Martin Raan, 83

Martin Raan, 83, died June 28, 2001, at the Libby Care Center. He was born June 21, 1918 in South Dakota to Gusta (Boraas) Raan and Ole Raan.

He married Rita Margaret Ortloff on Oct. 5, 1946, then in 1956 moved his family to Troy, where he worked for the J. Niels Lumber Mill.

Local survivors include his wife, Rita Margaret Raan; sons Randy Raan and his wife, Denise, of Troy, James Raan of Kalispell and Larry Raan of Troy; daughters Barbara McMillan and her husband, Roy, of Troy, and Rose Allenberg of Troy; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and sister Joan Jellesed and her husband, Raynord, of Libby.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday at Martin Raan's home, located eight miles up Lake Creek Road.

Visitation will be Wednesday, July 4, from 3 to 8 p.m. in the Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Dawn M. Rademacher, 41

Dawn M. Rademacher, 41, of Libby, died April 3, 2001, of injuries received in a vehicle accident near Noxon. She was born Aug. 21, 1959, at Santa Rosa, Calif.

She was preceded in death by her father, Stan Mosher.

She is survived by her husband Lonnie Schedlbauer; her sons Ryan and Patrick, all of Libby; her mother; and four sisters.

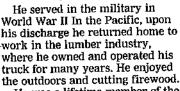
Services will be today at 1 p.m. at the Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Libby with Galen Beardsley officiating.

Virgil Rales, 74

Virgil Rales, 74, died April 8, 2001 at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He was born in Kalispell, on Aug. 6, 1926, to Nick and Clara Rales. He married Carol Car-

rico in Thompson Falls in December of 1960, and they lived and raised their family in Kalispell.



He was a lifetime member of the VFW and also enjoyed visiting for hours with his many friends.

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

He is survived by his son Nick

Rales and wife, Colleen, and children Ronatta, Shania, Alexis; daughter Dana Parks and husband Jeff, and children, Whitney, and Madison, all of Orfinio, Idaho; stepson Jim Whitney and wife, Linda, of Grangeville, Idaho; and one brother Robert Rales and wife, Thelma; nieces and nephews, all of Kalispell.

Graveside service will be held today at 10 a.m. at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Raymond E. Rand, 54

Raymond E. Rand, 54, of Martin City, died Sept. 23, 2001, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

He was born March 14, 1957 in Park Rapids, Minn., to Melvin J. and Alice Rand.

He was married to Roberta Carter in 1965 in Nevis. They moved to the Flathead Valley in 1973. He worked for Plum Creek Lumber Company for 26 years.

He is preceded in death by his father.

He is survived by his wife, Roberta of Martin City; his three children including Tess Crosswhite of Coram; seven brothers and sisters; 11 grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Viewing will be Wednesday from 1-8 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

Burial will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Columbia Mortuary.

Ruby Bernice Randall, 92

Ruby Bernice Randall, 92, found eternal rest on July 5, 2001. She was a resident of Glacier Manor for 10 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband

of 60 years, Ray Randall. They were long-time Whitefish residents and operated Randall's Texaco Service. In retirement, they moved to Kalispell in 1970. She was also preceded in death by her two brothers, Art and Bill Phillips, two sisters, Grace Powell and Gladys King.

She is survived by her five children and their families, Howard and Lynette Randall of Nye, Gerald and Janet Randall of Katispell, Colleen and Richard Edgerton of Billings, Frances and David Roth of Kingston, Idaho, and Dale and Sandy Randall of Columbia Falls; 16 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren and one great-great-



grandchild are her legacy. She is also survived by sisters, Beth Tuttle of Bozeman, Edna Conn of Whitefish, Beulah Watkins of Laurel, Dena Hicklin of Polson; and one brother, Carl Phillips of Fontana, Calif.

Her primary interest and devotion in life was her children and extended families. Their love for her was returned in kind. The eve of her passing 21 children, grand and great-grandchildren and spouses were at her bedside.

She enjoyed the company of many friends, young and old. She shared a companionship with fellow residents at Glacier Manor. Her family wishes to express its appreciation to caregivers, Meals on Wheels and numerous others for their kindness.

Visitation is today from noon to 6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday at Johnson Mortuary. Interment follows at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Memorials are requested to Meals on Wheels, or Home Options.

Edith Rasmusan, 93

Edith Rasmusan, 93, passed away at Brendan House in Kalispell, on June 14, 2001.

She was born in Skane, Sweden, on Jan. 19, 1908, to August and Sigrid Sandberg Palm.

In 1914 she immigrated to America with her family. They boarded the liner Frederik VIII and three weeks later landed at Ellis Island. She and her four brothers always spoke of this voyage as a great adventure.

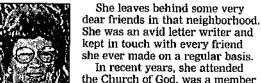
The family settled on their homestead in Divide County, N.D., where she completed her academic education and religious instruction for confirmation in the Lutheran faith.

She worked as a hired girl in various neighborhood homes until her marriage to Ed Strandberg in Crosby, N.D. To this union was born a daughter, Norma, and a son, Vern.

After the marriage ended, she continued working at various jobs until her marriage to Claude Rasmusan in Glasgow. They moved to Williston, N.D., where they started Rasmusan Plumbing & Heating and built their home in the Scott Addition. She and her father-in-law were great working partners and were proud of the home they and her husband constructed.

After her husband's death in 1958, she returned to Montana and resided in Glasgow for many years.

She traveled the states and eventually took a job in Whitefish. She made Kalispell her permanent home in 1967. Here she continued her passion for hard work, her talent for making African violets bloom year round and keeping her yard perfect around the little white and blue house on Third Ave. E.N. She was able to live independently and capable for 92 years, cooking and caring for others.



In recent years, she attended the Church of God, was a member of the Scandinavian Fraternity and the Eagles Ladies Auxiliary. She marched in the drill team and contributed her time and energy to various fundraisers for the auxiliary.

"She was our beloved mom, our "PeeVee" and G.G. (Groovy Grandma) and she will be missed."

She was preceded in death by her parents; both husbands; her brothers, Oscar, Henning, Axel, and Swen; son Vern Strandberg; son-in-law Kenneth Long; granddaughter Linda Long and grandsons Mark and Kevin Strandberg.

She is survived by her daughter, Norma Long, of Kalispell; one sister, Alice Soiseth, of Williston; grandsons Bruce, Craig and wife Sue, Tony and Michael Strandberg of Kalispell and Bigfork, and David Strandberg of Williston: granddaughters Dee Ann Bradford and husband Jon of Littleton, Colo., and Cindy Galloway and husband Craig, of Spokane; great-grandchildren, Tierney and Cailin Strandberg of Kalispell. S.A. Curt Galloway of Great Lakes, Ill., and Courtney Galloway, of Boise, Idaho; dear nephews and nieces; her loved daughter-in-law, Darlene Strandberg and brother-in-law, Leonard Soiseth of Williston,

At her request, cremation will take place and interment of the urn will be in Williston at Hillside Memory Gardens at a later date. Public visitation will be held today at Johnson Mortuary Chapel from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The family suggests memorials be given to the organization of your choice or Calvary Lutheran Church, 2200 U.S. 2 East, Kalispell, MT 59901.

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

John E. Rathbun, 103

John E. Rathbun, 103, passed away on Monday, July 16, 2001, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

He was born on June 14, 1898, in Kimball, Minn., to Edward and Ester Hicks Rathbun. He had seven brothers and sisters. His parents were farmers and some of his fondest memories were of his time spent on the farm. When he was 14 years old he moved with his family to the Montana Hi-line area near the little town of Hingham.

He married his wife Bertha in 1922 and they continued to farm. He once stated that he had raised almost everything and done most every kind of farming there is. He and his wife moved to the Flathead Valley in 1949.



He was a member of the Central Bible Church in Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers and sisters; and his wife Bertha in 1981.

He is survived by numerous

nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Central Bible Church with the Rev. Ron Youde officiating. His ashes will be buried next to his wife at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

V. Margaret Ratchford, 86

V. Margaret Ratchford, 86, passed away on Aug. 27, 2001, at the Westview Care Center in Sheridan, Wyo.

She was born on March 7, 1915. in Smith Center, Kan., to Don and Nellie Barrett Clark. She graduated from Bigfork High School in

She married Thomas H. Ratchford in November 1935. She enjoyed gardening, collecting and refinishing antique furniture. music and singing, and most of all spending time with her family and

She was a homemaker, mother, and wife. Upon her retirement 30 years ago, she and her husband traveled all over the United States in a travel trailer. They spent their summers in Montana and the winters in Arizona.

She was very active in her church and church choir. She was also a member of Daughters of the

She was preceded in death by her beloved Tom and several infant children.

She is survived by her son, Tom Ratchford of Missoula; daughter Helleen Taylor of Sheridan, Wyo.; four grandchildren, Tanya Taylor of Denver, Stephanie Ratchford of Long Beach, Calif., Jennifer Williams of Helena, and Shawn Ratchford of Missoula; one sister, Effie Holmes of Bigfork; one brother, Pete Clark of Bigfork; and many nieces and nephews.

Cremation and burial have taken place. The family suggests memorial contributions be sent to the Arthritis Foundation, Rocky Mountain Chapter, 2280 S. Albion St., Denver, CO 80222 or to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1002, Kalispell, MT 59903-1002.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Roy E. Rautiola, 66

Roy E. Rautiola, 66, passed away on April 11, 2001 at the Brendan House in Kalispell.

He was born July 27, 1934 in Mass City, Mich.

He served in Korean War with the tank division. When he came home he worked at logging and also in the construction industry as a heavy equipment mechanic.

He was a member of the Eagles and past member of VFW.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by one son, Kris Rautiola; one daughter, Andrea,

both of Monroe, Wash.; two brothers, Clyde Rautiola of Hayward, Calif., and Wesley Rautiola and wife, Jean, of Wakefield, Mich.; one sister, Evelyn, of Illinois; also a companion, Jane Crowell of Marion.

Private memorial services will he held

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

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

Alice A. Ream, 87, passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 19, 2001, at Lake View Care Center in Bigfork.

She was born June 25, 1913, in Waseca, Minn., to August and Helen Anderson Evenson.

Primarily a housewife, she had been an assistant cook for restaurants and was also a logging camp cook at one point in her life. She married Marlin Ream in Libby, on Feb. 4, 1938.

She was a member of Bethany Lutheran Church and life member of Extension Homemakers and the Montana Farmers Union.

She enjoyed vegetable and flower gardening. Family fishing and camping were also enjoyments to her. In her younger years, she bowled in Polson for 10-12 years too.

She was preceded in death by her husband Marlin; daughter Eva Brabender; son Marlin Ream Jr.; two sisters, Caroline and Lillian; and six brothers, Lawrence, Clifford, Harry, Joe, Russel, and Donald Evenson; and grandson, Kim Brabender.

She is survived by a son Allen



and wife Cathy Ream of Columbia Falls; daughter Leona and husband Lou Udall of Great Falls; son-in-law Jack Brabender of Kalispell;

daughter-in-law, Vera "Aldene" Ream of Yuma, Ariz.; 16 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; as well as nieces and nephews.

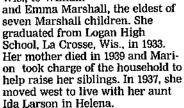
Graveside services will be held on Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Bethany Lutheran Cemetery in Bigfork with the Rev. Jack Shannon officiating. Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 9 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

Memorial contributions in Alice's name may be made to the Secure HD Foundation, 920 Springwood Drive, North Salt Lake, Utah 84054 or to Lake View Care Center, 1050 Grand Avenue, Bigfork, MT 59911.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Marion M. Redpath, 86, passed away at St. Peter's Hospital on Nov. 8, 2001, due to natural causes.

She was born on Feb. 13, 1915, in Milwaukee, Wis., to William



She met Gordon Redpath in Helena and they were married in 1938. She worked as a retail clerk for Montgomery Ward, J.C. Penney, Holter Hardware and was hostess at the Placer Hotel cafe. One of her fondest memories was the night Gary Cooper came to Helena for a premier showing of one of his films. She attended the event and was complimented by Cooper for being such a gracious hostess.

Gordon and Marion moved to Lakeside after his retirement, where they built a home overlooking Flathead Lake. Marion returned to Helena from the Flathead Valley in 1985 after Gordon's death.

Her interests were music, cards, senior travel events, and family. In 1993, she was honored by the Helena Senior Center as Volunteer of the Year for her services. She won many honors for participating in events at the Helena Eagles Manor where she has lived for the past seven years.



She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Gordon; sisters, Feryl Kreuzer and Janis Childers; brothers, Walter, Roger, John and Scott; and grandson Steve Riek.

Marion loved children and the family suggests memorials be set to Shodair Children's Hospital, Box 5539, Helena, MT 59604.

The family wishes to extend heartfelt thanks to Dr. William Harper and Dr. Blair Erb for the wonderful care they provided. Thanks also to the medical staff of St. Peter's Hospital for the excellent care they provided.

Services will be held at Retz Funeral Home in Helena at 11 a.m. on Monday.

Fern E. Rein, 88

Fern E. Rein, 88, of Eureka, died at her home Sept. 27, 2001. She was born March 28, 1913, in Englewood, Kan., to Joseph and Orpha Songer Withrow. She was raised and educated there until age 14 when she had to quit school and help her father with the younger children

At age 16, she married James Rein on July 22, 1929, in Ashland, Kan. They resided in Kansas and Oklahoma until moving to Montana in 1931. They lived in the company house at Half Moon where he worked for nine years. They moved to Somers where she cooked at the school, grew a large garden and had many beautiful flowers.

In 1946, on Easter weekend, they moved to the farm on Tobacco Siding, south of Eureka now owned by Pal and Gene Johnson. In 1950, they purchased a home in Eureka, where she had resided ever since.

Through the years she was busy with farming, even working in the fields in the fall. She gave of her time for school events and church. She was one of the first parents to start the Eureka P.T.A. She held many offices and was always there at school event for her children. She was a amber of the Grange, Tobacco Valley Senior Citizens, Garden Club, and Card Club, loved to bowl, fish and camp. She cooked for two years at the Davis Cafe' and ran a pie and coffee shop at Wollan's Store. She had large gardens, canned and gave to

others. She made many beautiful cakes for weddings, anniversaries, and birthdays. She was honored by the USAF in 1959 for her many hours in the Ground Observer Corps. Her biggest joy in her life was the work she did for the Lord. She was Sunday school superintendent and taught Sunday school for many years.

She was preceded in death by her parents; Jim, her friend and husband for 64 years, four sisters and two brothers.

Survivors include one son, James and wife Mary Alice of Yakima, Wash.; a daughter, Dolores Rein of Eureka; sisters Margaret Harrington of Englewood, Kan., Florence Parker of Kalispell, Nancy Ward, Treva Neilson; brothers Carl Withrow, Oklahoma City, Okla., Gerald Withrow, Orville D. Withrow, Ronny Dale Withrow, Gary Withrow, all of Washington and Oregon; five granddaughters Sharon and Doug Charles, Naches, Wash., DaLora and Jim Swanson, Rochester, Wash.; Gail and Wayne Christianson, Fortuna, N.D.; Ann and Skip Kraft, Dickinson, N.D.; Susan Knudson, Kalispell; eight great-grandchildren, Cindy Jimmy, Alexis, Andy Megan, Cody, Brant, Brock and many nieces and nephews.

Services will be Saturday at 10 a.m. at the First Church of God in Eureka.

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

Robert Ren

Robert Dana Ren died Feb. 9, 2001, surrounded by family. He was greeted at the gates of heaven by those who had preceded him. He was brought to rest after a valiant battle with mesothelioma, a cancer caused by asbestos exposure. He survived a previous lung cancer in 1980.

He was born April 10, 1935, in Wolf Point, and was joined by a twin sister. He was raised in Wolf Point until the first grade, moving to Fort Peck and Libby, then on to Portland where both parents worked in the shipyards. The family moved back to the Flathead Valley in Montana where he graduated from Columbia Falls High School in 1954 and the twins finished 10th and 11th in their class.

After graduating he was employed in logging and ranch work before enlisting in the U.S. Army in 1954 where he served in Germany as a military policeman and honor guard for visiting presidents. After an honorable discharge from the Army in 1956 he was a Columbia Falls city police officer. He worked in the construction of various dams throughout the Northwest with his father and two of his brothers. Most of his time was spent above the water and wife, Arlene of Quincy, and Brett and wife, Kim line as a carpenter making concrete forms. However, he drew upon his hobby of scuba diving to perform a variety of tasks under water as well. While working

on Wanapum Dam, he met and married Judy Cleo Weaver on June 23, 1961, in Quincy. The family followed dam construction for the next six years.

He and Judy moved back to Quincy in 1968 making it their home until the present time. After working in home construction for several years, he went to work for farm co-op Western Farmers as a tire man and dairy equipment installer. During this time, he began his long relationship with the Teamsters Union local 760. From 1969 to 2001, he continued his involvement with the Teamsters at a local company greatly enjoying the camaraderie of his fellow union members. Throughout his time in Quincy, he regularly spent weekends and vacations on construction projects ranging from home additions to produce storage facilities. In 1995, he formally returned to his carpentry roots by starting Ren Construction, a home and light industrial general contracting company.

One of his passions was his masterful hand-crafted wood carvings, which were profiled in numerous newspaper articles and regional exhibitions. Drawing from his knowledge of animals gained from his childhood in Montana, he used tools ranging from chain saws to dental instruments which brought everything from grizzly bears to hummingbirds to life. Many of his creations are displayed in area homes and businesses. He was a gifted sketch artist and painter and was often commissioned to create portraits and plaques in addition to his favored wildlife subjects.

He served as president of his union local, was a lieutenant in the Army Reserves and an avid motorcyclist. He received his private pilot license in 1968 and built numerous projects by hand. These special creations included canoes, an air boat, camp trailers and a motorcycle trailer. He made several extended trips including excursions to Alaska and the Grand Canyon. On the Grand Canyon trip, he and his friends were in nine national parks in 11 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Virginia and Emory and brothers, Mike and John.

He is survived by his wife, Judy; two sons, Brad of Olathe, Kan., and daughter, Angela Realme of Wenatchee; brothers, Doug, Will and Terry; his twin sister, Roberta Taylor; six grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

A celebration of his life was held Feb. 13, at the Quincy Christian Reformed Church.

Dan Luke Renken, 40

Dan Luke Renken, 40, died in his home in Bremerton, Wash., on April 25, 2001.

He was born at Kalispell General Hospital on June 27, 1960, raised in

Kalispell and attended Flathead High School. He spent two years



in the Army after which he worked in construction and fencing throughout Alaska and California.

He was preceded in death by his father Donald "Butch" Renken, and mother, Darlene Renken.

He is survived by his brothers and sisters, Dixie and Del in San Diego, Don in Bremerton, Wash., Dawn in Crescent, Ore., and Duane in Kalispell.

Shirley J. Renken, 73

Shirley J. Renken, 73, passed away Dec. 1, 2001, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Shirley was born Oct. 28, 1928, in Drake, N. D., the seventh

child of eight born to Henry and Elsie Wolff Weber. Shirley was raised in Drake and graduated from Drake High School in 1947.

On June 4, 1947, she was married to Clarence Kohlman in Drake. They moved to Sidney shortly afterwards, where Clarence had purchased a ranch.

Clarence and Shirley had three daughters, Karen, Brenda, and Peggy, who were born in Sidney. Clarence died on the family ranch in 1966.

On Aug. 17, 1973, she was married to Donald "Butch" Renken in Kalispell. They resided at Lake Blaine while Butch finished his career at the Hungry Horse Dam. They moved to Alaska in 1983, after Butch's retirement. In Alaska, Shirley enjoyed fishing, hunting, and camping. Butch and Shirley were active in the church and loved traveling in their retirement years.

Shirley was preceded in death by her parents; her husbands, Clarence Kohlman and Butch Renken; a sister, Lucille Aldworth;



and a grandson, Joel Haider.

She is survived by her three daughters, Karen Berggren of West Glacier, Brenda Haider-Crowell and husband Roger of Hungry Horse, and Peggy and husband Todd Rosenbaum of Hungry Horse: five grandchildren, Travis Berggren of Columbia Falls, Cory and husband Diane Witt of Wasilla, Alaska, Jason and Justin Witt of Beaverton, Ore., and Tara Berggren of West Glacier; four great-grandchildren, Trevor and Tyler Berggren and Wyeth and Walker Witt; six brothers and sisters, Roselyn Lueck of Fairview, Montana, Adrian Weber of Fairbanks, Alaska, Eldor Weber of Redmond, Washington, Elaine and husband Ernie Bruner of Drake, N. D., and Clarence "Bud" and wife Alice Weber of Corvallis, Ore.; and several step-children, nieces and nephews.

Shirley will be missed by many friends and family.

Visitation will be today from 1-8 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. A funeral service will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Thomas Gopp will officiate, Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

The family has suggested that in lieu of flowers, that donations be made to Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls.

Harold Dean Rice, 39

Harold Dean Rice, 39, passed away on Thursday, July 19, 2001, at his home in Woods Bay near Bigfork.

He was born on July 10, 1962, in Gary, Ind., to Jerry and Darlene

He is survived locally by a close

friend, Richard Balstrode.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church in Ferndale with the Rev. Carolyn S. Kuhr officiating.

Burial will be at Wheatland Cemetery in Naperville, Ill.

Laura Janis Rice, 58

Laura Janis Rice, 58, passed away on Friday, Dec. 14, 2001, at Brendan House in Kalispell. She was born in Redmond, Ore., in 1943, to Harry H. and Evelyn Gregg.

 Her family moved to Kalispell in 1955 after her father retired from the Bureau of Reclamation in Oregon.

Janis had great dedication to the joys in her life, her family and her many friends in the community. Her interests and activities included horses and rodeo.

. She was preceded in death by her father, Harry H. Gregg on Feb. 23, 1969, and her mother, Evelyn Gregg on Dec. 13, 2001. She is survived by her daughter, Teri Rice of Kalispell; one grandson, Logan Rice; two sisters, Shirley Mitchell of Libby and Pat Lundy of Sagle, Idaho; one brother, Calvin Gregg of Salem, Ore.; and her ex-husband Rudy Rice.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. today in Johnson Mortuary Chapel, with the Rev. Robert Van Alstine officiating. The family suggests memorials be given to Home Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Bernice N. Rickard, 91

Bernice N. Rickard, 91, passed away on March 25, 2001, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born on June 12, 1909, in Wayne, Neb., to George and Mathilda Marie Van Norman.



She married Charlie A. Rickard on April 26, 1927, in Colorado. They later moved to Grand Island, Neb. In 1937, they moved to Swan River upon the urging of Charlie's aunt. They moved to Kalispell in 1957.

She enjoyed her many years of volunteer work in the Kalispell area. One of her volunteer projects was Meals on Wheels. When her health started to fail, she began hemming quilts for the needy babies of Flathead County. She carried out many tasks in her

years of service with the Retired Seniors Volunteer Program of Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her parents: her husband Charlie; one son, Donald; three brothers; three sisters; and one granddaughter.

She is survived by three sons, Jack Rickard and his wife, Linda, of Kalispell, Harry Rickard of Bozeman, Robert Rickard and his wife, Ellen, of Kalispell; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and two great-greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday at 2 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary with the Rev. Ron Pierce officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be today from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Jimmy E. Richards, 79

Jimmy E. Richards, 79, died Aug. 4, 2001.

He was born July 15, 1922, in Bainville, and was raised in Scobey and Kalispell, and graduated from Flathead High School.

He married Ella Christensen. He was preceded in death by his wife in 1998.

Survivors include a daughter, a sister, Eleanor Donich of Kalispell, and a nephew.

Services have already been held.

Memorials can be made to the Parkinsonian Society of Willamette-Columbia, 1015 N.W. 22nd Ave., Portland, OR 97210.

Richard "Dick" Ledger Richardson, 63, retired owner of The Shoe Shop, died June 11, 2001, at a Havre hospital of complications due to diabetes

He was born May 22, 1938, to Jerry and Caroline J. Labing Richardson at the Deaconess Hospital in Havre, one of five children. He attended Lakeview Country School in North Havre and graduated from Havre High School in 1956 after which he attended Northern Montana College for one year.

On Aug. 7, 1960, he married Gail Acher in Chinook. To this marriage, Laurie Anne was born. He and his wife lived in Glasgow and Chinook before settling in Havre. He sold insurance and sewing machines and worked on numerous ranches and farms north of Havre. The couple later divorced.

On July 30, 1981, he married Rita Toth at the First Lutheran Church in Havre. He later owned and operated The Shoe Shop, selling Red Wing Shoes in downtown Havre. He ran this shop for 27 years until his health forced him

to sell it in 1996.

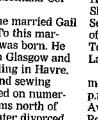
He was an elder at the Fifth Avenue Christian Church and a member of the Hill County Republican Party. He enjoyed visiting family and friends, doing leatherwork, and being active in both Bible studies and politics.

He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant sister, Jerryann Richardson in 1939.

He is survived by his wife Rita Toth Richardson of Havre; daughter Laurie Anne Richardson of Baltimore, Md.; three brothers, Gerald Richardson and wife Joyce of Seattle, Keith Richardson of Havre, and Ken Richardson of Shelby; niece Dawn Carlton of Seattle; nephew Brian Richardson of Seattle; mother-in-law Myra Toth of Havre; and aunt Olive Lanz of Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held at 7 p.m. on June 19 at the Fifth Avenue Christian Church with Rowlie Hutton officiating. Food and fellowship follow the service.

Memorials in his honor may be made to the Northern Montana Dialysis Unit, attn: Thora Beck, P.O. Box 1231, Havre, MT 59501; or Fifth Avenue Christian Church, Box 1328, Havre, MT 59501.



Ronald Richter

Ronald Richter, 32, a lifetime Spokane resident, died recently. He worked as an AutoCAD drafting specialist for Stock Steel. He is survived by his father, Randy Richter of Newport, Wash.; his mother and stepfather, Christine and Louis Pajnich of Columbia Falls; two sisters, Sherrey Hethcock of Spokane, Wash., and Melissa Richter of San Diego; a brother, Todd Pajnich of Columbia Falls; his grandparents, George and Helen Sowl of Mead and Thelma Richter of Spokane.

Jerry Riedel, 89

Memorial services for Jerry Riedel, 89, who died April 27, 2001, in Carson City, Nev., will be held 11:30 a.m. Aug. 8 at Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell.

Lester Jerry Riedel, 89

Lester Jerry Riedel, 89, passed away at his home in Carson City, Nev., on April 27, 2001.

A native of Kalispell, he was born Aug. 30, 1911, and spent his entire life in Kalispell, until he and his wife moved to Carson City, in July 2000, to be near their son and family.

He was a member of the Kalispell Elks, attended St. Matthew's Catholic Church and enjoyed playing golf at Buffalo Hill Golf Course.

Following his retirement from Pacific Power, for the past 22 years he and his wife wintered in Lake Havasu, Ariz.

He is survived by his wife Madeline "Toots"; daughter Linda of Phoenix; son Mike of Carson City; and five grandchildren.

A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date in Kalispell. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

Robert Warren Riley, 77

Robert Warren Riley, 77, passed away on Feb. 26, 2001, at his home in Lakeside.

He was born in the Kalispell General Hospital on May 6, 1923, to Victor and Mabel

Riley. He attended first grade at the Central School, then went to Cornelius Hedges for his elementary education. He graduated from high school in Portland, Ore. He attended college at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

He enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1941 where he served with the 7th Photo Reconn group stationed out of Oxford, England.

He married Frances "Arlee" Foate in Coffeeville, Kan., on Aug. 20, 1944. He was part owner of the Glacier Dairy; had worked as a car salesman; had been in management and sales at a local radio and television station; was deputy sheriff for three and a half years; and worked for the local phone company for 21 years before retiring in 1985.

He and Arlee had lived in Lakeside, from 1972, until his death. He had been a weather reporter forthe Bigfork Eagle for the Lakeside area for 27 years. He had served as an alderman for the 3rd ward in Kalispell. He was a member of the Lakeside Chapel Methodist Church for years.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Arlee, of Lakeside; daughters and their husbands, Carol and Mike Tappan, Robin and Lon Eliason, Vicki and Bill Lyons; grandchildren, Joshua and Trish Tappan, Calab and Cara Tappan, Sarah Tappan, Sean Donnelly, Michael and David Eliason; other relatives include Laura and Ken Endicott, Betty Stockard, Don and Emily Riley, Rick and Patty Riley, Phyllis Lupo, John Schwartz; and many, many cousins and friends.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Lakeside Chapel with the Rev. John Ulrich officiating.

Memorials may be made to Home Options Hospice, 70 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901.

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

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

Tom Riemer, 54

Tom Riemer, 54, of the North Fork died June 25, 2001, at his home in Polebridge.

He was born on May 2, 1947, in Cleveland, Ohio, to Leonard and Jane Riemer. He was raised and educated in Rolling Hills, Calif.

He served his country in the U.S. Army Special Forces Green Berets from 1967 to 1970. He worked for the Forest Service as a federal law enforcement officer in Glacier National Park and tended bar at the Northern Lights in Polebridge and the West Glacier Bar in West Glacier.

He is survived by his parents of Kalispell; a brother and sister-in-law and two nieces; a sister and brother-in-law and niece and nephew; and dear friend Mary Poole of Polebridge.

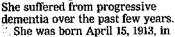
A memorial service and gathering of friends and family will be held on Saturday at 2 p.m. at "Tom's Place" in Polebridge.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made in his name to the charity of the donor's choice.

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

Frances Kelly Rinck, 88

Frances Kelly Rinck, 88, of Columbia Falls died on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22, 2001, in North Valley Extended Care in Whitefish from complications of old age.



Baltimore to George and Emma Kelly. All four of her grandparents were Irish famine immigrants. She graduated from Baltimore's Eastern High in 1931.

She married Arno W. Rinck in Rogers Forge, Md., on Aug. 27, 1938. They resided in Hackensack, N.J., from 1938 to 1963. During World War II, she worked for the Rationing Board. After Arno returned home from the war, she helped him with his model train business. In 1963, they moved to Columbia Falls, where she was active in the Women's Club and other civic organizations. Following a heart attack in January 2000, she moved into North Valley Extended Care, Whitefish.

Her husband died May 28, 1994. She is survived by her son Bill and his wife, Vicki Byrd-Rinck, of Coram and three grandchildren, Cecilia of Boston, Moses of Spokane and Claudette of Notre Dame, Ind.

Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Wednesday in St. Richard's Catholic Church, followed by a luncheon in the Parish Center.

'The family suggests memorials to the Jim Byrd Memorial Fund at St. Richard's Parish, Columbia Falls, MT 59912, which assists the needy of our area.

Bonnie C. Roberts, 64

Bonnie C. Roberts, 64, passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2001, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born on Aug. 13, 1937, in Kalispell. She married Henry "Hank" Roberts on May 9, 1953, in Polson. She lived her whole life in the Flathead Valley.

She was a very multi-talented person. She knew how to play several instruments and was very good at many crafts including sewing, knitting, crocheting, bead work and many other crafts.

She was an avid fisherman who truly loved the outdoors. She was a very kind and loving person who is going to be truly missed by all

her family and friends.

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

She is survived by her husband of 48 years, Henry Roberts, of Kalispell; a daughter, Christine Burrows of Choteau; two sons, Paul A. and Duane Roberts, both of Kalispell; one sister, Joyce McGinnis, of Sidney; eight grand-children and five great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at the Valley View Kingdom Hall of the Jehovah's Witnesses.

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

Milo C. 'Bud' Roberts, 84

Milo C. "Bud" Roberts, 84, passed away Feb. 26, 2001, at his Kalispell home.

He was born Mar. 19, 1916, in Butte, to Milo Sr. and Edith Zaiser Roberts.

He graduated from Butte High School in 1934 and later attended Montana State University, During World War II, he enlisted in the U.S. Naval Air Corps. He became a flight instructor at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Fla. He also served in the Pacific at Okinawa.

In 1945, he married Ellie Muldon and they moved to the Flathead Valley at Creston. In 1957, they moved to Kalispell, where

they remained.

He worked for the Pacific Power and Light Company and later opened a sporting goods store, the Rod and Gun Shop. In the early 1960s, he went to work for the Montana Power Company as an accountant, where he stayed until he retired.

He was a longtime Rotarian; past president of the Kalispell Chamber of Commerce; and served in the Kalispell City Council. He was extremely active in the growth and development of the Buffalo Hills Golf Course and enjoyed golf for much of his adult

He was preceded in death by his wife Ellie in 1986.

He is survived by two children, Barbara DeHaan of Boise, Idaho, and John "Chip" Roberts of Arvada, Colo.; five grandchildren, Keri Lyn and Michael Shosted, Vanes-



sa Roberts, Lori Lybeck and Tami Nicholas; two sisters, Mary Jane Kindschy of Spokane, and Margaret Hull of Caldwell, Idaho.

Visitation will be today from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Thursday from 9 a.m. until noon at Johnson Mortuary. Funeral services will be Thursday at 1 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with burial to follow at Conrad Memorial Ceme-

tery.

The family suggests memorials be sent in his name to the Flathead Industries, 66 Fourth Ave. W.N., Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Aleck Robertson, 82

Aleck Robertson, 82, passed away on May 18, 2001, at his home Arizona.

He was born Aug. 26, 1918, in Alameda, Calif., to William and Louisa Robertson.

In 1923, the family moved to Oakland, Calif., where he spent his growing years.

He entered military service in February 1941 and served in both the Army and Air Force until November 1945, with service in Alaska, South America, Africa, Mid-East, Orient, and South Pacific theaters.

He was joined in marriage in 1943 to Aletha Slosson and in 1948, moved to Omak, Wash., where they operated a retail business. Following her death in 1959, he remained in Washington state.

In November of 1984, he was united in marriage to Margaret Terning in Hutchinson, Minn. They lived in Fortine until moving to Kalispell in 1991, and later to Arizona.

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

He is survived by his wife Margaret; two stepsons, Tom Terning and wife Lois, and Dick Terning; three stepdaughters, Marion Bergstrom and husband John, Karen Olson and husband Lloyd and Debi Weiss and husband Dan; 13 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Darold Reiner officiating.

The family suggests memorials be given to Trinity Lutheran Church, 400 W. California, Kalispell, MT; Sunshine Acres Children's Home, 3405 N. Higley Rd, Mesa, AZ 85215; or Christ Greenfield Lutheran Church, 425 N. Greenfield, Rd., Gilbert, AZ 85234.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Doris E. Settergren Robinson, 91

Doris E. Settergren Robinson, 91, passed away Oct. 30, 2001, at Brendan House in Kalispell, with her son Keith and Annie at her bedside.



She was born Jan. 8, 1910, in Laurel, to George and Delia Swanson Settergren. Mr. Settergren was the proprietor of a furniture store in Laurel and later was to become the owner of the Settergren Funeral Home in Billings.

She was a very educated lady and kept up on everything to the end despite her blindness. She received her teaching degrees from University of Washington and Montana State University, Billings. She taught in Park City and Harlowtown. She then substituted in Kalispell School District 5.

She married Henry Robinson, "Robbie" on June 1, 1935. They moved to Kalispell in 1937. The H.E. Robinson Vo Ag building is named after her husband as he was the vo ag teacher at Flathead High School for many years.

Her husband passed away in 1981, but before his death, they did extensive traveling to Germany, Switzerland, Netherlands, Holland, Sweden, England, Denmark, Canada and much of the United States.

She was a member of PEO, a 50year-member of Eastern Star; charter member of Stillwater Grange; honorary member of the Flathead Chapter of the FFA; and was on the board of the Flathead County Safety Council.

She spent many hours making candles for many of her friends and family before she became blind. She was always so proud of her yard and beautiful flower gardens. She had the largest begonias and ferns as she had them for many years and kept them groomed properly. In her home she was dedicated to having the most gorgeous African violets. She kept a beautiful home, both inside

and out.

She never forgot friends and relatives on holidays, birthdays and anniversaries. She had many friends and relatives that will miss her daily.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a sister Marguerite; and a brother, Maxwell.

She is survived by her son, Keith and wife Annie of Kalispell; three grandchildren, Kevin and wife, Suzanne of Middletown. Calif., Wendy and husband Michael Challberg of Antelope, Calif., Kelly Jo and husband Brian Wallace of Reno, Nev.; four greatgrandchildren, Kayla Jo and Katie Ann Robinson, Shelby Ann Challberg and Tanner Wallace; stepgranddaughter Laura and her husband Tom Jernigan and stepgreatgranddaughter Meshell Jernigan of Ewa Beach, Hawaii; one stepgrandson Leonard Hardman and wife, Paula of Woods Bay; three nieces, Nancy Hein of Sand Coulee, Faye Slingsby of Kent, Wash., and Marianne Carey of Mexico; four nephews, Darryl Warner of Oregon City, Ore., and Paul Warner of Seattle, Richard and Bill Jones of Red Lodge; three sisters-in-law, Anita Warner of Oregon City, Eleta and husband George Millet of Great Falls and Esther Pinkerton of Billings.

As per her request, there will be a graveside service to be held Friday at 11 a.m. at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. She will be laid to rest next to her dearly beloved husband who she missed and mentioned every day of her earthly life.

In lieu of flowers, she has requested memorials be sent to the Keith and Annie Robinson Theatre Scholarship Fund at Flathead Valley Community College, 777 Grandview Dr., Kalispell, MT 59901 or the H.E. Robinson Memorial Fund at the H.E. Robinson Vo Ag Center, 644 Fourth Ave. West, Kalispell, MT 59901, or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

Mary Lou Rockwell, 69

Mary Lou Rockwell, 69, passed away on June 7, 2001, at her home in Somers.

She was born on Sept. 3, 1931, in Jordan, to Guy and Bessie Devore Fronk.

She worked as a certified nurses aide for Valley View Nursing Home and Francis Mahon Hospital in Glasgow. After moving to Somers, she worked at Immanuel Lutheran Home and the Bigfork Care Center before retiring in 1990.

She married Oswell "Rocky" Rockwell in Couer d'Alene on April 1, 1981. She loved to garden and especially loved her flowers; She also enjoyed painting and was a crafter.

She was preceded in death by

her parents.

She is survived by her husband "Rocky" of Somers; two daughters, Dede Skolrud and husband Darrel, Janet Peak and husband Mike, all of Great Falls; two sisters, Julie Howell and husband John of Brady, Joy Holm of Conrad; two grandchildren, Shani and husband Dean McConnachie of Coeur d'Alene, and Scott Skolrud of Great Falls.

At her request, there will be no services.

Memorial contributions in her name may be made to the Somers Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 187, Somers, MT 59932.

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

Laurie Jean Deily Rodriguez, 43

Laurie Jean Deily Rodriguez, 43, died Sept. 14, 2001, at her home in Vancouver, Wash., from cancer.

She was born on June 5, 1958, in San Francisco, to Joan and Raymond Deily. She was raised and attended high school in Kalispell.

She was a loan officer at Continental Mortgage in Vancouver.

She enjoyed the companionship of her three beloved West Highland terriers. She also enjoyed golfing, traveling, entertaining and running.

She is survived by her parents,

Joan "Joe" and Raymond Deily of Rollins; sisters, Jamie Allwine of Olympia, Wash., and Julie Gould of Meridian, Idaho; brother Michael Deily of Tigard, Ore.; three nephews and four nieces.

Memorial services will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday. A memorial Mass and interment will be held in Rollins.

Memorials can be made to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, 1130 S. W. Morrison #400, Portland, OR 97205.

Angela Marie Roe, 24

Angela Marie Roe, 24, passed away on June 4, 2001, at the home of her parents in Kalispell.

She was born May 31, 1977, in Kalispell, to David and Rhonda Ottosen. She received her early education in Bigfork graduating from Bigfork High School in 1995. In December of 1999, she graduated from Montana State University in Bozeman with a four year degree in sociology, with an emphasis in criminal justice.

She had several passions, including singing and a great love for animals. Her greatest desire was to be a homemaker and a mother.

"Though she graced us with her presence for such a short time, she touched us all deeply."

She is survived by her husband, Gary Roe; her mother and stepfather, Rhonda and John Castner; her fraternal grandmother, Edna Ottosen, all of Kalispell; her father, Dave Ottosen of Bigfork; a brother and his family, Stan, Violet and Leanne Ottosen of Bozeman; a sister, Jackie Bourriague and husband Rob of Missoula, as well as numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

"Angela, your time among us was so short, but in those brief years you taught us much about kindness and love. You made the world a 'softer' place! We miss you,"

Funeral services are will be at 2:30 p.m. on Friday at the Bigfork Chapel/Assembly of God. Burial will follow at the Bethany Lutheran Cemetery in Bigfork. Visitation will be today at Johnson Mortuary from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Maizie Mae Rogers, 80

Maizic Mae Rogers, 80, a former Missoula resident, passed away July 31, 2001, at the Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born Dec. 16, 1920, in Missoula, to Walter C. and Vertie Earp Morrison.

She was the eldest daughter and received her early education at Twin Bridges Orphanage as her mother died when she was very young. She then returned to graduate from Missoula County High School.

She married Herman Rogers on Oct. 6, 1940, and after raising her family, was employed at the Missoula County Assessors office for 25 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, two brothers, three sisters, and two infant grandchildren

She is survived by two sons, Jim and wife Bonnie Rogers of Ovando, and Roy and wife Sue Rogers of Turah; one daughter, Carol and husband Richard Bauer of Kalispell; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Heartfelt appreciation is offered to all the wonderful caregivers and all the staff at the Brendan House who made her final years as comfortable as possible.

The family suggests memorial contributions may be made in her name to the Brendan House, 350 Conway Dr., Kalispell, MT 59901. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

Ruella A. Rolston, 83

Ruella A. Rolston, 83, died Thursday, Feb. 22, 2001, at her home in Bigfork.

She was born Jan. 14, 1918, in Flaxville, to Upton and Ruth Bishop.

She is survived by her son, Ray Rolston and wife, Henrietta, of Bigfork; daughter Marion and husband, Bill Kirby, of Bigfork; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Private family services will be held.

Memorials may be made to Hospice.

Bigfork Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Dorothy Theresa Rose, 87

Dorothy
Theresa Rose, 87, loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend, went home to be with her Lord on Sept. 15, 2001, in Wilmington, N.C.

She was born Oct. 4, 1913, in Hoover, S.D. She was the oldest daughter of the late Anthony Edward Longpre' and Theresa Novotny Longpre'. The family lived in the Spearfish, Belle Fourche, S.D., area for several years before moving to Missoula, and in 1920, to Kalispell. She attended St. Matthew's School and Flathead County High School. While attending high school she worked at the F. Whitwell home, flower and garden nursery.

After high school, she moved to Great Falls where she was employed at the Columbus Hospital. In 1941, she moved to Inglewood, Calif., where she was employed with Lockheed Corp. It



was during this time she met her husband, David Mills Rose, from Wilmington, who was a U.S. soldier stationed in Southern California.

She is survived by her daughter, Jerry Batson and husband Kenneth of Wilmington; three granddaughters, Nona Baker and husband Stanley; Cindy Batson and Cheryl Organ; six greatgrandchildren; one brother, Joseph Longpre' and wife Evelyn of Kalispell; three sisters, Elva Walter, Almeda King an husband Jack, all of Kalispell, and Irene Loveday of Castro Valley, Calif.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband David, and two sisters, Amber Mero and Frances Shepard.

Funeral services were held Sept. 19, 2001, at Coble Ward-Smith Funeral Service, Oleander Chapel, Wilmington. Burial followed in the Wilmington National Cemetery.

Harry Moore Rose, 89

Harry Moore Rose, 89, a long time resident of Bigfork, passed away in Bozeman on April 8, 2001.

He was born April 1, 1912 in Cadiz, Ohio, the son of John B. and Etha Belle Moore Rose. He spent his early life in Ohio and then hitchhiked to Montana in 1934. There he met his wife, Marion Paulson, and they were married in Kalispell on June 28, 1936. They made their home in the Bigfork area until they moved to Rozeman in 1991.

He loved the out-of-doors and was an avid hunter, spending several years in the Bob Marshall Wilderness as a packer and guide. He also enjoyed bowling and horseshoe pitching. He enjoyed reciting poetry to the enjoyment of his many friends and especially his grandchildren.

Surviving him are his wife, Marion, of Bozeman; daughter Janet Passmore and her husband Gil of Bozeman and one sister, Ella Quinn of Columbus, Ohio; six grandchildren, Sharon and husband David Andersen. Janet Rose, Susan and husband John Hatcher, John and wife Malonia Rose, Blake and wife Kathleen Passmore, and Richard Passmore; seven great-grandchildren, Ashley, Ian, Brendan, Alex, Nathan, Alyssa and Jaime.

He was preceded in death by his son, James Rose, his parents, two sisters and one brother. At his request there are to be no services.

Robert W. 'Bob' Ross, 72

Robert W.
"Bob" Ross, 72, lost his 2 1/2 year battle with cancer on Jan. 26, 2001. He passed from building in the Flathead to building mansions in



glory with the Master Carpenter.
He was born Aug. 8, 1928, in
Kalispell, to Harry W. and Paula
Schulstad Ross. When he was seven years old he moved to the family mini farm on Valley View
Drive. He helped his parents with
the farm, and attended local
schools, graduating from Flathead County High School in 1946.

On July 15, 1950, he married the love of his life, JoAnne Moller. He built their home at 60 Valley View Drive where they still lived at the time of his death

He loved to garden and was so proud of his flowers. He looked forward to spring each year as he began planting in his greenhouse in preparation for the growing season. He had many fruit trees, among them his apple trees; he had grafted a variety of apples on each tree. He and JoAnne had traveled extensively, visiting Alaska, Australia, and Hawaii and most of the rest of the 48 states.

He was an expert craftsman and leaves a legacy of 45 years of building in the valley. He formed his own company, Robert W. Ross Building Contractors Inc. in 1956. He was active in the company until about six months ago. His family operates his company at the present time.

He was a Boy Scout leader; 4-H leader; Sunday school teacher; member of the Montana Contractors Association; Flathead Building Association; Kalispell Jaycees; and at the time of his death served on the advisory board of the Salvation Army. From a Bible study in his home, Faith Covenant Presbyterian Church was formed, and he served as an elder in the church at the time of his death.

In November 2000, he and JoAnne took 26 members of their family on a cruise to the Eastern Caribbean, in honor of their 50 years of marriage.

He is survived by his wife JoAnne of Kalispell; three sons, Bob and Marria, Don and Mary Jane, both of Kalispell, Scott and Faye of St. Louis Park, Minn; three daughters, Cathy Helder and Bob of Kalispell, Susan Dykhuizen and Brian of Bloomington, Minn., and Sarah Reitsma and Mike of Eagan, Minn.; grandchildren, Paul and Amy Ross and AnneMare Ross of Sioux Center, Iowa, Peter and Manny Ross, Matthew and Ian Ross, Elizabeth, Andrew, and Jessica Helder, all of Kalispell, Megan and Katie Ross of St. Louis Park, Minn., Wyatt and Cole Dykhuizen of Bloomington, Minn.; two sisters, Gladys Pilsch of Kalispell, Joyce Heikens and Tom of Bigfork; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held at Johnson Mortuary on Monday from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Funeral services will be held at Faith Covenant Presbyterian Church, 611 3rd Ave. East on Tuesday at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Pat Morison officiating.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials to the Salvation Army of Kalispell, or to Home Options Hospice c/o Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

Curtis J. Rowe, 43

Curtis J. Rowe, 43, passed away Sept. 22, 2001, from injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident near Columbia Falls.

He was born Nov. 7, 1957, in Kalispell to Jay and Arlene Rowe. He was raised and educated in Columbia Falls.

He worked as a carpenter for most of his life including Glenn's Construction in Whitefish. He worked and traveled throughout most of the United States.

He loved fishing, hunting, huckleberry picking, and the outdoors, and his cat, J.J.

He is survived by his partner,

Sue Keller of Columbia Falls; mother Arlene Rowe of Columbia Falls; his father, Jay Rowe of Columbia Falls; a sister, Vickie Jackson of Columbia Falls; a brother, Cecil Rowe and his wife, Sherry, of Columbia Falls; his grandparents, Frances and Lyle Rowe of Kalispell; three nephews, Cody, Ed, and Anton Rowe; his two best friends, John Treat of Martin City, and Rich Burke of Columbia Falls; and numerous other relatives.

A memorial gathering of family and friends will be held Friday at 1 p.m. at the Glacier Lanes in Columbia Falls.

Kathleen Ann Willaman Rubin, 55

Kathleen Ann Willaman Rubin, 55, passed away on Aug. 6, 2001, in Missoula.

She was born on Feb. 25, 1946, in Canton, Ohio, to Robert and Violet Scheetz

Willaman. She received her early education in Canton graduating from high school there.

She then attended Ohio State for a short time before moving to Alaska where she met and married Larry Rubin on July 25, 1966, in Fairbanks. In 1970, the family moved to Colorado and then in 1972, to the Flathead Valley.

She began work as a secretary in the Marion School and continued until going to work as a secretary at Flathead Valley Community College. She enjoyed outdoor activities including camping and had a passion for swimming. She

taught swimming off and on for most of her life. While she worked at the college she also enrolled as a student eventually receiving her associate of arts degree in 1997.

She was preceded in death by her father and one brother.

She is survived by her husband, Larry of Kalispell; three sons, Tim and Akiko Rubin of Japan, Matthew Rubin of Denver, Colo., and Mark and Jenn Rubin of Santiago, Chile; one daughter, Kristine Rubin and her fiance Steve Bennett, both of Kalispell; her mother, Vi Willaman of Canton, Ohio; two brothers, Skip and MiMi Willaman of Rocklin, Calif., and Rick and Marcia Willaman of Canton; one sister, Patricia Willaman of Canton.

Memorial services will be held at 10:45 a.m. on Saturday at Bethel Baptist Church with the Rev. David Pestel officiating.

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