nephews, friends and family.

The family suggest memorials be sent to Lakeside Chapel, P.O. Box 162, Lakeside, MT 59922. No public services are planned.

Cremation and arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Ann S. Kops, 85

Ann S. Kops, 85, died at Lakeview Care Center in Bigfork on Feb. 2, 1997.

She was born in Great Falls on Nov. 19, 1911, to Charles and Anna Sirola. She attended Hawthorne Primary School and the Paris Gibson Junior High, and graduated from Great Falls High School. She returned to Black Eagle to attend the Hawthorne Primary School reunion in 1995.

She married Frank Kops on May 16, 1935, at Black Eagle. They owned and operated Kops Piano House until 1960. Then they moved to the Woods Bay area and operated a cherry orchard. She resided at their home in Woods Bay until 1995. In April of that year she moved to Buffalo Hill Terrace. She entered Lakeview Care Center in September of 1996.

She was active in the ladies organi-

zations of the Lions and Elks clubs in Bigfork, and the Sapphira Temple #79, Daughters of the Nile.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank, and her parents.

She is survived by three sisters, Florence Seifert and husband, Joe, of Great Falls, Dorothy Barieau and husband, Jerome, of Tucson Ariz., and Charlotte Larue and husband, Maurice, of Denver; and two nieces and four nephews.

A Christian wake service was held Thursday. Mass of Christian burial was at 1 p.m. today at St Catherine's Church with the Rev. Richard Sodja officiating. Burial will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Great Falls with the Rev. Anthony Gregori officiating. The family suggests memorials be sent to the Lions Club eye program. Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Anthony A. 'Tony' Krankowski

Anthony A. "Tony" Krankowski, 88, of Eureka, died Saturday at Mountain View Manor in Eureka.

He was born in Poland. At the age of 5, he immigrated to America with his family. They settled in Pennsylvania where he was raised and educated. In the early 1930s, he came to Montana.

He married Emma Blossom of Great Falls in 1936, and worked as a miner in Sand Coulee, Klein and Butte for 30 years. He later worked in construction as a carpenter, working on missile silos and Yellowtail Dam. He moved to Libby in 1967 and he worked on the Libby Dam Project, retiring in 1975. He moved to Eureka in 1982.

His wife, Emma, preceded him in death in 1994.

He loved fishing and hunting and was an avid stamp collector.

He married Mina Rieben Oct. 31, 1994.

He was a member of the Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include his wife, Mina, of Eureka; a daughter and a son; three stepsons, including Bob Rieben of Eureka; a brother, two sisters; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; eight stepgrandchildren; numerous step great-grandchildren; and one stepgreat-great-grandchild.

Visitation will be until 8 p.m. today at Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Eureka. Services will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the Assembly of God Church. Cremation will follow services with inurnment and burial in Tobacco Valley Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Mountain View Manor in Eureka.

Wilma Poth Krebsbach, 74

Wilma Poth Krebsbach, 74, of Polson, died in Yuma, Ariz., Tuesday, Dec. 30, 1997.

She was born Oct. 17, 1923, in Houston, Texas, to William and Margaret Poth. She graduated from high school at age 16 and went to work for the war department in Washington, D.C. She reacquainted herself with Clair Krebsbach from Sidney, a naval radioman who had been a blind date earlier. They were married May 29, 1942, in Baltimore, Md. While he was stationed at Trenton, N.J., she worked at Macy's Department Store.

After Clair's discharge from the Navy, he was asked by his father to come to North Dakota to put a satellite of Sidney radio station KGCX on the air in Williston. The couple made their home in Williston for the next 27 years. She enjoyed working in the family business of broadcasting as well, including hosting for several years a helpful hints program called "Ask Your Neighbor."

She was a member of several service organizations in Williston in addition to raising the couple's eight children. She and her husband enjoyed traveling all over the world together including an extended trip to Europe and the Holy Land in 1973, living with their three youngest children in a motorhome.

After spending many summers on Flathead Lake, the Krebsbachs decided to retire to Polson in 1974. She loved entertaining friends, her children and much-loved grandchildren at their home on Finley Point.

Always a voracious reader, she plunged into college classes at the University of Montana at the age of 60, alongside her two youngest children.

After her husband's retirement from broadcasting and because of her declining health, they sold their home and returned to life in a motorhome, dividing their time between beautiful Polson and Yuma, Ariz.

Her wonderful sense of humor, keen interest in current events, and devotion to her family and her faith, will be forever missed.

She is survived by her devoted care-taker and husband of 52 years, Clair; daughters, Suzanne Krebsbach of Charleston, S.C., Pamela Da Silva of Leiria, Portugal, Antionette Young of Polson, Mary Dennison of Helena, Jennifer Krebsbach-Forbis of Hamilton, Sara Torgerson of Whitefish, and their husbands; and sons, Curt Krebsbach of Kalispell, and Chris Krebsbach of Missoula; 15 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place in Yuma and funeral Mass of the Resurrection at Immaculate Conception Church in Polson will be announced at a later date.

Norine Margaret Kreuger WP 23 Jan 97

Norine Margaret Kreuger, 79, died Jan. 17 at Mountain Valley Hospice in Missoula. She had cancer.

She was born Dec. 28, 1917 to George and Alice Colligan in Box Elder, Mont. She attended school in Box Elder and graduated from high school in 1936. After working in Havre and Harlem, she attended barber school in Spokane, Wash. She then returned to Box Elder where she met and married Frederick Kreuger on Sept. 1, 1940.

The couple moved to Butte where her husband worked in the mines. During World War II, they moved

to Portland where they worked in the shipyards. After the war, they moved to Whitefish where Norine worked as a bookkeeper for various businesses and eventually worked for and retired from civil service positions at the Lakeside Radar Station and the Bureau of Reclamation at Hungry Horse Dam.

After the death of her husband, she moved to Hot Springs and divided her time between Hot Springs and Quartzite, Ariz.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Gail Louise Kreuger in 1957 and her husband, Frederick in 1976.

She is survived by two sons, Frederick of Virginia Beach, Va. and George of Noxon, Mont; two sisters, Helen Huey of Hueytown, Ala. and Kathleen Frazier of Post Falls, Idaho; and four grandchildren.

Chapel services will be at 11 a.m., Jan. 23 at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish followed by burial at the Whitefish Cemetery. Viewing will be from 1 - 8 p.m., Jan. 22.

The family has requested that memorials be made to the Mountain Valley Hospice, 10450 Mullan Road, Missoula 59802.

Cynthia Kroeze, 88

Cynthia Kroeze, 88, passed away July 2, 1997, at her residence in Spokane.

Upon her request, no service will be held. Inurnment will be in Jamestown, N.D.

She was born in Jamestown, N.D. She was a graduate of Smith College in Northampton, Mass. She married Dr. Robert Gray Kroeze. In 1936, they moved to Butte where he began his medical practice as a surgeon.

While in Butte, she was active in PEO; AAUW; Civic Orchestra Guild; Women's Auxiliary to the Montana Medical Association; member of the National Association of Parliamentarians; an elder of the First Presbyterian Church USA; moderator of

Presbyterian Women; Synodical Moderator of the Synod of the Rockies of the First Presbyterian Church.

In 1980, they moved to Lake Blaine in Kalispell. She was a member of the PEO Chapter AB. She was an active member of PEO for 66 years. After her husband died in 1996, she moved to Spokane.

She is survived by two daughters, Cindy Avila of Kalispell and Kenya, Africa, and Katherine Perkovich of Spokane; son Robert H. Kroeze of Eugene, Ore.; granddaughters Cynthia Lynn Koures of Spokane, Kristina Richardson and Sara Kroeze of Eugene; and two great-grandchildren, Elenia and Demetrious Koures.

1997 Margaret Ellen Childers Krumm, 82

Margaret Ellen Childers Krumm, a longtime friend and benefactor of the University of Montana, died unexpectedly at 1:40 p.m., March 10, at Ashbrook Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at Scotch Plains, N. J. She was 82.

She was born Jan. 23, 1915, in Kalispell to Grace Edith Metcalf Childers and Albert Marion Childers. She is survived by sons Richard C. of Elizabeth, N. J., and Donald M. of Washington D.C.; daughter Mary K. Gully, of Salt Lake City, and six grandchildren.

She was an advocate of excellence in education. She was instrumental with Richard in establishing the Grace Edith Metcalf Childers and Albert Marion Childers Endowment Fund for Presidential Scholarships. She was also a member of the Heritage Society for the University of Montana and the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities.

The highlight of her life, however, was when she was able to attend dedication ceremonies of the Davidson Honors College building in Missoula last May.

Her interests were many and varied, from the fine arts to history, literature to genealogy.

Her family moved to Medford, Ore., in 1920, where she spent her formative years. She graduated from Medford High School at age 16 and became an accomplished pianist. In 1935, she

married Wilbert R. Krumm. He worked for the National Weather Service and they lived in Washington D. C., San Francisco, Mt. Shasta, Calif., and Boise, before returning to her native state, moving to Missoula in 1943.

She was divorced in 1960. She made her home with Richard and traveled extensively throughout the United States and Canada. Richard is presently an assistant vice president with Banque Nationale De Paris in New York, having been in service with the same organization for more than 28 years.

A memorial service will be held in Missoula at the University Congregational Church, of which she was a member for many years. The service will be 1 p.m., Wednesday, May 21. Interment will be 2 p.m., Friday, May 23, at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Otto Kvaalen, 70

Otto Sandersen Kvaalen, 70, of Columbia Falls, passed away Friday, Sept. 5, 1997, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center, just shy of his 20th sobriety birthday.

He was born July 5, 1927, in Kalispell, to Sven and Ingeborg Kvaalen. He received his education in Kalispell, graduating from Flathead High School. After high school, he served in the Navy from 1945 to 1949.

He was married to Vivian Gleason in 1952. They were divorced and he married Joan Grainger in 1958.

He worked for the U.S. Forest Service, Walsh Grove Construction and Morrison and Knudsen as an engineer in Trego, Seattle and Boston.

He became a chemical dependency counselor and was administrator of Hilltop Recovery in Havre, and retired from counseling at Recovery



Northwest in Libby in 1992. He touched many lives of people struggling with drug and alcohol addiction problems. His children were his primary interest.

He is survived by one son, Mark and his wife, Karen Kvaalen; two daughters, Kari and her husband, Ron Mackin, and Connie and her husband, Alan Damphier, all of Kalispell; also one stepson, Gregg Moseley of Minneapolis, Minn.; a stepdaughter, Lillian Jenkins and husband Louis, of Kalispell; 18 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. on Thursday, at the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Tim Korpela of Riverside Alliance Church officiating.

Burial will follow at C. E. Conrad Cemetery with military honors by the United Veterans of the Flathead. Visitation for family and friends will be Wednesday, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Thursday from 9 a.m. until noon. Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.