

## Eva M. Farrington, 83

Eva M. Farrington, 83, of Columbia Falls died Thursday, Oct. 18, 2001, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

She was born on June 10, 1918, at Alden, Freeborn County, Minn., a daughter of John and Edna Kelly Milligan. Childhood years were spent on a farm near Oklee, Minn., where she went to school in the country.

On Oct. 12, 1940, she married Richard Farrington in Menomonie, Wis. Following the marriage they farmed near Oklee, Minn.

In 1956, they moved to Poplar, and she worked as a nurse's aid. In 1962, they moved to Columbia Falls, and she was then employed at the Montana Veterans Home for 17 years before retiring in

1980.

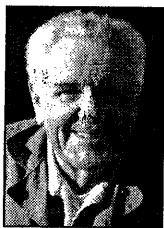
Bowling was her main sport. She was preceded in death by her parents, four sisters and her husband Richard.

She is survived by one daughter Luella Dalby of Malta, two grandsons, two granddaughters and two great-grandsons, all of Malta, one brother of Minnesota, and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be today from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. Services will be held on Monday at 2 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Darrell Newby will officiate. Burial will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

## Niels Harold 'Hal' Fauerso, 77

Niels Harold "Hal" Fauerso, 77, died on June 29, 2001, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls as a result of congestive heart failure.



He was born on June 4, 1924, in The Dalles, Ore., to Christian and Johanne Fauerso. He was the youngest son in a family of six brothers and sisters.

He graduated from The Dalles High School and then served in World War II as a U.S. Marine Raider in the South Pacific.

He married Betty Clapper in San Diego on March 31, 1956. The couple raised two children, Judy Sommers and Steve Fauerso.

Having enjoyed several vacations in the beautiful state of Montana, he felt it was the perfect place to raise his family. He moved his family to Kalispell in 1973. He went into the real estate business working for United Farm

Agency, Teakettle Realty and then opening up his own office, Ranchland Realty.

He loved his family, he enjoyed golfing at Buffalo Hill Golf Course, fishing and reading.

He will be remembered by many for his storytelling, jokes, poetry and singing.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother Paul; and sister, Erma.

He is survived by a daughter, Judy Sommers and her husband Brian; son Steve Fauerso and his wife Deb, all of Kalispell; brothers, Walt and wife Esther, and Lee and wife Betty; and sister Liz Robinson; several grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday at Brian and Judy Sommers residence, 2700 Truman Creek, Kila.

Donations in his memory can be made to the Danish Museum, Elverhoj Museum of History and Arts, P.O. Box 764, Solvang, CA 93464; or to the charity of the donor's choice.

## Charles H. Fearnley, 64

Charles H. Fearnley, 64, of Coram, passed away peacefully Sunday morning, July 29, 2001, at his home.

A celebration of his life will be held Friday at 6 p.m. at his home, 133 Trout Ave. in Coram (just off Gladys Glen Drive). Please bring and share some remembrance stories of Chuck.

He was born Oct. 28, 1936, Bridgeport, Conn., to Robert and Carrie Diviny Fearnley. He served his country in the Korean Conflict in the Army. He spent most of his life working as an automobile mechanic.

He came to Montana in October of 1996 and fell in love with Montana. His family will remember



him for his love of fishing as well as his gardening and his goldfish pond.

He is survived by his wife Irmgard Fearnley of California; his daughters, Anita L. Fearnley of

Coram, Diana Fearnley of Kalispell and Patricia A. Solano of Tekoa, Wash; four grandchildren, Susan Blattner and Christopher and Bryanna Solano, all of Washington and Nicholas Fearnley of Kalispell; his siblings, Helen Vail, and Maude Vanhorne, both of North Carolina and Harold Fearnley of Virginia.

## Herman F. Felsman, 97

Herman F. Felsman, 97, passed away on Sept. 3, 2001, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

He was born on Feb. 22, 1904, in Kalispell, to Herman and Ernestine Felsman. His parents were early pioneers who settled in Smith Valley. He was the youngest of five children. He attended school at Batavia, and graduated from Flathead County High School.

He married Ada Smith at the Flathead fairgrounds on Sept. 13, 1928. He worked as a logger for years, before becoming a carpenter. He loved animals, having found an orphan cub bear and raising it until he found a good home for the animal. He always had a dog — he loved their companionship, especially when in the outdoors.

He loved hunting, fishing, dancing, woodworking and playing pinochle. He loved gardening, will be fondly remembered for the beautiful vegetable and flower gardens he raised at his place on Two Mile Drive and Meridian Road.

He was a member of the Eagles Lodge and the First Presbyterian Church of Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by his

son Wilbur, his parents, two brothers, two sisters and one great-granddaughter.

He is survived by his wife of 73 years, Ada Felsman of Kalispell; two daughters, Pat Fine of Missoula, and Sharon and her husband Jack Bench of Kirkland, Wash.; five grandchildren, Connie Moe of The Dalles, Ore., Merry Harris of Gresham Ore., Jeff and his wife Jennifer Moe of Kellogg, Idaho, David Fine of Butte, and Steven Fine of Missoula; two nieces, Margeurite Dempsey of Whitefish and Bette Ann Larson of Kalispell.

Visitation will be today from 2-5 p.m. at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. on Friday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with the Rev. Glenn Burfeind of the First Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. A reception will follow the committal service at the First Presbyterian Church.

The family request that in lieu of flowers memorials be made to the First Presbyterian Church.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Howard M. Ferguson, 87

Howard M. Ferguson, 87, passed away on Jan. 1, 2001, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born May 13, 1913, in Peoria, Ill., to George V. and Ruby May Miller Ferguson. He married Marjorie Dyer on Nov. 1, 1933, in Los Angeles.

He is survived by his wife Marjorie of Kalispell; one daughter, Neysa Marshall and husband, Al,

of Ventura, Calif.; one son, Loren Ferguson and wife, Janie, of Fairfax, Va.; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be at the Valley View Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness at 2 p.m. on Saturday with Lonnie Mitchell officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Douglas Junior Field, 64

Douglas Junior Field, 64, died at his Somers home on Nov. 14, 2001.

He was born July 19, 1937, in Lansing, Mich., to Leonard and Opal Mae Roberts Field.

He is survived locally by his wife Michelle of Somers.

No services are scheduled. Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Arnold Chris Finck, 78

Arnold Chris Finck, 78, of Woodland Ave. in Kalispell, passed away Dec. 6, 2001, at the Brendan House after a brief stay at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born in Aldrich, Minn., on July 1, 1923, to Chris and Clara Finck. He attended local grade schools and later, farm schools on the G.I. Bill.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in parts of the South Pacific, including the Philippines and Papua New Guinea as a private first class, working as a medic, among other duties.

After the war, he returned to his home in Minnesota and married his wife, the former Myra Hagerman. They farmed in the Verndale, Minn., area until moving to Kalispell in 1955.

He worked at a variety of construction jobs before becoming a crane operator at Kalispell Pole and Timber from which he retired in 1985 after 28 years.

He loved hunting and fishing with his family and friends, and teaching his sons and grandchildren a love of the great outdoors. All his relatives loved him for his sense of humor and keen wit. In his retirement he and Myra enjoyed traveling repeatedly to their former home in Minnesota, as well as to Antigua, Mexico, and

Hawaii. They usually spent the Christmas holidays in Portland, where three of their children now live.

He is survived by his wife of over 55 years, Myra of Kalispell; daughter Joan Williams and husband Homer; sons, Steven Finck, Michael Finck and wife Julie, all of Portland, Dwight Finck and wife Carol of Minnetonka, Minn. He adored his four grandchildren, Craig Sweitzer and wife Linda, Tiffany Sweitzer and husband John Tess of Portland, Joseph and Anthony Finck of Minnetonka; and two great-grandchildren, Jack Arnold Sweitzer and Maria Sweitzer of Portland. He is also survived by his stepmother Carol Sandback and husband Glen of Wadena, Minn.; sister DeLoris Bounds of Verndale, Minn.; brother Maurice Finck and wife Gladys of Wadena; sister Gerry and husband Lucky of Seattle; brother Jim and wife Lorraine of Verndale; as well as numerous much-loved nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Johnson Mortuary Chapel. A reception will follow after the service at Castlerock, 1307 U.S. 2 West in Kalispell.

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

## Charles E. 'Ed' Finch, 91

Charles E. "Ed" Finch, 91, died Oct. 19, 2001, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born March 6, 1910, in Pittsburgh, Pa., to Isaiah and Mary Finch.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and was honorably discharged.

He was employed as a custodian for the Eureka public schools.

He is survived by his wife Elizabeth of Eureka; three sons; daughter Liz Skranak of Eureka; nine grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Services will be Friday at 1 p.m. at the Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Eureka, interment with military honors follow at Tobacco Valley Cemetery.

## Wilma Finch

Wilma M. Finch of Fresno, California died peacefully April 27th, 2001 at the age of 88. A former resident of Martin City and Kalispell, she was preceded in death by her husband of 45 years, Gene, in 1978. They owned the Martin City Hotel from 1947 to 1952 and raised chinchillas in Martin City before retiring to Kalispell in 1975. Wilma leaves a son, Michael of Fresno, California and a step-son Ron of Grand Forks, BC, Canada, 14 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

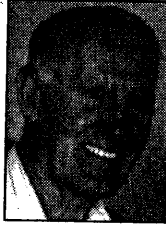
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## Robert Edward 'Ed' Fine, 87

Robert Edward "Ed" Fine, 87, passed into the arms of the Lord Nov. 24, 2001.

He is survived by his beloved wife and friend, Anna Behrens Fine, his step-daughter Danny Frint, her husband Del and family of Bend, Ore.; his eldest son, Robert Gerald "Bob" Fine, his wife Jessie and family of Lathrop, Calif.; daughter Lynn Jones her husband James and their family of Kalispell; Lloyd Edward Fine and wife Karin of Columbia Falls, and family; and daughter Verna F. Lambie, her husband Dennis "Don" of Kalispell; and family; many children and grandchildren, nieces, nephews, sister and brother-in-laws who will miss him deeply until they meet again.

Ed was preceded in death by his



wife LaVerna Hall Fine in 1994; his wife Fay Otis Fine in 1989; and all of his seven siblings.

He was born Feb. 6, 1914, in Bigfork, to Carey and Constance Butterfield Fine. He spent most of his life in the beautiful Flathead Valley which he so dearly loved. He retired from the Columbia Falls Aluminum Plant in 1976.

Ed loved to travel and shared many memories and happy times with family and friends. When Ed laughed everyone had to laugh in delight.

In lieu of flowers the wish is donations to the Hospice Group in Kalispell who have proven over and over their personal care and support: 175 Commons Loop #100, Kalispell, MT 59901.

A celebration of life memorial will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday at the Columbia Falls Assembly of God Church, 738 Third Ave. W., with the Rev. Darrell Newby officiating.

## Delores Madeline Finn, 61

Delores Madeline Finn, 61, of Columbia Falls, died on Jan. 1, 2001, after experiencing a stroke.

She was born on Aug. 20, 1939, in Bridgeport, Conn.

She is survived by her mother, Julia Madeline Kosa of Kalispell; her brother; a son, David Covill and wife, Jeny, of Columbia Falls; and a daughter.

She was preceded in death by her husband, David Finn, and her father, George Lawrence Kosa.

A memorial service is scheduled on Friday at 1 p.m. at Fellowship Alliance Church in Columbia Falls.

Arrangements are under the direction of Columbia Mortuary.

## Jeanne Reep Finn, 58

Jeanne Reep Finn, 58, passed away on Feb. 17, 2001, in Payson, Ariz.

She was a tremendous person, and a great mom, sister and friend. Her passing will leave a void in many hearts.

She was born on Aug. 26, 1942, in Williston, N.D., where she stayed until moving with her husband to California. She remained there for close to 30 years before making a new life for herself and her daughter in Kalispell, where a lot of her relatives resided.

She lived in the countryside and enjoyed the beauty of her surroundings, and made many friends for close to 10 years. She then moved on to Arizona for a change of climate, and moved into a beautiful area on her birthday last

year.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Jerry and Ella Reep, and husband, James Finn.

She leaves behind some very special people from her celebration of life, her daughter, Karin M. Finn, of Seattle, Wash., her son, Jerry G. Finn, of Hollywood, Calif., her sister, Kay A. Wolfe, of Santa Paula, Calif., and her companion of the last five years, Jack Stubbs.

She loved her animals and spent many years working with horses.

Her fun nature, sense of humor and kind ways will be missed by all who were fortunate to have her in their lives.

There will be a memorial on Sunday at 3 p.m. at The Finish Line in Kalispell for family and friends to share their memories.

## Verne W. Fisco, 84

Verne W. Fisco, 84, passed away on May 28, 2001, eight days before his 59th wedding anniversary, at the Heritage Place in Kalispell.



He was born Oct. 12, 1916, in Roundup, to John and Zelma Fisco. He attended schools in Roundup and Klein.

He was an honorable veteran from World War II. Following his discharge, he made his home in Roundup before moving to the Flathead in 1945. He started his home in the Greenacres area of Kalispell.

He worked as a carpenter and building contractor before retiring. Even after retirement he kept busy with woodworking as a hobby. He was also an outdoor sportsman, an enthusiastic hunter and fisherman. He always kept a beautiful yard and garden. In his spare time, he made many beautiful articles of furniture.

He married Margaret L.

Maxwell in Olympia, Wash., on June 6, 1942.

He was a very caring person and was always willing to help a friend or neighbor when needed.

He was trustee and secretary-treasurer for the South Kalispell Fire Department for many years.

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

He is survived by his wife Margaret Fisco of Kalispell; sister Viola Hodge of Gering, Neb.; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be today at 2 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Glenn Burfeind officiating.

Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be today from 9 a.m. until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests remembrances in his memory to the donor's favorite organization.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## William A. Fish, 85

William A. Fish, 85, died April 4, 2001, at the Montana Veteran's Home in Columbia Falls.

He was born on Nov. 14, 1915, in Towner, N.D., to Edward and Lizzie Bell Fish.

He owned the Sportsman's Club in Columbia Falls from 1959-1981.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother "Shorty," and sister Jean Fish Olson Mills.

He is survived by his wife Irene of Columbia Falls; five

children including Rance Fish of Columbia Falls and Eddy Fish and Bob Hanley, both of Kalispell; two brothers, Fred of Columbia Falls and Jack of Whitefish; and many nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

At his request there will be no memorial service. A celebration of his life, potluck and open house for family and friends will be held at 2 p.m. on April 14 at the home of Britt and Sharon Stratton, 5510 US 2 West, Columbia Falls.

## Leo Fisher, 80

Leo Fisher, 80, passed away at his home Wednesday, June 28, 2001. He was born Jan. 29, 1921, in Aberdeen, S.D., to Jacob M. Fisher and Minnie Knoll Fisher.

Shortly after his birth, his family moved to Missoula, where they raised their five children. He attended St. Francis parochial school and Missoula County High School.

He enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Force in 1942 to serve his country during World War II as an NCO 505 ammunitions specialist, receiving, arming and supervising the loading of bombs onto airplanes. He served in the European, African and Middle Eastern Theater Campaign until his honorable discharge in 1945.

Upon his return to Missoula, he met Patricia Beasley, a Bisbee, Ariz., native. They married on Nov. 19, 1946. He graduated from The University of Montana and then attended the university's law school where he received his law degree.

Leo and Patricia moved to Whitefish. They fell in love with the friendly little town and the beautiful area surrounding it. He was the city attorney for Whitefish for many years. He also had a Credit Bureau Service and a private law firm. He later became associated with the law firm of Hedman, Hileman and LaCosta

until his retirement in 1999.

He was an avid golfer and a member of the Whitefish Lake Golf Club. He was a past member of Rotary Club and a current member of the Moose Lodge #642.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Patricia, and his sister Eleanore Fisher Lennox of Missoula.

He is survived by his brothers, Ted M. Fisher of Edmonds, Wash., and Frank W. Fisher of Renton, Wash.; his sister, Pauline Braunbeck of Miles City; his nephews, James J. Lennox, David W. Fisher and Dennis Fisher, all of Missoula, Joe Braunbeck of Lewistown, Rick Fisher of Renton, Wash.; stepnephews Rick Ehni of Redmond, Wash., and Curt Ehni of Monroe, Wash.; nieces Shirley Sortie of Fargo, N.D., Linda M. Lennox, Cindy Marcum and Penny J. Creighton all of Missoula, Moonyean Tessmer of Athens, Wis., Diane Orndorff of Renton, Wash., Sheryl Steele of Tonsaket, Wash.; and stepniece Cindy O'Daniel of Woodinville, Wash.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at St. Charles Catholic Church on Baker Avenue.

A luncheon will be served immediately following the service.

In lieu of flowers, please make a contribution in Leo's name to your favorite charity or organization.

## Marion W. Fisher, 88

Marion W. Fisher, 88, longtime area sawmill operator of Troy, died Thursday, July 26, at the Libby Care Center.

He was born Feb. 1, 1913, at Scobey, to Clarence and Alvina Omen Fisher. He owned and operated sawmills in the Flathead area at Ashley Lake, Kila and Lake Mary Ronan as well as in the Yaak and in Idaho and later in Troy where he also operated a mechanical repair business.

He married Marjorie Newman on Oct. 23, 1948, in Polson.

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

Survivors include his wife Marjorie of Troy; a son, David Fisher of Troy; a stepson; four brothers including Ted and Ben, both of Troy; three sisters; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Troy Church of God with the Rev. Gene Bushnell officiating. Interment services will follow at Milnor Lake Cemetery under the direction of Nelson & Vial Funeral Home.

## Ruby Lucille Fisher, 86

Ruby Lucille Fisher, 86, formerly of Kalispell, died on Feb. 6, 2001, in Port Angeles, Wash.

She was born on Oct. 5, 1914, on Bow Island in Alberta to Ralph and Elizabeth Peterson Fisher.

She was a bookkeeper in California for many years then moved to Kalispell. In 1988 she moved to Sequim, Wash.

She attended Faith Baptist Church and her favorite pastimes included needlework and knitting. During the past year she was a resident of Prairie Springs Assisted Living in Sequim.

She was preceded in death by

two brothers and five sisters and is now survived by one brother, Norman Fisher of Sequim.

A graveside committal service will be held Monday at 1 p.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Friends are invited to gather at the cemetery grave site for the service. The Rev. Gordon Dexter of Missoula is officiating.

The family suggests memorials be made to Faith Baptist Church, 1157 W. Washington St., Sequim, WA 98382.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Wayne B. Flick, 78

Wayne B. Flick, 78, passed away on Aug. 14, 2001, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

He was born on Jan. 14, 1923, in Stillwater, Okla. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He worked for many years as a logger.

He is survived by his son Terry and his wife Paula of Kalispell; stepson Gary Haines of Missoula; one sister, Francis Dodge of Mount Pleasant, Tenn.; one grand-

daughter; and four great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. on Friday at Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Tim Bartholomew officiating. Military honors will be conducted by the United Veterans of the Flathead Valley.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Sadie A. 'Sarah' Flint, 90

Sadie A. "Sarah" Flint, 90, died Dec. 17, 2001.

She was born Jan. 26, 1911, at Jessups Mill in Creston. She was the ninth of 10 children in her family. Her family moved to Nira-da where they homesteaded.

On Nov. 17, 1928, she married Roy E. Flint. They had four children which they raised in the Hot Springs area and in Whitefish. They moved to Columbia Falls, in 1944, where they had resided since.

She worked outside the home as a cook until she retired in 1973. She was very active in the Seventh Day Adventist Church and the Mountain View Rebekah Lodge.

She was preceded in death by Roy, her husband of 66 years; all of her siblings; one grandson, Dale Flint; and one great-granddaughter, Rhonda.

She is survived by her daughter Luella and husband, Leroy McFadden, of Columbia Falls; three sons, Dean Flint of Nashville, Tenn., Raleigh and wife, Sue Flint, of Loveland, Colo., and Robert and wife, Rose Flint, of Post Falls, Idaho. She had 11 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and 12 great-great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was a very kind and strong-willed lady who will be missed by all who knew her.

A memorial service will be on Sunday at the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Columbia Falls at 2 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorials to Extended Care Center in Whitefish.

This paid obituary is being run a second time at the request of the family.

## Susie Foley, 47

After a long and courageous battle with cancer, Susie Foley, 47, passed away on May 13, 2001.

She was born in June 1953 in Hollywood Calif., the youngest of three children. By the time she was 10 years old, she had already trained her first dog.



At the age of 21, she went to work for United Airlines based in New York and flew for 13 years before retiring and moving to Colorado where she worked in real-estate. She moved to Montana in 1984 and started Black Paws Search Rescue and Avalanche Dogs. She trained Newfoundland dogs and their handlers from all over the United States and New Zealand.

She met her husband, Murphy Foley, in 1985, while training her dogs. His job was to go and get lost while she and the dogs searched. She found him and they were mar-

ried in 1989. They lived in Bigfork for several years and then moved to the West Glacier area. Here on Belton Stage next to Halfmoon Lake, they built their family home and business.

They had three children, Jesse, 21, who attends school at Colorado University in Boulder, Colo., Sabrie, 18, a senior at Flathead High School, and Chandra, 11, a fifth grader at West Glacier Elementary. She is also survived by her mother, Mary Jones of Torrance, Calif., and her extended Foley family.

Creativity, tenacity, humor and generosity characterized her work, her play, and her dying. "We will deeply miss this dynamic woman — our mother, wife, daughter, sister, and friend."

The family asks that donations be made to the West Glacier Elementary School; Hospice; North Valley SAR; or Swan Mission SAR.

A memorial service was held on Saturday. Arrangements are under the direction of Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

## Thelma H. Fosse, 95

Thelma H. Fosse, 95, a long time resident of Great Falls, died April 21, 2001, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.



She was born Sept. 1, 1905, in Fairfax, Mo., where her parents farmed and ranched. The family moved to Osborne, Kan., in 1911, and to Montana, near the Pablo area in 1916. A basketball player, she graduated from Pablo High School in 1923, and studied business at Western Montana College in Dillon.

She married Theodore "Ted" Fosse on June 10, 1929. The couple met while she was the Polson Creamery office manager and he was teaching and coaching high school basketball in Polson.

They lived briefly in Chinook and Choteau while he was acting-county agent. They moved to Sidney in 1930 when he accepted the position of Richland County Extension Agent. In 1939, the couple moved to Great Falls where he was the Cascade County Extension Agent until his retirement in 1968.

She was a Cascade country 4-H leader for 15 years. She worked summers at the state fair in Great Falls as a clerk for judges in the 4-H department and as a cashier for the 4-H Chuck Wagon. She was a 50-year member of Eastern Star; a member of First Congregational

Church in Great Falls; and active in the National Association of Retired Federal Employees.

Her interests included traveling, fishing, camping, gardening, raising flowers and violets, bridge, crafts, sewing, crocheting, knitting and tatting. She belonged to a local sewing club and bridge club for 50 years.

She was preceded in death by her son, Robert L. Fosse in 1986; her husband, Theodore "Ted" Fosse in 1991; and her sister, Mabel M. Lindsay in 1995. Following the death of her husband, she moved to Kalispell in 1991.

She is survived by her daughter Donna and husband, Ed Trippet, of Kalispell; daughter-in-law Jacqueline Fosse of Spokane; nine grandchildren, Linda Garnett of Conrad, Bruce Trippet of Minneapolis, Guy Fosse and Gary Fosse of Great Falls, Kathy Knechtges, Greg Fosse and Barb Sanders of Spokane, and Janet Braig and Ron Trippet of Kalispell; 15 great-grandchildren, two nieces and one nephew.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at the First Congregational Church in Great Falls with the Rev. Jack Severns officiating. Burial will follow at the Highland Cemetery in Great Falls.

Memorials may be made to the Ted and Thelma Fosse Scholarship Fund at Montana State University, College of Agriculture, P.O. Box 182860, Room 204 Linfield Hall, Bozeman MT 59717; or to the charity of the donor's choice.



## Clifford Dean Fox, 42

Clifford Dean Fox, 42, of Columbia Falls, went to be with the Lord on Aug. 13, 2001.

He was born in Wenatchee, Wash., on May 27, 1959, the son of Lon Fox Sr. and Betty Kuch. He grew to adulthood in White City, Ore.

He liked to fish and hunt, but his greatest joy was spending time with family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Roberta at the family home; two stepsons, Russ Stowell of Columbia Falls and Harry Stowell of Port Angeles, Wash.; his parents, Lon and Elsie Fox Sr. of

White City; two brothers, Lon Fox Jr. and his wife, Josie, and their three sons of Kalispell and Tim Fox of Oregon; a sister, Linda Nelson of Leavenworth, Wash.; his aunt, Valedia Fox and a cousin June Fox of White City; his mother, Betty Kuch of Leavenworth; and numerous family and friends.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday at 11 a.m. at the New Covenant Fellowship Church in Columbia Falls with the Rev. Don Burleson presiding.

Cremation has taken place under the direction of the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

## Donald R. Fox, 41

Donald R. Fox, 41, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 1, 2001, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center due to a motorcycle accident.

He was born on Jan. 16, 1960, in Kalispell, the son of Wayne and Lorraine Fox. He attended school through high school in Browning and later obtained his GED.

He married Gerilyn Logger on May 10, 1980, and had a son, Derek, of Billings.

He married Dina Granzow Dec. 31, 1986. They had two sons, Devin and Damian of Kalispell.

In his younger years he broke and rode horses; spent years working on the oil rigs across Montana and Wyoming; worked for the railroad; built log homes; and could do anything he would set his mind to do.

He worked and part owned Nikki T's carpet and rug service as head technician since 1994.

He enjoyed hunting and fishing. He had a good sense of humor and liked to pull pranks and tell jokes. He was everyone's favorite "Uncle Donny."

He was preceded in death by his father, Wayne Fox, and sister, Anna Mae Bessette.

He is survived by his wife and three sons; his mother, Lorraine Robinson and stepfather Gerald Robinson of Whitefish; brothers, Richard Little and wife Chris of Oklahoma City, Okla., Monte Fox and wife Dianah of Priest River, Idaho; stepbrothers, John Alefteras and son Reed of Hayden, Idaho, James Alefteras and wife Nettie of Montesano, Wash.; sisters, Gail Burlison and husband Ernest of Twin Bridges, Cynthia and husband Colby Smith of Hixon, Tenn., Margaret and husband Ron Campbell of Columbia Falls; step-sister Jeannie Emerson of Spokane; numerous nieces and nephews; and the childhood friends that became lifelong friends.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. on Monday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Gilbert Fox

Gilbert Earl Fox died March 23, 2001, in Scottsdale, Ariz.

He was born Jan. 15, 1928, in Syracuse, N.Y., moved to Arizona in 1959 and was a part-year resident of Jackson, Wyo., and more recently, Hungry Horse.

He was a World War II veteran and former New York state trooper. In recent years he enjoyed golf and time spent with friends.

He is survived by his son, Raymond Fox of Swan Valley; daughters, Jill Fox of Rocklin, Calif., and Leigh Young of Tempe, Ariz.; three grandchildren, Cole, Drew, and Rees Young; brother, Edward R. Fox of Phoenix, Ariz.

Memorials may be sent to Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of America, c/o Finance Department, 1311 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains NY 10605 or your local chapter.

## Velma H. Fox, 100

Velma H. Fox, 100, passed away Jan. 28, 2001, at Colonial Manor in Whitefish, where she had resided since 1991.

She was born on April 18, 1900, near Deering, N.D., to James A. and Lavina Stryker Clayton. The family migrated to Oregon in 1911 and she and her three brothers grew up in the Willamette Valley. In 1924, she married Clinton E. Arnold and two daughters were born to them. They were later divorced.

In 1946 she married Lawrence W. Fox. They made their home at Blodgett, Ore., where he had a small shop and did mechanic work.

In 1954, they moved to Helena where he worked as a mechanic and she worked in the nursery at Shodair Hospital. After her husband lost his left arm and shoulder from cancer, they returned to Oregon where they worked as sawmill security guards and cleanup people until they retired in 1968.

They then returned to Montana where their daughter and her husband gave them trailer space on their farm. They spent nearly 20 retirement years there raising a big garden and many flowers each year and spending their summers fishing, camping and picking huckleberries. They also made a trip each year to visit their daughter and other relatives in Oregon and Washington.

She was known for the beautiful quilts and hooked rugs she made as well as tatting and embroidery. She and her husband were active members of the Alliance Church up until the late 1980s when his health failed and he entered Colo-

nial Manor and she moved to Whitefish Manor to be near her husband. He was later moved to Lewistown where he died in 1993. With her own health failing, she entered Colonial Manor in 1991, and resided there until her death.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and her brothers, Earl and Loren Clayton.

She is survived by her daughters, Shirley and husband, Bob McCallum, of Columbia Falls, Gladys and husband, Frank Hodges, of Esparto, Calif.; eight grandchildren, Doug McCallum and wife, Sandra, Kevin McCallum and wife, Anna, of Columbia Falls, Robert J. McCallum and wife, Sandra, of Kalispell, Pamela Ott of Aurora, Colo., David Boatman and wife, Linda, of Brightwood, Ore., Kathy Eichstadt and husband, Dave, of Molalla, Ore., Barbara Pearson of Grass Valley, Calif., and Donna Sanchez of Portland, Ore.; 19 great-grandchildren, six stepgreat-grandchildren and several stepgreat-great-grandchildren; one brother, Glenn Clayton and wife, Jessie, of Scio, Ore.; and two sisters-in-law, Pearl Clayton of Dexter, Ore., and Edna Clayton of Prineville, Ore.

Visitation will be held today from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. Graveside services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Kalispell. The Rev. David V. Kauffman will officiate.

Memorials may be made to Colonial Manor or the Christian Church in Whitefish.

Arrangements are under the direction of Columbia Mortuary.

## Mildred Francis Frach, 95

Mildred Francis Frach, 95, passed away on Feb. 23, 2001 at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born on May 5, 1905, in Mentor, Minn., to Charles and Ida Elizabeth Olson



Soderstrom. At the age of three her family came to Kalispell in a covered wagon. In 1910 her family homesteaded near Camas where they made their home until 1925. When her father passed away her family moved back to Kalispell. She stayed back to take one extra year of school.

She married Art Smith in 1926 and continued ranching at Camas Prairie. To this union were born Eilene Graham Kair, Marion, "Buzz" N. Smith, and Lois Envold. They later divorced.

She returned to Kalispell in 1931, and on Mar. 26, 1937, she married Robert C. Frach Sr. in Couer d'Alene, Idaho. To this union were born Robert C. Frach Jr. and Sharon Green Hawk.

Her kindness, gentleness, courage and positive attitude were an inspiration to all who knew her. She enjoyed selling Watkins products, gardening, canning, hunting, fishing, camping, and most of all her family, whom she advised, supported and loved unconditionally.

She was preceded in death by her husband Robert, two sisters, Margaret Kelly and Hazel Soderstrom, one brother, Clarence Soderstrom, one son, Marion "Buzz" D. Smith, one daughter, Eilene Graham Kair, one grandson, Mike Smith, granddaughters, Shannon Erdman, Zowie Hawk

Keys, and Valerie Envold Devault on Feb. 12, of this year.

She is survived by her son, Robert C. Frach Jr. of Kalispell; two daughters, Lois Envold of Orofino, Idaho and Sharon Green Hawk of Kalispell; grandchildren Gary and MaryAnn, Dennis and Shirley, Dan and Liz Graham, Mark and Frankie Smith, Vicki Jo and Frank Lopez, Rita and Dale Roll, Patti Ruiz, Randy and Jill Envold, Debbie and Kip Manfull, Robbie Frach, LoriAnn Frach, Roxie and Glenn Erdman, Rod and Christyl Green, Nikki Hawk, and Shawna Hawk; one sister, Gladys Koford and husband, Vic; one brother, Lloyd "Bud" Soderstrom and wife, Lucille; a sister-in-law, Alice Soderstrom; 36 great-grandchildren, 14 great-great-grandchildren; and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 2:30 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary with the Rev. Kenneth Mottram officiating. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Friday at Johnson Mortuary.

The family suggests memorial donations be made to the Carson and Kelby Fund, c/o Debbie Envold Manfull, Box 1368, Orofino, ID 83544 to help support her great-grandsons who were orphaned in February of this year.

Family and friends are invited to attend a potluck in her honor at 4 p.m. on Saturday at the Kalispell Moose Lodge.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

*This paid obituary is being run a second time at the request of the family.*

## James J. Frank, 63

James J. Frank, 63, of Yellow Bay, died April 26, 2001, at his home after a long, never-to-give-up battle with cancer.

He was born on Nov. 20, 1947, to Jim and Margaret Pavetto Frank in Tarentum, Pa.

After high school, he joined the U.S. Army in 1956 and became part of the 101st Airborne while stationed in Kentucky. In his off time, he attended and graduated from Austin Peay College and then went on to achieve his law degree at George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

He had a successful law practice for many years and also served as a public defender in Gary, Ind., from the early 1970s to 1986.

A career change then took him to Bloomington, Ind., to become a partner in real estate development project. While business was slow in the winter months, he furthered his education at Kansas State and the University of Chicago, where he earned a full paid study program to Russia. He decided not to take that opportunity and continued to work on his master's degree at Alder School of Professional Psychology and graduated in 1994.

A job search landed him in Midland, Mich., and from there he took a position and also took a new bride, Janet, who gave him an instant family of her six grown children and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In 1997, he and his wife moved



to Yellow Bay and he took a position as a therapist in Lake County. He later took a position at Flathead Valley Chemical Dependency Clinic in Kalispell and in October 2000, he took on another position with VRI as a therapist.

He was near completion of his doctorate in psychology. He wanted to have his business card say Dr. James J. Frank, Ph.D. So he has earned that according to his family.

He had many interests such as touring the country on his motor bike, traveling to Europe, flying a glider plane and his black lab "Artie" and cat "Sam Elliot. He loved his animals like humans and to him they were."

He was preceded in death by his mother, Margaret, and a baby sister, Marie.

He is survived by his wife Janet Armstrong Frank of Yellow Bay; his father, Jim Frank of Kittanning, Pa.; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins; his dear person friends Ken and Chris Zimmerman of Gary, Ind., Roy Dominquez of Gary, and his biker buddy, "Tiger" Art Shafer of Hamilton, Ala.

No services are planned locally. A memorial service will be held this summer in Michigan and Pennsylvania.

The family has suggested that memorials can be made to the Polson City Library, Flathead Valley Library, or to the Flathead Valley Chemical Dependency Clinic's Needy Family Christmas Program.

Arrangements are under the direction of Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory, Polson.

## Myron Jens Freese, 83

Myron Jens Freese, 83, died at his Kalispell home on Dec. 19, 2001.

He was born July 6, 1918, in Parshall, N.D., to Christian John and Rena DiPienne Freese.

He is survived locally by his

wife Violet of Kalispell.

Graveside services will be held on Saturday at 11 a.m. at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Georgia May French

Georgia May French was born Sept. 30, 1926, and died Dec. 1, 2001. She was married and divorced twice.

She raised five children on her own without help. She made her living cleaning houses. She was known around Whitefish as the little lady with the apron. At one time she was the den mother for two packs of Cub Scouts in Whitefish.

This little lady never in her life said a bad thing about anyone. She never, to our knowledge, did anything to hurt anyone or anything. She was a dear, sweet woman who always took what ever came her way and made the best of it. She did her best at whatever she did. This was a very gentle soul, a loving, giving person who will be sorely missed. She touched a lot of lives and they all went away better for having known her.

"Our mom was a very special person that we'll all miss." Mom lived the last years with her daughter, Terry Russell and her granddaughter Mary Phillips. "An angel has left this world to return to her maker. The world is a better place for her having been here. The sun will never shine as bright nor the sky be as blue."

Mom was preceded in death by her parents George and Lillie Knapp; one sister, Martha VanHam; one brother, Jim Knapp; son Stephen K. French; one granddaughter, Daneele French.

She is survived by three sisters, Francje Wicen of Whitefish, Betty Rickett of Laurel, Margaret

Cargill of Columbia Falls. Her children, Michael and wife Debbie Owens of Kalispell, Terry Russell of Columbia Falls, Wesley D. French and special friend Earleen Howke of Columbia Falls and Orrion and Linda French of Missoula; grandchildren, Michael Owens, Jane Owens, Steve Owens, Laura Owens, Suzanne Smith, Michael Roy, Abe Owens, James Owens, Joseph French, Adrienne French, J. D. French, Jeremy French, Nichole Bowers, Kimberly Moser, Colby Shaw, Angele Loble, Chris Owens, Mark Owens, Sean Owens, Mary Phillips, Dustin French, Cara Davis, Stephen French; great-grandchildren, Jolean French, Isiah Owens, Samantha French, Dillion French, Sandra French, Rayne French, Dream French, Sterling Contreres-French, Britney Davis, Baillee Bowers, Cydnce Bowers, Lakota French, Madison Burrell, Hunter Moser, Hannah Loble, Jordan Owens. Other special family members Rusty and Lorna Cargill, Duane Moore and Cathy Raff, Stacy and Brett Richardson, Gena French, Fred VanHam, Brigitte Gern, Stephanie Owens and Mrs. Zerr; and more cousins, nephews and nieces than you could shake a stick at.

"We will meet again someday."

A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Kalispell.

Arrangements are under the direction of Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

## Lucille Frisell, 80

Lucille Frisell, 80, passed away in Kalispell on April 14, 2001. She was born on Feb. 15, 1921 in Malta to Flavie and Max LaFond.

She also grew up in Malta.

She married Bill Kohlbeck in Malta and they had two sons, Bill and Doug Kohlbeck. She later married Gus Vercruyssen and they had two sons, Max and Jim Vercruyssen. They lived in Shelby.

She moved to Whitefish in 1975 where she met and married Russell Frisell on March 14, 1976. He passed away on Dec. 26, 1984.

She enjoyed bingo, Bible study, devotions and musical entertainment at the Heritage Place where she spent her last years. She did



lots of crocheting in her earlier days. She was very outgoing and loved visiting with people. She loved to cook and made the best French pancakes.

She is survived by her four sons, Bill Kohlbeck and wife Terri, Doug Kohlbeck and wife Darlene of Kalispell, Dr. Max Vercruyssen and wife Dr. Donna Mah of Honolulu, Hawaii, and Jim Vercruyssen and wife Sara of Spokane, Wash.; 12 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren; sisters Leona Rogers and Lila Hamilton and three nieces of Yakima, Wash.

She is preceded in death by her late husbands, parents, brother Leo LaFond and sister, Lola LaFond.

Services will be held at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home on Wednesday at 2 p.m. and urn burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery, Kalispell.

## Leo C. 'Bud' Fritz, 78

Leo C. "Bud" Fritz, 78, passed away Aug. 18, 2001, at Lake View Care Center of natural causes.

He was born Feb. 3, 1923, in Gresham, Wis., to Christ and Elizabeth Knobel Fritz.

When he was 4 years old, his family moved to Lonepine. He attended grade school and high school at Lonepine and graduated in 1938.

He served proudly in the Marine Corps during World War

II and was wounded in Iwo Jima. In 1980, he married Betty Gray.

He is survived by Betty and two step-children, Michael Gray and family of Kalispell, and Cindy Smith and family of Missoula.

Cremation has taken place and graveside services will be held at the Murray Cemetery at Lonepine on Saturday at 2 p.m.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Margaret M. Frohlich, 91

Margaret M. Frohlich, 91, passed away on Mother's Day May 13, 2001, at Tacoma General Hospital in Washington.

She was born Feb. 25, 1910 in Pisek, N.D., to James and Barbara Nyman. She was the second oldest of nine children.

She met and married Donald Frohlich in 1932 and together they had five children.

She resided in the Lewistown area for many years and after raising her children, moved to Helena, where she was an LPN at the VA Hospital until her retirement. She spent her retirement years in Polson and Hungry Horse.

She is survived by her sons,

Donald and wife Shirley of Billings, James and wife Beverly of Missoula, John and wife Marilyn of Spokane, Paul and wife Valarie of Gig Harbor, Wash.; 17 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mary and husband Frank Poplawski of Helena, and Angela Benner of Lebanon, Pa.; one brother, Frank and wife Marge Nyman of Anchorage, Alaska.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Shirley Ann Winters.

Cremation has taken place and a celebration of her life will be held at 11 a.m. today at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls.

## Adeline Selina Davids Fry, 99

Adeline Selina Davids Fry, 99, died Aug. 29, 2001, at North Valley Hospital of natural causes.

She was born Sept. 13, 1901, in Bagley, Minn. She attended Bemidji State College and earned a teaching certificate. She taught at Walker, Minn., Laurel, Green River, Wyo., and Cut Bank. She also gave violin and piano lessons. She married John Lawrence Fry on May 22, 1931 in Cut Bank.

She was a member of the school board, Women's Club, Eastern Star where she was Worthy Matron and organist, and PEO where she served as mother advisor for Rainbow Girls.

Her hobbies included making baby clothes and sewing, she was active in school affairs, her church, lodge functions and in her community. She enjoyed fishing, boating, camping and traveling, especially to Glacier National

Park and the Milk River. She liked to read, crochet afghans, and to make stuffed animals and baby hats. She also enjoyed reading.

She was preceded in death by her husband in September 1986.

She is survived by her daughter Ariel and husband Jim Parker of Whitefish; sons, John Fry and wife Ann of Sea-Tac, Wash., and Jim Fry and wife Gayle of Hartburg, Mo.; grandchildren, Jenny Mortimer, Judy Peterson, Cindy Stuck, Randy Fry, John Parker and Ashley Stern; great-grandchildren Matthew and Michael Mortimer, Rachel and Abigail Stuck and Emily and Laura Fry.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday at 2 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Cut Bank. Burial will be at Crown Hill Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Day Funeral Home of Cut Bank.

## Dennis Jerome Fryer, 58

Dennis Jerome Fryer, 58, passed away Feb. 18, 2001, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born on Jan. 16, 1943, in Whittier, Calif., to William Jerome and Dorothy Galighen Fryer.

He grew up in southern California and was involved in construction most of his life. On April 24, 1971, he married Nancy Bunyea at Newport Beach, Calif.

He had a special love of animals. He and his wife competed in various events such as pigeon racing and dog shows and was involved with his children in 4-H and FFA. When he moved with his family to the Flathead Valley in 1991, he continued to be active in these programs, helping not only his own children, but other local youth through show clinics that helped kids with their own fair livestock projects. He also enjoyed drag car racing; raising tropical



fish; saltwater fishing with his children; operating ham radios; and was a member of the Flathead Valley Radio Club.

He was preceded in death by his father, William Jerome Fryer and a daughter, Medea Fryer.

He is survived by his wife of 29 years, Nancy Fryer of Kalispell; seven children, Lance Fryer, Denise Ray and her husband, Dennis, Vicki Webber and her husband, Bob, Denene Elmore and her husband, David, and Bridgett Fryer, all of Riverside, Calif., Dallas Fryer of Bozeman, and Jarid Fryer of Kalispell; mother Dorothy Longtin of Riverside; brother, Timothy Longtin of Salt Lake City; 16 grandchildren and one great-grandson.

There will be no local services, instead a small gathering of family of friends at the favorite fishing spot in Balboa, Calif., will be held at a later date. Please send any memorial contributions in his name to an organization of your choice.

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

## Lela Mae Dunham Lane Fuller, 68

Lela Mae Dunham Lane Fuller, 68, a Flathead Valley resident, passed away Tuesday, July 17, 2001, at her home near Kalispell of natural causes.

She was born April 7, 1933, in Havre, the daughter of Lee and Ruth Dunham. She received her registered nursing degree in 1958 at the Columbus School of Nursing in Great Falls.

In 1955 she married Allen James Lane and he preceded her in death in 1986. She then married Harold Fuller and he preceded her in death in 1994.

She was an obstetrics nurse at Columbus and Deaconess Hospital in Great Falls and later at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish where she was obstetrics manager and director of nurse education. She later took an



adventure and served as an obstetrics nurse in Saudia Arabia for several years.

Upon her return to Whitefish she was active in the outdoors, hiking, fishing, cross country and downhill skiing and took extreme concern with the issues of environment. She had just completed a horse clinic prior to her death. Horses were an ongoing practice and dream fulfilled.

She was loved by many and will be remembered for her honesty, humor and sense of adventure.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Ralph Dunham; and a sister, Doris Smith.

She is survived by her children, a daughter, Patricia Lane and her children, Keegan, Jade and Anders, in Bellingham, Wash.; two sons, Steve Lane and his wife Elizabeth Campbell and their children, Abbey and Josh, in Seattle, and David Lane, also of Seattle.

Memorial services will be 1 p.m. Monday at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

## LeRoy Funk, 64

LeRoy Funk, 64, a 37-year resident of Juneau, Alaska, died at the family home from an inoperable brain tumor.

He was born in Kalispell, July 29, 1936, where he grew up and graduated from high school. He joined the U.S. Army upon graduation.

In 1964, he married Patricia Funk and moved to Alaska. In 1969, he went to Washington, D.C., to complete his education. He graduated magna cum laude from George Washington University.

At the time of his death he was the senior partner, retired, from the firm Elgee Rehfeld and Funk, the largest CPA firm in southeast Alaska. He was also a licensed certified public accountant in Montana.

He was president of the Alaska State Society of CPAs, the only person from Southeast elected to such a position. He later served as a lobbyist for that group. Several tax seasons he helped seniors with tax questions and preparation. He taught several classes at University of Alaska Southeast as a guest lecturer.

He enjoyed parks and recreation softball and basketball as well as golf. He spent many summers golfing in the Kalispell area and was a member of the Buffalo Hill Golf Club.

Early in his career, he was a Rotarian; served on the Juneau Receiving Home Board; and participated in several terms on the governing board for the Episcopal church. He also served as a SIDS counselor to parents with the loss of a child.

He is survived by his wife Patricia McBride; their three children, Nataliejean Ahrens of Goldsboro, N.C., Lori Funk and Ryan Funk of Juneau; his three siblings, Edward Funk of Kalispell, Chuck Funk of Yakima, Wash., and Eloise Harris of Van Nuys, Calif.; and three grandchildren, Mark and Kristen Ahrens of Goldsboro, N.C., and Jonathan Funk of Juneau.



He was preceded in death by his parents, Alma and Adam Funk, and son, Mark Funk.

A memorial service and celebration of his life was held Friday. A service in Kalispell is being

planned for July.

In lieu of flowers, he requested a donation be made to an educational account for his grandchildren at Alaska Pacific Bank (attention Roger White), or to St. Brendan's Episcopal Church.

## Robert W. 'Mr. Bob' Fuller

Robert W. "Mr. Bob" Fuller, 70, passed away at Brendan House on July 5, 2001.

He was born Aug. 17, 1930, in Eureka, to James E. and Cora Wood Fuller. He

grew up in Anaconda and Eureka, and while still in high school, he started driving trucks for a job.

He enlisted in the U.S. Navy and was sent to Korea. While on leave, he married Barbara Tipton on July 21, 1954, in Olympia, Wash.

After marriage and being discharged from the Navy, they made their home in Eureka, where he worked for the mills from 1955 to 1958. At that time he moved to Kalispell and went to work for Kalispell Lumber Co., then as a drier tender and straw boss for the C and C plywood plant in Evergreen.

In 1967, he moved to Somers, where he worked as a stationary engineer, machinist and electrician at the tie plant for Burlington Northern Railway. During his spare time, he worked local flea markets as well with his wife and family.

He had been a member of the V.F.W. in Eureka and the Mon-



tana Mining Association, as well as the volunteer fire department in Somers. He was a charter member of the Lions club in Somers also.

His greatest joy in life was being with people, making them smile and bringing joy into their lives. He was the best father, husband and friend that anyone could want. His second love was playing poker, and he participated in several tournaments. Other joys in his life included being an avid sportsman by fishing, hunting, and camping. He also enjoyed prospecting and rock hounding. In his later years, he truly enjoyed being a snowbird and meeting friends he had made from all over the country.

He is survived locally by his wife, Barbara, daughter Alison Keene, son Michael, all of Kalispell; brother Edward Fuller of Eureka; four granddaughters, Spring Keene, Stormy Fuller, and twins, Jenny and Beth Hawkins, all of Kalispell; as well as numerous other relatives.

All family and friends are welcome to come celebrate a potluck celebration of life at the Fuller family home at 1515 Fifth Ave. East in Kalispell on Tuesday at 2 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to bring lawn chairs.

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



## Frank Leon Furrh, 88

Frank Leon Furrh, 88, passed away May 13, 2001, at Lake View Care Center in Bigfork.

He was born July 12, 1912, in Lamar County, Texas, to William Frank and Mattie Boddie Furrh.

He grew up in Texas and then attended and graduated from Moody Bible Institute and became a minister in 1939. He started his ministry in Illinois and over time became an interim minister for churches without pastors. He then moved to Billings and preached at the United Church of Christ there. He also worked on his master's degree in psychology at Eastern Montana University.

He married Grace Truman Thompson in Dallas on March 23, 1933.

He maintained church membership at the Congregational Church in Billings. He had a gift for helping others out and became actively involved in the (JACS) Job



Action Community Service program for people leaving the Job Corps and entering the working world. He volunteered for many years and received numerous awards for his time and efforts. One memorable award came from the Governor of Montana and was presented by Sen. Conrad Burns.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and a brother, Hirschel Furrh.

He is survived by his wife Grace of Kalispell; daughter Isabelle and husband Terry Pound of Kalispell; brother O.E. and wife, Winnie Furrh of Tyler, Texas; sister Teresa Hawthorn of Dallas; grandson Terry James Pound of Kalispell; niece Ruth Ann and husband Jack King of Honey Grove, Texas; as well as numerous other nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorial contributions to JACS, 899 Logan Street, Ste. 510, Denver, CO 80203.

No services are scheduled at this time.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Allen C. Furrow, 73

Allen C. Furrow, 73, passed away on Jan. 29, 2001, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

He was born on Feb. 5, 1927, in Hayden, Colo., to Arthur and Viola Furrow. He married his beautiful and sweet wife Dorothy Bordeaux on Nov. 6, 1948, in Seattle. They had met on a bus from Portland to Seattle just after the war. He was on his way to be shipped out to Japan when he jokingly mentioned to his father that the girl getting on the bus was the one he was going to marry. Surprisingly, she sat down next to him because he was a sailor and not a rowdy Marine. She loaned him \$20 after she learned someone had stolen his sea kit. Months later, after he returned from his sea duty, he looked her up to return the \$20 he had borrowed. They soon became engaged and married.

He was proud of his naval service, having been commissioned aboard a heavy cruiser, the USS Fall River during the occupation of Japan.

He was a wonderful husband and father. He was always planning camping, fishing or travel trips to sites around Montana. He loved golf, and was always up to playing a few rounds. His golf cart was always loaded and ready to go. He was a people person and made friends easily both here in Montana and throughout the United States and Canada.

His job as the regional director for the Loyal Order of Moose kept him in contact with many people in Montana, Alberta and Saskatchewan. His friends will miss him dearly.

Even though he traveled extensively because of his job, he always had time for his family. They were always waiting for him to return

home, so they could spend as much time as possible playing cards, chess or just spending time together. He was a fierce but fun competitor at any game he played, ping-pong, croquet, Scrabble, cards. If you wanted to beat him you had to learn to play well because he was usually the "champion."

After retiring from the Moose, he operated Allen's Word Services. He volunteered at Immanuel Lutheran Home, and continued to golf and be active in the Moose. He spent time researching his family tree. He was always learning something new, like taking piano lessons at the age of 36, and learning computer skills and word processing after retirement. Many people remarked how very much they admired him and were honored to have him for a friend.

He was preceded in death by his father, Arthur Furrow; his mother, Viola Gooding; and his brother, Robert Furrow.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy of Kalispell; his children, Doug Furrow and Teri Bjornrud, both of Kalispell, Rebecca Casey of Wichita, Kan., Ken Furrow of Missoula; two sisters, Jo Cary of Spokane, and Edna Ford of Albuquerque, N.M.; two sons-in-law, Albert Bjornrud of Kalispell, and Tim Casey of Wichita; many nieces and nephews; and his special grandchildren, Amanda, Brandon, and Dane Bjornrud of Kalispell, and Caitlin, Alissa, and Brianna Casey of Wichita.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with the Rev. Ken Mottram officiating. Burial will follow at C. E. Conrad Cemetery.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.