

## Patric W. Gaines, 78

Patric W. Gaines, 78, died at the Montana Veteran's Home in Columbia Falls on April 15, 2001.

He was born to Charles Gordon and Anna Gains in Ely, Nev., on May 30, 1922.

In 1946, he married Maureen Beck and they had two children before separating in 1962.

He worked with Texaco for

11 years and then worked as a consultant in the oil fields of northcentral Montana.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Audrey.

He is survived by a son and a daughter.

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

## 2061 James C. Gardner, 83

James C. Gardner, 83, a former resident of Kalispell died March 3 in Portland of complications following surgery.

He was born in Bellaire, Ohio, on Aug. 25, 1917. The oldest of three children born to Sam and Maude Gardner, he was raised in the small coal mining communities along the Ohio River. Depression era economics enabled him to buy his first car when he was 12 years old. This led to a life-long interest in old cars, radios, small appliances or anything he could tinker with. Upon graduation from high school he learned the coal mining trade from his father, as a two-man team they worked well together. During these years he enjoyed tennis, swimming, ice skating and especially dancing. Trips to the big city of Pittsburgh were pre-war highlights.

Enlisting in the Army after Pearl Harbor, he was stationed in China. Promoted to supply sergeant, he learned the language in order to communicate with the local government and civilian population. At war's end the Chinese government recognized and honored him for his ability.

Discharged in Salt Lake City, he met and after a short time married Mary Crawford on Sept. 20, 1945. He spent several years in Salt Lake City working for Firestone Tire Company, fathering what was to become a family of eight children.

After a short transfer to Missoula, the family settled in Kalispell in 1952. Working for Firestone, he traveled northwest and central Montana selling tires. He went to work for Pacific Power and Light in 1960 and also moonlighted at the Husky Truck Stop during the 1960s to help out his large family. In 1977, he relocated to the Portland area with Pacific Power and retired from Pacific Power in 1983.

With more time on his hands, he became an avid gardener. He visited his children frequently, with trips and family gatherings



in Kalispell always a top priority. He always expressed his desire to return to Kalispell, his home town.

He was a member of St. Matthew's

Catholic Church and was a long-time Knight of Columbus. Active in community and church affairs, his other interests included bowling, golf, hunting, dancing and poker games with the guys. He loved children and was an avid reader who instilled a love of reading in two generations.

Mary, his wife of 40 years, preceded him in death in 1985.

He is survived by his sister Marge Orth of Bartow, Fla.; eight children, Bonnie Gardner and Neil Jacobsen of Kalispell, Jim and Cathy Gardner of Yuma, Ariz., Jackie and Oakie Bain of Waldwick, N.J., Marilynne Gardner and David Toren of Bainbridge Island, Wash., Bill and Marjorie Gardner of Kalispell, Linda and Lyle Hemingway of Spokane, Colleen and Dewey Maroney of Wildomar, Calif., and Mike and Jeanne Gardner of Federal Way, Wash.; 16 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and his second wife, Fran Gardner at their home in Troutdale, Ore.

According to his wishes, he has been cremated and will be buried beside his wife Mary at the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. A memorial service will be held Saturday March 17, at 11 a.m. at St. Matthew's Catholic Church with the Rev. Victor Langhans officiating. A reception will follow at Buffalo Hill Golf Course.

In the spirit of Jim's life, a kind and gentle man, the family suggests memorials be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 2900 12th Ave., Suite 4E, Billings, MT 59101 or the charity of your choice.

## Jennie Vaccaro Garefino, 73

Jennie Vaccaro Garefino, 73, died Thursday, July 12, 2001, at Heritage Place Nursing Home in Kalispell.

Born in Trenton, N.J., she lived there most of her life, and in Kalispell for the past 22 years. She was a member of St. Charles R.C. Church in Whitefish and a member of the Women of the Moose Club in Kalispell. She was co-owner and ran the Little Italy Restaurant in Whitefish for 15 years. She was formerly a member of Our Lady of Good Council R.C. Church in West Trenton.

Prior to moving to Kalispell, she, along with her late husband and his partners owned and operated the GSG Construction Co. in Trenton.

She is the daughter of the late Joseph and Rose Vaccaro and widow of Domenic Garefino. She is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Domenic and Shelly Garefino of Kalispell, a daughter, Roseanne Garefino of Whitefish; two grandchildren, Selina and Isaiah Garefino; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, July 20, at the Garefino Funeral Home, 12 N. Franklin St., Lambertville, N.J. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of Good Council in West Trenton. Burial will follow in the Ewing Cemetery, Scotch Road. Calling hours are from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

## Ethel M. Gelineau, 82

Ethel M. Gelineau, 82, passed away on May 15, 2001, at the Harrison Hospital in Bremerton, Wash.

She was born Dec. 11, 1918, in Creston, to Allen and Helene Smith Calbick. She received her education in Kalispell, graduating from the Flathead County High School in 1936.

She met and married Robert McMannamy in Kalispell in 1940. Robert passed away in 1953.

She moved to Alaska to be near family and there, met and married Lyle Gelineau in 1965 in Juneau. He passed away in 1976.

She very much enjoyed her family and to crochet. She spent many hours with her sister-in-law sit-



ting and crocheting little treasures for her family.

She was preceded in death by her husbands; one son, Roger; and two brothers, Robert and Jack Calbick.

She is survived by three sons, Warren McMannamy and wife Janell of Port Orchard, Wash., Patrick Gelineau and wife Lorel of Condon, and Lemuel Gelineau and wife Martha of North Pole, Alaska; one brother, James Calbick and wife Jeanette of Mesa Grande, Ariz.; 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Johnson Mortuary in Kalispell with the Rev. Gary Morton officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Harry Herman Gerdsmeyer, 91

Harry Herman Gerdsmeyer, 91, passed away on July 15, 2001, at the Buffalo Hill Terrace in Kalispell.

He was born May 25, 1910, in St.

Louis, Mo., to Henry and Henrietta Werner Gerdsmeyer.

He married Eunice Buffington Cowie in Great Falls on Feb. 2, 1947. He had been a grain farmer north of Carter, Mont., and was a U.S. Army World War II veteran.

He enjoyed keeping the home



grounds on Swan River to perfection. He enjoyed walking, waltzing, and visiting with friends. He never missed a day cheering a friend in the hospital or nursing home.

He is survived by his wife Eunice of Kalispell; son George and wife Karen Cowie of Brainerd, Minn.; daughter Alice and husband Steve Fromm of Kalispell; sister Gerda Bieber of Pinellas Park, Fla.; eight grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and one great-great-grand daughter, along with many nieces and nephews.

Memorial services at Carter Cemetery are pending at this time.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

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## Michael Gesek

Michael Gesek left our world to be with our heavenly Father and his beloved mother and brother on Sept. 30, 2001.

He will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him. He touched many lives with his mischievous, funny, witty ways and practical jokes. He spent his last days doing what he loved best; hunting and fishing his favorite place near Spotted Bear. He was proud to be a Montana native son.

He was a devoted husband, father, son, brother and friend. He operated a successful business in Whitefish for 20 years. When he wasn't working he was playing hard.

He is survived by his wife Dana of 21 years; four children, Michelle, Michael, Theresa and Jacob; his father Robert Gesek of

Whitefish; three sisters, a brother and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. today at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. today at Austin Funeral Home. A potluck will follow at the family home.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggest donations be made to an educational fund for his children. Please send to the Gesek Children College Fund, c/o Whitefish Credit Union, P.O. Box 37, Whitefish, MT 59937.

## Ray Gibney Sr., 94

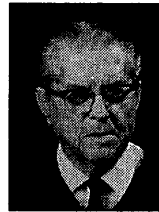
Ray Gibney Sr., 94, passed away at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell on Wednesday, June 20, 2001.

He was born on Dec. 22, 1906, in Canora, Saskatchewan, to John and Margaret Killorn Gibney. His family moved from Canada to eastern Montana in the Shelby area when he was 6 years old.

At the age of 17 or so, he began running lumber mills in the Shelby area and also worked for Egglund Lumber in eastern Montana. In 1946, he moved to the Flathead Valley and opened and ran Quality Produce in the early '50s. In 1969, he married Ila Sager in Kalispell, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

After selling Quality Produce, Ray and Ila began traveling, visiting such places as El Salvador, Hawaii, Texas, and California. They eventually returned to the Kalispell area and enjoyed spending time "just driving around" and going on Sunday drives around Flathead Lake.

He was a talented woodworker. He spent time working with his lathe making items such as vases, candles, and toothpicks that he would sell in local gift shops. He also enjoyed fishing and spent many afternoons at Ashley Lake.



He was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church and was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Theresa Killorn, his parents, and seven brothers and sisters.

He is survived by his wife Ila of Kalispell; two stepsons, Tom Brooks and his wife Patricia of Oregon, and Ken Brooks of Kila; four children; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday at 12:10 p.m. at St. Matthew's Catholic Church with the Rev. Vic Langhans celebrant. Committal will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be Monday, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary with a rosary service being held at 5 p.m.

The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to the Knights of Columbus, c/o Fred Brown, 60 Wellington Place, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Dolores 'Dee' G. Gibson, 77

Dolores "Dee" G. Gibson, 77, passed away on March 6, 2001, at her home in Kalispell.

She was born April 10, 1923, in Pennington, S.D., and lived in Oregon for many years.

She moved to Kalispell in September 2000 to be with her family.

She is survived by her nieces, Starla Robinson and her children,

Cody, Tia and Travis, and Kai Burns and her husband, Gene, and their two children, Robby and Nicole, all of Kalispell; and nephew Dan Robinson of Olney.

Memorial service will be held Saturday, 2 p.m., at 114 Sleepy Hollow in Kalispell

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of cremation and arrangements.

## Dorothy M. Gibson, 87

Dorothy M. Gibson, 87, passed away at her home on Thursday, Aug. 16, 2001.

She was born on April 14, 1914, in Hinckley, Minn., to William and Hattie Jungers. She moved to Montana as a youngster with her family and farmed north of Harlem. The family moved to Kalispell about 1922.

She graduated from Flathead County High School and went to work at Mountain States Power until she married Choteau Gibson in 1941. The couple moved to Smith Valley in 1950.

She served as clerk of Batavia School Board for many years, and was also active in the 4-H and various church groups. She was also a member of the United Methodist Church for 50 years.

She was preceded in death by

one brother, two sisters, her parents, her husband Choteau, and a special daughter, Sharon Dale.

She is survived by her son, Tom Gibson and his wife Addy of Kalispell; one special daughter, Gerry Dale, of California; one sister, Mary Rathbun, of Minnesota; one brother, James Jungers of Washington; one sister-in-law, Ivanetta Grandy of Kalispell; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; a number of nephews and nieces; and a multitude of good neighbors in Smith Valley.

Visitation will be held from 1-6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary on Monday. Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Durward H. 'Duke' Giese, 86

Durward H. "Duke" Giese, 86, died April 1, 2001 at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He was born Nov. 11, 1914 near Sunburst to Fred W. and Emma Giese. He served in the Army from 1942 to 1943.

He is preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, Elvin "Bud" Giese, Clifford Giese, and Fritz Giese, and two sisters, Dorothy and Irene.

He is survived by a brother, Roland Giese of Kalispell;

two sisters including Betty Stubbs of Libby; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. at the Montana Veterans Home Cemetery with military graveside honors.

The family has suggested that memorials be made to the Montana Veterans Home, Box 250, Columbia Falls, MT 59912.

Arrangements are under the direction on Columbia Mortuary.

## Gary Robert Gilbertson, 58

Gary Robert Gilbertson, 58, passed away Nov. 19, 2001, at Immanuel Lutheran Home of congestive heart failure after a prolonged illness.

Gary was born in Kalispell, on Aug. 10, 1943, to Luella and Arthur Gilbertson. He had Down syndrome and spent the first years of his life with his family. His mother died in 1950, and shortly after that Gary went to live at Boulder River School. He spent a good part of early life at Boulder. In 1974, he transferred from Boulder to St. Joseph's Convalescent Center in Polson.

After more schooling and training, Gary was able to work at Mission Mountain Enterprises in Ronan. He and his friend, Lyle, lived in Pablo and Ronan for several years.

Gary was a tease and enjoyed his friends and family. He and his friends at Mission Mountain worked hard. He loved music and playing his harmonica. He had a delightful personality and everyone loved Gary. He loved going on short trips with his family and especially enjoyed the company of his "Mom," Doris.

His dad, Art, died in 1995, and

Gary was in the care of his brother, Doug, and his mother, Doris.

When he started to become ill in January of 2000, he moved to Kalispell to reside at Immanuel Lutheran Home. Doris was his faithful companion and was with him for many hours at the Lutheran Home. He soon became a special person to the staff at the Lutheran Home and was treated with lots of love and care in the Bratsburg Wing of the home.

He is survived by a brother, Doug and his wife Pat; his mother Doris; his aunt Yvonne Hanson of Spokane; and many nephews and cousins living in the northwest.

Viewing will be Friday from 9 a.m. until noon. There will be graveside services for Gary at 1 p.m. on Friday at Conrad Cemetery with the Rev. Peter Ramseth officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. Memorials will be directed to the Flathead Shrine Club; Algeria Temple Transportation Fund; Immanuel Lutheran Home; or a memorial of your choice.

## Kenneth E. Giles, 77

Kenneth E. Giles, 77, passed away Tuesday evening, Nov. 13, 2001, at his home in Columbia Falls.

He was born Oct. 15, 1924, in Deer River, Minn., to Harvey E. and Velma O. Giles. He was raised and educated in Blackduck, Minn.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was married to Mary Ann Deutsch on Sept. 27, 1963, in Kerhonkson, N.Y. They moved to Montana in 1966. He worked in the woods for Will Warner Logging before he retired.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and loved the outdoors and his grandkids.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Murray and Harvey.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann Giles of Columbia Falls; two sisters, Jan Von Lindern of Columbia Falls and Lois

Gookin of Forsythe; his sons, Ken Giles Jr. and his fiance, Staci Aafedt and his daughter, Karissa of Spokane, and John Hendrickson and his wife, Marlene of Missoula and their children, Brett and Katie; and Kim Giles of Eyota, Minn., and his son, Travis; his daughters, Kathy Froystad and her husband, Norm and their sons, Erik and Evan, of Kalispell and Melody Nigon of Eyota, and her daughters, Carrie and Katie; numerous nieces and nephews and grand-nieces and grand-nephews; and one great-granddaughter.

A graveside inurnment was held Saturday, Nov. 17, 2001, at 3 p.m. at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. The Rev. David Jones of the United Methodist Church officiated.

Arrangements are by Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

## Jimmy Jon Glass, 16

Jimmy Jon Glass, 16, of Troy, died Monday at Deaconess Medical Center in Spokane, as the result of injuries received in an accident near Troy on Sept. 2.

Services will be Monday at 10 a.m. at the Libby Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. today at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home.

## James Gillin Jr., 71

James Gillin Jr., 71, passed away on July 7, 2001, in Bigfork of a heart attack. He was born Oct. 26, 1929, in Great Falls to James and Clarice Gillin.



He was a Korean War veteran. He was a machinist by trade and worked for Boeing for many years. He owned a motorcycle shop in Kalispell in the 1960s and later had a machine shop. He was an active member of A.A. for the past 20 years. He always had a love for motorcycles, guns and his

dogs. He was a resident of the East Shore for the last 20 or more years. He touched many lives in many ways and will be missed.

He is survived by his children, Jackie Smith, Debbie Fuller, Kathleen Rawlings, Ken Gillin, and Kit and Kim LeBlond from a previous marriage; seven grandchildren, Allen and April Smith, Tessa O'Brien, Roger Rawlings, Paul, Desiree and Daniella LeBlond; and several cousins.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday at the Senior Citizen Center, 639 Commerce Ave., Bigfork.

## Raymond Gene Glidden, 70

Raymond Gene Glidden, 70, of Seattle and Kalispell, passed away in Missoula on Jan. 22, 2001, after a long-term illness.

He was born on June 29, 1930, in Amarillo, Texas, to Hollis and Dorothy Glidden. He was raised and schooled in Iowa and moved to Montana as a young man and on to Seattle where he worked for 37 years at Boeing Industries. He retired in 1992 and spent the last eight years working on and enjoying his cabin at Foys Lake.

He was preceded in death by his mother Dorothy; a son, Michael

Raymond; and a grandson, Gene Earl Van Dort.

Survivors include his father Hollis Glidden of Escondido, Calif.; a brother, Dave Glidden of Chester, Calif.; children, Rodney William "Bill" Glidden of Chatsworth, Ga., Holly Jene Chernish of Missoula, Tim W. Glidden and Shelley Ann Hawks, both of Kalispell; and seven grandchildren.

The family is planning a private memorial service at a later date.

Arrangements are under the direction of Garden City Funeral Home and Crematory.

## Inez Mae Goddard, 72

Inez Mae Goddard, 72, of Eureka, died June 9, 2001 at her daughter's home in Eureka after a long illness.

She was born Nov. 10, 1928 to Willis and Hattie Hayman Morrill in Bangor, Maine. She married Robert James Dick Jr. in 1947.

She is preceded in death by her husband in 1970, her parents in 1935, brothers Barney, Clyde and Sparkey; her adoptive parents, Gladys and

Edward Tabor, their son and his spouse.

She is survived locally by her daughter Cheryl Parkman and husband David of Eureka. She is also survived by two sisters; four sons; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; two nephews and a niece.

Services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Eureka. Interment will be in the Eureka Cemetery.

## William Howard Godding, 86

William Howard Godding, 86, died on Sept. 30, 2001, at the Lake View Care Center in Bigfork. He was born in Legnite, N.D.; on May 25, 1915.

No services are planned at this time.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Albert H. 'Buster' Goeddertz, 90

Albert H. "Buster" Goeddertz, 90, passed away on Aug. 12, 2001, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born March 10, 1911, at the family home in Kevin. He was the third of four children of pioneer parents, Albert and Anna Goeddertz, who settled in the Kevin area in 1890. His father founded the town of Kevin and drilled the Discovery Well in the Kevin oil fields. He was educated in Kevin and Great Falls.

He ranched his entire life in the Kevin area, raising sheep, cattle and horses as well as farming. He was an exceptional craftsman and could build homes and fix anything from clocks to engines.

He became an aviation enthusiast in the 1930s and used his plane in his ranching operation and hunting coyotes. He was always willing to help anyone, anywhere, anytime.

In 1953, he married Edna Fae Martin in Kevin. He sold his

ranch in 1973 and retired to Woods Bay near Bigfork.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Clara Postlewait and Ada Agen; daughter Garnett Foster and two grandsons, Tim Goeddertz and Dale Alcorn.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Edna Fae; son James and wife of Kaihei, Hawaii; sister Hazel Ladner of Bigfork; five grandchildren, six great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 3 p.m. until 8 p.m. today at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Services will be held at 3 p.m. on Thursday at the Little Brown Church in Bigfork followed by interment at Lone Pine Cemetery.

Memorials can be sent to the Little Brown Church or an organization of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Eliza Jane 'Lily' McAllister Goes, 78

Eliza Jane "Lily" McAllister Goes, 78, passed away Sept. 23, 2001, at Brendan House.

She was born Dec. 30, 1922, in Belfast, Northern Ireland, to George and Grace McAllister. In 1945, she married Robert Goes, who was on active duty with the U.S. Army Aircorps during World War II. Always generous and willing to help, she touched numerous peoples' lives as a volunteer at the Dialysis Center, the Kalispell hospital, and with the Creston Auxiliary and Auction for the past 10 years until her health prevented it.

She is preceded in death by her parents and two brothers.

She is survived by Bob, her husband of 56 years; three sons, Mike of Creston, Rick of North Carolina and Martin of Washington state; one daughter, Geri Crose of Creston; a brother Bill in Belfast; a sister Sue in Denver, 10 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

A private family memorial service is planned to celebrate her life. Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to the Dialysis Clinic Patient Fund or the Creston Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory.

## Otilia Doris Goode, 93

Former Kalispell resident Otilia Doris Goode, 93, died Friday, May 11, 2001, at a foster care home in Medford, Ore.

She was born April 21, 1908, in Albemarle, N.C., to Sesostris Orden and Sara Ann (Morton) Goode, and had served as a medical librarian for the Veterans Administration, the American Medical Association and the American Dental Association for more than 50 years.

She had lived in Medford since 1996, moving there from Kalispell.

She is survived locally by her son-in-law, Ralph Brown, of Kalispell.

Services will be private, and are under the arrangement of Rogue Valley Funeral Alternatives and Crematory of Medford.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 698, Medford, Ore. 97501.

## Kevin Dion Goodwin, 35

Kevin Dion Goodwin, 35, of Kalispell, died on May 20, 2001 in Kalispell.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Valerie Renee Goodwin on Aug. 8, 1999.

Survivors include two daughters, Heather and Jasmine, and two sons, Chad and Cameron; his parents, Andrew and Wonna Goodwin of Hungry Horse; two brothers including Scott Goodwin of

Kalispell; and one sister, Sonda Baker of Hungry Horse.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Christian Center Assembly of God with Rev. Fred Templeman and Sherill Lillery officiating. Burial will be held at the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Harriet 'Tuppy' Borch Gore, 76

Harriet "Tuppy" Borch Gore of Kalispell, 76, died May 6, 2001 at Brenden House in Kalispell.

She was born April 7, 1925, in Somers, the daughter of Nils and Jenny Borch. She attended public school in Somers, and graduated in Cut Bank in 1944.

She married Jack Gore Sr. in 1945. They moved often, following the oil field in the Rocky Mountain region for the next 19 years. With their three sons, Jeff, Jim, and Jack Jr., they moved overseas, living in the capital cities of Malta, Egypt, Greece, Iran, and the United Arab Emirates. As an off shore drilling consultant, her husband traveled extensively in those regions.

Even though she loved life overseas, she and her husband returned home to the U.S. and purchased a home at Mission View Terrace Estates near Lakeside on Flathead Lake.

In 1986, she and her husband moved to Laramie, Wyo., to be



with Jack Jr. and help run Anchor Rental. They lived in Laramie until 1992, when they returned to Mission View, leaving many great friends and acquaintances in Laramie. She loved her home at Mission View, seeing the Flathead, playing bridge, being with her friends and schoolmates from the area.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Jack in 1994; her youngest son Jeff, who was killed in an oilfield accident in 1994; her next oldest Jim, a Navy Seal, killed in Viet Nam in 1970.

She is survived by her son Jack Jr. of Laramie; her two grandchildren, Jim Gore, living in Laramie, and Jacqueline, in Cheyenne Wyo.; her sister Guri Beeson in Kalispell; nephew Greg Beeson in Somers; niece, and husband Kari, and Bill Copland, in Denver; step-brother, Howard Hammer of Kalispell; and many wonderful brothers, and sisters-in-law, nieces, and nephews, on the Gore side of the family. Cremation has already taken place.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory.



## Celeste Gravelle Graham, 93

Celeste Gravelle Graham, 93, a lifelong resident of Kalispell passed away Feb. 26, 2001, in the home she loved, and which she spent half of her life.

She was born on April 3, 1907, in Kalispell, to Joseph O. and Margaret E. Sievers Gravelle.

She graduated from Flathead County High School and married Wilbur L. Graham on June 3, 1938, in Polson. They made their home in Kalispell. She was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church. She lovingly and unselfishly tended her family, home, and yard.

She was preceded in death by her husband Wilbur, her parents, sisters Leona Gravelle Switzer and Justina Morris, and her niece, Norma Jeanne Gates.

She is survived by a sister, Norma Gravelle Henry, of

Kalispell; nephews, John Morris and wife, Peg, of Whitefish, Joe Morris and wife, Joyce, of Seeley Lake, Robert S. Gates Sr. of Kalispell; great-nephew Robert S. Gates Jr. and his wife, Joan, and children, Alice and Sam of Kalispell; a great-niece, Robbin-Jeanne Gates of Missoula; and special friends, Debi and George Berg and family of Kalispell.

Private graveside services will be held at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to Home Options Hospice, 70 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901; or to an organization of the donor's choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Francis Duffy Graham, 69

Francis Duffy Graham, 69, passed away Feb. 28, 2001 at Kalispell Regional Medical Center from a sudden illness.

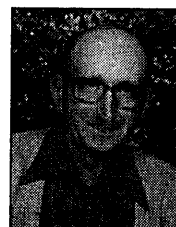
He was born March 9, 1931, in Kalispell, the fourth of six sons, to Byron and Anna Duffy Graham. He was raised and resided on the family farm in the LaSalle area all of his life. He attended the LaSalle school and graduated from Flathead County High School in 1949, where he was active in the Future Farmers of America program and served as one of its state officers.

He later attended Montana State University. After college, he spent time working as a carpenter for Bob Erickson. Later, he returned to work on the family farm and the life of farming that he so loved.

He married Patricia Louise Redfield on Sept. 16, 1956, in Lakeside. They were married for 45 years, and during that time raised two children, Laura Kay and Michael Scott Graham.

He was every bit the kind of grandpa all children should have. It was nothing to see him load up his granddaughters and grandnieces, all seven of them, the dogs and the inner tubes and head for the river. He always made special time for walks, bicycle and motorcycle rides and visits in the gazebo. The only thing more precious to him than his wife and children were his grandchildren. Many nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors also spent time with him sharing his love of the farm.

He was not only dedicated to his family, but he was also dedicated to farming and his community. He served as a 4-H leader with the LaSalle Boosters 4-H Club and helped organize the Western Mon-



tana Dairy Breeders Association, serving as director. He also served as a director of the Farmers Union and was active in the State Farmers Union

as well. He was a member of the Flathead Soil Conservation District during which time he was instrumental in the rehabilitation of Spring Creek.

He also enjoyed woodcarving and playing cards.

He is survived by his wife Patricia; daughter Laura Lambert, her husband Norman and their children, Kara and Cammie of Broadus; son Michael, his wife Muffy and their children Kacey, Bailey, and Shelby Graham of Kalispell; his brothers, Byron of Fort Worth, Texas, James, Robert, Lawrence, and Neil, all of Kalispell, and their spouses; and many nieces and nephews.

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

"Those blessed with the privilege to know Frank will miss him."

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. on Monday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home Chapel, with the Rev. Glen Woodson of Epworth United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Lakeside Community Library, Birch Grove Community Center or a charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Dr. James Fisher Graham, 71

Dr. James Fisher Graham, 71, of Corvallis, Ore., died May 20, 2001, of an auto accident near Plains.

He was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., to Ben and Gladys Fisher Graham. He grew up in New York.

Following high school he moved to Delaware, Ohio, where he attended undergraduate college. He was accepted in 1951 to Ohio State University, College of Medicine.

He graduated in 1955, then served his internship at Seaside Memorial Hospital in Long Beach, Calif. His residency was at Mountain View General Hospital in Tacoma, Wash. During this time he served from January of 1957 until December 1958 in the U.S. Army Medical Corp. as a captain.

In 1960, he moved to Libby, and started a private medical practice. In 1982, he moved to Corvallis, to work at the Corvallis Clinic in the immediate care clinic.

He married Judy Williamson in Libby in 1976.

He enjoyed golfing, bass fishing, hunting and training his dog Gracie.

He was preceded in death by a son, Ben.

He is survived by his wife, Judy, of Corvallis; mother, Gladys Graham of Dayton, Ohio; sons, Jim Jr., and his wife, Becky, and John and his wife, Michelle, all of Idaho Falls, Steve and his wife, Tori, of Gaston, Ore., Leigh Williamson of Corvallis; brother Ben of Dayton, Ohio; sisters, Ellen Ball of Ohio, and Joan Whittier of Madbury, N.H.; seven grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be announced at a later date.

Memorials may be made to Ducks Unlimited, c/o McHenry Funeral Home, 206 NW 5th ST., Corvallis, OR 97330.

## Ira V. Graham, 64

Ira V. Graham, 64, died Oct. 5, 2001, in Spokane, at Sacred Heart Hospital of complications of asbestosis.

He was born July 14, 1937, in Valier to Alex and Irene Gamon Graham. He married Ada Shelley in 1970.

Survivors include his wife Ada of Libby; his children including Jeff Graham, John Graham and Jay and Judy Graham, all of Libby; 10 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; three sisters including

Mildred Graham of Libby; a brother and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be today from 1-8 p.m. at Nelson and Vial Funeral Home. Services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Memorials may be made to The Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children; Ronald McDonald House charities or the Libby Volunteer Fire Department.

## Howard Grainger, 59

Howard Grainger, 59, died Dec. 8, 2000 in Mesa, Ariz., as a result of an automobile accident.

He was born April 18, 1941 in Glasgow, and moved to the Flathead Valley when he was 9 years old.

He was the district manager for Farmer's Union Insurance in Kalispell for 32 years. He served on the Kalispell City Council for 12 years.

He is survived by his wife Carol Grainger; his daughter, Joy

Grainger, both of Kalispell; son Kurt Grainger and family in Mesa; his father; two sisters; and a brother, all of Kalispell.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 16, 2001 at Northridge Lutheran Church in Kalispell.

A reception will follow the service at the church.

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

## Margaret A. 'Marge' Grandel, 65

Margaret A. "Marge" Grandel, 65, passed away Nov. 5, 2001, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.



She was born on Nov. 11, 1935, in New Haven, Conn., to Hildren and Ester Carney. She spent most of her life in the Chicago area. Later, she moved to Bigfork, spending what she called "The Best Years of our Life," with her husband, Tom.

She considered herself a "Creative Homemaker," yet she was an outstanding realtor and a very successful with her own business as a dressmaker. She specialized in wedding dresses.

Marge was involved in a great number of organizations, garden clubs, Bible studies, Girl Scouts, and homeowners associations. Her most recent clubs being the Bigfork Piece Makers Quilt Guild; Sew What Club; Herb Garden Club; Bigfork Art and Culture Center; Bigfork Bible study; and Computer Club.

She also enjoyed her water aerobics and in her "extra" time work-

ing in her beautiful garden. She was a devoted wife to her husband Tom for the past 47 years. She will be greatly missed by her loving family and friends.

She is survived by her husband Tom of Bigfork; children, Gail Russ and husband Roy of Richmond, Texas, Lynn Jolicoeur and husband Bruce of Spokane, Dawn Haisley and husband Mark of Colorado Springs, Colo., Russell Grandel and wife Mary Ellen of Palmer, Alaska, Jane Wich and husband John of Issaquah, Wash.; and 15 grandchildren.

Visitation will be held today from 4-8 p.m. at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Funeral Mass will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday at St. Matthew's Parish with the Rev. Rudolph Bullman serving as the celebrant. Committal services will be held at 10 a.m. on Nov. 14, 2001, at St. Michael's Cemetery in Palatine, Ill.

The family ask that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Bigfork Piece Makers Quilt Guild, Bigfork Art and Culture Center, or any charity they feel supports Marge and her beliefs.

Arrangements are under the direction of Bigfork Funeral Home.

## Edgar C. Granrud, 90

Edgar C. Granrud, 90, passed away on Sunday, May 27, 2001, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

He entered this life on Sept. 17, 1910, in Columbus, N.D., to Melvin and Ida Granrud. They homesteaded at Raymond, Mont., and later moved to Medicine Lake, Mont., where Edgar purchased and operated his own farm. In 1949, he met Helen Carr. They married and had three sons. In 1959 they purchased a farm and moved to Kalispell, and lived there until Helen became ill in 1994. At that time, Edgar moved to the Friendship House in Kalispell until his illness.

He was a self-taught musician, and played saxophone, guitar and harmonica. He became a very accomplished harmonica player. He became a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church in 1946.

He is survived by his sons, Dan and his wife, Janet, of Kalispell, Dennis of Kalispell and Niles and his wife, Debra, of Broken Arrow, Okla.; seven grandchildren,

Amanda, Eric, Melina, Cody, Jason, Aron and Michelle.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his wife, Helen, in 1994.

He fell asleep in Jesus, until he is awakened at the resurrection for the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, the voice of the Archangel with the trumpet of God and the Dead in Christ shall rise first, then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air so we shall ever be with the Lord.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home, with the Rev. Gerald Schulze officiating. Edgar's wife Helen's ashes will be placed in the casket with him and forever they will be together.

Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Clifford Charles Grant, 37

Clifford Charles Grant, 37, died July 10, 2001, the apparent victim of a homicide in Ferndale.

He was born March 28, 1964, to Charles F. and Sharon (Brough) Grant in Havre. He grew up in Havre, and worked for the Bureau of Land Management and the Burlington Northern Railroad. He moved to the Flathead Valley 10 years ago. At the time of his death, he was a self-employed logger.

He was known for taking in homeless people and helping them out. He loved all animals, especially his dogs, which he treated as his kids. He loved the outdoors and his family.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Ralph and Marie Grant and John and Lyda Brough,



and a niece, Christina Culbertson.

He is survived by his parents, Charles and Sharon Grant of Havre; a brother, Tim Grant

of Ferndale; and two sisters, Wendy Mack of Havre and Michelle Cady of Kalispell; six nieces; one nephew and one great-nephew.

Graveside services are at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Highland Cemetery in Havre, with Bishop Roger Hinckley officiating. Services and arrangements are under the direction of the Holland and Bonine Funeral Home of Havre.

## Alma E. Graves, 85

Alma E. Graves, 85, passed away on Saturday, Nov. 10, 2001, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

Alma was born on April 29, 1916, in Browning to Owen Asa and Phoebe Ann Vardie Rumley. When she was age 1, the family moved to Rexford, and when she was 10, they moved to Plains, where she graduated from Plains High School.

She married Delbert Graves and they had two sons, Delbert Jr. and John.

Alma was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Somers, for 43 years and St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Kalispell for the past eight years.

Alma was preceded in death by her husband Delbert; her parents, Owen and Phoebe Rumley; and a sister, Alberta Orphan.

She is survived by her two sons, Delbert Graves Jr. and his wife Beverly of Missoula, and John

Graves and his wife Joreen of Kalispell; nine grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren; one brother, Owen Rumley Jr.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A mass of Christian burial will be held on Wednesday at 2 p.m. at St. Matthew's Catholic Church with the Rev. Rudolph Bullman officiating. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be on Tuesday from 9-6 at Johnson Mortuary with a rosary service at 7 p.m.

The family suggests memorials be given to Home Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901 or to the American Diabetes Association, 3203 3rd Ave. North, Suite 203, Billings, MT 59101-1945; or to a charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory

## Richard H. Gray, 83

Richard H. Gray, also known as Dick, Black or Gramps, 83, passed away April 4, 2001. He had been a resident of Montana for over 70 years.



He was born in Idaho Falls, Idaho, on June 7, 1917, to David M. and Anna Elizabeth Gray. At the age of 10, he moved to Montana in a covered wagon, with his parents and three brothers, John, David and Jake, and one sister, Ellen, which have all preceded him in death.

In 1929, he moved to the Flathead Valley. In 1950, he married his loving companion and wife of nearly 51 years. He resided here until his death.

His greatest love was the worship of our creator Jehovah. His appreciation for God and his son Jesus was an example for all. He was known as one of Jehovah's Witnesses for over 50 years.

He was a lover of the outdoors and enjoyed hunting, fishing, backpacking, horseback riding, boating, motorcycles, camping, berry picking, and telling stories of all his adventures.

He made his living for many years in the woods as a sawmill designer and woodsman. He built six bridges over Ashley Creek, restored old saddles, made pack saddles, bridles, etc.

A husband, father, grandfather, uncle, friend, he gave so much, so gladly, so often. The hours of love and hospitality, the precious time so well spent showing his family such fine times, and teaching them so much. Three generations of family members knew him as a wise teacher of work manners, and fun. "His sharing of his special qualities and talents made all of our lives brighter and more useful. We will deeply miss him."

He is survived by his devoted wife of over 50 years, Gladys; two children, Beaneita and husband, Roy Brusell, and Irene and husband, Craig Dahl; granddaughter Irene and husband, Tony Serio; three grandsons, Jim, Robin, and Todd Brusell; 13 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren; a special nephew, David Gray and family; and other nieces and nephews. Because of his love and loyalty for his deceased brothers, he was like a father to his nephews Leroy, Bill and David Gray.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations made to the world wide Bible educational work of Jehovah's Witnesses, or to the Hospice program.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses at 1414 Woodland Ave., Kalispell.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory.

## Evelyn M. Gregg, 89

Evelyn M. Gregg, 89, died Oct. 24 2001, at Lake View Care Center.

She was born in Kalispell on June 30, 1912, to Edward and Minnie Lacy Getchell. "Sally" was a bookkeeper most of her life in Kalispell and Boise, Idaho. She was an artist and painted and sketched paint-

ings of scenery, wildlife and cartoon characters.

She is survived by two sons Edward Horstman and wife Kathie, of Ferndale, and Santa Monica, Calif., and Forrest "Frosty" Horstman and wife Shirley of Creston; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

## Evelyn Ruth Gregg, 93

Evelyn Ruth Gregg, 93, passed away on Dec. 13, 2001, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born March 6, 1908, in Kalispell, the second of 16 children born to Anson George and Ruth Hazel Crandall Fredenberg. Evelyn attended school in Kalispell where she played the clarinet and graduated from Flathead County High School in 1926.

She worked as a telephone operator until her marriage to Harry Gregg on Sept. 12, 1927. The family moved to the Flathead Reservation where Harry worked as a ditch rider for the U.S. and Indian Irrigation Service. After a short stay in Camas, the family moved to Warm Springs, Ore., where they lived for 16 years. After moving back to Kalispell, Evelyn began work as a tray maid at Sisters Hospital in 1966.

Evelyn worked as a volunteer or R.S.V.P. made baby quilts for single mothers, and covered books at the Flathead County Library. She enjoyed bus trips to Niagara

Falls, Vermont, and California. Among her interests were embroidery, sewing, and cooking. She was a member of the Epworth Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her husband, parents, five brothers, and two sisters.

She is survived by three daughters, Shirley Mitchell and husband Bernold of Libby, Patricia Lundy and husband Joseph of Sagle, Idaho, and Janis Rice of Kalispell; one son, Calvin H. Gregg and wife Jeanette of Salem, Ore.; five brothers, three sisters; 15 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and many friends.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. at the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Robert Van Alstine officiating. Burial will be at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Harold A. Gregg, 89

Harold A. Gregg, 89, of Polson, passed away on April 21, 2001, at Evergreen Health and Rehabilitation Center, Polson, from natural causes.

He was born on Oct. 7, 1911, in Polson to William and Elizabeth Gregg. His father had one of the first general stores in Polson. He was proud of the fact that his father was a big supporter of the Flathead Valley and that he had promoted cattlemen from the Midwest to move to Irvine Flats and file for homesteads.

When he was in the eighth grade, he went to work for Clarence Tremper in one of the first service stations in Polson. When Tremper retired, he purchased the station and the fuel-oil business.

He was a Scout Master in Polson. He went to Helena and lobbied for the hunter education laws. He taught hunter education classes for 30 years. The last 10 years he served as president of the program in Lake County.

After Pearl Harbor, he enlisted in the U. S. Marines. He spent two years in the South Pacific and received the President Unit Citation at the battle of Bougainville. He was a charter member of the

Polson Outdoors and continued to stay active with the organization throughout his life.

On April 22, 1947, he and his high school sweetheart, Florence Ray, married in Cut Bank.

He was an avid fisherman and goose hunter. He was active in athletics. He was in boxing in high school and college. He later was on some professional boxing cards. In the early 1930s, he coached Lake County boxing teams. He had one of the better amateur boxing teams in the state.

He played basketball with the Polson Independents. They played many traveling teams, including the Globetrotters, four times. They won the state independent tournament in Missoula in 1934.

He is preceded in death by three brothers and one sister.

He is survived by his wife Florence of Polson, and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Grogan Funeral Home. A graveside inurnment with military honors will follow at Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Polson Outdoors or to an organization of the donor's choice.

## Goldie Mae Greer, 69

Goldie Mae Greer, 69, died at her home in Fortine, on Dec. 28, 2001.

She was born on June 4, 1932. Funeral services are pending with Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Jo Ann Gregersen, 45

Jo Ann Gregersen, 45, passed away on Dec. 11, 2001, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

Jo Ann was born Dec. 14, 1955, in Emporia, Kan., to Jake and Mae Jacob. She was a long time resident of the Flathead Valley.

She married Steven Gregersen on Feb. 14, 1975. Jo Ann had been a Sunday school teacher for many years. She loved camping and being in the great outdoors.

She was preceded in death by her father, Jake.

She is survived by her husband Steven Gregersen of Columbia

Falls; a daughter Amy Jo Hines of Frenchtown; a son, Bryan Jacob Gregersen of Columbia Falls; and her mother, Mae Jacob of Emporia, Kan.

Memorial services will be at 4 p.m. on Sunday at the Fellowship Alliance Church in Columbia Falls.

The family request memorials in Jo Ann's name be given to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory.

## Marietta Louise Griffith, 86

Marietta Louise Griffith, 86, passed away on Nov. 10, 2001, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

Marietta was born on Jan. 15, 1915, in Hannibal, Mo., to Joseph and Etta Schutze.

She married Russell Griffith on April 1, 1934. They moved to Yakima, Wash., in 1936. They had three children. Marietta and Russ were later divorced in 1943.

She worked at Northrup Aircraft during World War II. She moved to Los Angeles in 1945, then on to Huntington Park, Calif., in 1950. She worked as a telephone operator in Los Angeles County, then later took a job at Good Samaritan Hospital. She retired in 1970.

Throughout her life, she was always involved in helping and doing things for others. She was very active in her community

while living in California and had received a plaque in recognition of her many hours of dedicated service. She was actively involved in the Catholic Church. She enjoyed crocheting, reading and listening to good music.

Marietta was preceded in death by her parents; a son Bill in 1991; and a daughter, Marilyn Solum, in February of 2001.

She is survived by her son Joe of California, and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. on Friday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with Deacon Fred Topp of St. Matthew's Parish officiating. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Mavis Maria Griffin, 83

Mavis Maria Griffin, 83, a former resident of Great Falls, passed away Aug. 23, 2001, in Spokane.

She was born in Poplar, on Sept. 8, 1917, to Annie Mears Pluris and Fred Pluris. The family moved to Great Falls in 1924.

She married Glenn G. Griffin in Great Falls, on July 1, 1939. After raising her seven children, she returned to college and obtained a degree in elementary education. She then taught and served as a teacher's aid until her retirement.

Her husband and an infant son, Glenn Jr., preceded her in death.

After the death of her husband in 1996, she lived for a short period with her sister, Edith, in Florida. She then returned to the northwest and had resided in Spokane for the past four years.

She is survived by her loving



sister, Edith McDonald, of Live Oak, Fla.; and seven devoted children, Dick of Kalispell, Dan of Ferndale, Kent of Thompson Falls, Pat of Pullman, Wash., Pam of Spokane, Kit of San Antonio, Texas, and Scott of Seattle; 10 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews all of whom she adored.

She was a loving and supportive mate to Glenn, a wonderful mother, a kind and gentle teacher, a fun sister, a doting grandmother and great grandmother and a true friend.

She always found the best in others and left the world a better place. She will be dearly missed.

A memorial service will be held at St. Thomas More Parish in Spokane on Saturday, her birthday, at 11 a.m. Interment of the cremains will take place in Great Falls at a later date.

Memorials to an organization benefiting children, in lieu of flowers, would be welcome.

## Pauline Louise Griffis, 73

Pauline Louise Griffis, 73, of Eureka, passed away Oct. 15, 2001, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.



She was born Oct. 29, 1927, in South Gate, Calif., to Spencer R. and Louise C. Buckey Strader. She grew up in California graduating from high school in Hanford. In her youth, she was very athletic, being a cheerleader and barrel racing with her horses.

She met Roy Griffis and they were married in Reno, Nev., in 1945. They had three children. In 1992, the family moved to Eureka area and built their home there. She was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Eureka.

She loved to crochet and made blankets for her kids and all of her grandkids. She also enjoyed traveling, camping, flower gardening, spending time with her family,

and she always had time to listen.

She was preceded in death by her father in 1965 and one daughter, Cynthia Louise Mason, in October of 2000.

She is survived by her husband, Roy at the family home in Eureka; one daughter, Deborah Hill and husband Earl of Alta Loma, Calif.; one son, Danny Griffis and wife Loretta of Troy, Idaho; her mother, Louise Cecile Strader of Downy, Calif.; one brother, Spencer E. Strader and wife Helen of Artesia, Calif.; one son-in-law, Bob Mason of Palmdale, Calif.; seven grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren; and other relatives and friends.

At her request, cremation will take place and a memorial service will be held in Eureka at a later date.

Memorials may be made in her name to the Seventh Day Adventist Church, 208 Central Ave., Eureka, MT 59917.

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



## Celestine L. Grigg, 87

Celestine L. Grigg, 87, of Columbia Falls, passed away March 11, 2001, at the Colonial Manor in Whitefish.

She was born June 11, 1913, in Danvers, to William and Maude Blades. She was the third of 13 children. When she was a small child, the family moved to Columbia Falls and settled in the Mosquito Flats area.

On July 6, 1932, she married Maurice "Jack" Grigg.

She enjoyed knitting, crocheting, gardening, cooking for family and friends, and she loved her grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1959, her parents, six brothers, and three sisters.

She is survived by her children, Nadine and Carl McLaughlin of

Ronan, Melvin and Carol Grigg of Kalispell, Floyd and Mary Lou Grigg of Columbia Falls, and Gerry and Don Gimbel of Columbia Falls; a brother, Roger Blades of Twin Falls, Idaho; two sisters, Jewell DeGolier of Kalispell, and Ruby Anderson of Illinois; 12 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. The Rev. David Jones of the United Methodist Church will offi-

## Katherine Margaret Grimm, 101

Katherine Margaret Grimm, 101, died on Oct. 29, 2001, at the Lake View Care Center in Bigfork.

She was born Jan. 23, 1900, just 23 days short of spanning three centuries in

Greenview, Ill., the daughter of Oltman and Anna Haverkamp Wilken.

She met and later married Rudolf Grimm in October 1929. The newlyweds spent their first winter together at the south entrance of Yellowstone National Park where her husband started his career as a park ranger, and where they cross-country skied 20 to 30 miles once a week for mail.

He was stationed on the Gallatin and later the game ranch north of Gardner where their only child, Carlton, was later born.

The family also lived in Mammoth and later the Buffalo Ranch. From there they went to Tower Falls and then back to Mammoth. In the fall of 1956, the family moved to



East Glacier where he took the position of district ranger for Glacier National Park.

She and her husband retired in 1960 making their final home on Flathead Lake at Woods Bay. She was a member of the Bethany Lutheran Church of Bigfork. Her family will fondly remember her for her love of needlework, gardening and her excellent cooking ability.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 31 years, Rudolph; her parents; her sister Marie Bancroft; and her brother, John Wilken.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Carlton D. and Linda Kaufman Grimm and her grandson, Derek C. Grimm, all of Billings; her niece, Jane Wilken of Petersburg, Ill.; two grandnieces and one grandnephew.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Bethany Lutheran Church of Bigfork today at 1 p.m. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Kalispell.

Arrangements are under the direction of Austin Funeral Home of Whitefish.

## William D. 'Don' Gross, 86

William D. "Don" Gross, 86, a Montana native and long-time resident of the Swan River Community, passed away early March 23, 2001, at the Brendan House.



He was well-known for his spicy, homemade pickles; his sly, dry sense of humor; and as a ready source of true-life tales of trailing horses and punching cattle; Montana country living; and other good things in general.

But on-going complications from emphysema, an aortic aneurysm, and at the end, pneumonia, finally took their toll.

He was born on Aug. 14, 1914, in Whitefish, to Frank and Josephine Hanson Gross. In 1920, the family moved to a homestead on Birch Creek, near Valier, where he spent much of his youth and early years working as a cowboy and horseman.

In the mid 1930s, he journeyed to Denver, where he learned the art of taxidermy at the internationally known Jonas Brothers Studios.

Coming back to Montana, he spent the summers of 1937-38 wrangling dudes in Glacier National Park at the Many Glacier Chalet. In the late 1930s, until the outbreak of World War II, he worked as an outfitter guiding and packing hunting parties in to the Bob Marshall Wilderness from the Swift Dam area.

Immediately following the attack on Pearl Harbor, he joined the U.S. Navy and was stationed variously at San Diego, Seattle, Norman, Okla., and finally on Attu and Amchitka at the outward end of the Aleutian Islands. He was an aviation machinist, which he taught while at the Norman Naval Air Station.

As an unwilling participant on a blind date while in Seattle, he met an also reluctant Annabel Hallson. They had been married 56 years at her passing in 1998.

After the war, the couple moved back to Valier to farm. They relocated to the Swan River community northeast of Bigfork in the fall of 1954. Son Lynn was born to them in 1947 and son Guy in 1955.

He worked seasonally for the U.S. Forest Service, while maintaining a small cattle ranch. His duties there ranged from packing, smoke chasing, and trail work to station guard at Swan Lake in the early 1960s. He worked on the first major rebuilding of the Jewel Basin Hiking Area access road. He

then began working as custodian and boiler tender at the Bigfork Public School until a freak accident resulted in a debilitating back injury that plagued him for the rest of his life.

Even in poor health, he was interested in art and was an invaluable supporter of his wife's watercolor and oil painting career. They toured many ghost towns together and he fabricated dozens of frames for her various works. The couple was a fixture at western shows here and throughout the region for several years.

He was an inveterate tinker, always willing to attempt a new artistic or mechanical project, often with little more preparation than a shoestring and a prayer. His interests embraced Hereford cattle to HO model railroading, wine making to bread making, and guns to gardening. But perhaps his most endearing attribute was his undefeatable sense of humor. Even when his physical torments had all but beaten him to his knees, his dry wit came out one more time to tease his attending nurses.

He had 50-year memberships in the Order of the Eastern Star, the Scottish Rite Free Masonry, and Blue Lodge Free Masonry. He was a past master of Bigfork Masonic Lodge #150 A.F. & A. M. He was also a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Bigfork Post 4042.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a baby brother, and his wife.

He is survived by his sons and their families, Lynn, Terry, Emilie, and Ward, Guy, Becky, Christopher, and stepson, Steve Delmere, all of Bigfork; a cousin, Harry Gross and family in California; an aunt, Irene Nelson of St. Paul, Minn.; and a few remaining other shirt-tail relations around the region.

A memorial service is planned for 2 p.m. Friday at the Bigfork Masonic Lodge, across from the Lakehills Shopping Center. Rites by the VFW Honor Guard and Masons will be included. A reception will follow in the dining room.

The family suggests in lieu of flowers that donations or memorials be made to either the Bigfork Quick Response Unit, 810 Grand Ave., Bigfork, MT 59911 Attn: Vern Childers; or to the Scottish Rite Western Montana Language Disorders Clinic in Missoula, c/o Bigfork Masonic Lodge, P.O. Box 628 Bigfork, MT 59911.

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

## Rev. Samuel A.C. Grove, 94

The Rev. Samuel A.C. Grove, 94, died on Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2000, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell. He was born Feb. 22, 1906, in Bradford, Penn., to Samuel and Mary (Lingaton) Grove.

He attended grade school and high school in Bradford. He then went on to Taylor University, where he received an A.B. degree in 1930. He then graduated from the Garrett Bible Institute in 1933. He married Marjorie Glotfelty in her father's parsonage home on Feb. 22, 1934.

He served at the Methodist church in Sundance, Wyo., from 1934 to 1938, when he moved on to Pine Bluff, Wyo., from 1938 to 1940. He was serving at Basin, Wyo., in 1941 when World War II broke out. He entered the U.S. Army as Army chaplain in 1941. He went to England in 1942 and from there was in the North African Campaign landing in November 1942. From North Africa, he went to Sicily for the Sicilian campaign and returned to England in November 1943. Shortly afterward, he was involved in the June 10 D-Day landing in France, and toured through France, Belgium and Germany. During that tour, he received the Bronze Star citation for his activities. He then was sent to Fitzsimmons Army Hospital in Denver from 1945 to 1946.

He was stationed at Fort Jackson, S.C., for a year and then to Ft. Bragg, N.C. for one year. At Ft. Bragg, he was stationed with the 618th Medical Clearing Company.

He went to Korea and was part of the landing at Inchon under General Douglas MacArthur. He was stationed at Wonson Harbor during the North Korean war and was ordered to leave the country. He went to South Korea and then began working his way back to the north as far as Sunon. He returned to the United States after one year of battle where he

received an additional Bronze Star.

He then returned to America and served at Madigan Army Hospital in Tacoma, Wash., from 1951 to 1954. He was transferred to Fort Richardson in Alaska for two years until 1956, where he was stationed with the 75mm anti-aircraft guns with a dual role as post chaplain. He then returned to the States and was assigned to a guided missile base, which protected the Hartford, Conn., air manufacturing facility. At that time, he was discharged to finish out his career in the Army reserves at Fitzsimmons Reserve Headquarters in Denver.

From the military duty, he went to Castle Rock, Colo., to the Methodist church from 1957 to 1964, then served in Cody, Wyo., until 1966. His last church was in Woodrow, Colo. from 1966 to 1971, when he retired.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Marjorie, in 1993, and by six brothers.

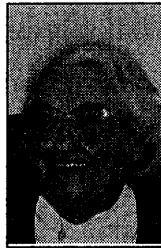
Survivors include a daughter, Trudy Grove of New York, N.Y.; two sons, Larry and his wife, Dianne Grove of Whitefish, and Lynn A. Grove of Ithaca, N.Y. He also is survived by three grandchildren, Cody and Dana Grove, and great-grandson Keaton, of Whitefish, Kevin and Molly Grove of Bend, Ore., and Kirsten Haver of Palo Alto, Calif.

Memorial services were held at Immanuel Lutheran Home on Jan. 16, 2001, with the Rev. Glenn Woodson of Epworth United Methodist Church officiating. Memorials may be sent to the Whitefish United Methodist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 4248, Whitefish, MT 59937, or to the Epworth United Methodist "Stephen's Ministry" program, 329 2nd Ave. E., Kalispell, MT 59901.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory handled cremation and arrangements.

## Dolly Eunice Guest, 85

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Dolly Eunice Guest, 85, passed away Sept. 1, 2001, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell. She was born on Oct. 9, 1915, in Kalispell to John E. and Elizabeth B. Kirk Uehlinger.



She was a graduate of Flathead County High School in 1933. She married Victor Guest, the love of her life, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, on Nov. 19, 1935.

She and her husband opened the Guest Photo Art in 1937 and also ran the House of Hobbies for seven years. After retiring, they spent the next 30 years wintering in Old Mexico, Baja, and in Yuma, Ariz. She enjoyed her "noon martini" with her husband. She held memberships in the Daughters of the Nile and the Lady Elks.

She enjoyed gardening, flowers, and especially her beautiful rock gardens. She also enjoyed art, tinting photos and giving art and craft lessons. She and her husband also spent many years boating and serving as a Coast Guard on the

Flathead Lake. She loved riding horses and she raised both Shetland ponies and Pony of Americas (POAs).

She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend. She always welcomed people into her home and had enough love for everyone. The highlight of her day would be to see and spend time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She will be dearly missed.

She is preceded in death by her parents, one son Mike, one grandson Michael, a brother Archie, and a sister, Mildred.

She is survived by her husband Victor Guest of Kalispell; one son, Gary Guest of Kalispell; two daughters, Linda Guest of Kalispell and Sandy Vanriper and husband Charles of Flagstaff, Ariz.; 15 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held on Thursday at 2 p.m. at Christ Church Episcopal with Rev. William Baumgarten officiating. A reception will follow at the family home in Kalispell.

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

## Menerva C. Gunderson, 87

Menerva C. Gunderson, 87, formerly of Kalispell, died Jan. 21, 2001, in Mesa, Ariz., following a long illness.

She was born Oct. 6, 1913, in Brookings, S.D., to John and Olga Mortvedt.

She married Orvan Gunderson in May 1940. During their 56 years together, they resided in Alexander, N.D.; Kalispell; Libby; Bigfork; and Mesa.

Orvan passed away in April 1997. She was also preceded in death by a son, Jerry; a sister, Ethel; a brother, Jerome; and her parents.

She is survived by nieces, Joanne Manchester of Missoula, and Valerie Padgett of Columbia Falls; great-nephews, Michael Padgett of Columbia Falls, and Jeff Wold and wife Terri of Phoenix; and several other nieces, nephews and cousins.

Graveside services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The Rev. Tom Gopp will officiate. Friends should meet at the cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be sent to the American Heart Association.

## Gary D. Gustafson, 43

Gary D. Gustafson, 43, passed away on July 4, 2001, at his home in Kalispell.

He was born in Shelby, on Aug. 4, 1957, and resided in Sunburst. While attending school in Sunburst, he achieved Life Scout and received the Order of the Arrow at the Boy Scout National Jamboree in Ferris Park, Idaho.

In 1974, he moved to Whitefish, where he met his wife-to-be, Tammy Cusick, and graduated from Whitefish High School in 1975. He and Tammy were married on June 21, 1980, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Kalispell. Later that same year, he went to work in Williston, N.D., at Tractor and Equipment as a sales representative.

Their first child, Dustin, was born in 1981, and he worked at Tractor and Equipment until 1985, when their second child, Samantha, was born.

In 1986, the Gustafson family moved back to Kalispell, where he took a job with Long Machinery. He worked at Long Machinery for one year when he suffered a back injury and went to work for Moovie Club.

Eventually in the early 1990s, he purchased his own business, Montana West Distributing. He owned and operated the business working as a wholesale distributor servicing convenience stores mainly to the Great Falls area but also almost every other part of eastern and western Montana until his death.

He was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Patrick Sanderson and William Gustafson; grandmothers, Alice and Maimie; aunt Tookie; and father-in-law Jack Cusick.

He is survived by his wife Tammy, son Dustin, and daughter Samantha of Kalispell; parents Don and Zoe Gustafson of Whitefish, Mickey and Mary Pat Kimmet of Shelby; brothers, Tim and wife Tracy, Tommy and wife Lauri, Eric and Patrick; sister Lori; and several aunts and uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Mass of Christian burial was held on Friday with the Rev. Vic Langhans as celebrant. Cremation has taken place.

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