

## Norma M. 'Frenchy' Henry, 100

Norma M. "Frenchy" Henry, 100, passed away on Sunday, Jan. 9, 2005, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born on June 25, 1904, in the LaSalle area of Kalispell, the daughter of Joseph Oscar and Emma Margaret (Sievers) Gravelle. She attended schools in Kalispell and graduated from Flathead County High School.

Following her graduation, she worked for the family business, The Bottling Works in Kalispell. On Sept. 11, 1937, she was united in marriage to John Clark Henry in Seattle.

During World War II she worked in precision work at Boeing Aircraft in Seattle. After the war she became a homemaker where she enjoyed her flowers and was an avid gardener.

Following Clark's retirement from the railroad, they returned to Kalispell to be closer to family. She remained in the home she shared with Clark and, following

his death, remained until she became a resident of Brendan House, two years ago.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Clark, in 1982; and her sisters, Leona Gravelle, Celeste Graham and Justina Morris; and a niece, Norma Jeanne Gates.

She is survived by nieces and nephews, including Robbin Gates of Missoula, Robert Gates and his wife Joan of Kalispell, John Morris and his wife Peggy of Whitefish, and Joe Morris and his wife Joyce of Seeley Lake, and their families; and a dear friend, Linda Rollin, of Seattle.

Graveside services will be private by the family. There will be no visitation.

The family suggests that memorials be sent to the charity of the donor's choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## K. L. 'Bud' Hendrickson, 79

On Oct. 31, 2004, K. L. "Bud" Hendrickson of Arlee, passed away while in Nashville, Tenn. He was 79 years old.

Bud was born in Darby, to Charles and Florence Hendrickson on May 29, 1925. Bud was raised in Darby, where he worked as a Forest Service mule packer.

At the onset of World War II, Bud rode from Darby to Grangeville, Idaho, where he turned his horse loose and joined the Army. He became part of the famous Screaming Eagles 101st Airborne. Bud's combat jumps included the Normandy Invasion, the invasion of Holland and The Battle of Bastogne.

After the war, he married Mary Lou Carpenter, of Franklin, Ky., and moved to the Flathead Valley. Here he started his life's vocation as a structural iron worker on the Hungry Horse Dam and the Ana-



conda Aluminum plant. It was during this time Bud and Mary Lou had four children.

Though Bud worked as an ironworker, his life's passion for horses led him to the southeast, where he started a rodeo production company and trained a small stable of racehorses, both of which he did successfully.

Beneath his gruff exterior existed a loving father and loyal friend. He had a twinkle in his eye and he loved a good joke, loved showing his magic tricks and had an anecdote for every situation. He will be missed by his family and loved ones.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his two brothers, Thomas and Al Hendrickson; and his youngest daughter, Suzy.

He is survived by his wife, Norma Hendrickson; his children, Rocky Hendrickson, Linda Brandt and Rusty Hendrickson; and numerous grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

A memorial is being held 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, in Arlee, at the Brown building.

## Patrick Nicholas Herriges, 75

A memorial Mass and burial ceremony will be conducted 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 12, for Patrick Nicholas Herriges, 75, who passed away June 2, 2004, at his home in Tucson.



Following the Mass at St. Charles Catholic Church, Patrick's cremated remains will be placed in a family plot in the Whitefish Cemetery.

He was preceded in death by his parents and five brothers.

Pat was born on March 17, 1929, in Whitefish, the sixth of 12 children to Anastasia and Nicholas Herriges.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Darlene (Bowlin) of Great Falls; children Michael and spouse, Jerilyn; Jennifer; Mark and spouse, Yoli; and Mitch and spouse, Holly; grandchildren, Colleen, Zachery, Michael, Tesla, Lindsey, Carly and Erin, and great-grandchild, Seth; three sisters, three brothers; and scores of nieces and nephews.

Patrick graduated from Whitefish High School in 1947, attended Northern Montana College, then worked on the Great Northern Railway until enlisting in the U.S.

Navy shortly after the start of the Korean War in 1950. He was a sonarman second class aboard the destroyer U.S.S. Chandler with several months' overseas duty patrolling the waters off North Korea.

Pat and Darlene were married while he was stationed in San Diego. Following the completion of his four-year enlistment, they moved to Great Falls, where he began a career as an air traffic controller and completed his college degree. After 18 years the family moved to Tucson. He retired from the air-traffic position two years later, then worked as a travel agent for some 20 years until he was stricken by cancer two years ago and succumbed June 2, 2004.

He was a founding member of the Herriges Family Memorial Scholarship Foundation, a fund that grants modest scholarships to needy graduating seniors from Whitefish High School. Pat loved the Whitefish area and returned often for vacations and reunions.

The graveside ceremony will include military honors rendered by a VFW Post 276 honor guard, with a reception following at the VFW Club.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society in Tucson or one's favorite charity. RIP.

## Delores Dorane Hoerner Herron

Delores Dorane Hoerner Herron "left this earth to join the loved ones in heaven" on Wednesday, March 31, 2004, in Missoula.



She was born Jan. 16, 1931, in Turner Valley, Alberta, to Glenn Jewell and Frances Luella Dial. Her family moved to Spokane, in 1940, when she was nine years old. She was raised and educated there until moving to Columbia Falls in 1948.

She was married to Anton "Tony" Hoerner on Dec. 10, 1949, in Columbia Falls. Tony died on Feb. 13, 1986.

Delores received her American citizenship in 1967.

She was employed at the Columbia Falls High School for many years and then at the North Valley Hospital until retiring.

In August 1995, she was married to Joe Herron on Columbia Falls.

She was preceded in death by her father; her husband, Tony; and two brothers, Arden and Gary Dial.

Delores is survived by her hus-

band, Joe, of Columbia Falls; her mother, Luella Smith of Kalispell; her three children, Lee Hoerner of Columbia Falls, Alan Hoerner and his wife, Darlene, of Kalispell, and Sue Salminen and her husband, Don, of Columbia Falls; her sister, Arlene Vargas of Missoula; four stepchildren, Joe Herron Jr. of Columbia Falls, Gary Herron of Eureka, John Herron of Minnesota, and Bertha Herron of Billings; her stepmother, Juanita Dial of Asheville, N.C.; numerous grandchildren, Shane Salminen, Jerry Salminen, Angel Hoerner, Mark Hoerner, Jana Hoerner, Joel Hoerner, Levi Hoerner, Blaine Platt, and Austin Hoerner; and many wonderful great-grandchildren.

She was a wonderful loving caring person who touched the hearts and lives of everyone she came in contact with. "We will all miss her dearly."

A funeral service will be held 2 p.m. today at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. Pastor Ron Meyers will officiate. Burial will follow in St. Richard's Catholic Cemetery.

The casket will not be open for viewing.

## Richard L. 'Dick' Hertz

Richard L. "Dick" Hertz died peacefully on Oct. 14, 2004, at his home in Polson.

He was born in Bridger, on July 10, 1933, at the home of his parents, Adam and Helen Hertz. Dick grew up in Billings. He loved motorcycles and owned the first 650 BSA in Billings. He took many trips on his motorcycles up the Beartooth Highway to Cooke City. At 16 years old, he hitchhiked to Seattle with a high school friend and they caught a boat to Alaska where Dick worked for the summer in the fish canneries. He graduated from Billings Central High School in 1951. After school, he joined the Navy Reserve and made a trip to Hawaii.

While working on a seismic crew in Malta, he met Virginia Mae White. They were married on March 15, 1953. While living in Malta, Dick worked for Carter Oil and eventually owned his own bulk plant. Virginia gave birth to four sons while living in Malta.

In 1959, they moved to Polson where their fifth son was born. Dick worked in the logging and trucking industry and for Plum Creek Lumber Company where he retired in 1988 after approximately 25 years of service.

Dick loved to hunt and fish with his family, and enjoyed many camping trips with Virginia and their five sons. He also enjoyed snowmobiling and golfing.

Both Dick and Virginia could also be seen at all of their sons sporting and school events. In later years, he also enjoyed watching his grandchildren participate in school events.

In 1989, Dick and Virginia moved to a warmer winter climate, Wolford Heights, Calif., where they met many new friends. They returned to Montana in 1994 and continued to spend winters in warmer climates visiting friends



and children.

In 1997, Dick began his struggle with colon cancer. Much to the amazement of his doctors and family, Dick went through many surgeries and fought hard to beat the cancer. However, his battle was stopped short of apparent heart failure.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents; and his mother and father-in-law, Josephine and Pete White. "We're confident Dick and Pete are enjoying a hunting trip together in heaven."

Dick is survived by his beloved wife and lifelong companion, Virginia; three younger sisters, Margie and Richard Kelly of Lake Havasu City, Ariz., Judy and Milt Fretheim of Columbia Falls, and Connie and Rick Smith of Cave Creek, Ariz.; his five sons and four daughters-in-law, Mike and Peggy of Missoula, Rick and Gayle of Great Falls, Steve, Greg and Kate, all of Polson, and Shawn and Sondra of Ridge Crest, Calif. Dick also has 15 grandchildren, Ryan, Stefani, Sarah, Adrian, Mistee, Dylan, Robin, Danielle, Kristin, Matthew, Adam, Jacob, Hilary, Whitney and Bryson; and four great-grandchildren, Adriana, Braden and Nicholas.

Visitation will be from 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 17, at the Grogan Funeral Home, and at 8 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 18, at the Immaculate Conception Church. A rosary will be held at 9:15 a.m. on Monday at the church. Mass of the Resurrection will follow at 10 a.m. at the Immaculate Conception Church with Father Gary Reller officiating. Cremation will follow the services and inurnment will be held at a later date.

The family would like to thank all of his doctors and caretakers who assisted Dick with his struggle with cancer.

Remembrances may be directed to the American Cancer Society, 3350 Mullan Road, Suite 105, Missoula, MT 59808.

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



## Angeline 'Faith' (Wick) Hestekin, 75

Angeline "Faith" (Wick) Hestekin, 75, of Vaughn, passed away at her home in Vaughn on Saturday, Aug. 21, 2004, after a courageous battle with cancer.



Visitation is 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. today and Wednesday at Croxford Funeral Home and Crematory in Great Falls. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday at Central Assembly of God Church, 2001 Central Ave. in Great Falls, with Pastor Alan Warneke officiating. Burial will be in Manchester Cemetery. A reception at Cattleman's Cut in Manchester will follow the burial.

Survivors include her husband, Lee Hestekin, of Vaughn; sons, Randy Hestekin of Vaughn, and Butch Hestekin of Great Falls; sisters, Hope Seifert of Scranton, N.D., Arlette Douglas of Sturgis, S.D., and Fern and George Stockdale of Cottage Grove, Ore.; a brother, Fritz Wick, of Bowman, N.D.; one granddaughter, Levi and husband Clark Rabel of Manhattan; grandsons, Dusty Chrisman and Hunter Hestekin, both of Great Falls; three great-grandchildren, Lane, Cassie and Lacey Rabel; a sister-in-law, Judy and Gary Rouse of Corvallis, a brother-in-law, Bryan and Pat Hestekin of White Sulphur Springs; nieces and nephews; "and her very special buddies, Herky, Heidi, Casey and Dust Bunny."

She was preceded in death by her precious daughter, Sandy Hestekin Chrisman; her parents; a sister, Rosella Magnuson; and one sister-in-law, Doris Griff.

Faith was born April 16, 1929, to Rev. Fritz and Amanda Wick at Rhame, N.D., one of six children. She attended school in Rhame for her first four grades, moving to Bowman, N.D.,

in 1938, where she finished grade school. She attended high school in Bowman and Bruce, S.D., where her parents later pastored.

Faith married Lee Hestekin of Buffalo Springs, N.D., on June 5, 1947, at Miles City. Three children were born to this union: Randy, Sandra and Butch.

The family moved to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, in 1952, where Lee auctioned. Faith, Lee and family owned and operated sales yards in Coeur d'Alene, Kalispell and Western Livestock in Great Falls from 1952 to 1999 when they retired.

Faith loved designing the homes they built and was very talented in decorating their homes. She would spend countless hours planting flowers, trees and shrubbery in her yards.

She dearly loved her cats, birds, dogs and horses and never hesitated taking in strays or injured cats and dogs and nurturing them back to good health.

She and Lee enjoyed raising and racing horses for 30 years, and won many trophies and stakes races.

Faith was such a warm and kind and gracious lady — a beautiful, classy gal who took pride in her appearance, always dressed so neatly and not a hair out of place! She greeted everyone with her radiant smile!

She was a very loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Her life centered around her family always.

She will be greatly missed by all who know and loved her so much.

Memorials may be sent to Cascade County Humane Society, P.O. Box 248, Vaughn, MT 59487, as per her wishes.

"The family wishes to express sincere thanks to everyone who called, sent cards or visited Faith while she was ill. Faith appreciated it so much, and we thank you!"

### David B. Hill, 59

David B. Hill, 59, formerly of Libby, died Saturday, July 17, 2004, in Salt Lake City.

Survivors include sons, Brian Thompson, of Sparks, Nev., and Thomas Thompson of Bowling Green, Ky.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home Chapel with interment services to follow at the City of Libby Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

### Lois Marilyn Hill, 73

"Our loving mother and friend, Lois Marilyn Hill, 73, passed from this earth on Aug. 10, 2004, in Kalispell. She is now free and flying with the angels."

She was born on Dec. 26, 1930, to Harry and Myrtle Nielsen in San Francisco. She resided in Northern California before moving to Kalispell in 1998.

She is survived by her five children, Robert Cuevas and his wife, Phyllis, in Grass Valley, Calif., David Cuevas of Kalispell, Philip Cuevas of Alpine, Texas, Doreen

Fierro and her husband, Scott, of Bigfork, and Yvonne Hill of Kalispell; and her eight grandchildren, Cindy, Ryan, Joshua, Reanna, Jolene, Alyssa, Kailey and Brendan.

"Our mom was our "gypsy rose." She loved camping and traveling the mighty outdoors. She shared much of this time with her longtime companion, Frank Andrade.

A private family service will be held.

Arrangements were held under Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

## Thelma L. Hetland, 95

Thelma L. Hetland, 95, "went to be with the Lord" on Saturday, March 27, 2004.

She was born July 11, 1908, in Billings, to W.H. "Harry" and

Alma E. (Guldwick) Reeman. At an early age Thelma decided to become a teacher. Her parents and friends tried to discourage her but her determination won out. In 1926 she graduated from Billings Senior High School.

She attended the University of Montana and Eastern Montana Teacher's College. After teaching in a rural school with a state permit for about three years, Thelma decided to go to Colorado Teacher's College in Greeley, Colo. After a couple of summer terms she was offered a job at the Normal College in Dillon if she could get her degree. She received her degree in three years, but the head of the department didn't know about her application and hired someone else.

She taught in several different schools in Montana, and locally in the Flathead Valley at Edgerton in 1942 and Cornelius Hedges in 1943.

On Oct. 22, 1943, Thelma married Harry Hetland. In 1950, they adopted two children, Roberta Lea and Gordon David. The family had two interests — cows and education. They raised registered Hereford cattle on a ranch south of Kalispell. They were active in 4-H, FFA, and community events.

Thelma was also a Sunday school teacher, and taught for over 35 years at Bethlehem Lutheran Church and for a short time at Eidsvold Lutheran Church. She was also president of the Flathead Federation of Women's Clubs. Thelma was concerned about lack of opportunities for boys and girls who had talents and were interested in vocational education. As a



result, she spoke at many organizations and schools.

Combining her efforts with Owen Sowerwine, Bill McClaren, Norman Beyer and others, they founded the Flathead Valley Community College. She received an award and was honored at the dedication of the new campus.

She became interested in poetry at the age of 72 and wrote mostly of family events and history. In 1978, she was chosen for Who's Who by the National Society of Poets for her writings.

Thelma was active in Cowbells as publicity director and legislative chairman. She was chosen to serve on the state advisory board of school lunches and nutrition. After the age of 70, she tutored students at the Covenant School.

In 1981, Thelma was chosen for the Beta Sigma Phi Lady of the Year and she was a member of the Mountain View Birthday Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harry, in 1993; and her son, Gordon, in 1984.

Thelma is survived by her daughter, Roberta Fox, of Columbia Falls; two grandsons, Russel Stowell and his wife, Marie, of Columbia Falls, and Harry Stowell and his girlfriend, Darla Coburn, of Port Angeles, Wash.; and a great-granddaughter, Alexandria Stowell, also of Port Angeles. There are several nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, April 1, at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery with Rev. Wayne H. Pris officiating. A memorial service will follow at 2 p.m. Thursday at Eidsvold Lutheran Church. Visitation will be from noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday at the Johnson Mortuary.

The family suggests memorials be sent to your charity of choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Peggy Hibbert, 77

Peggy Hibbert, 77, died Tuesday, March 30, 2004, at her home in Eureka.

She is survived by her husband, Bryce Hibbert of Eureka, and children, Hal Hibbert of Elko, Nev., Monte Grob of Superior, Dawn Frank of Pinehurst, Idaho, Terri Vreden-

burg of Bellingham, Wash., and Gary Hibbert of Helena.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church in Eureka. Interment will follow at the Tobacco Valley Cemetery under the direction of Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

## Thomas E. 'Tom' Hilton, 60

Thomas E. "Tom" Hilton, 60, passed away Wednesday morning, Dec. 15, 2004, at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

He was born Nov. 25, 1944, in Ogden, Utah, to Walt and Helen Hilton. Tom was raised and educated in Portland. He graduated from Parkrose High School in Portland in 1963.

He was married to Mary B. Cullen in 1966 in Portland.

Tom graduated from Portland State University in 1970. He served in the Oregon National Guard.

He worked in the lumber industry for 34 years. He retired in 2004 after working the last 21 years with Plum Creek Lumber Co. as a lumber salesman.

Some of his favorite activities were spending time with family and friends, fly fishing, golf and traveling.

He held a special place in his

heart for two foreign exchange students that he considered daughters, Lorena Miguel from Spain and Waka Hashimoto Blair from Japan.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Helen.

Tom is survived by his father and stepmother, Walt and Elda Hilton of Mesa, Ariz.; his wife, Mary Cullen Hilton of Columbia Falls; sons, Ryan Hilton and his wife, Mechele, and Kyle Hilton, all of Spokane; grandson, Stephen Hilton of Spokane; brother, Jerry Hilton of Portland; and mother-in-law Erna Cullen of Waldport, Ore.

A mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 20, at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls.

The family has suggested that memorials be made to Hospice.

Arrangements are by Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

## Pat Hindmarsh, 77

Pat Hindmarsh, 77, of Mesa, Ariz., passed away Aug. 23, 2004.

She was born Aug. 30, 1926, in Chicago.

Pat was a graduate of the University of Michigan with a degree in business administration.

Her husband, Everett, predeceased Pat in 1992.

She is survived by daughter, Deborah Yarborough, and husband, John Leby, of Kalispell; son, George and Nancy Yarborough of Buffalo, S.D.; brothers, Bill and

Carol Heard, and Robert and Sally Heard; and grandchildren, Lea and Erin Yarborough.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 27, at the Church of Transfiguration, 514 S. Mountain Road, Mesa, Ariz.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Arizona Humane Society, 9226 N. 13th Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85018.

Arrangements are by Melcher Mortuary Chapel of the Roses in Mesa.

## Derek Lee Hirsch, 17

Derek Lee Hirsch, 17, of Whitefish, passed away Monday, Sept. 13, 2004, in Billings from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

He was born March 10, 1987, in Kingman, Ariz.

He was a senior at the Whitefish Independent High School. He was employed at Dos Amigos. His passions were skateboarding and snow-



boarding with his many friends.

Survivors include his parents, Anthony R. and Cheryl L. Hirsch; sister, Toni Marie Hirsch; brothers, Nick and Brian Bennett of Las Vegas; and grandmother, Betty S. Perry, of Kingman, Ariz.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Dale R. and Steven D. Hirsch.

A memorial Mass will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Whitefish. Rev. Pat Patton will officiate.



## Robert Patrick Hilt, 58

A funeral mass will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 17, 2005, at St. John's Catholic Church in Fairfield for Robert Patrick Hilt, 58, of Fairfield, who died Tuesday, Jan. 11, 2005, at his home in Fairfield from complications of diabetes. A vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, at St. John's Catholic Church in Fairfield. Interment will be in the Sunset Hills Cemetery in Fairfield under the direction of Gorder Funeral Home of Choteau.

Robert was born Dec. 12, 1946, in Great Falls, the son of Cyril and Florence "Pat" (Dors) Hilt. He graduated from Fairfield High School and was pursuing a teaching degree at the University of Great Falls.



Robert had served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam era and right after the service, from 1967 to 1970, he worked for the Forest Service, the state of Montana and Dan Worley as a guide and outfitter. In 1971 Bob attended farrier school and continued shoeing, leather working, making saddles and harnesses and restoring wagons until his death.

Robert enjoyed his summertime as camp cook at camps for disadvantaged children and he also enjoyed working with horses.

He is survived by his mother, Florence "Pat" Hilt of Choteau; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Cyril Hilt; and a brother, Bill Hilt.

Memorials are suggested to Flathead Valley Community College.

## Sherry Lynn Hills, 54

Sherry Lynn Hills, 54, a resident of Everett, Wash., "went home to be with the Lord" on May 2, 2004. She passed away due to complications of being struck by a careless driver in Everett, on April 2.

Sherry was born Oct. 12, 1949, at Kalispell General Hospital to Lewis Hills Jr. and Colleen Pearson Wise. She was the oldest of five children. She attended schools in Kalispell and Spokane.

Sherry was a generous kind, loving, upbeat person with a wonderful sense of humor. She had a beautiful spirit and was loved by all who knew her. Her loves in life were her family and many friends. Her joy in life were her granddaughters, whom she cherished dearly.

She was preceded in death by her two sisters, Carlene Whitehead and Leanna Whitehead Moore; her uncle, Carlie Pearson; grandfather, Carl "Mike" Pearson; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McGovern;

and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hills Sr.

She is survived by her mother, Colleen Wise; father, Lewis Hills Jr.; sons, Daymion and Adam Hills; brothers, Micheal Hills and Brock Whitehead; granddaughters, Tyesha, Marijah and Alexis Hills; stepsister, Rhonda Jendro; stepbrother, Purnal Whitehead; favorite nieces, Luganda Koger and Amanda Moore; best friends, Mary West, Gay Katano and Mindy Watson; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

At the time of her death she was a house mother in a group home in Everett where she came in contact with many people that she loved and respected. She was so happy with them.

She will be greatly missed by those who loved her.

Memorial services will be in Everett at 1 p.m. Monday, May 10, at the Calvary Baptist Church, 3332 Colby Ave., Everett, Wash.



## Terry Lee Hodges, 56

Terry Lee Hodges, 56, "went to be with the Lord" on Sunday, June 6, 2004, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.



He was born on April 12, 1948, in Havre, to Wesley and E. Virginia (Wicklund) Hodges. Terry grew up in the Bigfork area where he attended school for 12 years. He then went to Great Falls, and attended business school for two additional years.

Terry was drafted into the military and served in the Army as an assault support helicopter crew chief from 1967 to 1969 serving in Vietnam in the 180th Air Division. He received an Army Commendation Medal, Air Medal, and a Vietnam Campaign Medal. Terry was a Spec 5 when he was honorably discharged from the Army. He was very proud to have been in the Army where he served his country.

Terry married Emma Mae McCullough on March 16, 1973, at Easthaven Baptist Church in Kalispell.

Terry lived and worked most of his life in the Flathead Valley, working in the building trades. He worked for a number of years for Lilienthal Insulation. He was Montana's first licensed certified insulator through the Veteran's Association. He worked for a short time at Flathead Valley Community College. The last 30 years he had worked as an independent building contractor — he was a fix-it-all man, a simple carpenter.

He was a member and servant of Easthaven Baptist Church for 31 years.

Terry loved the outdoors and enjoyed fishing, hunting, hiking, picnicking, boating, and family drives and outings. He took great pleasure in dumpster diving and finding treasures.

Everyone that knew Terry knew him as a man with a big smile and a huge heart. Terry was a loving husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle and friend.

He loved God and unselfishly served his family and friends every day of his life. "Terry has gone to join the Lord and others who have gone before and to welcome others that will join him later." He will be missed greatly by his loving family and many, many friends.

Terry was preceded in death by his father, Wesley Hodges; his stepfather, Orville Ramsfield; one sister, Bonnie Sebastian; and a nephew, Kevin Sebastian.

He is survived by his wife, Emma Mae Hodges, and children, Adam, Abby, Matthew, and Matty Hodges, all of Kalispell; mother, E. Virginia Ramsfield, of Kalispell; two brothers, Dale Hodges and wife, Faith, of Kalispell, and Chris Hodges and wife, Debbi, of Riverside, Calif.; sister, Noella Brooks, and husband, Bruce, of Kalispell; granddaughter, Cleo Hodges, of Kalispell; two uncles, Lee Hodges and wife, Lorraine, of Bigfork, and Glen Wicklund and wife, Carol, of Kalispell; also many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, June 10, at Easthaven Baptist Church with Pastor Daniel Lambert officiating. Burial will follow at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Please join the family in a celebration meal after the burial at Easthaven Baptist Church. Visitation will be Thursday, June 10, from 1 p.m. until the time of services at the church.

The family suggests donation be sent to a fund established for the Hodges family by Easthaven Baptist Church, 1225 U.S. 93 North, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Ryan Dave Hoerner, 31

Ryan Dave Hoerner, 31, was killed in a plane accident 13 miles northeast of Koli-ganek, Alaska, on Saturday, Sept. 4, 2004.

Ryan was born to David Hoerner and Noreen Richeson on Nov. 3, 1972, in Kalispell. He was raised on the family farm on Jessup Mill Pond near Creston. He attended school at Cayuse Prairie, Columbia Falls, and Kalispell.

Following graduation he received his pilot's license and attended Western Montana College in Dillon, graduating with a degree as a hydrology engineer. Since then Ryan has been a hunting, fishing, and rafting guide in Alaska, Montana and Idaho. He also worked and flew with his father at Red Eagle Aviation as a commercial pilot and had recently gotten his helicopter license. Most recently he was the ranch manager for Larry and Claire Wilson on their River Bend Ranch in Fern-dale and their Sun River Ranch in Augusta.

Ryan's passions were flying, hunting, fishing, basketball, roping and rafting. He excelled at everything he tried. Ryan had recently taken the fifth largest Pope and Young moose ever shot with a bow in Alaska. He had developed a love for Alaska at an



early age when his family moved to Wasilla, Alaska, for a short time. Since then his dream was to own a lodge with his father in Alaska. While seeing his dream become a reality his life was cut short.

Ryan was preceded in death by his grandfather, Ronie Hoerner, and his grandmothers, Faith Hoerner and Juanita Barnard.

He is survived by his parents, David Hoerner of Kalispell, and Noreen Richeson on the family farm in Creston; his sister, Bree Hoerner, whom he loved very much; his aunts and uncles, Larry and Debbie Hoerner, Louie and Pearla Gonzales, and Norman Richeson and Karl Sandor; cousins, Cory Hoerner, Traci Paterson, Deserie Helland, Laramie Gonzales, Michael Richeson, Eric Richeson, Megan Richeson, and their families; and many relatives, cousins, and friends too numerous to print.

Ryan was loved by everyone he came into contact with. He is also survived by someone very special to his heart, Jen Tapp; and "by his beloved sidekick and dog, Bandit."

There will be a celebration of Ryan's life at the family farm in Creston at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 19, directly across from the Creston Fish Hatchery on Jessup Mill Pond. It will be an outdoor potluck dinner — please dress casually. Verbal thoughts of Ryan will be welcomed to share with all.

## Viola E. 'Mickey' Hogue, 84

Viola E. "Mickey" Hogue, 84, of Bigfork, Montana, passed away Friday, Jan. 23, 2004, at her home. She was born April 18, 1919, in St. Ignatius, MT, to John "Jack" and Edna (Lisch) Lindsay.

Mickey grew up on a ranch in Montana. She married Dwight N. Hogue on Feb. 21, 1944, at the county courthouse in Missoula, MT. She was a loving wife and mother, and was active in her role of raising her three grandkids.

Mickey owned and operated a grocery store in Swan Lake, MT, for nine years. At the age of 60, she went to work in Alaska as a cook for one of the oil rig camps during the building of the Trans-Alaska pipeline.

She retired five years later and spent her remaining years in Montana helping to raise her great grandkids, garden, bowl, dance, fish, play cards, can, and visit with family and friends.

Mickey loved baseball and would watch two or more televised games a day. She loved Christmas-time and a good party. She hated



to lose any game she played, and was not keen on airplane rides.

Mickey was a lifetime member of the Bigfork Bowling Association.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters, Joanne and Harriett. Survivors include her husband, Dwight Hogue, of Bigfork; her daughter, Judy Warren and her husband, Dale, of Bigfork; three grandchildren, Peppy Wood, of Bigfork, Lori Lindsay and her husband, Kirk, of Oak Harbor, Wash., and John Warren and his wife Laurie, of Forest Grove, Oregon; there are seven great grandchildren, Josh, Patrick, and Madison Wood, all of Bigfork, Ashley and Haley Lindsay, of Oak Harbor, and Adam and Dustin Warren, of Forest Grove.

Memorial services for Viola "Mickey" Hogue will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2004, at the New Life Alliance Church (the Little Brown Church), in Bigfork, with Pastor Ron Pierce officiating. Burial will take place at a later date in the Bigfork Community Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be given to your charity of choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Eileen Elizabeth Holand, 86

Eileen Elizabeth Holand, 86, "went home to be with our Lord and Savior" on Wednesday morning, March 3, 2004, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center. She was born Aug. 14, 1917, in Joplin to James and Josephine (Morrison) Meldrum, early homesteaders.

Eileen's mother passed away during the flu epidemic of 1918-19. Her father later married Jennie Håvskjold from Kremlin. The family moved to Somers where James became engineer at the tie plant.

Eileen grew up on Tank Hill and in School Addition and enjoyed being in the only class to graduate from high school from Somers School.

She married Elmer G. Holand on Sept. 17, 1936. They met while ice skating on Holand Bay. Elmer and Eileen built their home on the lakeshore south of Somers. They each had a knack for giving a lot of thought and consideration for each task and occasion. Their friends and family were always welcome and all enjoyed many, many gatherings for swimming, ice skating, boat rides, picnics, dinners, lunches, "just coffee" or gazing at the lake and mountains — ever changing.

Eileen and Elmer took part in community activities through their church, Eidsvold Lutheran; the Coast Guard Auxiliary, Order of

Eastern Star, Shriners and Daughters of the Nile. After retirement they enjoyed traveling to Scotland, Norway, to the east coast and south to sunshine, visiting family and friends along the way.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Elmer G. Holand; her son, Kristian James Holand; her brother, James Meldrum; her sister, Amy Jean Ahern; and her nephew, Rockney Hunt Holand.

She is survived by one son, David Holand, and his wife, Sally, of Enumclaw, Wash., and one daughter, Karen Carlson, of Somers, and their families; 10 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren; a daughter-in-law, Teri, wife of the late Kris Holand; and one niece, Pamela Ahern Landes of Holland, Mich.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday March 13, at the Eidsvold Lutheran Church with Pastor Wayne Pris officiating. Cremation has taken place and a memorial plaque and her ashes will be placed beside her husband, Elmer, and near her son, Kris, at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be given to Eidsvold Lutheran Church, 5935 U.S. 93 S. Somers, MT 59932, or to charity of the donor's choice.

Arrangements are under the

direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

## Dwight N. Hogue, 90

Dwight N. Hogue, 90, died on Sunday, Dec. 26, 2004, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

He is survived by his daughter, Judy Warren, of Bigfork.

There will be a memorial service at a later date.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

## Sylvia Dee Hogue, 45

Sylvia Dee Hogue, 45, was born March 17, 1959, at Hot Springs, S.D., to Verona (Serfling) Hogue and Warren J. Hogue. She passed away June 7, 2004, at her home in Great Falls.

Sylvia attended school all 12 years in Bigfork. She participated in band and was active in 4-H and Methodist Youth Fellowship.



Sylvia spent time in the Job Corps in Astoria, Ore. She worked as an aide at the local nursing home and was employed in several restaurants.

She is loved and survived by her son, Tom Gordon Jr., of Whitefish; her parents, Warren and Verona Hogue, of Bigfork; her sister, Linda Brevik, of Somers; one brother, Clayton Hogue, of Orangevale, Calif.; and nieces and nephews.

Memorial services to celebrate her life will be held at 2 p.m. June 14 at the Community United Methodist Church of Bigfork.



## Brian Holgren, 67

Brian Holgren, 67, passed away on Thursday, Aug. 12, 2004, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

He was born on March 2, 1937, at home in Rexford, to Robert Laurence and Ethylene Beryl (Scouten) Holgren. Brian received his early education in Eureka, graduating from high school there. While in high school, Brian was a star football player and was chosen for the East-West game his senior year. He then attended Western Montana College graduating with his Bachelor of Science in education and art in 1963.

He taught school at St. Xavier, Hayes and Lodge Pole. He also worked in the woods during his college days. He would run like the wind through the woods setting chokers and tongs. He loved working in the woods and earned the name "Chainsaw." Brian also worked for Grizzly Express, Ace Powell Foundry and Best in Bronze Foundry. Brian retired in 1997.

After retiring he concentrated on his own art. He was a painter and sketch artist, but mostly he enjoyed sculpting. Ever since he received clay as a Christmas present at the age of 5, he was driven to express himself through his art. He especially loved to sculpt western art; horses were his favorite. His nickname as an artist was "Hogie."

Brian fell in love and married Ardis Runthrough in 1971 and acquired five wonderful children. ~~He and Ardis had a son together.~~ Cory. Ardis passed away in December 1979. After Ardis died, Brian raised the children and was both mom and dad to them.

Brian also loved Eureka. He stayed close to his classmates, cousins and other relatives and friends; many affectionately called him "Brinny." He was very in touch with his roots and never missed a chance to visit.

Brian met and married Rosemary Morton Qualls on Aug. 11, 1990. He and Rosemary had a 14-year love affair. When he and



Rosemary went for a drive, they many times ended up in his beloved Eureka. He often remembered fondly his buds and fellow river-rats.

Brian had a subtle sense of humor. He was so kind and generous. He always helped people. He loved the simple life. He loved his Heavenly Father and His Savior and was a high priest in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bob and Beryl; his wife, Ardis; one daughter, Celeste; and one brother, Larry.

He is survived by his wife, Rosemary Qualls Holgren of Kalispell; his five children: three sons, Wilbur "Chief" Keiser and wife, Sarah, of Billings, and their children, Jeremy, Cory, Hoyt, Cletus, Stanly, Mercedes, and Raymond; Raymond Keiser and companion, Valerie, of Whitefish, and his children, Brandon and Megan; and Cory Holgren and wife, Tricia, of Lagrange Park, Ill., and their son, Brian; also two daughters, Georgia Netzer and husband, Stan, of Stevensville, and their children, Christopher, Alex, Vanessa, and Kerry; and Karen Ortiz and husband, Phillip, of Phoenix, and their children, Lorenzo, Zacharia, Desiree, Phillip, and Karen. Also daughter of Celeste, granddaughter, Brendy German. He is also survived by Rosemary's three children, Gary Qualls and wife, Yeonsook, of Fort Carson, Colo., and their children, Julian and Megan; Rhonda Qualls Felt and husband, Chad, of Bigfork, and their children, Ashley and Angela; and Cori Calvert and husband, Jon, of Boise, Idaho, and their son, William.

Funeral services for Brian Holgren will be held 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 16, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on Whitefish Stage Road. Burial will follow at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel and one hour prior to service on Monday in the Relief Society Room at the church.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.



## Helen Margaret (Fry) Hollister, 84

Helen Margaret (Fry) Hollister, 84, passed away peacefully in her sleep at Heritage Place on July 27, 2004.

She was born in Havre, Sept. 11, 1919, the third of four children born to Arthur and Margaret Fry. Her family homesteaded in Eastern Montana and then moved to Whitefish where Helen graduated from Whitefish High School in 1934.

In 1937, she met the love of her life, Neil Hollister. The two were married at her family's home in Whitefish on Oct. 7, 1939.

Helen and Neil managed the Hollister Dairy from 1946 to 1952. They then moved to California where Neil worked for Knutsons Dairy. Upon his retirement from Knutsons in 1980, the two returned to Montana.

Out of their union came four children, Dan and his wife, Irene, Neal, Patricia and the late Arthur O'Brien and John and his wife,



Penny.

Helen was best known for her joy of baking, cooking, gardening, reading and her love of animals. When her children were young she was involved in Cub Scouts and PTA. She and Neil were actively involved in delivering meals on wheels and the Senior Citizens Center.

She is survived by her husband, Neil; Dan and his wife, Irene, and Neal, all of Kalispell. In California she is survived by her daughter, Patricia and son, John and wife, Penny. Her grandchildren include Lee and Lori Huestis, Greg and Lisa Zebro, Kellie and Jim Eggink, David and Tiffany O'Brien, Dennis and Kasey O'Brien, Heather O'Brien, Robert O'Brien and Tim O'Brien. She was also blessed with 14 great-grandchildren.

A graveside ceremony will be conducted at Glacier Memorial Gardens. The ceremony will begin at 2:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 2. There will be a reception immediately following the ceremony at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

## Cathern Holien

A memorial service for Cathern Holien who died April 8, 2004, will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Whitefish Cemetery.

## Emma V. Hollis, 80

Emma V. Hollis, 80, passed away on Thursday July 22, 2004, at Brendan House in Kalispell, from lung cancer.

She was born Emma V. Margurite Sutton on a farm near Menard, Texas, to Jim W. and Emma Westbrook Sutton. She was graduated from Baylor University's school of nursing, and had retired as a school



nurse.

Emma married Samuel Hollis in 1946. They had four children, Samuel Jr., David, Paul, and Lorraine, and four grandchildren.

Emma loved to plant and raise flowers, and she truly enjoyed reading.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 27, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with the Rev. Dan Wurster officiating. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## LuCille Rogene Holmes, 77

LuCille Rogene Holmes, 77, died Thursday, Aug. 26, 2004 at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She is survived by her daughter, Sherry McElroy, of

Cranbrook, British Columbia.

There will be no services.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Doris Ann Holt, 86

Doris Ann Holt, 86, "went home to be with her Lord and Saviour" as she slept Dec. 15, 2004, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

She was born March 31, 1918, to Oliver and Lillian (Peterson) Nelson in Burlington, Iowa. She graduated from high school in Sioux Falls, S.D.

Doris married George H. Holt, on Sept. 4, 1938, in Sioux Falls.

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

She was preceded in death by both her parents, and her brother, O. Wendell Nelson, of Sun City, Ariz.

Survivors include her husband, George, at Heritage Place; her only child, a son, Greg Holt and his

wife, Joan E., in Billings; her grandchildren, Eric and his wife, Kathy, of Peoria, Ariz.; Sven and his wife, Angelique, and their three children, Annika, Nathan and Katrina of Glendale, Ariz.; and Sonja and her husband, Chris Shady, and their four children, Michelle, Timothy, Daniel and Alisa of Helena; a sister, Jeanette Hay, of Sioux Falls; and a sister-in-law, Merlene Nelson, of Sun City, Ariz.; five nephews, and two nieces, and numerous grand-nephews and grandnieces; and many dear friends.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Jan. 10, at Central Bible Church in Kalispell.

## Florence V. Homuth

Florence V. Homuth "went to be with our Lord Jesus Christ" on Sunday, Dec. 19, 2004.

Florence was born Dec. 28, 1916, in Spring Grove, Minn., to Oscar and Clara Olson. The family moved to Essex where her dad was employed by the Great Northern Railroad. Florence attended first grade in Essex and after moving to Kalispell, in 1922, she attended school here, graduating with Flathead County High School class of 1934.

Florence moved to California in 1938 where she met Herb Cambell, her first husband. They were married in Reno, Nev., in 1939, and divorced in 1944. They had one child, Jerry.

Florence worked for the War Department and the Southern Pacific Railroad during World War II in Tracy, Calif. She returned to Kalispell in 1945, worked for Montgomery Ward for five years, then for the Conrad National Bank (now First Interstate), retiring after 20 years as assistant cashier.

Florence married Vernon M.

Homuth in 1948. She was a lifelong member of Epworth United Methodist Church where she sang in the choir for over 30 years. Florence was also a member of the Kalispell Duplicate Bridge Club and the Kalispell Golf Association.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Oscar and Clara Olson; three brothers, Clare, Elbert and Merle; and two sisters, Olive and Stella.

Florence is survived by her brother, Raymond, and son Jerry and his wife, Genelle, all from Kalispell; four grandchildren, Kevin Homuth and wife, Lisa, and Kimberly Homuth, all of Hemet, Kory Homuth and wife, Athena, of Henderson, Nev., and Amber Boehler of Manhattan; three great-grandchildren, Rachel, Steven and Victoria; along with many nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 27, at Epworth United Methodist Church, with a reception to follow in the basement of the church. Interment will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

## Vernon M. Homuth, 82

Vernon M. Homuth, 82, passed away Thursday, Aug. 12, 2004, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

Vernon was born Jan. 11, 1922, in Kensal, N.D., to Martin and Minnie (Stange) Homuth. Vernon attended grade and high schools in Jamestown, N.D. He then went to the Montana School of Mining and Butte Business School. He graduated with licensed public accountant credentials.

Vernon then joined the military and served his country honorably from October 1942 to December 1945. He saw action in the Bismark Archipelago and received decorations for Luzon, Philippine Liberation medal with one Bronze star, the Asiatic-Pacific Service Medal, Good Conduct medal, Victory medal, and a personal letter from President Harry S. Truman.

After the war, Vernon started his own accounting business which he retired from in 1987.

Vernon married Viola Denny in 1946, in Butte; they were later divorced. He then married Florence V. Olson Campbell in 1948.

Vernon was a member of the city council in the late 1950s and early 1960s, president of the council in 1961, member of Epworth

United Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge 442, Algeria Shrine Temple and the Flathead Shrine Club.

Vernon loved to ice fish at Lake Mary Ronan, and was an avid bird hunter who made yearly trips to Canada to hunt geese, which he did for more than 30 years. Vernon also loved to play golf.

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

He is survived by his wife, Florence V. Homuth of Kalispell; sons, Dennis Boehler of Billings, and Jerry Homuth of Kalispell; four grandchildren, Amber Boehler of Manhattan, Kevin Homath and wife, Lisa, of Hemet, Calif., Kim Homuth of Hemet, Calif., Kory Homuth and wife, Athena, of Henderson, Nev.; three great-grandchildren, Rachel, Steven, and Victoria; along with many nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 18, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home Chapel. Graveside urn burial will follow the service at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Joseph Paul 'Joe' Holzapfel, 44

Joseph Paul "Joe" Holzapfel, 44, passed away on Saturday, Nov. 27, 2004, as the result of an accidental self-inflicted gun shot wound.

Joe was born on July 25, 1960, in Pittsburgh, Pa., to Norbert and Maryann Stugan Holzapfel.

He married Loreli Petro on Sept. 8, 1984, in Reseda, Calif. They moved to Las Vegas where he worked as a glazer before moving to the Flathead Valley about five years ago, where he owned his own glazing business.

Joe served in the U.S. Navy. He loved hunting, fishing, and



anything that was out of doors. He especially loved the winter and snow.

He was a member of the North American Hunting Club.

He was preceded in death by his father, Norbert.

He is survived by his wife, Loreli, of Kalispell; two daughters, Chrystal H. and Terra L. Holzapfel; his mother, Maryann Holzapfel, of Kalispell; one brother, Michael Holzapfel of Kalispell; an uncle, John Stugan, of Kalispell; and a niece, Mindy Holzapfel, of Kalispell.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

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



## Daryl Morris Hook, 55

Daryl Morris Hook, 55, passed away Sunday, Jan. 11, 2004, at his home. He was born Nov. 8, 1948, in Phoenix, to Morris G. and Ethel E. (Shipley) Hook.



Daryl grew up and attended schools in the Phoenix area. He served our country in the United States Army and was wounded in Vietnam.

Following his return to the states, he moved to Montana, where he received an associate's degree in forestry at the Flathead Valley Community College in Kalispell.

Daryl met and later married Lois Lee Snell on Feb. 14, 1976, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Kalispell. They raised their family on a small farm in the Flathead Valley.

Daryl was a member of the Safari Club International, the National Rifle Association, Disabled American Veterans and 4-H. He enjoyed volunteering at the Deer Park School south of Columbia Falls, loved hunting, horn collecting and people!

He was preceded in death by his parents; his paternal and

maternal grandparents; a brother, Gerald "Jerry" Hook; a nephew, Dru Hook; two nieces, Pollie Belle Hook and Tiffany Ann Snell; and fathers-in-law, James H. Snell and Victor Bjornrud.

Survivors include his wife, Lois Hook, his daughter and son, Jennifer Hook and Toby James Hook, all of Columbia Falls; his mother-in-law, Betty Snell Bjornrud, of Kalispell; two brothers, John Glen Hook and his wife, Jean, and Fred J. Hook and his wife, Penny, all of Kalispell; brothers and sisters-in-law, Ted and Donna Gilbertson, John and Sherri Snell, James M. and Kim Snell, Sue Donaldson and Robert Snell, all of Kalispell, Rena Hook of Oregon, and Joy Harris of Arizona; there are numerous nieces and nephews and many loving and cherished friends.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15, in the chapel of Johnson Mortuary with Pastor Ron Pierce officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family suggests memorial be given to Special Olympics Montana, P.O. Box 3507, Great Falls, MT, 59403-3507.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Alton D. 'Bob' Hooper, 76

Alton D. "Bob" Hooper, 76, of Corvallis, died Tuesday, June 08, 2004, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls. Memorial service arrange-

ments are pending.

Ronald Brothers of Dowling Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Agnes E. Hopke, 93

Agnes E. Hopke, 93, passed away Thursday, Feb. 5, 2004, peacefully at the Heritage Place in Kalispell.



She was born Dec. 23, 1910, in Brie, N.C., to Frank and Martha (Manning) Ellerbe.

"She was a true Lady" is how her friends and family would best describe her. All of her life she was a teacher of elementary age children, including her great-grandchildren. Agnes was a military wife and traveled the world. She retired from teaching at Somers School in the 1970s.

Agnes was passionate about gardening, wildlife (especially birds), all forms of needle work and her family. She was a member of several clubs in her community including Eastern Star, Ferndale sewing circle, Bigfork United Methodist Church, Bigfork Homemakers and garden club and was a regular at the Bigfork Senior Cen-

ter.

Agnes was preceded in death by her husband, Louis A. Hopke; her parents; her siblings of three sisters and three brothers; and grandson, David K. Hawk.

She is now survived by her daughter, Ruth Hawk-Gibbs and husband, John, of Valdez, Alaska; two granddaughters, Chris Watson and husband, Karl, of Kalispell, and Diane Schaeffer and husband, Jeremy, of Valdez; three great-granddaughters, Kayla Watson, Sienna and Ashley Schaeffer; sister-in-law, Inez Ellerbe of Texas; grandmother-in-law, Duane Hawk and husband, Richard, of Kalispell; with numerous nieces and nephews.

Private family services and urn burial for Agnes will be held at a later date.

The family suggests memorials be sent to Bigfork Methodist Church Building Fund, 750 Electric Ave, Bigfork, MT 59911.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.



## Robert E. 'Bob' Horinek, 83,

Robert E. "Bob" Horinek, 83, a Hingham-area farmer and longtime aircraft mechanic, died from complications of aplastic anemia, on Saturday evening at his home near Hingham.

He is survived by his wife, Kathleen Horinek, of Hingham; one daughter, Barbara Brunelle, of Great Falls; and

three sons, Ken Horinek, of Kalispell, Jim Horinek of Missoula, and Ron Horinek of Hingham.

Funeral Mass will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, at Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Church in Hingham. Burial will follow at the Hingham Cemetery.

Arrangements by Rockman Funeral Chapel, Chester.

## John Leonard 'Jack' Horn, 97

John Leonard Horn better known as "Jack," 97, a longtime resident of Shelby and Happy Valley in Whitefish, passed away on Jan. 2, 2005, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish of natural causes. Jack lived his last four years at the Colonial Manor of Whitefish.

Jack was born on June 19, 1907, in Williamsport, Pa., to Walter and Laura Horn.

Jack had many jobs and careers in his lifetime. He started his summers in school as a sales clerk at a grocery store and moved on to manage different grocery stores. Jack worked for Sears Roebuck Co. as a salesman, helped build the Alaskan Highway and numerous airport runways. In Phoenix, he constructed the first television station and broadcasting antenna. Jack also worked in Pasadena, Calif., as a General Tire and Rubber salesman and in Jackson Hole, Wyo., in an amusement park. Jack finished his career back in Great Falls and Shelby with the O'Haire

Manor, along with many of his longtime friends.

In 1974, Jack met his wife, Marion, and they were married in 1980, in Las Vegas. They resided in Shelby and Whitefish in the summers and wintered in Mesa, Ariz.

Jack loved being outdoors and enjoyed nature. He enjoyed the deserts of Arizona and mountains of Montana. He read many books and always loved his western novels. But most of all Jack loved baseball, especially the Chicago Cubs. "Go Cubs!"

Jack is survived by his wife, Marion (Stansberry) Horn; her daughter, Darnell Piunti and husband, Sam, of Chicago Heights, Ill.; his sons, Tim, Scott and Dunkin Horn; grandson, Jason Piunti and wife, Amy, of Waukesha, Wis.; and granddaughter, Kristi Piunti, of Chicago Heights; niece Delora Brooks, and husband, Charlie, of Hayden Lake, Idaho; and three nephews.

No services are planned.

## John Martin Hosford, 63

John Martin Hosford, 63, formerly of Kalispell, passed away in Grants Pass, Ore., on Nov. 23, 2004.

He was born in Glasgow to Harry and Verna Hosford.

He served a tour of duty in Vietnam.

He worked as a heavy equipment operator, mechanic and welder, from Arizona to Alaska.

He is survived by two daughters, Kate Frank of Meridian, Ida-

ho, and Kristen Jackson of Sequim, Wash.; and five grandchildren. He is also survived by brother, Jim Hosford of Grants Pass, and Harry Hosford of Snowflake, Ariz.; and a sister, "Emma" Gay Anderson of Kalispell; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He loved fast cars and kittens.

Cremation has taken place. A celebration of his life is planned in the spring in Grants Pass.

## Louise C. Houskeeper, 83

Louise C. Houskeeper, 83, died at her home in Kalispell, on Jan. 12, 2005.

She is survived by her four children, Lois Stacy, Vernet Simkins, LaVal Houskeeper

and Carol Workman.

Graveside services will be held in Yuma, Ariz.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

## Tana M. Hossack, 81

Tana M. Hossack, 81, died Sunday, Aug. 7, 2004, at the Colonial Manor in White-

fish.

She is survived by her husband, John, of Eureka.

## Raymond 'Ray' Franklin Houtz Jr., 69

Raymond "Ray" Franklin Houtz Jr., 69, beloved husband and father, passed away Saturday, Nov. 20, 2004, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell. Ray was born Oct. 2, 1935, in Wiconisco, Pa., to Raymond Sr. and Saloma (Paul) Houtz.



Ray graduated from William Penn High School in Harrisburg, Pa., in 1953. He then enlisted in the United States Navy and served honorably during the Korean conflict. He was discharged in 1961.

He married Frances Cirini in Chula Vista, Calif., in 1958.

He worked as district sales manager for Interstate Brands for 30 years. He retired from them in 1992.

Ray was an elder at First Presbyterian Church as well as being a committee member on the finance and scholarship committees. He

loved hunting and fishing, was an avid cribbage player and the number one fan of his beloved San Diego Chargers. He was also a master Hearts player.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Bill; and sister, Doris.

He is survived by his loving wife, Frances, of Kalispell; daughters, Lisa G. Spencer of Spokane, and Lynda G. Nelson of Columbia Falls; grandchildren, Alexandra K. Spencer and Raymond D. Spencer of Spokane, and Rachael B. Nelson, Serena L. Nelson and Ethan E. Nelson of Columbia Falls; great-granddaughter, Jessyka M. Ceravolo, of Spokane; and brother, Larry Houtz, of Pennsylvania.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, at the First Presbyterian Church.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Scholarship Fund at First Presbyterian Church.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Grant Julian Hovde, 93

Grant Julian Hovde, 93, of Polson, died on Aug. 3, 2004, at St. Joseph Hospital in Polson from natural causes.

He is survived by his wife Elma of Polson, and two daughters, Juanita Schall of Arlee, and LaDonna Fryberger of Charlo.

Funeral services will be held on 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 16, at

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Polson with the Rev. Paul Rowold officiating. Visitation will be held at the church one hour prior to the service. Interment will follow at Lakeview Cemetery in Polson, with a reception at the church after the interment.

Arrangements are by Grogan Funeral Home in Polson.

## Leonard H. 'Len' Howell, 85

Leonard H. "Len" Howell, 85, died on Aug. 30, 2004, after a short illness.

He was born Feb. 7, 1919, on the family farm near Columbia Falls, a son of Minnie M. (Johnston) and Elmer C. Howell. His schooling was received at Deer Park School.

He worked in the logging industry and on the family farm, and after retiring, kept a huge garden and was the local handyman.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Elmer Mern



Howell and Delbert Ross Howell; sisters, Shirley Louise Howell and Elma Jean (Howell) Johns.

Surviving Leonard are sisters, Floy Idella Stalcup, Verna Ruby Howard, and Arvelva Blanche Hoyt, all of Kalispell, Iva Mae Stryker of Columbia Falls, and Jessie Pauline Wunderlich of Valier; brother, Walter Lynn Howell of Garden Grove, Calif.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Honoring Leonard Howell's request, there will be no services. His ashes will be placed in the family plot at Fairview Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial gifts be sent to Deer Park School, Middle Road, Columbia Falls, MT 59912, or to the charity of choice.

## Lenna Opal (Morrow) Huffman, 93

Lenna Opal (Morrow) Huffman, 93, passed away at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell on Aug. 30, 2004.

Lenna was born in Buffalo, Kan., on June 5, 1911, to David D. and Elmira Morrow. She received her education in Las Animas, Colo.

On April 19, 1930, she married her high school sweetheart, Morris Edward Huffman. From this union, was born a son, Virgil Lee, and a daughter, Lois.



Lenna moved to Immanuel Lutheran on Dec. 30, 1997, and resided there until her death.

She was preceded in death by her husband, son, parents, two brothers and a sister.

She is survived by her daughter, Lois Louterback, of Kalispell; a daughter-in-law, Joy Casio of Miami, Okla.; a sister-in-law, Florence Williams, of La Junta, Colo.; 14 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 4, at Immanuel Lutheran Home. Refreshments will follow the service.

## Curtis L. 'Rocky' Humphreys, 91

Curtis L. "Rocky" Humphreys, 91, passed away Saturday, May 22, 2004, at the Brendan House in Kalispell.

He was born Oct. 17, 1912, in Bird Island, Minn., to James Curtis and Bertha (Jacobson) Humphreys.

Rocky came to Great Falls in 1916. His father died and his mother went to work for Gilbert Haugo, to cook for his thrashing crew at Silverbow. They later married and Rocky was raised in the Hogeland, Silverbow, Cherry Ridge area of the "Big Flat Country" north of Harlem.

Rocky married Hazel A. Birdwell in 1936. She would be his wife for 43 years. They had six children and were together until her death in 1979.

He served for 10 years in the National Guard in Harlem and enlisted in the Navy during World War II. After his discharge in 1945, he went to work for the Great Northern Railroad as a section hand at Turner. He worked for the railroad for 29 years as a section laborer and as a heavy equipment operator in the Cat Pool, from Williston, N.D., to Seattle, Wash., where he was known as "Rocky" to all his Great Northern friends and co-workers.

Rocky married Belva Walton in 1982. They have made Kalispell their home ever since. They enjoyed traveling, four-wheeling, snowmobiling, dancing and camping out for many happy years. He loved the outdoors and was an avid hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation fan.



Rocky was an avid member of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles and participated in starting the lodge in Columbia Falls. He was also an avid member of the Moose Lodge in Kalispell, and received many commendations from both orders.

Rocky is survived by his wife, Belva, of Kalispell; his six children, James "Gil" and wife Mary Ann of Hamilton, Betty George and husband Rueben of Napa, Idaho, Sharron Holden of Sunnyvale, Calif., Karl and wife Peggy of Harlem, Steve and wife Annie of Hogeland, and Aileen Gates of Albuquerque, N.M.; Belva's children, Prentiss Foster and wife Joyce of St. Cloud, Minn., Winifred Bredy of Bonners Ferry, Idaho, Carolyn Meyers and husband Lowell of Drummond, and Connie Robey and husband Ronnie of Parkerburg, W. Va.; a sister, Aileen Bevolten, and her husband, Leroy, of Hamilton; 20 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren and numerous step grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, step-father, his wife Hazel, and a grandson.

Local visitation will take place 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 25, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Funeral services for Rocky will be held at the Hogeland Lutheran Church on Friday, May 28, at 11 a.m. with burial following at the Silverbow Cemetery in Hogeland.

The family suggests memorial gifts be given to VFW 2252, 111 Main Street, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Local arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory, with Edwards Funeral Home in Chinook serving the family in Hogeland.



## Hazel Huggins (Hazel Veronica Taylor), 86

Hazel Huggins (Hazel Veronica Taylor), 86, passed away on April 7, 2004, at the Hillside Manor in Missoula.



She was born March 31, 1918, in Anaconda, to Frank Taylor and Maude Olive (Muncaster) Taylor. Hazel was youngest of three sisters. Her mother, Maude, died three days after giving birth to Hazel. Hazel was raised by her grandmother, Rosella Taylor, and lived in Arlee through the eighth grade. She moved to Big Arm to live with Walter and Martha Askew, her uncle and aunt. She attended high school in Polson and graduated in 1936 and was the class valedictorian.

Hazel enrolled at the University of Montana in 1938. There she met Martin L. Huggins and they were married and moved to Walla Walla, Wash., in 1937. Her sons, James and Michael, and daughter, Patti, were born in Walla Walla. The family moved to Kalispell in 1946.

Hazel loved flowers and gardening in her Kalispell yard. She was an avid reader and enjoyed needlework. Her special talent was bak-

ing pies (particularly raspberry). Oil painting was an interest she developed in her later years.

Hazel was a devoted wife and loving mother who especially enjoyed her grandchildren. She will be remembered for her quick wit and kindness to others. Memories of family picnics in Glacier National Park, picking huckleberries, summer days on Flathead Lake and wonderful holiday dinners will be cherished.

Hazel was preceded in death by her husband, Martin, in November 2002. Martin and Hazel were married 66 years.

She is survived by her son, James M. Huggins and his wife, Cheryl, of Olympia, Wash., son, Michael D. Huggins and his wife, Peggy, of Los Angeles, daughter, Patti Dwight and her husband, Phil, of Missoula, and adopted son, David A. Graham of La Jolla, Calif.; 10 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

A service honoring Hazel's life will be held in May.

Arrangements are under the care of Livingston, Malletta and Geraghty Funeral Home in Missoula.

Hazel's remains will be interred at the Fairview Cemetery near Columbia Falls on May 8, Mothers' Day Weekend.



## Charles 'Chuck' Gordon Huseby, 71

Charles "Chuck" Gordon Huseby, 71, died Jan. 11, 2005, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

He was born March 14, 1933, in St. Maries, Idaho, to Gordon and Audrey (Armstrong) Huseby.

He was a veteran of the Korean War. He married Betty Thiele in Las Vegas, on Sept. 15, 1977. They lived in Spokane for 10 years before moving to the Flathead Valley in 2000, and lived in Columbia Falls until a few months ago when they moved to Kalispell. He was a master electrician by trade.

He enjoyed wood working, gardening, crossword puzzles and jigsaw puzzles. He loved the Mariners.

He was a beloved husband, brother, father and grandfather. He will be missed by all.

Chuck was preceded in death by his parents; brother-in-law, Virgil Phelps; and mother- and father-in-law, Art and Helen Thiele.

Chuck is survived by his wife, Betty Huseby of Kalispell; four



daughters, Polli Huseby of Agana, Guam, Lori Shue and husband, Frank, of Phoenix, Dara Battista and husband, Jim, of Carmichael, Calif., and Elaine Christian and husband, Steve, of Tucson; four sons, Larry Skiles and wife, Carol, of Dillon, Robert Skiles and wife, Doris, of Seeley Lake, Dan Skiles and wife, Fay, of Kalispell, and Lewis Skiles and wife, Susan, of Vancouver, Wash.; two sisters, Mary Hawke of White Lake, Mich., and Ginger Goslar of Chandler, Ariz.; brother-in-law, Dude Thiele and wife, Leola; sister-in-law, Bernice Kuehne; special cousins, Iris Kalay and Gerry Hildebant; 22 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, along with Sassy and Baby.

A memorial gathering from family and friends for Chuck will be from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, at 161 E. Reserve Dr., Kalispell. A luncheon will be served.

The family suggests memorials be given to the Hospice, Home Health Options, 175 Commons Loop, Ste. 100, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Roger J. Huisentruit, 82

Roger J. Huisentruit, 82, died Sept. 12, 2004, at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane.

He is survived by his wife, Clara, of Troy; and his children, Rogene Stindt, Pamela Norman, Crystal Webley, Maurice

"Mo" Huisentruit and Andrea Wandler, all of Troy, and Roger Huisentruit of Elko, Nev.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Troy Christian Fellowship. Friends may call from 3 to 8 p.m. today at Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Libby

## Joseph E. 'Joe' Huston, 70

Joseph E. "Joe" Huston, 70, died at his home on Sunday morning, April 18, 2004.

Joe was born Sept. 30, 1933, in Del Norte, Colo., to Lowell and Merle (Caswell) Huston. He attended school in Monte Vista, Colo. He received his undergraduate degree and master's degree from Colorado State University in Fort Collins. He was proud to have served his country as a medic for two years in the Army.

For over 36 years, Joe worked for Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, where he was instrumental in numerous projects dedicated to preserving Montana's westslope cutthroat trout population. But Joe's dedication to Montana's fisheries resources didn't end when he retired in 1995. He continued to be a friend to Montana's fisheries until his death. He actively participated in fisheries projects, both as a volunteer and as a consultant, and championed the cause of the westslope cutthroat even when he disagreed with his former employer.

Joe's ground-breaking experience in his field gave him a unique perspective that was admired and revered by fisheries professionals across the field. Among Joe's accomplishments was development of Montana's westslope cutthroat brood stock which is used to provide cutthroat to numerous waters in Montana. Joe didn't just develop an idea; he made it happen. He was always happiest working in the field in the state that he loved. A recent letter (more than nine years after retirement) from a former co-worker expressed it best when he said,

"Your dedication in developing a genetically pure westslope cutthroat trout brood stock, and work



to re-establish pure strain populations, is outstanding ... You are the champion of underdog native fishes. You have always been a person who gets in there and works with both hands — an inspiration to all, and especially to the fledgling fisheries biologists you trained. You have done a great job for Montana's fisheries resources."

After his retirement, he was awarded a Special Career Achievement award by the American Fisheries Society, Montana Chapter. Joe's reputation as a leader and expert in fisheries management, and his knowledge of fisheries in Northwest Montana had fisheries professionals constantly seeking his advice. Joe was a professional to the end, and a friend to Montana fisheries and to everyone who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Merle and Lowell Huston; and his wife, Bonnie J. Huston.

He is survived by his two daughters, Gay "Joy" Huston of Kalispell, and Beth and husband, Rod Kindopp, also of Kalispell; as well as his two grandchildren, Alexa and Shay Kindopp. He is also survived by his brother, Richard Huston of Tucson; his nieces, Dixie Check of Seattle, and Susan Palmer of Wheat Ridge, Colo.; and his nephews, Joe Huston of Portland, and David Huston of Canberra, Australia.

An informal graveside service will be conducted at 2 p.m. on Friday, April 23 at C.E. Conrad Cemetery.

Donations and memorials may be sent to the Multiple Sclerosis Society, 1629 Ave. D, Suite 2-C, Billings, MT 59102, or the American Cancer Society, 3550 Mullan Road, Suite 105, Missoula, MT 59808.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Norman Lee Huston, 64

Norman Lee Huston, 64, died Oct. 15, 2004, at Fort Harrison.

He was born April 4, 1940, to Stephen and Dora Huston at home in Bigfork.

He was in the Air Force for eight years. After leaving the Air Force, he worked at different jobs until he went to Galata, Mont., to work for Grant Flogy. He worked there until he couldn't work anymore.

He was preceded in death by his parents; an infant brother; and one sister, Vera Sampson.

He is survived by two brothers,

Marion Huston and wife, Janet, of Richland, and Robert Huston of Protizin, Iowa; three sisters, Ella Mae Heuscher of Bigfork, Beverly Loehr of Payson, Ariz., and Doris Scott of Pablo; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at the First Baptist Church of Bigfork with Patrick Pearse officiating. Cremation has taken place.

Any memorial contributions may be made to a charity of your choice.

## James Russell Hutchens, 85

James Russell Hutchens, 85, passed away at his home on Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2004, after a long struggle with cancer. His wife of 63 years was at his side.



He was born on Aug. 25, 1919, at his grandparent's home south of Kalispell to John L. and Alice Jackman Hutchens. The family lived on a homestead in Star Meadows until shortly after his birth when they moved to lower Flathead Valley. When he was six years old they moved to One Valley Ranch near Whitefish where he spent most of his life. He received his education at Bissell Elementary and Flathead County High School.

He worked in the woods for several years. In 1941, he married Myrtle Kramer in Eureka. Their marriage was blessed with four daughters and two sons.

During World War II he worked on construction of the Naval Training Station in North Idaho. He returned to Whitefish where he ran a small dairy farm. Beginning in 1947 he, his brother, Jack, and Virgil Kilmer owned and operated a saw mill cutting lumber and railroad ties. In 1951 they closed the mill and he went to work for the U.S. Forest Service where he worked for the next 20 years. He then operated a shorthorn cattle ranch and drove school buses for about 30 years.

He was a member of the first

planning board in Flathead County for several years. He was trustee for the Olney-Bissell School District for 27 years and on the board of directors for Lincoln Electric Coop for 14 years. He was an active member of Stillwater Free Lutheran Church for many years until the time of his death.

He was a lover of nature, especially the hummingbirds at his home, and recording the sighting of the first redwing blackbird at One Valley each spring. Making his special recipe pancakes and gouch candy for his family was one of his favorite things to do. His most enjoyable times were when the entire family was together.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Emily Sue Hutchens and Hester Clothier; two brothers, Jack Hutchens and Howard Hutchens; grandson, Paul Jones; and son-in-law, Arden Olsen.

He is survived by his wife, Myrtle; daughters, Laurretta Olsen of Kalispell, Susan Iverson and husband, Robert, of Whitefish, Mary Jones and husband, Tom, of Gresham, Ore., Sally Christensen and husband, Keith, of Whitefish; and his two sons, John of Whitefish and Bill and wife, Donna, of Fairbanks, Alaska; 16 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held 11 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 25, at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials to the Stillwater Free Lutheran Church, 1401 Church Drive, Kalispell, MT; or Home Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop # 100, Kalispell, MT.

## Lester D. Hutton, 86

Lester D. Hutton, 86, passed away Sunday, Feb. 22, 2004, at the Harmony House in Kalispell.

He was born Aug. 5, 1917, in Harlem, to John and Ethel (House) Hutton. As a boy, Lester attended schools in Savoy, Dodson, and Harlem, and worked herding sheep. In his early years he had a truck for hauling sugar beets, coal, gravel, and loose hay. He later was employed at the Grand Coulee Dam.

Lester met his wife, Ruth E. Winter, on a sheep ranch in Savoy, in 1936. The Huttons lived in parts of Idaho, Oregon, and throughout Montana before purchasing their 393-acre farm north of Kalispell, where they have lived for the past 57 years. He built and operated sawmills in Choteau, Elliston, and in the Bear Paw Mountains on the Rocky Boy Indian Reservation in Montana. In 1980, they moved back to the Kalispell farm where they raised sheep with the help of their



sheepdog, Freckles.

Lester was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters and one brother.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Ruth E. Hutton, of Kalispell; two daughters, Loraine Ruth Jones and her husband, Rodger, of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Sharon Rose Goodrich of Concord, Calif.; a son, Lewis Lester Hutton and his wife, Mickey, of Kalispell; there are 11 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Graveside services for Lester Hutton will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, at Glacier Memorial Gardens, and a memorial service will follow at 1:30 p.m. at the Trinity Lutheran Church, with Rev. Darold Reiner officiating. There will be no visitation.

The family suggest memorials be given to the Alzheimer's Association, P.O. Box 721, Helena, MT, 59624-0721, or the Trinity Lutheran Church, 400 W. California St., Kalispell, MT, 59901.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

## Amy Theresa (Berg) Hoveskeland, 83

Amy Theresa (Berg) Hoveskeland, 83, passed away Thursday, Jan. 29, 2004, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

She was born Oct. 30, 1920, in Grenora, N.D., to Christian and Ella (Ness) Berg. Amy graduated from high school in Grenora and went to Fargo that fall to attend beauty school.

After graduating, she moved to Williston, N.D., and opened Amy's Beauty Shop, which she ran for 30 years. In 1940, Amy married Ervin Hoveskeland and raised two sons, Michael and Douglas. The Hoveskels moved to Kalispell in 1974. Shortly thereafter, Amy opened Amy's Beauty Haven, which she operated until her retirement in 2001.



Amy was preceded in death by her son, Douglas, and her husband, Ervin.

She is survived by Michael and Kathy Hoveskeland of Goddard, Kan., and Sandy Hoveskeland of Spokane; two granddaughters, Lindsay Hoveskeland of Goddard, and Kory Buglione of Spokane; and one great-grandson, Andrew Buglione of Spokane.

Memorial services for Amy Hoveskeland will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 2, at the Eidsvold Lutheran Church in Somers, with Pastor Wayne Pris officiating. Urn burial will follow at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. There will be no visitation.

The family suggests memorial gifts be given to the Eidsvold Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 100, Somers, MT 59932.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.



## August Iannelli, 89

August Iannelli, 89, of Kalispell, died Thursday, Oct. 28, 2004, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He worked at Plum Creek Lumber Co. until his retirement.

He is survived by his son, Todd Iannelli, of Kalispell; and a daughter, Claudia.

A graveside inurnment will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Montana Veterans Home Cemetery in Columbia Falls with military graveside honors by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is in charge of arrangements.

## Darlene Ibsen, 84

Darlene Ibsen, 84, passed away April 1, 2004, at her home overlooking Whitefish Lake with loved ones by her side.



Darlene Lilian Johnson was born in Kalispell, on Nov. 20, 1919, to Charles and Myrtle Johnson and attended Whitefish and Kalispell schools.

She married Ivan Ibsen in Idaho on July 1940; the couple then moved to Seattle. In 1944, the couple and their two children returned to the Flathead Valley where they lived out their lives in loving fullness.

Darlene was a key business partner in Ibsen Plumbing in Whitefish. She was a faithful member of Christ Lutheran for 60 years, serving as a teacher for the church's Sunday and Bible schools.

She was a skilled seamstress and quilt maker. She assumed the role of family historian and care-

fully collected and recorded the details, stories and photographs of the Johnson and Ibsen heritage. Her homemaking skills, both as a parent and as a cook, are legendary.

She is remembered for the brightness shining through her kind eyes, for a great strength and energy unexpected in such a slight frame, and for her inability to keep off the dance floor whenever music was played. She loved a party.

She was preceded in death by Ivan, who passed away in 1996 after 55 years of marriage.

She is survived by her son, Richard and his wife, Tana; and by her daughter, Doreen Cavin and her husband, Ben. There are five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, a nephew and nieces. She dearly loved them all.

Services will be held 2 p.m. today at Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish.

In lieu of flowers, the family wishes any donations to be sent to either Home Options (751-4200) or Shepherd's Hand (862-2615).

## Tana Rae Ibsen, 62

Tana Rae Ibsen, 62, died suddenly on Thursday, Dec. 9, 2004, in Livermore, Calif.

Memorial services are pending.

## Ethel T. Ill, 82

Ethel T. Ill, 82, died on Monday, May 24, 2004, at her home in Bigfork.

She is survived by her husband, Bernard Ill, and her son,

Ken Ill, both of Bigfork.

Cremation has taken place. Bigfork Funeral Home is caring for the family.