

## Mary Lagoni, 93

Mary Lagoni, 93, passed away May 16, 2001, at Immanuel Lutheran Home.

She was born May 20, 1907, in Kalispell to August and Maude Kimmerly Lagoni. She had no siblings or survivors.

She lived with her parents on the farm off the Old Kila Road and graduated from Flathead County High School in 1925. Her mother, Maude Kimmerly, was one of the six members of the first graduating class in Kalispell at the Opera House in 1898.

As an only child, she had many responsibilities on the farm. She often drove the horses to town to deliver milk to the dairy. She had many fond memories of life on the farm and getting to know the horses. She always said the horses could really size up a person. They were also an important source of companionship during her childhood. She liked to tell the story of riding to Buffalo Hill to see the buffalo. Her father worked for the Conrads so she knew the town quite well.

After graduation, she began her long career of working in and with legal insurance, banking and gov-

ernment offices on Main Street in Kalispell. One of her enjoyable conversations was about the wonderful doctors, attorneys, county commissioners, and the sheriff she worked with.

She was proud that her father was a first sergeant in the Spanish-American War in the Philippines in 1898 and 1899. She told about incidents that happened over 100 years ago, such as her father's duffel bag being stolen off the dock in San Francisco and how the women in the Philippines were treated like slaves and tried to come to America. Papers show her father's pension was \$12 a month in 1920.

In her later years, she still liked to read the Daily Inter Lake and the U.S. News and World Report and would comment about crime and morals. She liked to visit and would always say as you were leaving, "Stay on the right side of the road, right side up."

At her request, there will be no services.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Florence 'Flossie' Laird

Florence "Flossie" Laird, died on April 9, 2001, in Salem, Ore.

She was born Jan. 15, 1917, in Wheatland, Wyo.

She married Robert H. Laird on May 24, 1943.

She was the reading coordinator for Whitefish public schools, owned and operated a music store in Whitefish, and choir director at Whitefish

Presbyterian Church, starting the hand bell choir.

She was preceded in death by a son.

She is survived by her husband, four children, and two sisters, 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. A private interment is planned.

Memorials can be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

## Louise Laird, 79

Louise Laird, 79, died at the North Valley Hospital Extended Care Center in Whitefish on July 15, 2001.

She was born in Butte on March 28, 1922, to Natale and Palmira Pagliano Boroni. She married Tom Laird in 1940. They lived in Butte, Great Falls and Las Vegas, Nev.

Following his death in 1974, she lived in Great Falls until moving to Whitefish in 1987.

Her parents and her husband

preceded her in death.

She is survived by her sons, Tom and wife, Dorothy, of Whitefish; and Jerry and wife, Brenda, of Bruderheim, Alberta; a daughter, Jo Ann Fowler and husband, Dan, of Las Vegas, Nev.; her brother, Frank Boroni of Butte; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Services will be held in Butte. Memorials may be made to the North Valley Hospital Foundation in Whitefish.

## John F. Lake, 83

John F. Lake, 83, of Polson and Sedona, Ariz., passed away at his Flathead Lake home on July 29, 2001.

He was born on July 16, 1918, in Cincinnati, Ohio, to Lawrence and Ruth Lake.

He married Eileen Goard on Oct. 23, 1943. He joined the Army Air Corps during World War II and served as a pilot in the European Theater during the war.

He continued his flying career and worked for Delta Airlines for 32 years. In 1980, he and his wife purchased their Flathead Lake home. They have been coming to

Montana for family vacations for 40 years. He enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson and flying small aircraft.

He was preceded in death by his daughter Susan Lake.

He is survived by his wife Eileen of Polson and Sedona; daughter Debbie Groat of Sedona; son Steve Lake of Portland; granddaughter Emily Tegman of Sedona.

Cremation has taken place and no local services are planned.

Arrangements were by Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory in Polson.

## Glen W. Lake, 79

Glen W. Lake, 79, passed away at Brendan House on June 12, 2001. He was born in Loring, Mont., on March 31, 1922, to Herman E. and Carrie (Gunvalson) Lake.

He grew up and attended high school in Loring. He married Fay Natalie Powell on Dec. 31, 1948, in Malta, Mont.

He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1942. He was the flight engineer and top turret gunner on a B-24 bomber during World War II. He flew 50 combat missions during five battle campaigns. He received the Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the EAME Ribbon with five bronze stars and a Good Conduct Medal. He was honorably discharged in 1945 and served as an instructor in the National Guard where he achieved the rank of Second Lieutenant.

In 1948, he worked for the Ford garage in Malta and then in 1952 moved to Libby, where he began work for J. Neils Lumber Co. It was bought out by St. Regis Lumber, and later by Champion. He retired in 1984. During his career with the lumber companies, he attained the top rank in certification as a lumber grader.

He is preceded in death by brothers Joseph and Arnie Lake, sister Clarice Dyrdaahl,



and parents, Herman and Carrie Lake.

He is survived by his wife, Fay, at the family

home in Libby; son Ron and his wife, Debbie Lake of Astoria, Ore.; daughter Darlene and her husband, Arne Bowker of Kalispell; brothers Norman and his wife, Esther Lake of Port Ludlow, Wash., and Gordon and his wife, Mary Lake of Moses Lake, Wash.; granddaughters Carey and her husband, Berrett Francis of Las Cruces, N.M., and Tara and her husband, Josh Brinton of Rio Rancho, N.M.; great-grandchildren Nicole and Zak of Las Cruces, N.M., and Spencer Brinton of Rio Rancho, N.M.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

At his request, no services will be held.

Memorial contributions in his name may be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Foundation, c/o First Interstate Bank, P.O. Box 30918, Billings, Mont. 59116.

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

## Manuel C. Lamb, 91

Manuel C. Lamb, 91, a longtime Whitefish area resident, passed away Thursday, March 1, 2001, at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish of natural causes.

He was born March 1, 1910, in Meek, Neb., the son of Elmer and Mary Elizabeth Lamb. The family came to Saco when he was six years old and where the family settled on a homestead. He attended a one room schoolhouse in the Saco area and then attended Saco High School. At the age of 16 he went to work for local farmers, working 16 hour days at a \$1 a day.

In 1938, he married Agnes Aune of Saco, and they farmed in the Saco area. In 1950, they brought their family to a small farm near Whitefish, and later built a new house on it. In 1951, he went to work for the Great Northern Railroad and later the Burlington Northern Railroad. He worked on the railroad for 22 years while also doing some farming.

He was a charter member of the Saco Assembly of God church and then transferred to the Whitefish Assembly of God church in 1950. He helped in the construction of the church and was a board mem-

ber until his death.

He loved working on antique vehicles and loved going to auctions. He was a permanent figure at Gardner's Auction on Monday nights.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Elmer; and a sister, Ruth.

He is survived by his wife Agnes at the family home in Whitefish; sons, Clayton Lamb and Eugene and his wife, Mary Lamb, all of Whitefish; daughters, Mildred and husband, Jim Groshong, of Seattle, and Dorothy Anderson of Whitefish; former son-in-law Rob Anderson of Whitefish; sister Ivis Moir of Blaine, Wash.; brother George Lamb of Saco; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Assembly of God church in Whitefish with the Rev. John Weaver and the Rev. Don Heinrichs officiating. Burial will follow at the Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Kalispell.

## o/ Lonnie Michael 'Louie' Lamberson, 33

Lonnie Michael "Louie" Lamberson, 33, died Monday, Nov. 19, in a single car accident at North Bend, Wash., where he resided with his wife Julie Lynn.

He was born Nov. 16, 1968, in Whitefish, to Ralph and Susan Petersen Lamberson. He was married on Aug. 23, 1996, in Seattle, to Julie Lynn Erickson.

He is survived by his wife at their home in North Bend. He is also survived by his parents and his paternal grandparents, Cloyd and Julie Lamberson of Whitefish, and his maternal grandmother Esthier Rahn of Columbia Falls; his brothers, John and wife Jessica and Darin and wife Rhonda, nieces, Julie Ann, Janie and Josey; his sister, Tara Lamberson Rose and husband Greg Rose and nephew Logan; his uncle John and aunt Lillian and their children, all of the Seattle area; his uncle and aunt, John and Linda Petersen of

Whitefish; and his uncle and aunt, Lanny and Carolyn Barton of Kalispell; his cousins, Shannon Petersen Ingold, Brian Barton, Erica Barton Kulm, Josh Petersen and Mandy Lamberson; also surviving are many great aunts and uncles and second cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather Arnold Petersen and uncle Wayne "Skinny" Petersen.

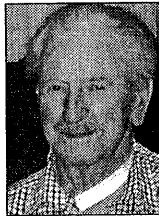
Lonnie (also known as Louie to his family) will be truly missed by his family and friends. He was special to all of us.

He attended schools in Kalispell, Libby and Bigfork and also served in the U.S. Army. He worked for many years at Wade's Gun Store in Bellevue, Wash., and was an avid gun collector.

A service to honor Lonnie's life was held Saturday afternoon in Bothell, Wash. Arrangements were under the direction of the Bothell Funeral Home in Bothell.

## Henry 'Hank' F. Larkin, 91

Henry "Hank" F. Larkin, 91, died Jan. 18, 2001, at his home in Columbia Falls.



He was born on May 5, 1909, in Belt, the fifth of seven children. His parents, George and Anna Jane, came from Missouri by wagon train. His dad was a carpenter but was an invalid for 20 years due to lead poisoning from holding nails in his mouth. His mother raised the family on very little and was a wonderful quilter and seamstress.

He schooled in Belt and as a youth, worked on ranches, branding, haying, driving wagons, hauling wood and coal, hunting, fishing and trapping — doing a man's work. Sometimes he would check his skunk traps on the way to school.

He loved to hunt and fish in the Little Belts and had many stories to tell. He loved to tell jokes — good and bad — said everyone needs a good laugh every day.

In 1931, he married Marion Rankin in Great Falls, and they had a daughter, Barbara. He drove truck for Nash Finch & Consolidated Freightways hauling freight to Havre, Helena and Butte.

He worked equipment at Malmstrom Air Force Base during its construction. In 1942, he enlisted in the Marines, 1st Division, trained at Camp Pendleton and served three years as a truck master in the South Pacific in World War II. At 33, he was the oldest guy in the 1st Division. He was discharged in 1945 and hired on to caretake a ranch and manage an orange and lemon grove in LaVerne, Calif.

In the 1930s they purchased 40 acres by Teakettle Mountain, where the aluminum plant is now, and one of the Greggs built a cabin for them. The family moved here in August of 1946 where he went to work at Davall Merc running the hardware department. The store was owned by his sister, Alice and H.H. Mae Davall.

He was one of the founders of the Rocky Mountain Riders Saddle Club and loved being around his horses.

In 1952, he married Grace Darling. They sold the Teakettle property and moved out to Lee's Meadow on Tamarack Road, built on and remodeled the cabin. They tried their hand at raising registered shorthorns, then bought a school bus and started hauling

kids for District Six. He eventually had six buses and worked them for 23 years before retiring. He loved driving the kids and enjoyed the trips they took, snow and all.

They sold to W. Grilley and the property became Meadowlake. They had a house on C street and then at their present home. For about 10 years they lived year-round on their place at Ashley Lake and sold it and motorhomed to Apple Valley, Calif., to where his brother Vernon lived. They were there until a couple of years before his brother died at 96 years in 1996. Hank had contracted malaria in the service and hot weather and him didn't agree so they moved back to their home in Columbia Falls.

He was very sociable, loved to visit and loved life. For a time, he delivered Meals On Wheels. He was a good carpenter and built on or remodeled a number of places in this valley and in the Apple Valley area. He was a smooth dancer, loved traveling, never missed a side road with something to see and has been amazed at our valley growth. He enjoyed working crossword and jigsaw puzzles, reading westerns, Yahtzee, and international rummy and the traditional beef raviolis like they used to get in Black Eagle across the river in Great Falls.

He was preceded in death by his parents, all of his brothers and sisters, a grandson and a nephew.

Surviving him is his wife Grace; daughter Barbara Buentemeir and husband, Ron, of Columbia Falls; sons, Scot Larkin and wife, Stephanie, of Columbia Falls, and Gene Darling and wife, Mary, of Los Alamos, N.M.; granddaughter Peggy Hoppe and husband, Bill, of Columbia Falls; grandson Mitch Crawford of San Diego, Calif.; nephew Don Davall of Columbia Falls; niece Carol Guon of Kalispell; six great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

He has left good friends in Apple Valley, Ashley Lake and in Columbia Falls.

Visitation will be today from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

Service will be held Monday at 2 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. The Rev. David Jones of the Columbia Falls United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice.

## Thorkild 'Swede' Larsen, 88

Thorkild "Swede" Larsen, 88, of Country Meadows, Mechanicsburg, Penn., died on Feb. 10, 2001, at Holy Spirit Hospital.

He was born in Norresundby, Denmark, on March 9, 1912. He married Gerry Ann Borsuk at Stoughton, Wis., on Aug. 9, 1947.

He worked at the Glacier Park Company, the tie treating plant in Somers, and retired in 1977. He also had been a farmer and construction worker and was an Army veteran of World War II.

After retirement he moved to Englewood, Fla., where he resided

until June 2000 when he moved to Mechanicsburg, Penn.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Leona Mohr Larsen.

He is survived by his wife Gerry Ann Larsen of Mechanicsburg; a sister, Jenny; and nieces and nephews in Denmark and Neal Larsen of Stoughton; and a niece, Angeline Hill of Jefferson, Wis.

Memorial services will be at a later date. Burial will be in Rolling Green Memorial Park, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

Cremation Society of Pennsylvania is in charge of arrangements.

## Hulda G. Larson, 63

Hulda G. Larson, 63, passed away Oct. 14, 2001, at her home in Kalispell.

She was born Nov. 13, 1937, in Reykjavik, Iceland, to Gunnar Ingimundarsson and Gudrun Arnadottir.

She moved to the United States in 1962, where she married Paul H. Larson in Kalamazoo, Mich. They moved to the Flathead Valley in 1993.

She was a wonderful mother and wife, who dearly loved her family.

Her grandchildren were the joy of her life. She will always be



remembered for believing that love was the glue that held things together in the tough times. She firmly believed that.

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

She is survived by her husband Paul; children, Erik Larson, Jon Larson and Loeyu Charette; nine grandchildren, three sisters and one brother.

Visitation will be from 1-5 p.m. Friday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Bigfork Chapel Assembly of God Church, cremation will follow the service.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## LeRoy Melvin Larson, 74

LeRoy Melvin Larson, 74, passed away at his home in Kalispell, surrounded by the love of his family on Thursday, Aug. 30, 2001.



He was born Jan. 21, 1927, in Lame Deer, on the Cheyenne reservation, the eldest son of Melvin and Dolly Bradley Larson. At the age of 6 his family moved to Lodge Grass. Later the family moved to Kalispell to establish their permanent home.

He married Thelma Evans on June 12, 1948, and they were blessed with six children. In 1993 they were sealed for time and all eternity in the Cardston, Alberta temple.

He spent most of his time in the timber industry employed by Lloyd Saunderson at L.S. Lumber company, where he worked for 20 years. These were very happy times when he worked on his D-7 Cat, the "other" love of his life. During this time period he and his family enjoyed many summers in the North Fork. His family is grateful for the hard-working man that he was and his sons were proud to establish careers in the timber industry also.

He loved his family very much. His family was very important to him, from his early days with his parents to his marriage to Thelma

and their six children, and especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. It was very important to him that his children knew he loved them.

He was preceded in death by his daughter Beverly Kay Larson; son Calvin LeRoy Larson; three brothers, "Little" George Larson, Ronald Wesley Larson, and Leon "Tiny" Larson.

He is survived by his sweet wife of 53 years, Thelma Larson; daughter-in-law, Linda Larson; children, Michael Wayne Larson, Debra Jean and husband Greg Mellem, Charlotte Ann Larson, and Jim Wendt, all of Kalispell, Darlene Kay Larson of Billings; seven sisters, Alice Melvina "Sissy" Larson Veidt, Donna Lee Larson Hatlen, Virginia Joyce "Bunnie" Larson Miller and Jeanna Mae Larson Root, all of Kalispell, Carol Ann Larson Street of Whitefish, Karen Kay Larson Caldbeck of Big Arm, Sharon Ray Larson Secord of Washington.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on Whitefish Stage Road with Bishop Kelly Galloway officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell. Visitation will be held at Johnson Mortuary on Tuesday from 9 a.m. until noon, and also at the church for 1 hour prior to services.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

## Lester Henry Larrivee, 77

Lester Henry Larrivee, 77, died on Dec. 3, 2000, in Homer, Alaska, at the South Peninsula Hospital Long Term Care.

A celebration of eternal life will be held Dec. 17 at 2 p.m. at the Homer Fishing Hole. A reception will follow at the Long Term Care Center at the South Peninsula Hospital. His ashes will be buried with military honors in Montana in June 2001.

He was born on July 23, 1923, in Eureka. He graduated from Hot Springs High School.

He served in the U.S. Air Force as a flight engineer until retiring after 23 years of service. In the Air Force he earned a Purple Heart.

He also worked for Boeing, in ranching and in resort and restaurant management. He moved to Alaska in July 1999 and lived in Homer.

He was a member of the Elks; the VFW where he was also in the honor guard; Eagles; the American Legion; and the Catholic Church.

His interests include fishing, hunting, boating, mechanics, reading and being with people.

His family writes, "Lester loved people and sharing stories of his rodeo and ranching days, fishing and his military career. He was a good father and loved doing activities with his children and grandchildren."

He is survived by his wife Helen Larrivee; his brother Pete Johnson; his sisters, March Tupper and Thelma Kirby; his children, Larry Larrivee, Noel Larrivee, Mike and Diane Larrivee, Joey and Bruce Meyer, Bobbi Larrivee, Dale Bothell and Shirley Tuck; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He loved the fireplace at Long Term Care. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to the South Peninsula Hospital Long Term Care, c/o Propane Fuel Fund, 4300 Bartlett St., Homer, AK 99603. The fund was established to keep the flame for all to enjoy.

Arrangements are under the direction of Homer Funeral Home.

## Joyce G. Hansen Lauterjung, 59

A graveside memorial service for Joyce G. Hansen Lauterjung, 59, will be held at 11 a.m. Aug. 6 at Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell, at the graveside of her parents, Florence and Carl Hansen.

The Rev. Vic Langhans will officiate.

Lauterjung died on Nov. 5, 2000. She was born on Dec. 4, 1940, to Carl and Florence Hansen, owners of Flowers by Hansen in Kalispell until the early 1970s. She attended St. Matthew's School and Flathead High School.

She is preceded in death by her parents.

### Vincent Lawson

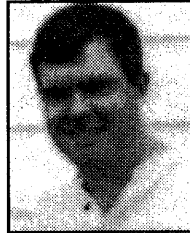
Vincent J. Lawson, 38, died May 14, 2001, on Middle Road in Columbia Falls in a single car roll over.

He was born Nov. 4, 1963, to Roger and Sally Lawson.

He is survived by his three children, Kaitlyn, Jake and Riley Lawson; a brother, Roger Lawson; his family, all of Columbia Falls; a sister, Pamela Testi; mother, Sally Lawson, and a grandmother, Gladys Lawson.

He loved the mountains and outdoors and his family above all else.

Service will be held Friday, May 18, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.



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## Trent D. Lawson, 60

Trent D. Lawson, 60, died at his home in Libby on July 28, 2001.

He was born on Feb. 5, 1941, in Decatur, Ill.

Survivors include his wife Sharon Lawson of Kalispell; two sons including Bryce Lawson of Kalispell; three step-

sons; two brothers, a sister and four grandchildren.

Services will be held today at 2 p.m. at Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Missoula.

Local arrangements are under the direction of Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

## Gary Bruce Lee, 39

Gary Bruce Lee, 39, passed away on Oct. 4, 2001, at his home in Kalispell.

He was born on Dec. 28, 1961, in Amarillo, Texas, to Bill and DeLois Lee.

He grew up in Bergen, Texas, where he attended Bergen High School. After high school, he attended West Texas State University. He moved to Kalispell in 1988. He worked for Semitool in Kalispell as a machinist for several years.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing and just being outdoors.

He was preceded in death by his mother, DeLois Beth Lee.

He is survived by his son Taylor Lee Jones of Kalispell; father Billy Revard Lee, Lewisville, Texas; two brothers, Randall Lee of Dallas, Kenneth Lee of Chickasha, Okla.; one sister, Beth Gilly of Dimmitt, Texas.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. today at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with the Rev. Tim Bartholomew officiating. Burial will take place at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Indianahoma, Okla.

## Michael Wesley Lee, 50

Michael Wesley Lee, 50, passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2001, at his home in Kalispell.

He was born on Nov. 5, 1951, in San Fernando, Calif., to Buford and Grace Lee. He was raised by his much-beloved granny in San Fernando, Calif. He attended schools in the San Fernando Valley, graduating from San Fernando High School in 1969.

Mike was an ardent Elvis Presley fan, and a sports fanatic who loved all sports, especially baseball. He was a sports memorabilia fan and enjoyed old cars. He also loved to coach youth sports.

He was preceded in death by his mother, father, a sister, a son, his granny and his grandfather.

He is survived by his daughter, Sherrol Lee of Encino, Calif.; sons Matthew and Marc Lee, both of Kalispell; and two sisters.

Memorial services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Interment of his ashes will be at the San Fernando Mission Cemetery in Mission Hills, Calif.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Robert E. Lee, 80

Robert E. Lee, 80, of Kennewick, Wash., died Friday, Sept. 28, 2001, in Kennewick.

He was born July 12, 1921, in Hinckley, Minn. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army, mostly in Egypt.

He lived in Minnesota, then in Kalispell, working in the logging profession for 33 years until retiring in 1983. After retiring he moved to Sun City, Ariz., then to Kennewick to be closer to his family.

He was a member of Sun City Baptist Church and past governor of the Whitefish Moose Lodge.

He was preceded in death by both parents, the Rev. Loomis O.

Lee and Rosetta Ethel Morrison Lee, and one brother, Leonard Lee.

He is survived by his wife Eunice "May" Lee; son Russell "Jim" and wife Penny; daughter Candy and husband Dale Davis; son Robert C. Lee; and daughter Carol Lee; two brothers, Richard Lee of Sun City, Ariz., and Loomis "Terry" Lee of Tucson, Ariz.; sister Ethel Johnson of Sun City; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, in Fortine Church in Fortine. Inurnment will be in Fortine Cemetery.

## Samuel 'Sam' Burnett Leighty, 87

Samuel "Sam" Burnett Leighty, 87, of Sequim, Wash., died Oct. 31, 2001. He was born Feb. 28, 1914, in Columbia Falls to Charles Truman Leighty and Lillian Mills. He served in the U.S. Army with the 137th Engineers Battalion during the battle of Normandy and the Battle of the Bulge.

He married Mary Marie Hurst on Jan. 6, 1943 in Kalispell. He was a cattle

rancher in the Flathead Valley.

He is survived by his wife, three daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A private family service will be held at a later date.

Memorials can be made to Hospice of Clallam County, P.O. Box 2014, Port Angeles, WA 98362.

Arrangements are under the direction of Sequim Valley Chapel.



## Frederik McLean Leitch, 69

Frederik McLean Leitch, 69, of East Helena, died April 28, 2001 at his home in East Helena.

He was born May 26, 1931 in Chicago to the late Dr. Neil and Nanna Leitch. He grew up in Warroad, Minn., and Kalispell where he played hockey, hunted ducks and fished for walleyes. He served in the United States Army Air Force for four years. He received his master's degree in education at the University of Montana. He then coached hockey and taught school in Minnesota and Montana where he also served as the superintendent of schools in the Kalispell area.

He married Genny Claypool in 1956 in Sheridan and they had four

children.

His parents and two brothers preceded him in death.

Survivors include his four children, Neil M. Leitch, Lana K. Leitch, Lisa N. Leitch and Barbara D. Kerce; grandchildren Travis and Marrisa Leitch and Kevin Lannaye; and two brothers, Dr. Cecil Leitch of Litchfield, Minn., and Neil Leitch of Missoula.

Cremation has taken place with private family services taking place at a later date. The family prefers memorials to Duck's Unlimited in his name, or to a local chapter of Duck's Unlimited.

Arrangements are under the direction of Hagler-Anderson Mortuary.

## Neil M. Leitch, 73

Neil M. Leitch, 73, of Missoula, passed away on Oct. 17, 2001, at his home in Missoula.

He was born Aug. 4, 1920, in Rochester, Minn., to Neil and Nanna Leitch. He attended high school in Warroad, Minn., and Kalispell, and graduated in 1945. He attended college at the University of Montana, University of Minnesota, and the University of North Dakota.

He served his country during the Korean Conflict from 1952-54 in the Army. After he got out of the service he worked as a lab technician and in construction.

He is survived by his step-moth-

er Marian Miller of Mission Viejo, Calif.; one brother, Dr. Cecil Leitch and wife Ann of Litchfield; two sisters, Celeste Leitch of San Francisco, Karen Grosswiler of Mission Viejo; several nieces, nephews and other loving relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Dr. Neil Leitch and Nanna Malmberg, and three brothers, Ronald, Fredrik and Donald.

Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. on Nov. 2, 2001, at the Augustana Memorial Chapel in Litchfield. Inurnment will be at Riverside Cemetery in Warroad.

## Arnold A. 'Arnie' Lehman, 73

Arnold A. "Arnie" Lehman, 73, died Aug. 13, 2001, at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane.

He was born in Lostwood, N.D. He married Micki Reynolds on July 28, 1952.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Micki Lehman;

daughter Misty Teeples and husband Bob of Columbia Falls and two granddaughters.

He was preceded in death by son, Christopher Lehman, in 1987. A memorial service will be held on Thursday at Sacred Heart Medical Center Chapel in Spokane.

## Minnie Josephine Leubner, 87

Minnie Josephine Leubner, 87, passed away March 5, 2001, at her home in Columbia Falls, with her family by her side.



She was born Nov. 1, 1913, in Minot, N. D., to Ernest E. and Ada B. Townsend. She traveled in a covered wagon with her parents from North Dakota to the Black Leaf area near Bynum in 1916.

She and John Leubner were married on Nov. 7, 1933, in Conrad. They were married 54 years when he passed away Nov. 5, 1987.

They moved to the Deer Park area in 1943, where they made their home until 1954, when they moved to Columbia Falls.

Throughout their life, she was a loving and caring person to whom family, friends, and home were everything. She was an active member of the United Methodist Church. She enjoyed sewing, crocheting, knitting, and her houseplants, namely African

violets.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John; her parents; her sister, Peggy Myers; and one grandson.

She is survived by two daughters, Alvena Lyford of Kalispell, and Martha Kassel of Columbia Falls; a son, John Leubner of Columbia Falls; three grandchildren, Lon Lyford of Anchorage, Alaska, Cassandra Lyford Bowen of Kalispell, and Roxanne Lyford Mellstead of Sandusky, Mich.; eight great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held today at 11 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Columbia Falls. The Rev. David Jones will officiate. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery.

The family has suggested that memorials be made to Hospice; American Cancer Society; Columbia Falls Volunteer Ambulance; Columbia Falls Volunteer Fire Department; United Methodist Church; or the charity of the donor's choice.

## George W. Letchworth, 81

George W. Letchworth, 81, passed away on Jan. 29, 2001 at Kalispell Regional Medical Center. He was born on July 5, 1919 in Cherokee, Ala., to Thomas N. and Annie DeGraw Letchworth. He attended school in Cherokee. He married Darlene "Bobbi" Baragar on Nov. 1, 1941, in Chadron, Neb. He served with the Last Calvary during World War II. He was an avid outdoorsman, who loved the craft of woodworking. He had many talents, and he especially loved the Lord. He spent a lot of time as a dual citizen of both Montana and Canada.

He was preceded in death by his

parents, a son, Thomas George Letchworth, and a daughter, Ruth Diane Rogerson.

He is survived by his wife, Darlene Letchworth of Kalispell; a daughter and her husband, Jeanne and Marty Gutterman, of Las Vegas; one son, Charles "Chuck" Letchworth of Kalispell; one sister; one brother; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday at the Salvation Army Chapel in Kalispell.

Cremation will follow the services.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Roger P. Lewis, 66

Roger P. Lewis, 66, died on Jan. 3, 2001, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born Aug. 19, 1934, in Randle, Wash., to Daniel and Annie Lewis.

He served in the Navy during the Korean War. He married Shirley Shortridge.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and his two sisters.

He is survived by his sons

including Paul and his family of Columbia Falls; two brothers, and numerous cousins, nephews and nieces.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Monday at Abundant Life Fellowship in Randle with the Rev. Darren Cole officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Micheal Daniel Leib

Micheal Daniel Leib, 43, died March 24, 2001, at his home in Columbia Falls.

He was born March 26, 1957, in Corpus Christi, Texas, to David and Mary Margaret Leib.

He lived and traveled many places including Midway Island, Puerto Rico, Guam, Japan, California, New Jersey, Virginia, and Alaska. In 1981, he married Cynthia Mycroft and they had two sons, Kaiser and Schaeffer.

In the 1990s, he shuttled back and forth between the Flathead Valley and Saudi Arabia for 12 years. He said that nothing had

prepared him for the burning, ravaged oil fields he confronted in Kuwait while working for Santa Fe International Drilling Company. He was proud of the work he did fighting the fires and restoring oil production to its former level.

He returned to the Flathead Valley and started WES Drilling in Columbia Falls.

In August 1998, he married his high school sweetheart, Dona Vargas.

He loved simple things in life, fishing, camping, and spending time with his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife

Dona of Columbia Falls; two sons, Kaiser and Schaeffer Leib of Missoula; his father, David Leib of Gleeson, Ariz.; his mother, Mary Margaret McDaniel of Tucson, Ariz.; his sister, Debbie Leib of Yucaipa, Calif.; and his brother, Rick Leib of Tucson.

A memorial service will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Ron Pierce will officiate.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers that donation be made to the family to help defray funeral expenses.

## Eva H. Leonard, 95

Eva H. Leonard, 95, died on March 26, 2001, at Mountain View Manor in Eureka.

She was born Dec. 13, 1905, at Columbia Falls, to Henry and Ada Kinst Hellenga.

She married Ed Leonard in 1924 in Eureka.

She is survived by seven children including Yvonne Quilling and her husband, Bob, of Columbia Falls and Ladonna Goff

and her husband, Dan, and Geri VanBemmel and her husband, Abe, all of Eureka; 19 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at the First Church of God in Eureka. Visitation will be today from 3-8 p.m. Interment will be at the Fortine Cemetery.

Arrangements are by the Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

## Donald Arthur Lincoln, 80

Donald Arthur Lincoln, 80, of Kalispell, passed away unexpectedly Aug. 9, 2001, at St. Patrick's Hospital in Missoula.

He was born Aug. 22, 1920, in Grinnell, Iowa, to Arthur and Neva Russell Lincoln. He grew up in Missoula. While in high school he did art work on the school paper and produced a special mural titled "The Great Stage Holdup" on a school wall.

It was in Missoula that he first heard the pitter-patter of Shirley's little moccasins walking past the Orange Street gas station where he worked. He married the love of his life, Shirley, on Sept. 22, 1941, in Hamilton.

Later he joined the Air Corps where he flew for the Western Defense Command.

After the war he and Shirley moved back to Montana and settled in Hot Springs where they began a family. At this point he took a job with a logging crew and built logging roads.

After seven years of this he realized he was missing something — art — something that had been on his mind and in his hands since childhood. His formal training began with a correspondence school course he discovered advertised on a match book cover.

After he completed the Famous Artists course in 1956, the Lincoln family moved to Sacramento, Calif. It was there he worked as a lithographer and he, his wife, and their three daughters spent the



next 20 years of their lives there.

They longed for the mountains and clean air of Montana so they packed their bags and moved back to the country where they had grown up. Being retired from lithography he took up art full time at their home on Flathead Lake. His philosophy was very simple, "Art is not for everyone but it is for me and I find wood sculpture very fulfilling."

Although silver-haired, slightly built and partially deaf from flying during the war, he could qualify as a physical culturist. He had been known to bring in firewood in his bare feet in the winter and swim in the cold waters of Flathead Lake as early as April until late fall.

He was a gentleman as well as a gentle man, cherished husband, father and grandfather. He never met a person he didn't like and he touched the lives of many through his grace and ever enduring sense of humor.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Shirley; their three daughters, Candie of Lincoln, Jeri of Kalispell, and Denise of Denver; six grandchildren, Beth Matheu, Bryce and Irma Walker, Adam and Kim Lincoln, Matt Huerta, Michele Huerta and Bret Koeneker; and six great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Donations in his memory can be made to the Dayton Presbyterian Church in Dayton, where he was an elder, or to the charity of your choice.

## Kim A. Lingle, 39

Kim A. Lingle, 39, passed away on March 25, 2001, while snowmobiling with his brothers and close friends on the North Fork side of Diamond Peak.



He was born July 18, 1961 in Glasgow to Alvin L. and Goldie N. Lingle. He graduated from Columbia Falls High School in 1979. Initially he worked for Plum Creek Timber Company. He was presently employed by High Country Development, as well as owning and operating his own backhoe business, Kim's Backhoe Service.

He was preceded in death by his father, Alvin Lingle and his stepfather, Vincent Neudecker.

He is survived by his wife, Laurel of Columbia Falls; his three sons, Scott, Justin, and Kyle Lingle of Columbia Falls; his mother, Goldie Neudecker of Columbia Falls; his brothers, Dean and his wife Patti of Columbia Falls, Gerald

and his wife Shelly of Kalispell, Joel and his wife Jennifer of Tucson, Ariz.; a sister, Katrina and her husband Andrew Moore of Harker Heights, Texas; his dear aunts and uncles and nieces and nephews.

He was married to Vicki Webster on December 21, 1982. They had three sons. They divorced in 1991. On August 29, 1998 he married Laurel Wensel. He had an exceptionally close relationship with his wife's parents, past Flathead residents, Barry and Susan Wensel, who are presently living in Iowa.

He was a very avid outdoorsman, especially enjoying snowmobiling, hunting, fishing, and camping with his friends and family. He also enjoyed taking frequent motorcycle rides with his brothers and friends.

He was a very dedicated responsible father, husband, and son. He especially enjoyed his sons' involvement in numerous sports activities. His dedication to hard work, hard play, family, and countless friends gave him a rightful respect, admira-

tion, and love throughout the valuation.

A visitation will be held Friday from 1-8 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

A funeral service will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Columbia Falls High School gymnasium. The Rev. Ray Davis will officiate. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

## Melvin Gilmer Lingle, 85

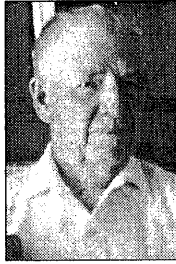
Melvin Gilmer Lingle, 85, died on Saturday, March 10, 2001, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born on March 7, 1916, in Dawson County, Mont., in the Shade Creek area to Thomas J. and Dolly Beatrice (Thompson) Lingle.

He was a graduate of Illmont Elementary School in Shade Creek. He attended high school and graduated from the Diesel Institute of Chicago in 1954. He spent his entire life in Montana. He married Ruby Lea Dilbeck in Wolf Point on Nov. 13, 1940.

He was employed by Lowe Construction in Wolf Point for 23 years. He then worked for the Montana State Highway as shop foreman and as production manager for Wood's Powr-Grip, retiring there in 1987 at the age of 71.

Melvin held memberships in the Elks Lodge of Wolf Point, Whitefish Moose Lodge, Eagles Aerie of Kalispell, the Northwest Montana Accordion Association,



Montana State Fiddlers, Districts 5 and 1 Fiddlers, Cross Country "T" Association and was a charter member of the Northeast Montana Threshers Club.

He enjoyed restoring Model T cars; dancing, especially waltzes; working in his shop; and he was an avid reader. He spent 50 years in Wolf Point.

He is preceded in death by a daughter, Sheila; three sisters, Marian, Nina and Doris; and a brother, Evan.

He is survived by his loving wife, Ruby Lea, of Columbia Falls; his son, David, of Columbia Falls; his daughter, Bea Montgomery of Las Vegas, Nev.; three sisters, Louise Johnson of Choteau, Carol Barrett of Fulda, N.M., and Mavis Hill of Great Falls; three grandchildren, Bruce Heinrichs of Denver, Brian Heinrichs of Billings and Monica Heinrichs of Tampa, Fla.; and one great-grandson, L.D. Heinrichs of Billings.

No services are scheduled at this time. The family requests memorial contributions to one's charity of choice in Melvin's name.

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

## Ann Marie Lipinski, 78

Ann Marie Lipinski, 78, passed away Feb. 8, 2001, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

She was born Aug. 29, 1922, in Chicago, to George and Mary Hepnar. Growing up in Chicago during the Depression, she saw first hand the gangsters of Chicago in action and told her family wonderful, exciting stories about them.

She was a nurse lieutenant in the U.S. Army during World War II, serving aboard the USS Hope, a hospital ship. She married Dr. John Lipinski in April 1949, and lived in France for the next four years while he served out his Army commission at NATO.

Arriving back in America in 1955, they set out for Oakland, Calif., but got only as far as the Flathead Valley where they decided to settle. Dr. Lipinski was one of the first surgeons in Kalispell. In relief efforts, they both worked in Saudi Arabia for four years and then for six months in North Yemen.

She was an avid gourmet cook and world traveler. She enjoyed everything in nature except mice.

She held memberships in the USS Hope reunion group, DAV, VFW, Eagles Lodge and the Republican Women.



She was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. John Lipinski, in 1997, and a sister, Charlotte Tomazek.

She is survived by her daughter, Terese Lipinski Amos of Kalispell, and her husband, Joseph Kashi; sons, Robin and his wife, Margareta Lipinski, of Kalispell, Karl Lipinski of Atlanta, Ga.; sister Angeline Lew of Chicago; brothers, Andrew Hepnar of Chicago, and the Rev. Bede Hepnar of Wisconsin; brother-in-law Ted Tomazek of Chicago and one granddaughter, Rachel Amos of Kalispell.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday at noon at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. Private urn burial will take place at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery, Kalispell.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests remembrances to the John and Ann Lipinski Memorial Scholarship Fund for Nursing Students c/o Richard DeJana, 126 North Meridian Road, Kalispell, MT 59901

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

## Karl Frederick Lipinski, 39

Karl Frederick Lipinski, 39, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2001, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

He was born on Sept. 9, 1962, in Butte, to Dr. John J. and Ann Hepner Lipinski. He graduated from Flathead High School in 1980 and joined the United States Air Force.

After his discharge from the Air Force, he attended Carroll College for one year. He then went to work for Sprint in Texas and Georgia. He received retirement from Sprint and then put himself through Emory Nursing School in Atlanta, Ga., earning his bachelor of science degree as a registered nurse.

He contracted hepatitis B in Saudi Arabia in 1981 while working as a nurse and washing medical instruments. This is what finally did the ornery cuss in.

He moved back to Kalispell to work as a nurse and work in the store he helped build, the "Wishful Thinking Ent INC" where he was also vice-president.



He was diagnosed with liver cancer on Sept. 4, and he fought it like he fought every other obstacle in life. He had many, many friends and will be missed very much.

He loved fishing and was good at it except that his brother caught more and bigger fish. He loved the forest and working with wood. He was an Eagle Scout and a member of the Sea Scouts.

He preceded in death by his dad, Dr. John Lipinski in 1997, and his mom, Ann Lipinski in February of 2001.

He is survived by his sister, Terese Lipinski Amos and her husband, Joe Kashi, and their daughter, Rachael Amos of Soldatna, Alaska; and his brother, Robin Lipinski and his wife, Margareta Lipinski of Kalispell.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 10 a.m. at St. Matthew's Catholic Church with the Rev. Vic Langhans officiating. Cremation will follow.

In lieu of memorial, Karl requests that if you're reading this, take five extra minutes and hug those close to you and value them while it counts.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Clyde M. Lockwood Jr., 69, passed away Jan. 20, 2001, in Seattle, after a valiant struggle with emphysema.

He was born April 26, 1932, in Missoula, to Clyde and Evelyn Lockwood. He spent his childhood in the Mission Valley, attending schools at Round Butte and Polson.

In 1950, he started working for the National Park Service as a seasonal laborer in Glacier National Park. He studied film and television production for several years at the University of Montana but left to commit to his calling of nature conservation and historical interpretation and became a tour guide at Carlsbad Caverns, N. M. He was fortunate to spend 33 years in a career that was also his passion.

In 1960, while stationed in Yosemite National Park, he met and married the love of his life, Charlotte Spranger. They spent the first year of their marriage skiing at Badger Pass and living in a backcountry cabin at Tuolumme Meadows. He took advantage of career opportunities to live and raise his family in such wonderful, diverse areas as Rocky Mountain National Park, Mount Rainer National Park and Independence National Historical Park. In Philadelphia, he was instrumental in preparations for our nation's bicentennial celebration.

He spent the final eight years of his NPS career at Glacier, where he had begun. He continued his

involvement in the park as the general manager of the Glacier Natural History Association; helping acquire the Belton Depot as the location of its office was an accomplishment of which he was most proud.

Retirement was spent enjoying summers on Flathead Lake and wintering with his wife and friends in Fountain Hills, Arizona. His many hobbies included woodworking, listening to jazz music, model boat building, and spending time with his granddaughter, Quinn. He was never far from a crossword puzzle or Scrabble board, missed few episodes of South Park, and could always invent some sort of gadget to help solve your problem. His intellect, sense of humor and dedication to his family are what we will remember him best for.

He is survived by his mother, Evelyn Lockwood of Polson; wife Charlotte Lockwood of Polson; daughters, Laura Asbell and husband Tracy of Bozeman, and Luann Lockwood of Seattle; sister, Billie Jean Noe of Edmonds, Wash.; granddaughter, Quinn Asbell of Bozeman; and numerous nieces and nephews, Steve and Janice Noe, Melisande Noe, John Noe and Lisa and Aaron Gaines, all from the greater Seattle area.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held in the Polson area at a later date. Memorials may be made to Glacier Natural History Association (Special Building Fund), P.O. Box 310, West Glacier, MT 59936.

## Lillian M. Loff, 80

Lillian M. Loff, 80, Hungry Horse, passed away Sunday morning, Feb. 4, 2001, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

She was born July 3, 1920 in Loma, N. D., to Phillip and Mary Mann. She was raised on the farm near Loma.

She worked for a time in Minneapolis, Minn., Milwaukee, Wis., and Evansville, Ind. She was married to Arthur Loff on April 11, 1942 in Nekoma, N. D.

They moved to Coram in 1949 and returned to North Dakota in 1968. They returned to Hungry Horse in 1997.

She and her husband ran several restaurant and bar business' in both North Dakota and Montana.

She enjoyed her family and friends. She will be missed by all



who knew her.

She is preceded in death by her parents, nine brothers, and three sisters.

She is survived by her husband, Art at the family home in Hungry Horse; a son, Kenneth Loff and his wife Mainette of Fredericksburg, Va., a daughter, Janet Deseth of Hungry Horse; sons, Hal Loff of Martin City, and Randy Loff of Hungry Horse; two brothers, Bernard Mann of Devils Lake, N. D., and Thomas Mann of Langdon, N.D.; two sisters, Cecelia Bimler of Brainerd, Minn., and Lorraine Rudow of Pillager, Minn.; five grandchildren, Trent Mendenhall, Cindy Olson, Bobby Loff, Victor Loff, and T.J. Loff; three great-grandchildren, Cody Olson, Kaylee Loff, and Riley Loff; and many nieces and nephews.

A gathering for family and friends will be held Wednesday from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

In Dallas, Texas, during the morning hours of Nov. 12, 2001, James Henry Lohse, 93, slipped quietly from this world.

Jim was born Nov. 8, 1908, in Wheaton, Minn., the fourth child of William and Katherine Bornhoff Lohse. He was part of an early pioneer family coming to Central Montana from Minnesota in 1918. The family settled in Nihill, an early 1900's railroad town established on the Great Northern North-South line. He grew up with seven other siblings, and is preceded in death by his parents, and sisters, Clara, Alma, Minnie, Alice, Mamie, Lillian, and brother William.

Jim went to school in the nearby two-room school house in Nihill, and completed his high school years fifteen miles away in Harlowton, graduating in 1927.

In 1928, his first job was as a car-clerk on the Chicago-Milwaukee Railroad which had its flathead in Harlowton. However, with the onset of the Great Depression, railroad work wasn't easy to hold onto without seniority, and he turned to gold mining as the gold standard raised accordingly.

He moved to Helena and subsequently worked in a number of mines in the Marysville, York, and Columbus areas.

During this time, he met and married Evelyn Louise "Happy" Koliha, a school teacher in York.

After their marriage in Billings in April, 1942, mining essentially came to a halt with the sudden onset of World War II.

Jim enlisted in the U.S. Navy Seabees and saw service in the Pacific and the Marianna Islands building B-29 bases and airstrips.

His wife Happy moved to Kalispell to teach school and await his return. After discharge in 1945, he joined her to establish a home

in the beautiful Flathead Valley and build a successful heating, sheet metal, and roofing business. This was General Sheet Metal located on U.S. 2 West. As the business got a good start, Jim and Happy were blessed with the birth of their only daughter, Sandra Lee, in February 1947.

Jim enjoyed so much hunting and fishing in the North, Middle and South Forks of the Flathead River, and spent time photographing the mountains and wildlife of Glacier National Park. Other time was spent enjoying his weekly bowling leagues, and boating on Flathead Lake.

He was a member of a number of Fraternal Orders, the Eagles, the Elks, and was a lifetime and charter member of the Moose Lodge #1922 that brought him lifelong friendships. Other friendships developed from business associations.

His wife passed away in February 1969, and in 1971, he sold his business to begin retirement in Arizona. The greater Mesa area was his next home for 26 years, as he spent his winters golfing and enjoying the desert of the great Southwest, and always reserving the month of July for time again spent at his beloved cabin and retreat on Flathead Lake.

In 1997, he moved to Pasco, Wash., an area that reminded him of his first home, Central Montana. In 1998, he moved to Plano, Texas.

Jim has left behind his daughter, Sandra Lee, and son-in-law Frank Seiser, of Plano.

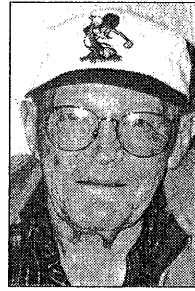
"As a Father and Friend, he will be dearly missed. It is time to say 'goodbye-until we meet again.'"

At his request, cremation has occurred with urn burial in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

No services or memorials were requested.

## Thomas W. 'Tom' Long, 69

Thomas W. "Tom" Long of Whitefish died from cancer at home surrounded by his family, on Friday, Feb. 9, 2001, approximately one month before his 70th birthday.



He was born in Columbia, Penn., on March 12, 1931, the fifth child of Richard and Caroline Long Sr. Although Pennsylvania was his home state, the Big Sky country was the state that he loved best and where he felt most at home.

He was truly a man of many hats, and he wore them all well. At just 17 years of age, he joined the Coast Guard in July 1948, and his first career move proved to be the most fortuitous. While stationed at Long Beach, Calif., he met the love of his life, Agnes "Aggie" E. Mattingly of Riverside, Calif. On Dec. 24, 1950, they celebrated Christmas one day early by entering into holy matrimony.

He honorably served his country until July 1951. Upon discharge from the service, the young couple returned to his hometown of Columbia, Penn., where they helped his parents for several years in a family-owned business. In 1955, the love of travel and adventure, which always captivated them, lured them back to California, where he began working in the construction industry. His employment with Kaiser Engineering created even more travel opportunities, including Idaho and, finally, Montana.

Tom was multi-talented, and he was never afraid to take chances. During the 1960s, Tom and Aggie owned and operated the Milk Pail Restaurant, Bair's Restaurant in Helena, and food concessions at Belmont Ski Hill and the Green Meadow Country Club. Many "old-timers" still in the area might recall the made-from-scratch, home-style cooking for which they were both famous. They were especially renowned for their freshly made pasties and donuts. People would drive from miles around to eat these yummy treats and tell Tom confidentially, "Don't tell anyone, but I'm from Butte, etc., and these are the best!"

Later, they moved north of Townsend, where they owned and operated the Deep Creek Bar and Restaurant. They had so many friends who will never forget the great food and fun shared by all.

He returned to Kaiser Engineering, and somewhat regretfully, Tom and Aggie returned to

traveling. Having risen through the ranks, he was the project manager at a number of construction sites, and he worked at various locations in California, North Dakota, and overseas in Bahrain.

After 32 years of love and laughter, he lost his beloved Aggie to a sudden illness in 1983. He worked for Kaiser a few more years before he retired in 1987 due to a disability injury. He returned to Montana, where he spent many more happy years. Even though he was officially retired, Tom worked as a part-time driver for Dollar Rent-a-Car in Kalispell, "pedal to the metal at times."

Although he worked hard, he also relaxed and had fun. He was an avid hunter in his youth, but only hunted for his family's provisions. He loved fishing — he had a favorite wild trout, which he named Gus, that he used to catch and release up at Deep Creek. Over time, Tom and Gus developed a mutual respect for each other. He loved animals, and he was fortunate to have three of man's best friends: Buttons, Coco, and Shasta.

Tom liked golf, and he was a natural on the green, swinging a club with his muscular arms. He was a lover of music, and rock 'n' roll was his favorite. He also loved to go digging for sapphires with his family. Other hobbies were collecting coins, faceting gems, and playing cribbage. Anyone who knew him also knew that he had a terrific sense of humor and was a great prankster.

"Poppa, although we miss you terribly, we know that right now, you're probably thinking of a practical joke to play on St. Peter as he guides you through heaven's gates."

His wife of 32 years, his parents, two brothers, and two sisters preceded him in death.

Survivors include all six of his adored and grieving children, including Margaret K. and Michael Foster of Elliston, Agnes P. and Kevin Rupert of Hungry Horse, Thomasine E. and Ed Schleinger of Whitefish, Robert C. Long and Cathy, of Sunnyvale, Texas, Andrew W. Long of Issaquah, Wash., and Donna M. and Bill Henderson of Whitefish; his beloved sister Carol Ann Gible of Whitehall, Penn.; his cherished 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; and many other dear relatives and friends who loved him and will miss him tremendously.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday at Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that any donations be made to the American Cancer Society or the Hospice-Home Option. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.



## Jacob Robert Louden, 78

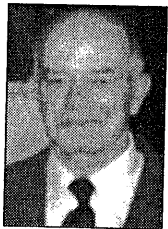
Jacob Robert Louden, 78, died Sept. 25, 2001.

He was born Oct. 7, 1922, in Kalispell. He married Betty Stiles in 1944, in Kalispell. They moved to Thompson Falls in 1948. He ranched there until 1955 when the family moved back to Kalispell where he worked with his father and mother in the farm equipment business for a few years.

In 1958, he moved the family to a ranch in Lost Prairie near Marion, where they lived until 1985.

After the passing of his wife, Betty, he sold the ranch. On Sept. 13, 1985, he married Dorcas Danford, and continued ranching on their farm along the Swan Highway in the Bigfork area, and at Bear Springs in Lost Prairie.

He was a very special neighbor and friend, always helping everyone in any way that he could. He enjoyed his ranching activities, especially caring for his animals; he also enjoyed visiting with his friends at Sykes and around the area.



He was a very special father and friend and will be greatly missed. Children especially enjoyed his company and he was always ready and willing to visit and tease them.

His father and mother; first wife Betty; two sisters and two brothers preceded him in death.

He is survived by his wife Dorcas, still living on the Swan Highway in Bigfork; and one daughter, Sharon Wilson and son-in-law Gale Wilson of Petersburg, Alaska; one son, Hugh of Kalispell; two stepsons and their wives, Andy and Ann Cottle of Swan Highway, and Gary and Teri Cottle of Kalispell; five grandchildren, seven stepgrandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and nine stepgreat-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be at Glacier Memorial Gardens at 3 p.m. on Sunday with a memorial service following at 4:30 p.m. at the Little Brown Church in Bigfork with the Rev. Bill Myers officiating. Lunch will be served following the services at the church.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Lawrence Manley Loveless, 85

Lawrence Manley Loveless, 85, of Polson, died Monday, Dec. 31, 2001, at his home in Polson.

He was born Oct. 8, 1916, in Kila, where he lived until moving to Polson in 1962. He was one of six children born to Albert and Iola (Chapman) Loveless.

He married Opal Mae Isaacs 59 years ago on Aug. 1, 1942, at First Presbyterian Church in Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by an infant daughter in 1948, his parents, two brothers, and two sisters.

He is survived by his wife, Opal Mae, of Polson; his brother, William V. Loveless, of Kalispell; and four nephews and three nieces.

Lawrence will be remembered as a hard-working, kind and gentle man, sharing his life and talents generously, but quietly. He was happy when he was working with the large circular saws at the

mill and at home, and took pride in all aspects of their maintenance. He loved the outdoors and all of God's creations.

He was a charter member and elder in the Kila Presbyterian Church. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Polson since 1963.

When asked what his favorite scriptures were, he would quietly answer, "I like them all."

Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church in Polson, the American Cancer Society, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Visitation will be held Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Grogan Funeral Home in Polson. Funeral services will be held Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at the church, with the Rev. Dave Anson officiating. Burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell at 2:30 p.m. Saturday.

## M. Lucille H. Lotz, 77

M. Lucille H. Lotz, 77, passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2001, at her home in Kalispell.

She was born on May 17, 1924, in Wytheville, Va., to Baptiste and Maude Monroe Lindamoud Hood.

She attended nursing school in Washington, D.C., before she married Gerald Lotz in New Jersey on March 11, 1948. Once married, she became a homemaker and raised two children. She was very involved at her church in New Jersey before she moved to the Many Lakes area in November of 1995.

She was a very passionate and avid reader and enjoyed spending time sewing and knitting.

She was preceded in death by her husband Gerald in 1977 and one son, Gerald Jr. in 1973.

She is survived by her daughter, Marsha Ehrlich and her husband Paul of Kalispell; one grandson, Michael de' Marsi of Raleigh, N.C.; one great-grandson Andrew Campen de' Marsi of Raleigh, N.C.; three sisters, Nancye Hood, Helen Hood, and Genevieve Hood; and one brother, Thomas "Pete" Hood.

At her request, cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at a later date.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Wayne Allen Lubitz

Wayne Allen Lubitz, 48, died Dec. 30, 2001, at the Community Hospital of Anaconda.

He was born to Louis and Margaret Kasso Lubitz. His mother died when he was very young. The Lubitz family lived in Sunburst, Moore, Ronan and Kalispell. He graduated from Kalispell High School in 1972. He worked as a carpenter, doing residential construction. He had lived at Warm Springs for the past 27 years.

He was preceded in death by

his parents and a step-sister.

Wayne is survived by his stepmother, Mildred Lubitz, of Ronan; a sister; four step-sisters including Joanne Simmes of Ronan, numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A memorial service was held at the Montana State Hospital in Warm Springs. Private family inurnment will be held at a later date. Cremation arrangements are under the care of the KT Riddle Funeral Homes, Anaconda.

## Irene D. Forsythe Lund, 90

Irene D. Forsythe Lund, 90, died at Brendan House Nov. 12, 2001, where she had resided since 1997. Irene was born, raised and educated in Minneapolis, Minn.

She taught in the primary grades in Eau Claire, Wis., where she met Clifford F. Lund. They were married in 1934 and moved to Stevens Point, Wis., where they operated a dental laboratory for 25 years. In the 1960's they spent three years as papal volunteers in Bolivia, South America. Upon their return, they lived in Fond du Lac, Wis., until their retirement, then moving to Harlingen, Texas.

They moved to the Flathead Valley in 1993. Irene's mother,

Christine Forsythe, and her two brothers, Jack and Sid Forsythe, had lived in Coram, until their deaths in the 1950's.

Irene was preceded in death by her husband, Clifford, in 1997, eight children, her mother, father, seven brothers, and a sister.

She is survived by her daughter, Judy Lund, O.P., of Kalispell, and several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

Cremation has taken place under the direction of Johnson Mortuary. A memorial Mass will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Matthew's Church with Rev. Rudy Bullman officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Matthew's School.

## Linda Carol Louthan, 51

Linda Carol Louthan, 51, passed away of natural causes on April 24, 2001, at her home in Evergreen.



She was born on Oct. 7, 1949, in Santa Monica, Calif., to Eldon and Mabel Brunich Sweeley. She lived in Van Nuys, Calif., and graduated from Taft High School in Tarzana, Calif.

She married Richard "Dick" Louthan on Aug. 6, 1967, in Encino, Calif. They moved to the Flathead Valley in 1980.

She truly loved her grandchildren, spending time with them was always a highlight of her day. She was an avid outdoors person, who enjoyed her birds, squirrels, dogs and cats. She will be dearly

missed by all her family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her father Eldon in 1986 and her mother Mabel in 1989.

She is survived by her husband Dick Louthan of Kalispell; children Jeanne Landis of Columbia Falls, Rachale Hayden of Kalispell and Richard Louthan of Washington; five grandchildren, Jacob Landis, Sierra Hayden, Zachary Hayden, Kristen Louthan and Kyle Louthan; mother-in-law Nonie Holzed; three sisters, Barbara Whitmore, Mary Fioretta and Betty Mauck, all of California; numerous nieces and nephews.

Private family services were held on Wednesday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

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

## Marcella Katheryn Loween, 90

Marcella Katheryn Loween, 90, passed away on March 19, 2001, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born on June 12, 1910, in Chicago, to William and Georganne Crangel. Her father died three months before she was born. Her mother was married to Albert Thompson and they had three children.

After graduating from high school, she married Oscar Loween on Nov. 15, 1930, in Minnesota. They had four children, Delores, Judy, Jane, and Bob. They moved to Hibbing, Minn., where they operated a dairy farm. They moved to Kalispell in the summer of 1955.

She was wife, mother, grandmother and lady to all of her family who dearly loved her. She was known for being the person who always baked the birthday cakes. She loved working in her flowers, and being with her family.

She was preceded in death by her husband Oscar in November of 1976; her youngest daughter, Jane, in March of 1998; her first great-great-granddaughter, Jessi-

ca, in May of 1999; and her son Bob in July of 2000; and two brothers, Byron and Carl.

She is survived by her oldest daughter Delores and her husband, Willard Morton, of Kalispell, daughter Judy Jorgensen of Medford, Ore.; daughter-in-law Linda Loween of Kalispell; brother Francis Thompson of Minnesota; sister Marie Gustafson of Minnesota; 12 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, seven great-great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A visitation will be held one hour prior to service. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with the Rev. Peter Ramseth officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made in her name to Home Options Hospice, or Immanuel Lutheran Home.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

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

## Isabelle Jeanette Lowitz, 89

Isabelle Jeanette Lowitz, 89, a longtime Flathead Valley resident, died May 7, 2001, at Watertown, S.D.

She was born July 13, 1911, in the Watertown area at the farm home of her parents, Charles and Annie Jesme Murphy. She grew up in Milbank, S.D., and graduated from Milbank High School in 1929. She then attended St. Mary's Episcopal School for Girls at Faribault, Minn.

She married Hilbert Lowitz Dec. 6, 1932, at Clark, S.D. They lived in Milbank until 1949 when they moved briefly to Highmore, S.D., and then settled in Watertown. They retired in 1973 to their house on the Whitefish Stage Road in Whitefish. Hilbert died in 1992. She continued to live in her house near Whitefish until she returned to Watertown in 2000.

She was an avid reader and was also fond of cooking, gardening,

camping, travel, baseball and word games.

She was a lifelong member of the Episcopal Church; a member of Chief Ignace Chapter DAR; Whitefish Women's Club; Friends of the Whitefish Library; and North Valley Hospital Auxiliary.

Survivors include three daughters and sons-in-law, Lenora and George Parsons of Columbia Falls, Kathlyn and Donald Zundel of Kalispell, and Evelyn and Paul Below of Watertown; seven grandchildren and five great-granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her sister, Mary Murphy Berkner; her brother, Douglas Murphy; and one grandchild, Sarah Jeanette Parsons.

Private graveside services will be held at Mount Hope Cemetery in Watertown on June 23. Crawford Funeral Chapel of Watertown is in charge of arrangements.

## 137-29-12 Leonard P. Lowitz, 88

Leonard P. Lowitz, 88, passed away on Feb. 5, 2001, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls where he has resided for the past few years.

He was born in St. Paul, Minn., to John and Elfrieda Lowitz. He was raised in the Midwest and served in the Army during World War II. After his discharge, he joined his brother Delbert in Montana where he lived the rest of his life on his beloved farm on Conn Road.

He worked for the Whitefish Creamery for many years and then at Superior Lumber until his retirement. Since then he has lived at his farm where his greatest joy was raising his black Angus cattle and enjoying the peaceful view from his farmhouse windows.

Even though he never married and had no children of his own, he helped to raise his seven nieces and nephews with love and concern. He was so blessed to have good neighbors who looked out for



him and to have the wonderful care provided by the Montana Veterans Home in his final years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, four brothers and one nephew.

He is survived by his brothers, Carl of Phoenix, Ariz., and Lorenz of Tacoma, Wash.; a sister, Leona of Aberdeen, S.D.; nephews Richard Lowitz and wife, Marianne, Bud Lowitz and wife, Toni, Mark Lowitz and wife, Charlene, all of Kalispell; and nieces Frieda and husband, Hanlan Brown of Columbia Falls, Naomi Torgerson of St. Paul, Minn., and Gloria Miles of New Castle, Calif.

Funeral services will be held on Friday at 11 a.m. at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Forke of Our Redeemers Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will follow at Whitefish Cemetery. Visitation will be today from 1-3 p.m. at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers donations be sent in his name to Montana Veterans Home.

Arrangements are under the direction of Austin Funeral Home.

## Pamela Jeanne Luke, 49

Pamela Jeanne Luke, 49, died March 18, 2001, in Great Falls.

She was born on May 4, 1951, in Whitefish, to Martha and Charles "Ike" Jr. She grew up in Whitefish and graduated from Whitefish High School in 1970.

She worked at Whitefish Floral for several years and was also employed for a time at the Wallflower in Columbia Falls. Through the years she worked as a painter for Rocky Mountain Painting, and did landscaping work in the area. Most recently she was employed with Bear Creek Outfitters of East Glacier.

She was an avid horsewoman, loved animals and was a very creative person.

She was preceded in death by her father; a sister, Velma Gustin; and friend, David Twamley.

Survivors include her mother, Martha Rowlan of Sun Lakes, Ariz.; sisters, Linda Barnes of Whitefish, and Karen Reber of Sacramento, Calif.; a brother, Ron Luke and his wife, Donna, of Lake

Arrowhead, Calif.; aunts Dolores Luke of Whitefish, Norma Christopherson of Puyallup, Wash., Helen Evenson of Sun Lakes, Ariz., and aunt and uncle, Eddie and Betty Luke of Whitefish; nieces, Lexie Barnes of Whitefish, Courtney Barnes of Bozeman, Camilla Redmond of Minneapolis, Minn., Gwen Cooper of Bennettsville, S.C., Jill Redmond of Kalispell, Kimberley King of Whitefish, Dawn Reber and Marci Reber, both of Sacramento; nephews Tim Redmond of Kalispell, Kevin Luke of Los Angeles, and Scott Reber of Sacramento; and several great nieces and nephews.

No funeral service is planned. Cremation has taken place. O'Connors Funeral Home in Great Falls is in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be given to the Northwest Montana Humane Society, P.O. Box 221 or Woodland Center #10, 43 Woodland Park Drive, Kalispell, MT 59901.

## Dale 'Red' Lumsden, 76

Dale "Red" Lumsden, 76, passed away at his home in Lakeside, Wednesday, March 28, 2001.

He was born July 2, 1924 in Havre, to Leonard and Eva Bell Caughran Lumsden. He grew up in Havre and graduated from high school there. He was a very good athlete playing basketball and football and was on the state championship team.

He joined the Army Air Corp and served in World War II in the China Burma India Theatre.

He met his wife Joyce Afdahl in 1947, and they married in Havre, in 1948. At the age of 17, he began a 44-year career of railroading, working for The Great Northern Railroad, The Burlington Northern Railroad, and also Amtrak. He retired in 1984. He and Joyce moved to Lakeside in 1991 and have lived there until his passing.

He enjoyed the simple things in life. He loved railroads and anything to do with them. He was an avid walker and he and Joyce loved to square dance. He enjoyed his family, especially teasing the grandkids.

He was a good people person with a smile for everybody. His favorite saying was "It doesn't cost anything to smile and say hello." He cared about others and would go to his in-laws farm to help with the harvest.

He belonged to the Elks, the



Eagles and the BNSF Veterans Association. He was also a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Somers.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Francis

and Doug.

He is survived by his wife Joyce at the family home in Lakeside; two daughters, Sandy Greytak and her husband, Jim, Bernie Anderson and her husband, Les, all of Havre; five grandchildren, Doug Greytak, Suzie Anderson, Michael Anderson, Scott Anderson of Havre, and Angela Anderson of Indonesia; one sister, Harriette Stieler and her husband, Bill, of Kalispell.

Mass of Christian burial will be held Monday at 3 p.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church with the Rev. Richard Sodja as celebrant. The family will also have a service in Havre, on Wednesday at 2 p.m. at St. Jude's Catholic Church with the Rev. Grosch as celebrant.

The family suggests memorials be given in his name to WINGS, c/o Radiation Therapy, KRMC, 310 Sunnyview Ln, Kalispell, MT 59901.

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

## John B. Lyle, 60

John B. Lyle, 60, died from cancer on Jan. 16, 2001 at his home in Troy.

He was born Mar. 13, 1940, at Blackwell, Okla., to Jim and Elisabeth Norman Lyle. He married Glenda Straight on Aug. 20, 1960 in Couer d'Alene, Idaho. He worked for J. Neils Lumber Company and W.R. Grace, retiring in 1994.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Gene and Kenneth, and one nephew.

Survivors include his wife Glenda Lyle of Troy, two sons; three brothers; three sisters; one uncle, Chuck Norman and his wife Joanne of Troy; one aunt; six grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Church of God in Troy. Visitation will be today from 1-8 p.m. at the Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson and Vial Funeral Home.

## Leslie Oral Lynch, 82

Leslie Oral Lynch, 82, passed away as a result of prostate cancer on May 3, 2001 at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls, where he has been a resident for the past 10 years.

He was born in Conrad on March 31, 1919 where he lived until he enrolled in the CCC at age 17. He was married to Doris Munson-Burke on Aug. 20, 1941 in Great Falls. They had four children. He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Gertrude Lynch of Conrad, his former wife, Doris Burke, brothers Miles and Elwood, his sister Florence, and daughter, Anice.

He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law Marilyn and Dick Litle of Fruita, Colo.; by his son John and daughter-in-law Kathy Lynch of Shandon, Calif.; and by son Stephen Lynch of Inyokern, Calif.; sister-in-law Jean Lynch of Shelby; six grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews around the country.

He and his wife lived in Great

Falls for 25 years where he was a civil servant at Malstrom AFB as well as owner and operator of two restaurants.

He also was a salesman and freelance plumber in his later years, traveling Montana with a variety of products. He was a World War II veteran, serving in the Pacific Theater where he was wounded and earned two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star.

He was a former member of the Lewistown and Great Falls Moose Lodge, an active member of the DAV and participated in all activities offered at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls. Bingo was his favorite.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service for his immediate family and life-long friend John "Skip" Skipworth will be held in Conrad in June. No flowers are requested but a memorial contribution may be made in his name to the Montana Veterans Home Memorial Fund, Montana Veterans Home, Box 250, Columbia Falls, MT 59912.

## Roger Mark Lynn, 58

Roger Mark Lynn, 58, passed away on Feb. 20, 2001, at his home in Kalispell.

He was born on Jan. 19, 1942, in San Bernardino, Calif., to Larry and Dorothy Lynn. He attended schools in San Bernardino, graduating from San Bernardino High School in 1960.

He served two years in the Air Force, stationed at Beale AFB in northern California. He attended Pepperdine University where he received his bachelor of art degree.

He went to work for Xerox Corporation, putting in almost 35 years as an employee for them.

He is survived by his wife of 34 years, Cheryl; a daughter, Tish and her husband, Tim, of Killeen, Texas; two grandsons, Joshua and Zachary; a sister, Jennifer and husband, Herb; and two nephews.

Private family services will be held at a later date.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Sennie Lillian Lyonais, 91

Sennie Lillian Lyonais, 91, passed away Nov. 12, 2001, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home.

She was born June 6, 1910, in Elk City, Okla., to William Harvey and Lana Belle Jones Dunn. Sennie moved to Eastern Montana when she was three months old. Her early schooling was in Wolf Point. At the age of 15, she moved with her mother and stepfather to Illinois where she went to high school. At age 17, the family moved to Missouri where she finished school. When she was 19 she returned to Wolf Point, where she began working as a salesperson at the Golden Rule General Merchandise Store.

She then moved to Williston, N. D., and worked at Montgomery Wards. She met Henry J. Duval, and married him in Scoby in August of 1930. To this union was born two daughters and a son, Delores, Beverley, and Roger Duval. Lillian and Zenophile Lyonais were married Nov. 1, 1970 in Auburn, Wash.

Lillian was a member of the Montana Association of Senior Citizens; the Flathead Association of Senior Citizens; the Retired Senior Volunteer Persons; the R.S.V.P. Senior Sunshine Chorus; and had started the Kitchen Band (Kitchen Jammers). She was also a

member of the Council of Women in St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

Lillian loved people and enjoyed singing and playing at all the Valley's rest homes and civic functions.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Zenophile Lyonais; her parents; four brothers, William, Otis, Henry, and James Dunn; one sister, Clara Dunn Peterson; and a daughter, Delores Duval Roush.

She is survived by a daughter, Beverley Duval Keane of Pittsburg, Calif.; son Roger A. Duval of Santa Rosa, Calif.; six stepchildren, Shirley, Sharon, Shaleen, Mike, Louis and Donald; nine grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; 26 great-great-grandchildren; 12 stepgrandchildren, and several stepgreat-great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews and dear friends.

A rosary service will be held on Monday at 7 p.m. at the Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Funeral mass will be held on Tuesday at 10 a.m. at St. Matthew's Catholic Church with the Rev. Rudolph Bullman as celebrant. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.