

Joan E. Ladenburg, 79

Joan E. Ladenburg, 79, died Friday morning, Aug. 7, 1998, at her home in the North Fork area.

She was born Oct. 14, 1918, in Anaconda, to Mr. and Mrs. Axel Peterson. Her father drowned in a tug boat accident in New York harbor. She was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Warren Jennison of Fairview and Bigfork. She attended schools in Minnesota, Kalispell, and Bigfork, and graduated from high school in Minnesota.

She attended teachers college in Dillon, and taught for a year in Lima. She later attended nursing school in Helena. She worked at the Shodair Hospital in Helena, and she also served as a flight nurse in the military for a short time.

She attended the Cornish School of Fine Arts in Seattle, and then went to California, where she sang for Henry King and other bands under the name of Sonja and Fran Warren. She returned to Bigfork in 1945.

She married Bill Frederick. They took over management of the Rocky Bar O which they operated as a girls

camp, hunting lodge and dude ranch. They were divorced in 1965.

She married C.T. "Tom" Ladenburg in 1966. They lived in the Bigfork area until 1980, when they moved to the North Fork area permanently.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother, a sister, and a son, Jimmy.

She is survived by her husband Tom at the family home; daughters, Linda Molina of Bigfork, and her children, Linda Rowe, Jolene Bucher, Josef Nordtome and Laura Eslick, Michelle Hembd of Redlands, Calif., and Marilyn Doolittle of Coram; and her great-grandchildren, Eric and Raelyn, Patti Jacobson and her children, Scott and Erica; nine great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Fairview Cemetery. The Rev. Ron Pierce will officiate. The casket will not be opened for viewing.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is in charge of arrangements.

1999 Claire Patricia Lamb

Claire Patricia Lamb, 76, of Yellow Bay, died of heart failure, Wednesday, March 4, at St. Patrick Hospital.

Born Oct. 25, 1921, to Byron and Estelle Spinney, she grew up in Longmeadow, Mass. She graduated from Emma Willard and Katherine Gibbs and spent World War II in Europe, first in Madrid, working for Emmett Hughes, who at the time was press secretary at the American Embassy, then in London working at the Office of War Information.

She was an accomplished and highly respected interior decorator and antiques dealer. Patricia Lamb Antiques, Wantucket, Mass. was followed by Patricia Lamb Antiques, Salado, Texas. In 1994 she founded the annual Bigfork Charity Antiques Show and through her efforts as show manager it has evolved into a nationally recognized, prestigious event.

Her contributions to the com-

munity were many, and as an ardent Democrat she was a great campaigner for the Democratic party. She took enormous pleasure in her family, friends and colleagues. Her home in Yellow Bay and the surrounding lake and mountains brought her great comfort. Her independent spirit and indomitable will were an inspiration to those who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband Jim Lamb and is survived by her four devoted children, son Jeffrey Wise of Wayland, Mass., daughter Wendy Mathis of Redondo Beach, Calif., daughter Carol Magowan of Salisbury, Conn., and daughter Anne Bibrilik of London, England; and six grandchildren.

A memorial service will be planned in the spring. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations may be made in her name to The American Liver Foundation, 246 Walnut St., Newton, MA 02160. *Bigfork*

James Floyd Lane, 34

James Floyd Lane, 34, of Hungry Horse, died Jan. 12, 1998.

He was born May 19, 1963, in Bozeman, the son of Patricia and Marvin Lane. He had lived in many states, finally residing permanently in Hungry Horse, where he attended Columbia Falls High School. Upon graduating in 1983, he went to work for Flathead Industries.

During his life, he participated in Special Olympics, Bike Hike and numerous other community activities. His hobbies consisted of collecting Star Trek memorabilia and Dallas Cowboys items.

He was preceded in death by his grandfathers, James S. Dundas and William Kenneth Lane, both of Three Forks.



He is survived by his parents, Patricia and Marvin Lane; brother, sister-in-law, and nephew, Bruce A. and Amy B. Lane and their son, Samuel A. Lane of Warner Robins, Ga.; sister, brother-in-law and nieces, LaVonne and Kurt Holman and their daughters, Heather and Wendy of Highland, Calif.; and grandmothers, Jean Dundas and Martha Lane of Three Forks; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Viewing will be held today from 1 to 8 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m. until noon at the Columbia Mortuary Chapel. Services will be held Friday at 1 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary with interment to follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. Reception following at Lion Hill Baptist Church in Martin City.

The family suggests memorials in his name to Flathead Industries for the Handicapped.

Reginald Lanfear, 93

Reginald Lanfear, 93, died on Monday, Aug. 31, 1998, at Lakeview Care Center in Bigfork.

He was born April 9, 1905, the son of Herbert Lanfear and Louise Price in Fernie, British Columbia. The family moved to the Tobacco Valley area where he received his early education. In 1923, he met and married Amelia Sakon in Eureka. After a short stay in Gateway, and Kila, the family settled in Somers, where they lived for the next 70 years.

He worked for the Somers sawmill as a grader and with the tie plant until its closing.

He was an avid sportsman who loved to fish and hunt. He also

enjoyed his large garden.

He was preceded in death by his wife Amelia; one son, Robert; five sisters; and two brothers.

He is survived by his daughter, Hilda Waggener and husband, Ted, of Kalispell; 10 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren

Graveside services will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery with Maggi Brown officiating. Visitation will be Wednesday at Johnson Mortuary from 9 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Paul F. Langlois, 62

Paul F. Langlois, 62, died Tuesday, Nov. 17, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell, from a rare cancer.

He was born July 1, 1936, in Burlington, Vt., the first-born son of Paul Francis and Doris Langlois. He graduated from high school in Bellows Falls, Vt. He arrived in Montana in April 1955, compliments of the U.S. Air Force and served at Malstrom Air Base in Great Falls, from 1955 to 1958.

After his discharge, he attended Montana State University in Bozeman. His career with the U.S. Postal Service began in 1960, as a part-time mail handler. He retired in 1992, as director of field operations for 109 offices in the western part of Montana. He honestly enjoyed going to work every day during his career.

The family moved to Bigfork in 1975. He became a Bigfork Volunteer Fireman in 1976, and retired after 20 1/2 years of service. He was appointed in 1993 for a three-year term as trustee to the Bigfork Fire District. In 1996, he was elected for an additional three-year term and served as chairman of the board.

In 1978, he became a charter member of the Bigfork Quick Response Unit (Volunteer Emergency Medical Unit). He held several offices in the organization until his retirement in 1996.

Beginning in 1993, he became the early person in charge at the Bigfork



Athletic Club. He was noted for his friendly smile so early in the morning. In 1994, he became an advocate for the Violence Free Crisis Line and joined their board of directors in 1996. He was very committed to helping people live a safe and healthy life.

He truly considered Montana to be God's country and thoroughly enjoyed fishing, hunting and gathering wood in the wide-open spaces. At least once a year he spent a week fishing in Alaska. He and his wife enjoyed shooting trap and skeet. They also managed to spend a few days on the Oregon Coast once or twice a year.

He married Barbara Ellen Trout on Sept. 6, 1959, and they had two sons.

He is survived by his wife Barbara at the family home; sons, Timothy and wife, Tana, and their two boys, Justin and Jeremy, in Tucson, Ariz., and Mark and wife, Karla, and their three children, Alexis, Callahan and LannyJo of Bigfork; two sisters, Anne Marie LaLiberte in New York and Caroline Langlois in Maine; and a brother, Norman Langlois in Florida.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Central Christian Church on the corner of 2nd Ave. E., and 3rd St. in Kalispell. The Rev. Terry Van Heyningen officiating.

Instead of flowers, he requested memorial be sent to the Violence Free Crisis Line, P.O. Box 1401, Kalispell, MT 59903-1401 or to a charity of your choice.

Cremation was under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Frank A. Lansberry, 74

Frank A. Lansberry, 74, of Green Valley, Ariz., died July 10, 1998, in Green Valley.

He was born March 12, 1924, to Allen and Belle Lansberry in Grass Range. After the family moved to Lakeside, he attended Flathead High School, graduating in 1942. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps in the South Pacific.

He attended Montana State University at Bozeman, graduating with a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering in 1951. A member of the Phi Sigma Kappa social fraternity, he served as chapter president during his junior year and was elected to the fraternity honor association of "Les Buffons."

On Feb. 24, 1951, he married Dorothy Van Driest of Roundup, and together they produced five children.

He enjoyed a long career as civil engineer with the Bureau of Reclamation retiring in 1982 as regional engineer for the bureau's Southwest regional office in Amarillo, Texas. Highlights include his work on the construction of the Canyon Ferry Dam at Helena, the Missouri-Souris Irrigation Project at Bismarck, N.D., and the construction of Glen Canyon Dam on the Colorado River at Page, Ariz. He was registered as a professional engineer in the states of Colorado and Washington.

After retirement from the bureau,

he worked for the Harza Engineering Company on construction of the Bath County Pumped Storage project in Virginia.

His interest as a reader ranged from history to the solar system to mysticism. He passed on his love of gardening to his children and was always an active member of his community. From his work with the Boy Scouts, Lions and the Methodist Church during his years in Page; his participation in the Lions Club; Toastmasters, and Meals On Wheels while in Amarillo; to a brief period as volunteer at the Tubac Historical Society during his later years, he lived the life of service he so valued.

Survivors include brother and sister-in-law, John and Nona Lansberry of Bremerton, Wash.; sister and brother-in-law Mae and Bill Sturtz of Lewistown; his two former wives, Dorothy Lansberry of Kalispell, and Pansy Lansberry of Amarillo, Texas; daughter and son-in-law, Connie and Richard Williams of Rio Rico, Ariz.; son and daughter-in-law, Allen Lansberry and Mary Cay Cavanagh of Salt Lake City, Utah; daughter and son-in-law, Evelyn Lansberry and John Tipre of Santa Monica, Calif.; daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Scott Gaston of Salt Lake City, Utah; and son and daughter-in-law, John and Shea Lansberry of Oakland, Calif.

Emma J. Lauzon, 85

Emma J. Lauzon, 85, died Thursday, Oct. 22, 1998, at Twin Falls Care Center in Twin Falls, Idaho.

She was born Oct. 21, 1913, in St. Hippolyte, Saskatchewan, to Arthur and Georgiana Nadeau Regnier. She married her beloved husband Amede Lauzon in St. Hippolyte in 1933, and later moved to Whitefish, where they owned and operated Lauzon Heating and Sheet Metal.

Survivors include three daughters: one son, Ron Lauzon and his wife, Pat, of Columbia Falls; one brother; and four sisters; 16 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Amede; a daughter; a son-in-law, three brothers and one sister.

A prayer vigil and rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Sunday at Austin Funeral Home. A funeral mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Monday at St. Charles Catholic Church with interment to follow in Whitefish Cemetery.

1 94§ John James Leary, 80

"Big John" Leary died in his home on Fairway Blvd. Aug. 1, surrounded by his family.

John James Leary was born Oct. 22, 1917 in Wallace, Idaho. He attended St. Mary's College and several others, playing football, but his college career was cut short by his country's entry into World War II. He enlisted in the Marine Corps Dec. 8, 1941 and became a founding member of Carlson's Raiders, the American military's first special forces unit. John was one of the few original Raiders to survive fighting in the South Pacific, where he received numerous decorations for valor and bravery, including two silver stars and several purple hearts.

One purple heart was awarded for serious wounds John received on Iwo Jima, and he spent nearly 18 months in recovery. He was discharged at the naval hospital in Corona, Calif., as a staff sergeant, having refused a battlefield commission so he could remain as a platoon leader with his men.

After the war, he married high school sweetheart Phyllis Morrison, and the family moved to Kalispell in the early '50s where John became president of the Treasure State Equipment Company, a heavy equipment distributor with offices in Kalispell, Missoula and Eureka, Calif. He served on the State Highway Commission and as a director of

First National Bank (later Norwest Bank).

Big John loved the outdoors and fishing, and spent many summers packing into the Bob Marshall Wilderness with his family where he outfished everyone but his wife and plucked grandchildren out of Flathead River rapids more than once.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Phyllis; his two children, Linda Girard of Portland, Ore. and John James ("J.J.") Leary Jr. of Seattle; his sister Tess (Mrs. A.W.) McDonnell of Spokane; and four grandchildren, John Girard, Terry Omata, Katy Girard and Erin Leary.

A Memorial Mass will be said at 10 a.m. Aug. 5 at St. Matthews Catholic Church with the Rev. Kevin Oneill officiating. An Irish Wake at which all of his friends are welcome will be held Aug. 5 at 3 p.m. at the home of Larry Simpson (55 Buffalo Hill Drive).

John's family suggests donations be sent either to Alert Foundation (c/o KRMC, 310 Sunnyview Lane, Kalispell, MT 59901) or to the Wallace Medical Concern (c/o Jim Reuler, 7529 SE 28th, Portland, Ore. 97202) a Portland, Ore. foundation started by John's long time friend and physician to help provide medical services to the needy.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements and cremation.

Samuel Leighty, 82

Samuel Bradford Leighty, 82, died Friday, March 20, 1998, at his home in Kalispell.

He was born Aug. 4, 1915, in Columbia Falls, to Bradford O. and Pearl Adams Leighty. He attended high school at Flathead High School, graduating in 1932.

He married Marjorie Trent in Whitefish on Oct. 22, 1936.

The family moved to California in 1940. He was employed in the shipyards during the war.

The family moved to northern California, where they owned and operated a sheet metal, heating, and cooling business for 32 years. While in northern California, he was very active in the Sebastopol Masonic Lodge, being a Past Master. He was also a member of the Lion's Club.

The call of the Flathead Valley drew him back in 1972 after a brief stop-over in Plains, where he owned property. He also spent many hours restoring Studebakers, for which he won many awards and national recognition. Sheet metal work was his passion.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Marjorie, in 1994. After her death in 1994, he married Esther Kershaw Ellyson. He was also preceded in death by two brothers and three sisters.

He is now survived by his wife, Esther, at the family home; daughter, Monaræ Leighty, of Portland, Ore.; son, Gary Leighty, and wife, Donna, of Plains; and nine sisters and three brothers, Ethel VanDeVanter, Thelma

Carter, and Andy Leighty, all of Columbia Falls, Irene Broad, Esther Ingram, and Earl Leighty, all of Kalispell, Bertha Peterson of Everett, Wash., June Kinney and Laura Fuller, both of Colville, Wash., Violet Lundy of Aloha, Ore., Ardith Wolfe of Missoula, and Jim Leighty of Tacoma, Wash. He is also survived by six grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Monday at Johnson Mortuary from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Funeral services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. David Kauffman of Whitefish Christian Church officiating.

The family suggests memorial be given to the charity of the donor's choice.

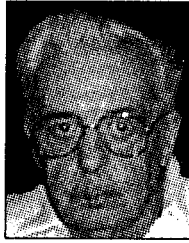
Alfred Alexander Leistiko Jr., 72

Alfred Alexander Leistiko Jr., 72, died of cancer at his home in Whitefish, on Sept. 2, 1998.

He was born April 7, 1926, in Great Falls, and was the son of Alfred Alexander and Audrey Beatty Leistiko. He served in the Navy during World War II. In 1947, he married Carole Gilbert and raised four children.

In 1951, he began working for the Great Northern Railroad. The family lived in Great Falls, until 1962, when he moved his family to Whitefish. There he continued to work for the railroad which eventually became Burlington Northern Railroad.

He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed traveling with his wife of 51 years.



He was a member of the Whitefish Moose Lodge #642 since 1980; a member of the American Legion; the AARP; and the VTU.

He was preceded in death by his parents and is now survived by his loving wife, Carole, at the family home; three sons, William Leistiko of Billings, Ralph Leistiko of St. Paul and Richard Leistiko of the Silicon Valley, Calif.; two grandsons, Troy Leistiko and his fiancée, Brenda, of Las Vegas, and Bart Leistiko of Havre; and two granddaughters, Anne and Melissa, both of St. Paul, Minn.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Calvary Lutheran Church in Evergreen with the Rev. Bob Nilson officiating. Burial will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be at Johnson Mortuary Chapel Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 12 noon at the Calvary Lutheran Church. Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Ronald Stuart Lenoir, 50

Ronald Stuart Lenoir, 50, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 3, 1998, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born in Conrad, on July 21, 1947, to Calvin and Bernice Engebretson Lenoir.

He graduated from Butte County High School in Arco, Idaho.

He then went on to join the Air Force and become a jet engine specialist. He has resided in the Flathead Valley since 1973. He will be sadly missed by all.

He was preceded in death by his father, Calvin and also a brother,



Steven.

He is survived by his mother, Bernice Lenoir of Kalispell; two brothers, Wayne Lenoir of Atlanta, Ga., Rodney Lenoir of Kalispell; one sister, Christine Marsh and husband, Randy, of British Columbia; a sister-in-law, Susan Lenoir of Tigard, Ore.; several aunts, uncles, cousins, nephews, nieces and great nephews.

Graveside services will be held at Conrad Memorial Cemetery Saturday at 2 p.m. with Kenneth Mottram officiating with military honors by the United Veterans of the Flathead.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Irene Leslie, 86

Irene Leslie, 86, a native of Kalispell, passed away March 8, 1998, at Buffalo Hill Terrace retirement home.

She was born Aug. 11, 1911, in Bigfork, to Otto and Bolletta Slethaug Marken.

She was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her sister, Dodie Buckingham of Seattle, Wash.; grandchildren Mark Scott of Troutdale, Ore., Brad Scott of Danville, Calif., and Shelley DeJager of San Jose, Calif.; and seven great-grand-

children.

Memorial services will be Thursday, at 11 a.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church with the Rev. Rick Nelson officiating. Burial will precede the service Thursday at 9:30 a.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials may be sent to the National Breast Cancer Coalition, 1707 L. Street NW, Suite 1060, Washington, DC 20036 (202-296-7477).

Cremation and arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Amber M. Lilly, 89

Amber M. Lilly, 89, died quietly in her sleep on April 8, 1998, at her home in Delta, Colo.

She was born Dec. 19, 1908, in Sioux City, Iowa. She attended school in Olathe, Colo., and in September of 1945 she married Joe E. Lilly in Olathe. They moved to Kalispell in 1979, and lived here until he preceded her in death in April of 1988, and she moved back to Colorado in April

of 1994.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Laurel and Cork Andrews, and her grandson, Zac Andrews, all of Kalispell; two sisters and a brother in Colorado; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at the Taylor Funeral Home in Delta. Burial will follow at Olathe Cemetery in Olathe.

Connie Jean Lindsey, 47

Connie Jean Lindsey, 47, of Polson, died from an accident, Sunday, July 5, 1998, at Glacier National Park, Many Glacier Area, in Babb.

She was born Feb. 23, 1951, in Kalispell, to Oscar and Edna White Oftedahl. She was raised on a ranch in the Kalispell area. She received her early education in Kalispell.

She married David Hart Lindsey August 23, 1975, in Kalispell.

She worked for the Kalispell Police Department in Kalispell, and Gordon & Assoc. in Eugene, Ore. She raised a family of four boys. Her family moved to Polson in 1994 where she lived until the time of her death.

Her interests were horseback riding, gardening, her church, her family and her granddaughters. She was a member of the Polson Gardening Club, Back Country Horseman's Group and New Life Christian Center.

She was preceded in death by her father, Oscar Oftedahl, and a brother, Bruce Oftedahl.

She is survived by her husband,

Dave Lindsey, at their home in Polson; four sons, Randy Lindsey and wife, Jenny, of Junction City, Ore., Kenneth Lindsey and wife, Kim, of Pocatello, Idaho, Craig of Albuquerque, N.M., and Darin Lindsey and wife, Kim, of Dillon; her mother, Edna Oftedahl, of Kalispell; three brothers, Melvin, Harold and Jerry Oftedahl, all of Kalispell; three sisters, Joanie Dillon and Donna Oftedahl, both of Kalispell, and Diane Marchal of Phoenix, Ariz.; three grandchildren, Jayme and Robynn Lindsey of Dillon, Chesley Lindsey of Pocatello; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held Wednesday, at 11 a.m. at the New Life Christian Center, 1414 Second Street West, Polson, with the Rev. Miles Finch officiating.

The family suggests memorials to Glacier National Park Search & Rescue; c/o Chief Rangers Office, West Glacier, MT 59936.

Cremation and arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Myron F. 'Mike' Linstead, 59

Myron F. "Mike" Linstead, 59, died Sunday, Nov. 8, 1998, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

He was born Jan. 4, 1939, in Kalispell, to Floyd and Silvia Everett Linstead. He attended schools in the Flathead Valley.

He was a member of the Montana National Guard for several years. He worked several jobs including on the Libby Dam, as a carpenter framing houses and, for the past several years, he owned his own logging company.

He married Delores Bryson on Dec. 5, 1964, in Kalispell.

He loved hunting, fishing and especially enjoyed picking both huckleberries and mushrooms.

In March of this year, he and his wife were able to travel to Cartagena, Columbia, South America, to visit family.

He was preceded in death by his father; daughter Dawni; and a brother Neil.

He is survived by his wife Delores "Dee" Linstead of Marion; sons Michael of Marion, Jeff and his wife, Sarah, of Winnemucca, Nev.; daughters Susan and her husband, Randy Watson, of Winnemucca, Vicki and her husband, Jack Lucy of Cartagena; mother Sylvia Linstead Moran of Kalispell; mother-in-law Nita Bryson White of Kalispell; brother Rex and family of Marion; grandchildren, Mandy and Wayne Watson of Winnemucca, Jacki, Jessi and Jenni Lucy, all of Cartagena.

He requested that he be cremated and his ashes put with his daughter Dawni's above Spotted Bear Lookout. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of cremation and arrangements.

5 Sept 1998 Edna F. Lindsey, 80

Edna F. Lindsey, 80, of Troy, died Saturday at St. Johns Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

Local survivors include a sister, Bertha Monroe, of Columbia Falls, and a brother, Eddie Seifert, of Polson.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Church of God in Troy with the Rev. Gene Bushnell officiating.

LINSTEAD, Silver, age 36, died Thursday, June 11, 1998, at Brendan House in Kalispell. Arrangements are pending.

William Lawrence "Larry" Little, 52, died at Brendan House in Kalispell, on Dec. 26, 1998.

He was born July 1, 1946, in Duluth, Minn., the son of William and Mary Little. The family moved to Great Falls, when he was two months old after his father received a promotion with the railroad. It was there in bison country that he was raised and educated. He spent most of his youth there working for the railroad.

In the spring of 1981, he married the love of his life, Penny Cofrin. One of the many interests they shared was bridge, a game in which he was a lifemaster. To this union were born two beautiful daughters, Robyn, on Dec. 5, 1981, and Barbara on Dec. 1, 1982. He and his wife were later divorced.

He was an avid, if not fanatic sports fan. Whether it be at Target Range School in Missoula, where his daughters excelled or at Washington Grizzly Stadium to see the Griz, he had no problem getting up for a game.

Some of his happiest times were spent with his wife's brother Doug. He loved hitting the big cities and major league parks. He never missed Milwaukee on his baseball junkets but, alas, his Brewers usually dealt

him pain. He was truly saddened by the baseball strike and the decline that followed.

But in 1998, when the game came back greater than ever, he was jubilant. He reveled in the season of the home run derby but as he extolled the greatness of McGuire, his friends all knew he was pulling for Sammy.

And although his face was wracked with pain, his dark eyes danced when he would proclaim, "The greatest season for the greatest game in the world." His final season — fitting.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Mary Susan.

He is survived by his parents; by Penny and his daughters, Robyn and Barbara, at the family home in Missoula; his brother and best friend, Jocko, of Missoula; and his sister Barbara and her husband, James Burk of Milton, Wash.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at 12 noon at the Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with the Rev. Mike Steenson officiating and his favorite musician, John Dunnigan, providing poetry and music. A reception will follow at the Sitting Duck in Woods Bay.

According to his wishes, he has been cremated and his ashes will be

scattered by his family at a later time near his beloved Flathead Lake.

Arrangements by Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

Jean Dolores Loehr, 65

Jean Dolores "Cis" Loehr, 65, died Saturday, April 18, at her home in Arnold, Calif.

She was born July 9, 1932, in Odessa, Wash., to Alfred and Francis Brunett.

Survivors include her husband; three daughters; a brother,

Don Brunett of Columbia Falls; and three grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Columbia Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Donley O. Lofgren, 65

Donley O. Lofgren, 65, died Thursday, Oct. 15, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born March 31, 1933, in Fairdale, N.D., to John A. and Caroline Hanson Lofgren. He received his early education in Kalispell, graduating from Flathead High School in 1951. He then attended college in Missoula for two years. In March 1952 he joined the Navy and served until 1956.

He worked at Plum Creek for the most of his life retiring in April 1995.

He was a member of the Moose Lodge and the Eagles. His greatest pleasures were river rafting and football.

He was preceded in death by his parents and is now survived by his wife Sandra Stephens Lofgren of Kalispell; three daughters, Becky

Croucher of Kila, Brenda Lofgren and Denise Erbeznik, both Spokane; one son, Don Lee Lofgren of Kalispell; three stepchildren, Jeff Mutzenberger and Chad Mutzenberger, both of Omaha, Neb., and Greg Mutzenberger of Lolo; one sister, Elaine Thurston and husband, Cal, of Kalispell; one brother, Merlyn Lofgren and wife, Dorothy, of Missoula; several grandchildren, nieces, nephews and friends.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Rick Nelson of Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Military honors will be by the United Veterans of the Flathead.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

1998 Charles Dean Logan, 74

Charles Dean Logan, 74, passed away in Lewiston, Idaho, Jan. 7 of heart failure.

He was born in Kila, the son of Charles and Ellen Logan and was raised on their farm south of Columbia Falls.

He graduated from Flathead High School in 1941, and pursued a career in flying and was a pilot for more than 40 years.

After retiring from Johnson Flying Service in Missoula, he taught aeronautics at Missoula Vo-Tech for seven years, then worked for Hillcrest Aviation in Lewiston until retiring in 1990.

He was the recipient of the Army and Navy Legion of Valor medal and the Carnegie medal for saving two boys from drowning in the Flathead River in May 1941.

He lived a full life doing what he loved, flying and hunting and fishing.

Surviving are his wife, Eleanor, of Lewiston; daughter and husband, Judy and Fred Kraft of California; granddaughter and husband, Camille

and Robert Marshall of California; and great-grandson Logan Marshall; sister and husband, Wilma and Don Casterline of Columbia Falls.

Funeral services were held Jan. 10 in Lewiston.

Memorials may be made to Grace Lutheran Church in Lewiston, Idaho.

1998 Marcia Hoppe Longacre, 54

Marcia Hoppe Longacre, 54, of Frenchtown, died on Tuesday, Sept. 29, at St. Patrick Hospital due to a brain aneurysm.

She was born May 20, 1944, in Minot, N.D., the daughter of Erma and Bill Hoppe. She moved to Havre, with her family and later to the Flathead Valley in July 1946. She graduated from Columbia Falls High School in 1962.

After attending beautician school in Kalispell, she worked as a beautician in shops in Lakeside and Havre. She married Darol Longacre in Columbia Falls, on Sept. 28, 1968. She also worked at Ida's Palace Poker Room in Missoula, for six years.

Her family includes her husband Darol and his daughter, Dorie Bailey and her husband, Chris; her parents, Bill and Erma Hoppe; sister Jan Cash and her husband Jim; brother Bill Hoppe and wife Peggy; niece Gail Baker and husband Chan; nephew Stephen Megaard; two great-nieces,

two great-nephews and numerous aunts and uncles.

She is preceded in death by a niece Marie Megaard Hoff; uncle Robert Hoppe; and her grandparents.

She will be loved and mourned by all whose lives she touched and will be remembered for her honesty, insight, support of family and friends and especially her special way with animals. She loved horseback riding on her beloved horse and also enjoyed her flowers and yard.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at The Malletta Family of Funeral Homes, Squire Chapel, 3035 S. Russell. A reception will follow in the funeral home's community room.

The family suggests that memorials be made to Animal Control/Friends of the Shelter, P.O. Box 1693, Missoula, MT 59806, in order to offset veterinary expenses for those who otherwise could not afford to pay for such care for their pets.

Calvin Arthur Louden, 74

Calvin Arthur Louden, 74, died peacefully at his home Aug. 4. He was born April 3, 1924 in Kalispell, the son of Jacob D. and Elsie B. Turnell Louden.

Calvin was born on the farm where he spent his whole life farming. He

cleared and leveled much of his acreage to make his farm productive. He was honest and fair in his dealings and would pitch in to help his neighbor. He was a school board member in the local school district. Calvin loved to visit his friends and share his wit. He raised a wonderful family and saw all his children educated and married. He especially loved to kick up his heels and go dancing with his wife of 51 years, Bunny.

Calvin graduated from the Flathead High School, loved fishing and



dancing and was a member of the Eagles.

Calvin was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Harold B. Louden; and one sister, Clara M. Kendall. He is now survived by his wife, Bernice (Bunny) at the family farm; two sons, Allan of Winston Salem, N.C. and Benjamin of Kalispell; two daughters, Ann Parker of Baton Rouge, La. and Lynn Gembala of Ferndale; a brother, Jacob (Bob) Louden of Bigfork; and a sister, Sylvia Bakken of Kalispell. He is also survived by eight grandchildren.

Memorial services for Calvin Arthur Louden will be at 2 p.m. Aug. 6 at the Little Brown Church in Bigfork with the Rev. Ron Pierce officiating. The family suggests memorials be given to the American Cancer Society at P.O. Box 1002, Kalispell, Mont., 59903-1002 or to the Montana Heart Association, c/o Lavonne Aikin, 623 2nd Ave. E., Kalispell, Mont., 59901.

Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

1998 Harry Doyle Lovering, 75

Harry Doyle Lovering, 75, died Tuesday, May 5, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born Feb. 15, 1923, in Waterford, N. D., to Ersul and Bertie Lovering. He moved with this family to Kalispell when he was 2. He graduated from Flathead High School in 1941.

After high school, he attended school in California, where he learned to rivet airplanes. He enlisted in the Army in 1943 and served with the 517th Paratroopers. He was discharged from the Army in 1945 and returned to Kalispell.

On Oct. 18, 1947, he married Dorothea Wickham in Kalispell. He started his own business as a contract logger, hauling logs to the mill with his own truck. He hauled logs for 43 years before retiring. After retirement, he couldn't stand not being in the woods, so he worked hauling water and doing work on

Forest Service roads.

He was a member of United Flathead Veterans, and belonged to an amateur radio club for 30 years, a jeep club and the Flathead Valley Search and Rescue. He was an avid woodworker who made many beautiful items.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothea, of Kalispell; sons Darrel Lovering and wife, Janice, of Kentucky, Clinton Lovering and wife, Vicki, of Spokane and Harry Clifford "Clif" Lovering, of Kalispell; brother Forrest Lovering and wife, Louisa, of Kalispell; four grandchildren, Andrew Ursul Lovering, Myria Lovering, Jacob D. Lovering, and Ian Lovering.

Viewing will be 3-6 p.m., today, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Military funeral service will be 2 p.m., Monday, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

1998 Alfred John Luciano, 67

Alfred John Luciano, 67, a prominent Eureka businessman, died Saturday, Aug. 22, as a result of an automobile accident.

He was born March 6, 1931, at Orange, N.J., the son of Anthony and Rose Borelli Luciano.

He was a very active, lifelong businessman who formed and operated many successful businesses in his lifetime. He started his own custom farming business, Farm Harvesting Co, at the age of 18. Farm Harvesting became one of the largest landscaping and site development companies in the state of New Jersey. It flourished and gave birth to many related enterprises in land development, quarry products, golf course fabrication, and real estate subdevelopment.

At the age of 41, he was able to divest himself of his New Jersey enterprises and retire to his lifelong dream of ranching in Eureka. Unable to stay in retirement for long, he quickly became active in the formation of new enter-

prises, which continue to grow both nationally and internationally. MPM Technologies, Inc.; Huntington Environmental Systems, Airpol, Inc.; some of his newer enterprises all specialize in air pollution control equipment.

His latest venture includes the development of an RV park in Baja, Mexico. A visionary by nature, he became concerned about the environment before it became popular and did something about it.

He has been responsible for many positive civic efforts in the Eureka area. The best known is the development of the Land Store at the Eureka airport. Although he was recognized for his many attainments, his family and friends will always remember him as a humble man, who loved to hunt, fish, fly his airplane, and enjoy the simple pleasures of family life.

Survivors include his first wife of 35 years, Joan Appleby Luciano of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; his present life partner, Lynn Schermerhorn of Eureka;

six sons Michael Luciano of New Jersey, Alfred, Daniel and Richard Luciano, all of Eureka, Donald Luciano of Corvallis, Ore., Willie King of Deer Lodge; daughter Judy Luciano of Santa Barbara, Calif; his mother, Rose Luciano, of New Jersey; a brother, Robert Luciano of New Jersey; a sister, Arlene DeCaro of New Jersey; 14 grandchildren, Danny, Samantha, Anthony, Matthew, Beige, Christa, Beth, Kenya, Tia, Alicia, Brian, Brendon, Brickey, Rian; two daughters of his present partner, Lisa Marvel and Heather Lowry; and one grandson, Taylor.

Visitation will be Wednesday at the Eureka Baptist Church from 5 to 8 p.m. Services will be Thursday at 10 a.m. at the Eureka Baptist Church. Burial to follow at the Tobacco Valley Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Alfred J. Luciano Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 1050, Eureka, MT 59917. Arrangements are by Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

Virginia Lea Lucht, 77

Virginia Lea Lucht, 77, died Monday, Oct. 12, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

She was born April 29, 1921, in Great Falls, to Riley Davis and Nina K. Larkin Robinson. She was educated in Montana schools until her graduation from Montana State College with a bachelor of science in secondary education. She married Archie Lucht in 1941, and together they embarked on their careers in teaching in several Montana school systems.

She was instrumental and deeply involved in developing and maintaining a Native American Studies Program for the state of Montana. Her love for the state of Montana and its history led to her appointment to the board of directors of the Montana State Historical Society. She was also involved in the initial development



of the Village Square in Bigfork, and served on that board of directors.

She was a member of the P.E.O., Eastern Star, MEA, NEA, AAUM, and the VFW. She enjoyed art, books, reading, collecting Native American history books, and fishing.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Riley Jr.

She is survived by her husband, Archie Herman Lucht of Bigfork; daughter Linda Farrell and husband, Dick, of Great Falls; son Robin Lucht and wife, Joy, of Helena; also six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, at the United Methodist Church in Bigfork, with the Rev. Jan Witman officiating. At her request there will be no visitation. Military honors by the United Veterans of the Flathead.

The family suggests memorials be sent to Deaconess Children's Home, 500 South Lamborn, Helena, MT 59601.

Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

1999 Robert Luke, 79

Robert Luke, 79, a Whitefish resident, went into the arms of the Lord on Jan. 21, at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

He was born in Kalispell in 1918, and was a life-long resident of the Flathead Valley.

He graduated from Columbia Falls High School in 1936. He was an active participant in all of sports programs and enjoyed them immensely. He also attended Kinman Business School in Spokane.

In 1937, he met his life-long love, Dolores Edgerton. They were married in 1940, in Kalispell. Their union was blessed with three children, Diane, Jon and Michelle.

He was employed for 45 years by the Great Northern/Burlington Northern Railways. First as a brakeman and then as a conductor.

His real loves however, were children and horses. In 1952, he and his good friend, Walt Patterson, organized the Mountain Trails Junior Square Dance Teams. They were made up of 16 horses and 13 and 14-year-old boys and girls. They performed square dances on horseback at Gala Days, O-Mok-Sees and county fairs. He rode with the Mountain Trails Saddle Club.

He and his brothers formed Luke Brothers Pack Service. He spent

some of his happiest days wrangling horses and guiding family, friends and visitors on an annual hunting trip in the Great Bear Wilderness.

He and his wife loved to golf and spent sunny summer days on the Whitefish Lake Golf Course.

He and his family worked together on many houses, building three homes and remodeling many others.

He was a member of the Episcopal Church; the Moose Lodge; and the U.T.U.

He is survived by his beloved wife Dolores; daughters, Diane and Michelle; son Jon; grandchildren, Mark, Richard, James, and Joshua; great-grandchildren, Timmy, Julie, Bobby, Mikie, J.D., and Jonathan; extended family, Laurie, Greg, Betty, and Kona; sisters, Helen, Evenson, Norma Christopherson; brother Eddie Luke; and the nieces and nephews who brought him great joy.

Robert, your family cherishes the memory of your kind heart and boundless generosity. We will see you in heaven, Dad!

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Wallace Caldwell of the Holy Nativity Episcopal Church in Whitefish officiating.

L. Bernard Lund, 70

L. Bernard Lund, 70, died in the emergency room at Kalispell Regional Medical Center, Saturday, Dec. 5, 1998.

He was born in Big Sandy, to Elmer and Estella Goecks Lund on Sept. 10, 1928.

He put himself through Anderson College and Ball State University in Indiana. He married Creta Mae Eppinger on April 18, 1954, in Norton, Kan. In 1962, he moved to Kalispell, and became a history teacher and in 1963, a guidance counselor. He was active in the CARE program. He retired as a guidance counselor from Flathead High School in June of 1993.

His passion was the outdoors and horses. His playground was the Bob Marshall Wilderness. He loved to hunt and fish. He was an active member of the Back Country Horsemen of America and promoter of the Forestry Expo.

He was a member of the Coast



Guard Auxiliary, the United Methodist Church in Kalispell, and was involved with the Stephen Ministry.

He could fix anything with duct tape, pliers and a welder. He always said, "He could fix anything except a broken heart."

He is survived by his wife, Creta Mae, of Kalispell; two sons, Ben and wife, Deann, of Spokane, and Ron Lund of Portland; two grandchildren, Alex and Brea; three sisters, Muriel Silvan of Big Sandy, Lois Dockter of Great Falls, and Irene Langlois of Havre; a brother, Ben Lund, of Geraldine; and a cousin, Olive Lund, of Minneapolis.

A memorial service will be held at United Methodist Church (Epworth) in Kalispell on Wednesday at 4 p.m. The Rev. Marvin Northcutt will officiate. At the request of the family, there will be no viewing and cremation has taken place.

The family suggests memorials may be sent in lieu of flowers to United Methodist Church (Epworth), 329 2nd Ave. East, Kalispell, MT 59901, c/o the: Stephen Ministry.

Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Renville C. Lund, 74

Renville C. Lund, 74, of Bethlehem, Pa., professor emeritus of history at Muhlenberg College in Allentown, Pa., died Tuesday, June 16, 1998, in Bethlehem.

He was professor of history at Muhlenberg from 1967 until retiring in 1984. Earlier he taught at Iolani School in Honolulu, Hawaii; at California State College in Long Beach, Calif.; and at Queens College in Charlotte, N.C.

Born in Alexandria, Minn., he was the only child of Clifford and Bertha Johnson Lund, who moved to the area of Dayton in the 1950s.

A 1945 graduate of Hamline Uni-

versity in St. Paul, Minn., he earned his master of arts at Stanford University and his Ph.D., with specialization in Chinese history at the University of Washington.

In 1955-56, he was a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Hong Kong. From 1962 to 1964, he was a Fulbright Lecturer at Tunghai University in Taichung, Taiwan.

In the years following his retirement, he spent much of his time in the Dayton area.

There are no immediate survivors.

No services are scheduled. Cremains will be interred in Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell.

1999 Mary J. (Kukay) Smerker Lynch, 79

Mary J. (Kukay) Smerker Lynch, 79, passed on Jan. 22, in the arms of her family at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Local survivors include son Raymond Smerker and wife, Jane, and daughter Dorothy "Dori" Abrahamson and husband, Raymond, all of Libby.

Visitation will be 1-6 p.m.,

Tuesday, and a 7 p.m., rosary, at Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Libby. A service will be 11 a.m., Wednesday, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Libby. Interment will follow at Libby City Cemetery. Memorials may be given in her name to the Ronald McDonald Foundation, the Kidney Foundation or the Multiple Sclerosis foundation.