

Charles Percy Paice, 93

Charles Percy Paice, 93, died Saturday, Aug. 29, 1998, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

He was born Nov. 20, 1904, in Windsor, Egham Surrey, England, to Charles George and Charlotte Ann Brothers Paice. When he was four, he and his family sailed from England and made their new home in Helena. He moved to Everett, Wash., when he was a teenager and lived there until December of 1997, when he moved to Kalispell, to be close to his family.

He was a lifetime member of the Everett Elks Club and had been an active member of the Everett Yacht Club.

He was a gardener and a contractor with heavy equipment. Gardening was his joy.

He loved the out-of-doors and making things grow. He was always



delivering flowers to his friends and neighbors.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Alvida, the mother of his only child; a brother, George; a sister, Emily; and by his long-time friend and companion, Viola Dammand.

He is survived by his daughter, Mary Lou Borden and husband, Robert, of Kalispell; his five grandchildren, Brad, Jeff and Stuart Borden, Mary Elise Thomas, Angie Berry; and granddaughters-in-law, Shelley Borden, Robin Borden and Becky Borden; grandsons-in-law, Todd Thomas and Jim Berry; and his eight great-grandchildren, Zach, Tyler and Connor Thomas, Brooke Elise and Brant Borden, Jacob Berry, Breanne Elise, and Chance Borden.

A private family memorial will be held in Kalispell, with graveside services at Evergreen Cemetery, 4504 Broadway, Everett, Wash., on Thursday, at 11 a.m.

The family suggests memorials be given to Montana Talking Book Library, 1515 East 6th Ave., Helena, MT 59620 or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

26 Jan 1948 Grace Panicco, 79

Grace Panicco, 79, of Libby, died Monday evening at the Libby Care Center.

She was born in Somers on Nov. 22, 1918, to Samuel and Anna Sather. She was raised and educated at Somers.

She married Rudolph "Stump" Panicco June 24, 1939, at Somers. They came to Libby in 1948, where she resided for the past 50 years. They celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in 1989.

Her husband, Stump, preceded her in death in 1994. She was also preceded by two brothers, Elmer Sather and

Alfred "Al" Sather.

Survivors include a brother, Sam Sather and his wife, Donna, of Libby; several other relatives including a sister-in-law Gladys Sather, also of Libby; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Derf Bergman officiating. Interment services will be at 3:30 p.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt officiating. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home.

Martha Parrish, 76

Martha Parrish, 76, died Friday, May 15, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

She was born March 14, 1922, in Martin, Tenn., to Bennett F. and Julia Wharton Higgs. She grew up in Martin and graduated from high school in 1940. She received her higher education in Columbia, Mo.

At the end of World War II, she married Jack B. Parrish on March 8, 1945, in Martin. They left immediately for Montana. She worked in Missoula while her husband attended the University of Montana.

In 1950, they moved to the old Rexford Logging Camp. They raised their children in Rexford, and numerous grandchildren in New Rexford. At the same time, she taught school in the Eureka School District and retired in 1995, at the age of 73.

During her 30 years with the school district, she taught English, history, and ran the media center. She went the extra mile for her children and her students, encouraging many in their dreams and to excel in life, instructing them to never say 'can't.' She engaged in many school activities with gusto. She helped organize the first ski club, was active in drama, graphic arts, fund raising, etc., and involved her husband, children and later her grandchildren.

She was also involved in community affairs. During the construction of the Libby Dam, she contributed and supported her husband, Jack, in helping to select the site for the relo-

cated town of Rexford. She was the First Lady of Rexford. She was also instrumental in creating the Eureka Historical Village.

As active as she was, she still found time to putter in her gardens and often donated roses to weddings. She was an avid reader, cook and loved knowledge. She was always going to school to learn more. She was never afraid to try something new and different. She was energetic and young at heart and upon retiring, she embarked on a new career raising beagles, traveling and playing bridge. Throughout her life, she dressed in style.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack, in 1990, and her oldest daughter, Julianne Price in 1993.

Survivors include her brother, William Higgs of Martin, Tenn.; two daughters, Tara Parrish of Missoula, and Jana Anderson of Kalispell; four sons, Scott and Brad of Rexford, Eric of Eureka, and Michael of Fort Bragg, N.C.; 14 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and numerous nephews and a niece.

She was a giving, proud, passionate and dedicated person. She was respected and loved by many. She was a lady and a fighter to the end.

Memorial services will be held at 5 p.m. Thursday, at the First Baptist Church of Eureka.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory in charge of arrangements.

Harriet D. Patterson, 84

Harriet D. Patterson, 84, passed away Saturday Jan. 3, 1998, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born April 6, 1913, in Holland, Mich., to Barney and Fanny Hoekstra. She moved with her family to Ogilvie, Minn., when she was six years old.

After graduating from high school, she moved to Minneapolis, Minn., where she worked in private homes for 12 years.

In 1944, she moved to California and went to work as a cook in San Francisco. On June 22, 1945, she married Hosea Patterson.

In 1964, she went to work as a home care giver. She also worked in her husband's gardening business. He passed away in 1977.

She moved to Libby in 1978, where she lived until moving to Kalispell in 1987.

She was a member of the Central Bible Church.

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

She is survived by her daughter, Lorraine Reid of Kalispell; two grandsons, Bryan Rocheleau of Japan and Jason Rocheleau of Missoula; great-grandson Ethan Rocheleau of Japan.

Cryptside services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Ron Youde of Central Bible Church officiating.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Robert Charles Pearson, 78

Robert Charles Pearson, 78, a longtime Kalispell resident, died at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish, on Friday morning, Dec. 18, 1998, of natural causes.

He was born Nov. 11, 1920, in Kalispell, the son of Clara Helen and Archibald Pearson. He was raised and attended schools in Kalispell.

He entered the U.S. Army during World War II and served in the Philippines and in New Guinea. Following his discharge in 1945, he worked for the U.S. Forest Service for about two years. He married Mary Ellen Kennedy on Aug. 5, 1950, in Kalispell.

He worked primarily as a truck driver and warehouse man for Pacific Fruit and Produce in Kalispell,

and also for Montana Grocery Company.

He was a member of the Eagles Club in Kalispell. He enjoyed gardening, baking, hunting and fishing.

Survivors include his wife Mary at the family home; two sons, Donald and Sharon Pearson of Whitefish, Tom and Barbara Pearson of Portland; two daughters, Barbara and Jim McMahon of Boulder, Kathy and Kelly Walker of Dothan, Ala.; two brothers, Archie Pearson of Kalispell, Don Pearson of Spokane; sister Ruth Everett of Sacramento, Calif.; and seven grandchildren.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

Anna Neigh Pedersen, 88

Anna Neigh Pedersen, 88, resident of Ronan, passed away at St. Luke Extended Care Facility in Ronan of natural causes on Thursday, Jan. 8, 1998.

She was born Nov. 30, 1909, in Sterling, Colo., to Roy and Fannie Neigh. She moved to Lakeside in 1917, and graduated from Flathead County High School.

She married Peder C. "Pete" Pedersen on Nov. 16, 1936 in Kalispell. They lived for a time in Seattle and Reno, Nev., and then returned to Montana. They settled near Ronan, where they farmed and sold real

estate.

Her husband preceded her in death on May 7, 1978.

She is survived by a daughter, Stephanie Standen of St. Paul, Minn.; granddaughter Wendy Ravander of Seattle; grandson Wes Standen of Calgary, Alberta.

Funeral services were held this morning at Shriders Mortuary Chapel in Ronan, with the Rev. Rand Drollman officiating with burial at 2 p.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell.

Arrangements by Shriders Mortuary of Ronan.

Ella Olava Pedersen, 86

Ella Olava Pedersen, 86, of Kalispell, died on Sunday, March 22, 1998, at Immanuel Lutheran Home.

She was born on Nov. 13, 1911, the daughter of Edward and Minnie Iverson in Antelope. She received her education and graduated from high school in Antelope. She then attended business college in Williston, N.D.

On Sept. 23, 1935, she married Clifford Pedersen in Kenmare, N.D., and he preceded her in death on April 24, 1974. They farmed in Plentywood, prior to moving to western Montana and in 1946, settling in Kalispell.

She worked at Montgomery Wards and Walt Woods Insurance as a bookkeeper. The couple owned and operated Bonnieville Service Station and Cabins until 1968.

In the spring of 1978, she was one of the first residents to move into the Glacier Manor, residing there for 20



years.

She enjoyed walking to Sykes everyday for lunch and visiting people. She enjoyed bowling and playing bingo. She was a member of the Eagles Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her husband Clifford and two brothers and three sisters and is now survived by one daughter Luella Hoyer and husband Art of Columbia Falls; son C. Wayne Pedersen and wife, Jaunita, of Monument, Colo.; sister Anna Schmerbaugh of Bellflower, Calif.; seven grandchildren, Bonnie Minissale of Edmond, Okla., Sheryl Hanson, Henry Hoyer, and Karen Skindingsrude all of Columbia Falls, Cynthia Cestkowski, Chris Pedersen and Cathy Pedersen all of Aurora, Colo.; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Private family graveside services will be held at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday at Glacier Memorial Gardens, with the Rev. Bob Nilsen, pastor of Calvary Lutheran Church, officiating. Visitation will be on Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Harold J. Pedersen, 86

Harold J. Pedersen, 86, of Polson, died Wednesday, Jan. 28, 1998, at Community Medical Center in Missoula, of natural causes.

His parents, Peder Christian "Chris" and Sophie Olesen Pedersen, were natives of Denmark who homesteaded near Chief Cliff west of Dayton in 1910. He was born there on Sept. 30, 1911.

He attended grade school in Dayton and graduated from Polson High School in 1930.

While attending high school, he boarded at the Matt Hansen farm, the site of the New Life Christian Center.

He worked summers for the forest service in the Bob Marshall Wilderness Area, building trails and spending a summer in a fire tower.

In 1934, he married Mary Barkenbus of Lakeside, and she preceded him in death in 1968.

He attended Montana State University and Western Montana College at Dillon, and taught at Creston and Somers.

Always a hard worker, he worked nights at the garage at Somers, closing up after the night bus went through.

After working as a supervisor at a factory in Spokane for several months during World War II, he moved with his wife and son, Roland, to Loneline. He taught at Loneline while farming from 1955 until selling the ranch in 1974.

He was active in the Sanders County Fair Board and was a mem-

ber of the American Hereford Association.

In 1973, he married Jewell Bentz and moved to Polson. They enjoyed traveling by motor home to Alaska and Arizona and became rock hounds. They worked many hours at the County Store. She preceded him in death in 1993.

He was active in Sons of Norway; Big Sky Rock and Mineral Club; and a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

He is survived by his son Roland and wife, Kitty, of Polson; grandson Eric and wife, Shalimar, of College Place, Wash.; granddaughter Trudy of South Lake Tahoe, Calif.; brother Fred Pedersen and family of Tacoma, Wash.; stepdaughter Virginia Sawyer and husband, Chuck, of Phoenix, Ariz.; a step-granddaughter, Deanna Bentz of Yakima, Wash.; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were brothers Hans Pedersen and Peder C. "Pete" Pedersen; sister Esther Commers; and a stepson, Ed Bentz.

Visitation will be 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday at Grogan Funeral Home.

Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Polson, with the Rev. Paul Rowold officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Kalispell.

The family suggests donations to the Polson Loaves and Fishes Pantry, 10 8th Ave. E., or a charity of the donor's choice.

Teresa Peebler, 82

Teresa Peebler, 82, died Sunday, May 3, 1998, at Brendan House.

She was born March 19, 1916, in Cheney, Wash., to John and Mary Sweeney Kaczmarek. Her early education was in Shelby. She went to college and received her licensed practical nurse degree and worked in Othello, Wash., for five years. Her main career was as a businesswoman.

She was married to Francis E. Peebler and the family farmed for many years near Shelby.

She owned and operated Mobile Home Sales in Shelby, and later she moved to Kalispell, where she owned and managed many rental properties in the area.



She was preceded in death by her husband, Francis; three brothers, Vincent Kaczmarek, Bernard Kaczmarek, and Leo Kaczmarek; and one sister Veronica Gillis Strand.

She is survived by one daughter, Valerie Reinsmith of Florissant, Mo.; three sons, Larry Snyder of Columbia Falls, Don Snyder of Deer Park, Wash., and John Snyder of Chariton, Iowa; also 12 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends of Teresa Peebler at Johnson Mortuary Chapel today until 6 p.m. with vigil services to follow at 7 p.m. Mass of Christian burial will be held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at Risen Christ Church with the Rev. James Connor, Celebrant. Committal will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

John Myrel Penn, 75

John Myrel Penn, 75, died Sunday, Dec. 6, 1998, at Brendan House.

He was born June 18, 1923, in Michigan.

He loved the outdoors and worked as a logger most of his life.

He had no family but is survived by several good friends, Jean Shafer and Bob Cornell, Robert Shafer,

Mary Shaffer and Robert Kraft, all of Kalispell.

Urn burial will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Conrad Memorial Cemetery with Deacon Fred Topp of St. Matthew's Catholic Church officiating. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is in charge of arrangements.

Nina E. Penner, 89

Nina E. Penner, 89, died on Wednesday, Feb. 18, 1998, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born on Feb. 29, 1908, in Velva, N.D., to Henry and Elizabeth Westra.

She grew up and received her education in Poplar and later moved to Wolf Point, where she worked for Norby's Sweet Shop.

She married Victor Penner on June 11, 1934, in Glasgow. Their first home was in Malta. They operated a grocery store in Poplar for many years.

They moved to Columbia Falls when they retired. Her husband died on May 13, 1992, and she went into Brendan House, where she lived until her death.

She is survived by one sister, Pearl Nedrud and husband, Norman, of Wolf Point; sister-in-laws and brother-in-laws, Vera Westra of Verndale, Minn., Robert "Bob" and Elsie Penner of Wolf Point, Tina Unrau of Wolfe, Texas, Laura Hagen of Fargo, N.D., Leroy and Lillian Franklin of Escondido, Calif., Elmer "Bud" and Louise Penner of San Diego, Calif., and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt of Epworth United Methodist Church officiating.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

John H. Perry, 75

John H. Perry, 75, died Sunday morning, Feb. 22, 1998, at his home in Columbia Falls.

He was born May 1, 1912, in Great Falls, to Clarence and Edna Perry. He was raised and educated in Great Falls and received his teaching degree in Menomonie, Wis. Before attending college, he served three and a half years in the Army during World War II.

He was married to Marty Farnik at St. Ann's Cathedral in Great Falls on Aug. 20, 1946. In 1948 they moved to Columbia Falls, where he was the first industrial arts teacher at Columbia Falls High School. He retired in 1974, after teaching for 26 years. He and his wife were part owners and managed Glacier Lanes Bowling Alley from 1970 to 1980. They were also in business with his brother in the coin-operated laundry in Columbia Falls for 34 years.

He enjoyed working many summers as a park ranger at the west entrance of Glacier National Park. The family spent several weekends

camping at Apgar Campground in Glacier Park. He enjoyed dancing, bowling, fishing and golf.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Clarence and Edna Perry.

He is survived by his wife Marty at the family home in Columbia Falls; sons, Rick Perry of Kalispell and granddaughters, Kay and Sara, Jim Perry and his wife, Judy Del, and grandsons, Jeff and Jarrett, of Kalispell, and Jack and Farah of Cypress, Texas, and Dave Perry of Columbia Falls; sister Helen Vance of Spokane, and numerous other relatives.

A memorial mass will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Joe Pat Sullivan will officiate. A reception will follow the service at the church.

The family has suggested memorials be made to St. Richard's Catholic Church Building Fund or to the cemetery fund.

Columbia Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

John H. Perry, 75

John H. Perry, 75, died Sunday morning, Feb. 22, 1998, at his home in Columbia Falls.

He was born May 1, 1912, in Great Falls, to Clarence and Edna Perry.

He and his wife co-owned a coin-operated laundry in Columbia Falls for 34 years.

He was also a park ranger at the west entrance of Glacier National Park.

He is survived by his wife Marty at the family home in Columbia Falls; sons including Rick Perry and Jim Perry and

his wife, Judy Del, all of Kalispell, Dave Perry of Columbia Falls; a sister; and numerous other relatives.

A memorial mass will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at the St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Joe Pat Sullivan will officiate.

The family has suggested memorials be made to St. Richard's Catholic Church Building Fund or to the cemetery fund.

Columbia Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Jessie Peterson, 94

Jessie Peterson, 94, died on March 20, 1998, at North Valley Extended Care in Whitefish, of natural causes after a short illness. She lived in Great Falls for 70 years. For the past 10 years she resided at Mountain View Manor in Whitefish.



She was born on Aug. 7, 1903, in Garden City, Mo. Her parents were Jesse and Olla Clements. The family moved to Great Falls when she was 14 years old. She graduated from the Great Falls High School. She married Arthur Peterson of Great Falls on May 3, 1923.

She worked in the dry cleaning business all of her working years. Most of that time she worked for the National Laundry and Dry Cleaners. For some time before retirement she managed the Kwik-Way Cleaners on 21st St., and 2nd Ave. N. in Great Falls.

In 1987, she and her husband moved to Whitefish, to be with their son, Arthur.

She was preceded in death by her

husband Arthur; son William; sisters, Donna Schowbel, Nadine Hobbs; brothers, Rolla Clements and Jerry Clements.

She is survived by a son, Arthur Peterson and his wife, Evelyn, of Whitefish; daughter-in-law Shirlee Peterson of Great Falls; sister-in-law Maurene Clements of Yuba Linda, Calif.; grandsons, Randall "Pete" Peterson of Whitefish, Blake and wife, Paula Peterson, of Winter Park Colo.; granddaughters, Karen Hall, Patricia Peterson of Virginia, Sue Ann Peterson of Milwaukee, Wis.; three great-grandchildren, Aaron, Andrew and Abigail Hall; nephews, Clements Robertson of Green Valley, Ariz., Jay, Neil, Dean Clements of California; and nieces, Vera Tockes, Vi Clements of Helena, and Georgette Wolkiewicz of Holland, Pa.

Services will be held at the O'Connor Funeral Home in Great Falls at 11 a.m. on Thursday. Visitation and viewing will be Wednesday evening from 5 to 8 p.m.

The family suggests memorials to Central Christian Church, Great Falls, or First Presbyterian Church, Whitefish.

1998 Kurt Peterson

Memorial services for Kurt M. Peterson, 40, of Coram are 2 p.m. Friday at the Coram Chapel in Coram. He died Feb. 5 as a result of a logging accident.

He was born Sept. 10, 1957, in Brookings, S.D., to Ronald and Anna-Liisa Peterson. He



Kurt Peterson

attended schools in Brookings, graduating from Brookings High School in 1975. After high school, he attended South Dakota State University. He moved to Montana in 1993, where he went to work as a logger. He was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying hunting and fishing.

Surviving are his wife, Kathy of Coram, three children, Kevin of Coram, Kris Welsch of Coram, and Melissa Welsch of Coram; one granddaughter Kaylee Maguire; two brothers, John Peterson of Aberdeen, S.D., Erik Peterson of Sandy, Ore.; his parents Ron and Anna-Liisa Peterson of Brookings, S.D., and numerous nieces and nephews.

Dr. David Kauffman will officiate at Friday's service.

The family requests memorials to the Canyon Quick Response Unit.

Richard Eldon Peterson, 64

Richard Eldon Peterson, 64, of Eureka, died Oct. 22, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

He was born Dec. 18, 1933, in Spokane, to Earl and Lillian Armagost Peterson.

He was preceded in death by a brother.

He is survived by a brother, David Peterson of Eureka, and many nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place and at his request no funeral services will be held. Cremation and arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Ruth Adina Peterson, 94

Ruth Adina Peterson, 94, died Friday, Oct. 30, 1998, in Missoula.

She was born on Nov. 4, 1903, in Sisseton, S.D., the daughter of Swan and Johanna Josephine Larson Nelson. She attended a rural one-room school in Goodwill township. She graduated from the Sisseton High School also earning a certificate in Normal Training. She received her bachelor of arts degree at Valley City State University at Valley City, N.D., receiving a major in education and a minor in art.

She married Adelbert V. Peterson on April 26, 1924. She taught school two years in South Dakota, nine years in North Dakota and 26 years in Montana; the last 23 years were in the second grade at Cornelius Hedges School in Kalispell, where she retired in 1970.

She enjoyed oil and water color painting and china painting. She loved to entertain friends and relatives.

She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith, belonging to Bethlehem Lutheran Church in



Kalispell, where she was very active, especially in Sunday school work and other functions, and the Sons of Norway and the Order of Eastern Star. She was also a past member of the Cemetery Club, Professional Women Toast Mistress, AAWW, and was an active member of Delta Kappa Gamma and retired teachers.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Del; two brothers and two half brothers.

She is survived by two sons, R. Duane and wife, Gretchen, of Farmington Hills, Mich., and Darrel and wife, Irene, of Missoula; 12 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews

Funeral Services will be Tuesday, at the Bethlehem Lutheran church at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Richard Nelson officiating. Burial will follow at the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be Monday from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. at the Johnson Mortuary.

The family suggest memorial gifts be given to Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 603 S. Main, Kalispell, MT or to the charity of the donors choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Russell Peterson, 73

Russell Peterson, 73, died Thursday, Dec. 24, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born Nov. 1, 1925, in Libby to Ernest and Irene Kammayer Peterson.

Russell grew up in Libby and worked there and in various parts of Alaska. He loved the outdoors and anything to do with aircraft, boats and trains, but his great joys came from telling stories about his adventures, which kept his friends calling for more. Russell was a man of strong faith and respected by all who knew him. He offered a life of service and prayer for others, and will be greatly missed by all of us.

Russell was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Clifford and Clayton. He is survived by his wife Barbara; three sons, Gary and wife Maxine of Port Townsend, Wash., Mark and wife Cheryl of Greenville, S.C., and Steve and wife Sassa of Homer, Alaska; a brother, Wayne and wife Sandy of Libby; and grandchildren Rebekah, Timothy,

Amy, Kelsey, Tabitha, Christopher and Erik.

Services for Russell Peterson will be Monday, Dec. 28, 1998, at 1 p.m. at the Fortine Community Church in Fortine with Pastor Jim Davey officiating. There will be a private family burial in the Fortine Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

1999 Dorothy A. Pettinato, 65

Dorothy A. Pettinato, of Kailua, Hawaii, passed away on Jan. 24 after a brief illness.

She was born in Daniels County, Montana on Feb. 15, 1932, to Hans and Beulah Jacobson.

The family moved to Kalispell in 1940, where she completed her education, graduating from Flathead High School in 1949.

She was married to Bert Pettinato in Kalispell in 1952. He preceded her in death.

She is survived by a son, Mark; daughters, Valerie Maher, Kimberly Apple, Stephanie Obando and Anne Shure; seven grandchildren; sisters, Evelyn Lohn, Florence Jacobson, Amaryllis Robischon Beverly Watts and brothers, Howard, Henry and Alvin Jacobson all of Kalispell.

Funeral services were conducted at the Calvary Episcopal Church in Kailua on January 30. She was buried with Bert at the Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, on Oahu.

1998 Esther Pettinato, 70

Esther Pettinato, beloved wife, mother, and grandmother, died Thursday, Feb. 12, of breast cancer at age 70.

She was born Jan. 16, 1928, in Windsor, Colo., to William and Katherine Schwartzkopf. She attended schools in Windsor and in Greeley, Colo.

On March 3, 1945, she married Romolo Pettinato. They settled in Montana, first in Essex where he worked for the Great Northern Railroad. They moved to Columbia Falls in 1959 and a year later settled in Whitefish. In 1994, they moved to Kalispell.

She was a longtime member of the St. Charles Parish in Whitefish and a new member of Risen Christ Parish in Kalispell. She loved singing in the church choir, working in her flowers, baking and sewing. She was a devoted wife and mother, never working outside the home but working tirelessly to make a home. She especially loved being a grandmother. Her grandchildren were a source of great happiness and joy. She was a hardworking and independent spirit

and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her husband, Romolo, at the Brendan House; son Rod and his wife, Tressa, and their children Christopher and Autumn, of Nashville, Tenn.; son Russ and wife, Judy, and sons Justin, Jared and Stephen, in Whitefish; daughter Rhonda Dudis and husband, John, and daughters Amanda and Allison, of Kalispell; daughter Renee, of Cheyenne, Wyo., brothers Robert and Jacob, of Denver; sisters Elizabeth, of Portland, Ore., and Mollie, of Anchorage, Alaska; great granddaughter, Sarah.

A vigil service will be 7 p.m., today, at Risen Christ Parish. A mass of Christian burial will be 10 a.m., Monday, at Risen Christ Parish, Father James A. Connor as celebrant. Committal service will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. The family suggests memorials be made to Wings (an outreach for cancer patients) c/o Kalispell Regional Medical Center, 310 Sunnyview Lane, Kalispell. Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

Romolo I. Pettinato, 74

Romolo I. Pettinato, 74, passed away Thursday, Sept. 24, 1998, at Brendan House after an extended illness.

He was born Aug. 21, 1924, at the family home in Whitefish, to Carmello and Raffeala Pettinato. Romolo's early years were spent in the Flathead Valley at Essex, where he attended elementary school. He often remarked that many of his teachers did not like children very much, but he was proud that he never received a "lickin'" in all his school days.

As a young man, Romolo enjoyed fishing, going to school dances and singing in the school choir. One of his vivid memories was presenting the Easter Cantata to a school assembly when 150 students walked out! Romolo graduated in 1942 from Flathead County High School.

In May 1943, he was drafted into the U.S. Army, where he was assigned to the 13th Engineer Battalion Company C. He served in World War II in the Pacific Theater. During his training in Wyoming, he met Esther Schwartzkopf and they were married in 1945.

After being discharged in 1946, Romolo and Esther settled in Essex, where he was employed by the Great Northern Railroad as a machinist. Romolo became a locomotive fireman and brakeman and moved his family to Whitefish in 1960. He retired from the Burlington Northern in 1988 and remained in Whitefish until moving to Kalispell in 1994.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Esther; a daughter, Robin, who was declared missing in 1975; two brothers, Joseph and Bert; and one sister, Yolanda. Romolo was

affectionately known as "Rom" or "Fat" to his friends and family, who liked to call him a Jack-of-all-trades. His children truly believed he could fix anything and tested this belief many times in various projects and generally maintaining many houses.

To his grandchildren, he gave his attention and time; he was never too busy to play a game of cards or go to the playground. Mostly, Romolo will be remembered by his children for the gift of his infinite patience and quiet wisdom. He was more than a father; he was a "dad," giving the gift of time as well as talent. Rom's philosophy of life was good food, good friends and solid family. This is the lasting legacy he has loving left his children.

Romolo is survived by his son, Rod, daughter-in-law, Tressa, and their children, Christopher and Autum; his son, Russ, daughter-in-law, Judy, and their sons, Justin, Jared and Stephen; his daughter, Rhonda, her husband, John Dudis, and their daughters, Amanda and Allison; his daughter, Renee; and four brothers, Frank, Russell, Rudy and Virgil.

A vigil service will be held Sunday, Sept. 27, at 7:30 p.m. at the Johnson Mortuary. Visitation will be for one half-hour before and one half-hour after. A Mass of Christian Burial will be Monday at 10:30 a.m. at Risen Christ Parish in Kalispell. The Rev. James Conner will be the Celebrant.

The Committal service will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Memorials can be made to St. Mathew's School Library Fund, 602 S. Main St., Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Minnie Pike, 90

Minnie Pike, 90, died at home in Missoula on Nov. 3, 1998.

She was born in Oslo, Norway on Oct. 2, 1908, to Ole and Bertina Johansen.

Although she lived the majority of her life in Whitefish, she had been in Missoula with her granddaughter for the last three years.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her daughter, Edwina; a brother, Ole Dalen; a sister, Mary Collier; and husbands Ed Hodge, Johnny Pike, and Lee Bachelor.

She is survived by her daughters, Dolores Sloan and Phillis Moore; a sister, Arlene Field; a brother, Harold "Bud" Dalen, all of Whitefish; and numerous grand and great-grandchildren.

She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

A graveside service and urn placement will be Friday, Nov. 6 at 11 a.m. at Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. John Bent officiating.

Memorials may be made to Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish.

Jerry E. Pirker, 35

Jerry E. Pirker, 35, died Sunday, Dec. 13, 1998, of natural causes while snowmobiling with friends on Hash Mountain.

He was born Oct. 24, 1963, in Sandpoint, Idaho, to Dave and Lois Pirker. During his early years he lived in Trout Creek and Dillon, as well as in Curlew, Wash. He moved to Kalispell with his family in 1970. He attended schools in Kalispell, graduating from Flathead High School in 1981.

He was employed at several auto parts stores in Kalispell. He was working for Kalispell Auto Parts at the time of his death.

He was an avid snowmobiler and was involved in building stock cars to race at the local race tracks. He enjoyed bowling, trap shooting and had recently taken up golf.

He was a member of the Flathead Valley Snowmobile Association; Raceway Park Racing Association;

the Kalispell Bowling Association; and the Flathead Valley Clay Target Club.

He is survived by his parents, Dave and Lois Pirker of Kalispell; sister Sandy Pirker of Seattle; grandmothers, Johanna Pirker and Doris Kraus, both of Trout Creek; aunts, Rita Kraus, Irene and her husband, Peter Jensen, all of Kalispell, Mary Jo and her husband, Ed Thompson, of Bothell, Wash.; and his special friend, Lynn Treadway of Lynwood, Wash.; along with numerous cousins.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Private family urn burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Family request donations be made to charity of the donor's choice.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory in charge of arrangements.

George Randall Pomeroy, 51

George Randall "Joe" Pomeroy, 51, of Libby, died Monday morning, March 23, 1998, from injuries sustained from a motor vehicle accident.

Survivors include his wife, Sherry, of Libby; one son; one daughter; mother Luceta Pomeroy of Libby; four brothers; father and mother-in-law, Lou and Nora May Auge of Libby; two brothers-in-law, Gene L. Auge of Libby, Ronald L. Auge of

Kalispell; two sisters-in-law; two grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday at Nelson & Vial Funeral Home. Services will be at 2 p.m. on Thursday at the Faith Bible Church in Libby.

Memorials may be given to the Alcohol Treatment Center in Libby.

Local arrangements are by the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

1998 Rev. Warren Pomeroy, 72

Rev. Warren Pomeroy, 72, a former resident of Eureka and Kalispell, died Sunday, Jan. 25, in Sandpoint, Idaho.

He was born Nov. 19, 1925, in Markham, Wash., to Floyd and Georgia Pomeroy. At the age of 4, the family moved to north Lincoln County, residing in Trego and Fortine.

He attended school in Fortine and graduated from Lincoln County High School in Eureka. He attended Gordon Bible College in Gordon, Neb. He married Nina Campbell in Lincoln, Calif., Dec. 25, 1946.

He returned to north Lincoln County where he had served as pastor of the First Church of God in Eureka for 20 years. He also had been employed by the Gompf Funeral Chapel of Eureka.

He participated in the community, serving as a volunteer ambulance attendant and also serving as justice of the peace. He served with the Civil Air Patrol and also with the local chapter of the American Red Cross.

In 1972, he was named Tobacco Valley Citizen of the Year by the Tobacco Valley Improvement Association and was elected to the Tobacco Valley Hall of Fame.

In 1967, he attended Flathead Valley Community College in Kalispell, and later attended and graduated from The California College of Mortuary Science at Los Angeles.

He returned to the Flathead Valley where he was associated with the Johnson Mortuary in Kalispell, as a mortician and funeral director.

In 1972, he moved to Sandpoint, Idaho, where he was associated with Coffelt Funeral Service as a mortician and funeral director for 20

years, retiring from funeral service in 1992. He also had served as deputy coroner of Bonner County, Idaho, during that time period. In 1973, he also began serving as pastor of the First Church of God in Sandpoint, continuing until the time of his death.

He was past president of the North Idaho Funeral Directors Association and the Sandpoint Kiwanis Club. He continued in his work with the American Red Cross and had served on the local board of FEMA, and was instrumental in establishing the St. Francis Day Care Center in Sandpoint.

He was a member of the Montana Church of God Association and the Pacific Northwest Association and had served as area representative of the World Services Division of the Church of God in Anderson, Ind.

Survivors include his wife Nina of Sandpoint; three children, Elaine May and her husband, Bob, of Spokane, Charles Pomeroy of Portland, Ore., and Jon Pomeroy and his wife, Cathy, of Sandpoint; four brothers, Bill Pomeroy of Kalispell, Westley Pomeroy of Eastsound, Wash., Ted Pomeroy of Fortine, and Caleb Pomeroy of Fairbanks, Alaska; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Edward; two brothers; and two sisters.

Services will be Friday at 11 a.m. P.S.T. at the First Baptist Church in Sandpoint, with the Rev. Jerry Phillips officiating.

Interment services will follow at Pinecrest Memorial Park under the direction of Coffelt Funeral Service.

Memorials may be made to First Church of God, 221 S. Division, Sandpoint, Idaho.

Alfred Poole, 76

Alfred Poole, 76, a lifelong resident of Kalispell, died Feb. 7, 1998 in the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

He was born Aug. 27, 1921, in Kalispell, to George Joshua and Anna Sophia Hanson Poole.

He received his early education in Kalispell, and graduated from Flathead High School.

He then enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served during World War II. After the war he completed jeweler's and watchmaking school in California.

On Jan. 3, 1948, he was married to Frances Byrne and they later built a home on River Road in Kalispell.

He worked in the jewelry business in Kalispell at Wheeler's Jewelry for 36 years.

After retiring he and his wife wintered in Yuma, Ariz. He loved the outdoors, fishing, hunting and prospecting for gold.

He was a member of the Eagles Club.

He is survived by his wife Frances at the family home in Kalispell; a sister, Jane Fulton and husband, Gene, of Kalispell; an aunt, Ruth Johansen and husband, Carl, of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; a brother-in-law, Bill Byrne and wife, Dorothy, of Missoula; a sister-in-law, Dottie Fiest, of Tucson, Ariz. and Kalispell; and brother-in-law, Don Thiesen of Kalispell; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday, with his sister, Myrlann Thiesen, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

The family suggests memorials be given to the Shriners Hospital, P O Box 2472, Spokane, WA 99210

Cremation and arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Maxine LaVerne Pope, 79

Maxine LaVerne Pope, 79, of Helena, died at St. Peter's Hospital Saturday evening ^{26 Sept 1998}

She was born in Somers on May 9, 1919, to Holger and Elsie Sellman Nelson.

Survivors include two daughters; two sons; brother John Nelson of Kalispell; 19 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Helena, with the Rev. Steve Moody officiating. Services under the direction of Hagler-Anderson Mortuary.

Carol Powell, 67

Carol Powell, 67, died Oct. 29, 1998, at St. John's Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

She was born April 27, 1931, in Plentywood, to Caroline and George F. Andersen.

She is survived locally by her husband, Bob, in Libby; daughter Wendy Powell of Kalispell; daughter Kerry Parker, grandson Cory Parker and his wife Angi and great-grandson Peyton, all of

Libby; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held at Christ Lutheran Church in Libby on Monday at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Les Nelson officiating.

The family suggests memorials to St. John Lutheran Hospital Foundation, Libby, MT.

Local arrangements by Nelson & Vial Funeral Home.

1998 Marlin Gordon Powell, 76

Marlin Gordon Powell, 76, died Wednesday, May 6, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born Feb. 22 in Wibaux, to Lorenzo and Loris Woods Powell.

He received his early education in eastern Montana, finishing the eighth grade. He lived mainly in Great Falls until 1946, when he bought his place in Ferndale, where he lived ever since.

He worked at ranches until 1946, and for several years after that worked in the smelter in Great Falls. From there, he went into the sawmill business with his brother, Merle Powell. In the late 1950s, he became a laborer on heavy duty construction jobs. In the 1970s, he became a carpenter. He retired in the early 1980s.

After retiring, he enjoyed spending time with relatives, friends and neighbors. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and

camping. He was a member of the retired Labor and Carpenters Union.

He was preceded in death by brothers, Francis and Merle Powell.

He is survived by nephews, Dennis Powell, and wife, Jennifer, in Martin City and Melvin Powell and wife, Ceceli, of Kalispell; brothers Wayne Powell, of Great Falls, and Ronald Powell of Grass Range; sister Evelyn Eller, of Great Falls; aunts Helen Woods, of Pierson, Iowa, Francis Mulholland, of Webster City, Iowa, and Marie Kilts, of Meridian, Iowa; 19 nieces and nephews and many great nieces and nephews.

A memorial service is planned 1 p.m., Monday, at Little Brown Church in Bigfork, with Raymond Powell of the Church of Faith officiating. Urn burial will follow at Lonepine Cemetery. Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

1998 Phyllis Elizabeth Prentice, 85

Phyllis Elizabeth Prentice, 85, died early May 6, at home in Whitefish.

She was born Jan. 12, 1913, to Margaret Mary and Leonard Brickman, in Cleveland, Ohio. She was the first of five children.

She attended San Diego State University, earning a teaching degree and beginning a life's devotion to her chosen profession. She worked in New Jersey as an exchange teacher, and also began to ski. In 1942, she married George Prentice in Reno, Nevada. She lived in a tent city, where she taught school in Gabbs, Nevada.

In 1946, they moved to Montana, where their daughter was born. George and partner Ed Schenck were beginning what is now The Big Mountain ski area. Their son was born in 1948. Soon after, Phyllis was teaching again.

They left Montana in the 1950s, and lived in Idaho, Washington, Nevada, Ohio and New Jersey, where she taught until retirement. They returned to Whitefish in 1974. She still corresponded with students she had taught 50 years before.

In retirement, they traveled extensively in Europe, Australia and New Zealand and their other home in Indio, Calif. They always returned to ski in the winter and golf in the summer.

She was an avid reader, instilling that love in her students, her chil-



dren and her nieces and nephews. She was a generous contributor to the Whitefish Public Library.

After more than 50 years of marriage, she was preceded in death by her husband, George.

She is survived by a daughter, Jan Prentice, of Draper, Utah; son Tom Prentice, of Riverside, Calif.; sister Leonarda Hill, of Elyria, Ohio; brother Leonard Brickman, of Brewton, Ala.; sisters-in-law, Helen Brickman, of Vestavia Hills, Ala., and Dorothy Davidson, of Long Beach, Calif.; granddaughter Stacey Arnold, of Indianapolis, Ind.; grandson Noah Closson, of Whitefish; great grandchildren, Dylan and McKayla Arnold; cousins Hubert, Ralph and Bill Miller, of San Diego, Calif. Extended family members also include Shirley Closson; Richard and Bonnie Closson and their children Nathan and Johanna, all of Whitefish.

She was well-loved and will be missed.

Donna Vane Price, 69

Donna Vane Price, 69, died at her home in Kalispell, Friday, Oct. 23, 1998.

She was born Oct. 7, 1929, in Port Angeles, Wash., to Joseph and Marilla Hopf Vane. She attended and graduated from Port Angeles schools and went on to attend Brigham Young University.

She married Robert D. Price on April 22, 1951. They later moved to Kalispell in 1959, where her husband worked for West Coast Airlines. She operated a snack bar at the Flathead County Airport for 11 years. She was also a devoted and loving mother to her five sons and two daughters.

She was an avid collector of antiques, and liked sewing, crafts and genealogy. She was active in Montana Delta Master Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi and the Church of



Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and sister, Margerite Miller Hartness.

She is survived by five sons, Gregg Price and wife, Jana, of Kalispell. Bruce of Oxnard, Calif., Brian of Missoula, Brad of Lakewood, Colo., and Bart of El Segundo, Calif.; two daughters, Dawn and husband, Jerry Chick, of Phoenix, Ariz., and Diane and husband, Tom Radcliff, of Bozeman; two grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Stake Center on Whitefish Stage with President Carl Clark officiating. Burial will follow at the Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be sent to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1002, Kalispell, MT 59903 or to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Missionary Fund.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

John Daniel Price, 84

John Daniel Price, 84, died Thursday, Dec. 17, 1998, at his home in Columbia Falls.



He was born May 9, 1914, in Lewistown, Pa., to Horace W. and Lydia K. Dahl Price. He received his early education in Lewistown, and completed 11 years until a death in the family caused him to go to work.

In 1944, he enlisted in the Marine Corps and served his country overseas and was honorably discharged in 1946.

He brought his two daughters, Toby and Trudy, to Belton, in 1946, from Pennsylvania. He worked at the Sunset Ranch near Coram where he met Jean George whom he later married on June 10, 1949, in Bonners Ferry, Idaho.

He worked as a paint constructor on the Hungry Horse Dam project. He was also a guide and outfitter for several years. He moved to Trego, in 1949, where he began ranching and had a small sawmill operation and added three more children to his family. In 1963, he began raising Arabian horses which became and continued to be his passion for the next 35 years. He moved from Trego to Columbia Falls in 1992, where he resided with his wife Jean until the time of his death.

Dad's presence will be missed very much in our daily lives. His unique ways of giving and caring, his persistence and perseverance in every day life has been an inspiration for us all to follow. The void of not having him with us can not be replaced as he was one in a million as all those who knew him would attest. He always had a story to tell, a road to run or an ear to bend, this was his fun.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and two brothers, Joe and Rollin.

He is now survived by his wife Jean at the family home; three daughters, Toby Elliot and husband, Al, of Mesa, Ariz., Trudy Siefke and husband, Ray, of Libby, and Michele Cluka and husband, Ben, of Kalispell; two sons, John Price and wife, Kathryn, of Kalispell, and Michael Price and wife, Kathleen, of Lodi, Calif.; also 12 dearly-loved grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Monday at 1 p.m. at the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt of the Epworth United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow in Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be on Monday from 9 a.m. until the time of service.

The family suggests memorial gifts be given to the Energy Share Fund, Flathead Electric Co-op, 2510 Highway 2 East, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

1998

Robert E. "Bob" Price, 81 of Bigfork died Thursday, Feb. 5, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

The son of Evan and Ruth Price, Bob was born Sept. 13, 1916, in Aurora, Neb. He moved with his family to Billings in 1924 where he attended school, graduating from Billings High School in 1935. He moved to Glendale, Calif., in 1937, where he married LaVonne Anderson, April 29, 1940. During World War II he worked for Lockheed, building fighter plane parts. In 1947 he returned to Billings, working for Exxon Refinery until his retirement in 1975. In 1977, he moved to Bigfork.

An avid motorcyclist from age 16, he and his son Ron enjoyed riding their Harleys and had taken many road trips together. A life member of Billings Motorcycle Club, he was very proud that three generations of his family were

members. He was also a member of the Montana Unit of W.B.C.C., the Airstream Trailer Club.

He was preceded in death by his wife, LaVonne, Jan. 16, 1990, and his son Ron, April 15, 1997.

Survivors include his daughter-in-law Shirley Price; grandchildren Rhonda Walter and her husband Joe and Bob Price and his wife Jill; great-grandchildren, Ryan and Alex Walter, all of Billings; and his many good friends and neighbors.

Funeral services were Tuesday at Michelotti, Sawyers and Nordquist, Alderson Chapel with interment in Mountview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Quick Response Unit, (QRU), c/o Bigfork Fire Department, Bigfork, MT 59911, or the Children's Hospital, 1056 E. 19th Ave., Denver, CO 80218 *Bigfork*

Darrel V. Prichard, 54

1998
Darrel V. Prichard, 54, died Monday morning, Aug. 31, at his home near Columbia Falls.

He was born June 25, 1944, in Wolf Point, to Dale H. and Nellie H. Prichard. He was married to Sandra K. Zabel on July 10, 1965, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

He worked for Superior Lumber Co. He worked for Columbia Falls Aluminum Company for 28 years and retired in 1997.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his wife Sandy at the family home near Columbia Falls; son Tom and his wife, Kathy Prichard; daughter Amy and her husband, Martin; five grandchildren; three sisters, Hattie McCracken, Donna Lidstrom and Virgie Anderson, all of Columbia Falls; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

Ed Proefrock, 62

Ed Proefrock, 62, died March 18, 1998, of injuries received when the motorhome he and his wife, Rosella, were traveling in was struck by a semi-trailer truck on Highway 93 between Ely and Wells, Nev. His wife sustained only minor injuries.

He was born July 28, 1935, in Conrad to Wilbur and Gleneva Jackson Proefrock. He was raised in Conrad and Kalispell, where he and his wife Rosella both graduated from Flathead County High School.

After serving in the U.S. Army, he went to work for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers from 1956 to 1990.

He married Rosella Taylor in 1956, in Kalispell. They lived in Walla Walla, Wash., during most of his time with the Corps.

After retirement, they moved to Kalispell to live during the spring and summer months, and they wintered in Quartzsite, Ariz. They were returning to Kalispell at the time of the accident.

His favorite pastimes included riding his motorcycle and four-wheelers, flying kites, and playing with his model rockets, telescope, remote con-

trolled cars and other gadgets.

He was a member of the Walla Walla Elks Lodge.

Surviving are his wife Rosella of Kalispell; two sons and daughters-in-law, Edward and Virginia Proefrock of Gresham, Ore., and Dean and Sheila Proefrock, of College Place, Wash.; four grandchildren, Brandy and Jennifer Proefrock, both of College Place, and Jessica and Jennifer Proefrock, both of Gresham; and two brothers, Elmer and Leonard Proefrock of Cut Bank.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Wilbur and Gleneva Jackson Proefrock and two brothers, Gilbert J. and Carol (Bud) Proefrock.

In lieu of a funeral service, there will be a gathering of family and friends at noon on Saturday, April 4, at the home of John and Kathy Taylor, 605 Valleyview Drive, in Kalispell.

Memorial contributions may be made to support the EMT unit that assisted at the scene of the accident. Contributions may be sent to Lorri Henson, P.O. Box 186, Richfield, Idaho 83349.

Carrie E. 'Libby' Pruett, 77

Carrie E. "Libby" Pruett, 77, died Friday, Oct. 16, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

She was born March 11, 1921, at Betty's Creek, N.C., one of 11 children of Thad Cloer and Pearl Fair Cloer. She was raised and educated in Jackson and Macon counties, N.C., graduating as valedictorian of the Class of 1939 in Glenville, N.C.

She married Vernon C. Pruett on Aug. 17, 1940, in Pickens, S.C. They moved from Franklin, N.C., to Eureka in 1967, but returned to North Carolina in 1978. They came back to Eureka in 1985, where they have resided since.

Survivors include her husband of 58 years, Vernon Pruett, of Eureka;

six daughters, Janice Stuart of Greenville, S.C., Libby Joan Pruett-Wise of Atlanta, Julia Pruett and Pam Pruett, both of Eureka, Jinger Henke of Ponca City, Okla., and Sarita Welch of Scaly Mountain, N.C.; two sisters, Golda Farmer of Seneca, S.C. and Gin Banther of Lake City, Fla.; a brother, A.J. Cloer of Waynesville, N.C.; 16 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 3-8 p.m. Sunday at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Eureka. Services will be Monday at 10:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church with Pastor Joe Forrest officiating. Interment services will follow at Tobacco Valley Cemetery.

Wendell F. 'Bud' Putnam, 83

Wendell F. "Bud" Putnam, 83, died Monday Feb. 23, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

He was born Nov. 18, 1914, in Choteau, to Roy W. and Jennie Putnam. He moved to Polson in 1919 when he was 5 years old.

He attended school in Polson, graduating from Polson High School in 1935. He then attended Diesel Engineering School in Los Angeles, where he received his diploma in 1937.

He enlisted in the Navy and served from 1944 until 1946, then with the Naval Reserves from 1947 until 1952.

He worked for several companies during his life time, including J.C. Penney, Eddies Drug, Montana Power (Kerr Dam) and Safeway Stores.

A U.S. Postal distribution and window clerk in 1947, he was reassigned as a rural route carrier in 1957, where he worked until he retired in 1977.

He married Doris Wilson on Nov. 9, 1940, in Polson. He enjoyed camping, fishing, hunting and rock hound-

ing. He and his wife collected enough ore rock to build a fireplace in their new home in 1969.

He really enjoyed digging for old bottles, and they have more than 3000 old bottles in their collection.

After he retired he and his wife visited many states and truly enjoyed his retirement. He was very fond of animals, especially dogs and cats.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister Gladys Vancil.

He is survived by his wife Doris of Polson; son Gary B. of Gresham, Ore.; a daughter Gladys Drebes of Pablo; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren, and a niece, Nan Bidle of Naples, Fla.

Private family services will be held later this spring, when his ashes will be buried at Lakeview Cemetery in Polson.

The family requests memorials to Mission Valley Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 1644, Polson, MT 59860.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of arrangements and cremation.