

Patty Lou Abell, 48

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She was born on March 2, 1957, in Springfield, Ore., the daughter of John

Andrew and Edna May (Platt) Thomas. Patty attended schools in Springfield and graduated from Thurston High School in the class of 1974.

In 1981, she was united in marriage to Brad Abell in Columbia Falls. They later divorced.

She worked as a custodian at Plum Creek for a number of years. She later went to work in horse-keeping at Kalispell Regional Medical Center and worked until retiring for health purposes.

She enjoyed horse-back riding and hunting and being in the out-



doors. She was a past member of the America Quarter Horse Association.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister.

She is survived by her daughter, Christina Sages and her husband, Jesse, of Ft. Wainwright, Ark.; three grandchildren, Tyler, Gavin and Lauren, all of Ft. Wainwright; her son, Michael Carmen Rutgove of Kalispell; one sister, Linda VanKampen of Marcola, Ore.; and two brothers, Barry Thomas and Michael Thomas both of Oregon.

Memorial services will be held 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 3, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Bud Bowers officiating. There will be no visitation.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to the charity of the donor's choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Edna P. Abbott-Rooney, 81

Edna P. Abbott-Rooney, 81, died Friday, Feb. 11, 2005, in Kalispell.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 18, at O'Connor Funeral Home in Great

Falls. Burial will follow at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Great Falls.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Joe Abbrescia

The world's largest group of students referred artists and teachers when Joe Abbrescia passed away on Feb. 17, 2005, after a recent battle with cancer.

In a career that spanned five decades, Joe became respected around the world as one of the finest impressionist painters of the 20th century and, as many artists truly believe, among the best of all time. His mastery reached not only into the art of painting and draftsmanship, but he was also recognized for his persistence and discoveries in the science of color, harmonies and innovative design concepts.

Joe was a formal, quiet man who maintained, in the modern era, a tradition of virtuosity and versatility best known among the fellow Italian painters of the 14th and 16th centuries.

Joe was born on Oct. 1, 1920, in New York, then he grew a Chicago virtuoso as a young artist and teacher. His last stop was in Montana where, for the last three decades, he and his wife have established Abbrescia Fine Art & Pottery Studios. Their two adult sons, Joey and Tony, also live in Kalispell, along with daughter-in-law, Martha, and two granddaughters, Nicole and Jessica.

She will be known for her distinctive organic art, as well as the family business which left Joe free to pursue his many artistic interests. Joe often mentioned to his friends that whatever success his family enjoys is the result of a team effort. "Some of the work, Joe once told a friend, "just 'blew' out first a lot of what she wanted to do just to be present at. That the next part - I just made art."

Both of strong family support and a tremendous talent, Joe's body of masterworks is efforts to enhance private collections and museums in the West and around the world.

The public record of Joe's accomplishments and activities fills many pages with Best of Show, People's Choice, Artists' Choice, and Artist of the Year award recognition, reviews, press, and public relations. He has been honored in various ways every major art



majority in the country, and his paintings are in the permanent collection of the "Who's Who" publication of the art. With a passion for painting, in the area of food, especially his favorite, Joe was a model to a painter for beginners as well as an award professional.

Joe was extraordinarily about teaching and sharing his own, helpful knowledge and artistic insight with others. He told more than one of his students, "I have never had as good a lesson as I have from you." Joe taught his students to become professional artists. Joe established the Val Eye Art School in 1961, in Skidgate, Blaine, Chicago, where for two decades, he mentored students from around the world. The school attracted veteran artists and began "classical" and was soon recognized as one of the finest centers for art education in America.

In recent weeks, he remarked to a friend that, among his few regrets, he wished he had done more painting. Laid among his remarkable accomplishments, however, are the living artists inspired and instructed by Joe's exceptional talents as teacher and mentor.

One of Joe's better known students, local artist, Mark Ogden, an accomplished and successful landscape painter in his own right. "Joe taught me not only how to paint, but he helped me understand painting and art as a profession, as a lifelong process of study and experimentation and refinement of the craft," Mark recalls. "If he hadn't been Joe, I wouldn't be here doing what I'm doing right now, Joe was - and always will be - my mentor, teacher, inspiration, model," he said. His human form may be gone now, but his spirit is still with us, and will move and inspire others who know him and his work.

Other relatives include brothers, Kenneth and John, then wives, Betty and Gloria, nephews, John, Mark and Abbrescia, and Vincent Abbrescia, nieces, Sabrina, Abriana, and Nancy, Michelle Berkhofer, Cath and Courtney Skony, and aunts, Stephen and Carolyn Skony, Edna and June Berkhofer.

Visitation on Monday, Feb. 21, will be at the Johnson Mortuary, 1000 West 1st, Funeral services will be 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 22, at St. Mary's Cathedral in Great Falls.

PATTY LOU ABELL, 48

February 06, 2005 at 5:00 am | Daily Inter Lake

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She worked as a custodian at Plum Creek for a number of years. She later went to work in housekeeping at Kalispell Regional Medical Center and worked until retiring for health purposes.

She enjoyed horseback riding and hunting and being in the outdoors. She was a past member of the America Quarter Horse Association.

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She is survived by her daughter, Christina Sires and her husband, Jesse, of Ft. Wainwright, Ark.; three grandchildren, Tyler, Gavin and Lauren, all of Ft. Wainwright; her son, Michael Carmen Burgoyne of Kalispell; one sister, Linda VanKampen of Marcola, Ore.; and two brothers, Barry Thomas and Michael Thomas both, of Oregon.

Memorial services will be held 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 8, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Bud Bowers officiating. There will be no visitation.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to the charity of the donor's choice.

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JOE ABBRESCIA

February 20, 2005 at 5:00 am |

The world lost one of its most revered artists and teachers when Joe Abbrescia passed away on Feb. 17, 2005, after a recent battle with cancer.

In a career that spanned five decades, Joe became respected around the world as one of the finest impressionist painters of the 20th century and, as many art critics believe, among the best of all time. His mastery reached not only into the art of painting and draftsmanship, but he was also recognized for his pioneering and discoveries in the science of color harmonies and innovative design concepts.

Joe was a Renaissance man who maintained, in the modern era, a tradition of virtuosity and versatility best known among his fellow Italian painters of the 15th and 16th centuries.

Joe began life on Oct. 1, 1936, as a New Yorker, then became a Chicago virtuoso as a young artist and teacher. His last stop was in Montana where, for the last three decades, he and his wife Sue established Abbrescia Fine Art & Pottery Studios. Their two adult sons, Joey and Tony, also live in Kalispell, along with daughter-in-law, Martha, and two granddaughters, Nicole and Jessika.

Sue, well known for her distinctive ceramic artworks, also ran the family business which left Joe free to pursue his many artistic interests. Joe often mentioned to his friends that whatever success his family enjoys is the result of a team effort. "Sue does all the work," Joe once told a friend, "and she's sacrificed a lot of what she wanted to do just to keep us afloat. I had the easy part - I just made art."

Born of strong family support and a monumental talent, Joe's body of masterworks continues to enhance private collections and museums in the West and around the world.

The public record of Joe's accomplishments and activities fills many pages with Best of Show, People's Choice, Artists' Choice, and Artist of the Year awards, national one-man shows, special public and private commissions. He has been featured in virtually every major art magazine in the country and his name is a cornerstone in every "Who's Who" publication related to the arts. Authors of painting instructional books regularly feature Joe's works as models to aspire to for beginners as well as seasoned professionals.

Joe also felt strongly about teaching and sharing his encyclopedic knowledge and artistic insights with others. He told more than one of his students, "I love teaching because I learn so much from it." Not long after he became a professional artist, Joe established the Village Art School in 1967, in Skokie, Ill., near Chicago, where for two decades he mentored students from around the world. The school attracted veteran artists and beginners alike, and was soon recognized as one of the finest centers for art education in America.

In recent weeks he remarked to a friend that, among his few regrets, he wished he'd done more teaching. Equal among his remarkable accomplishments, however, are the living artists inspired and instructed by Joe's exceptional talents as teacher and mentor.

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One of Joe's better known students is local artist, Mark Ogle, an accomplished and successful landscape painter in his own right. "Joe taught me not only how to paint, but he helped me understand painting and art as a profession, as a lifelong process of study and experimentation and refinement of the craft," Mark recalls. "If it hadn't been for Joe, I wouldn't be here doing what I'm doing right now. Joe was - and always will be - my mentor, teacher, inspiration, model, and friend. His human form may be gone now, but his spirit is very much alive and well in me and thousands of others who know him and his work."

Other relatives include brothers, Dominick and John, their wives, Berit and Gloria; nephews, John Michael Abbrescia and Vincent Abbrescia; nieces, Sabrina Abbrescia Feinberg, Michelle Berkheiser Cobb and Courtney Skony; and in-laws, Stephen and Carol Skony and Alan and Irene Berkheiser.

Visitation on Monday, Feb. 21, will be at the Johnson Mortuary from 3 to 6 p.m. Funeral mass will be 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 22 at St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

Marjorie Maxine Palmerton Absalonson, 82

Marjorie Maxine Palmerton Absalonson, 82, passed away on Friday, April 16, 2005, at Emmanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

Maxine was born on June 30, 1922, in East Glacier, to John and Vera (Salots) Merley. She grew up and attended school in Cut Bank.

After high school, she attended business school in LaCrosse, Wis. Maxine had a very long career as a tax consultant and accountant.

Maxine married Jack Palmerton in 1945 in Portland. They made their home in Seattle. Jack passed away in 1964.

She married Elmer Absalonson in 1991. They made their home in Kalispell.

Her hobbies included knitting and listening to classical music.

She was preceded in death by

her parents, her first husband, and her sister, Virginia Moen.

She is survived by her husband, Elmer; daughter, Susan Palmerton; niece, Christine Playstead; nephew, Corky Moen; stepdaughter, Laurie Cunningham and her husband, Charles; stepson, Harold and wife, Judy Absalonson; stepgrandchildren, Michael, Matthew and Elaine Gilman, and Tim and Tamara Absalonson.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. today, Wednesday, April 20, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with the Rev. Rudy Bullman officiating. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

This paid obituary is being run again at the request of the family.

Eleanora S. Adams, 92

Eleanora S. Adams, 92, died on Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2005, at Lake View Care Center in Bigfork. Funeral services will be

at K.T. Riddle Funeral Home in Phillipsburg.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Lennie Viola Adams, 83

Lennie Viola Adams, 83, passed away Dec. 27, 2005, at Brendan House in Kalispell. She was born Feb. 5, 1922, in Greenleaf, Idaho, to Leonard and Annie May (Ripley) Gray.

Lennie's family moved to Kalispell where she received her education through the eleventh grade from Flathead High School.

Lennie married Donald Adams Aug. 31, 1940, in Kalispell. They moved to the Seattle area during World War II. In 1945 after the war ended they moved back to Kalispell.

Don and Lennie owned and operated a neighborhood grocery store from 1945 to 1947. She stayed home for 10 years to raise her family. When she went back to work she started working for Bea's Boys' Shop. In 1955 she and Don purchased Bea's Boys' Shop and ran it until 1969. She worked at Woolworths as a clerk and Coast to Coast also as a clerk, retiring in 1982. Don passed away in 1982.

Lennie was a member of the Soroptimist Club, an active member of the First Baptist Church of Kalispell, and a Red Cross Volunteer.

She enjoyed knitting, and knitted over 100 hats for the Soroptimist club for children and newborns for the hospital. She liked word find puzzles and loved



spending time at Ashley Lake in their cabin. She also enjoyed traveling with the Montana Tour and Travel group.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; two brothers, LeRoy and Carson; and two sisters, Irene and Inez.

She is survived by two sons, Dennis Adams and wife Janet of Wallace, Idaho, and Doug Adams and wife Barb of Kalispell; also five grandchildren, Heidi Clary and husband Mike of Spokane, Jean Adams of New Jersey, Gail Bergstedt and husband Joel of Billings, Heather Atalla and husband Joe of Boise, Idaho, and David Adams and wife Salena of Kalispell; three great-grandchildren, Shawn, Anna and Adam; with many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Lennie Viola Adams will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 30, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with Pastor Jim Sandholdt of the First Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. today, Thursday, Dec. 29, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

The family suggests memorials be given to the First Baptist Church, 301 West Wyoming, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Johnson Mortuary is caring for Lennie's family.

Reid Eveson Adams, 62

LL Col. Reid Eveson Adams, 62, passed away Saturday, Oct. 8, 2005. He was born Dec. 2, 1942, in Lethbridge, Alberta, to Lemuel and Annie (Eveson) Adams.

Reid served in the U.S. Army for 26 years before retiring to Lakeside.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Jill Adams, of Lakeside; his son, Reid G. Adams, and wife, Bobbi, of Illinois; his daughter, Jennifer S. Fisher, and husband, Geoff, of Utah; five grandchildren, Ashley, Kelly, Thomas, Brady and Trevor; also



one brother, Donald Adams, of Wyoming; and three sisters, Elna Brady of Salt Lake City, and Eileen Phillips and Marion Miller, both of Alberta.

Funeral services for Reid will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1380 Whitefish Stage, in Kalispell. Burial will be at the Riverview Cemetery in Hamilton at 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, with military honors.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers memorials be made to Home/Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901; or to the Lakeside QRU.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Reid's family.

MARJORIE MAXINE PALMERTON ABSALONSON, 82

April 19, 2005 at 5:00 am | Daily Inter Lake

Marjorie Maxine Palmerton Absalonson, 82, passed away on Saturday, April 16, 2005, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

Maxine was born on June 30, 1922, in East Glacier to John and Lena (Salois) Morley. She grew up and attended school in Cut Bank.

After high school, she attended business school in LaCrosse, Wis. Maxine had a very long career as a tax consultant and accountant.

Maxine married Jack Palmerton in 1945 in Portland. They made their home in Seattle. Jack passed away in 1964.

She married Elmer Absalonson in 1991. They made their home in Kalispell.

Her hobbies included knitting and listening to classical music.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her first husband, and her sister, Virginia Moen.

She is survived by her husband, Elmer; daughter Susan Palmerton; niece Christine Playstead; nephew Corky Moen; stepdaughter Laurie Cunningham and her husband, Charles; and stepgrandchildren Michael, Matthew and Elaine Gilman.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. today (Tuesday, April 19) at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 20, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with the Rev. Rudy Bullman officiating. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

CORNELIA SHERMAN ADDINGTON, 92

May 13, 2005 at 5:00 am |

Cornelia Sherman Addington, 92, died on Friday May 6, 2005, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born on Oct. 4, 1912, in Polson where her parents were homesteading. Later they moved to Kalispell where she and her two sisters, and two brothers were raised. She attended Central School, and graduated from Flathead County High School. During the summers of her 16th and 17th years she was the hostess at Many Glacier Hotel in Glacier Park. She attended the University of Washington in Seattle.

After college she went on to be the head designer at the Kickernick Lingerie Company in Minneapolis for many years. She also was an interior decorator in San Diego.

In 1952 she married Jack Ensign Addington in Los Angeles. They were both ordained ministers and together co-founded two large churches in San Diego. They also co-founded the Abundant Living Foundation, which published the Abundant Living magazine and other literature. This foundation brought their teachings to thousands in the United States, Canada and throughout the world.

Cornelia co-authored and edited many books with her husband, Jack Addington. These include "Psychogenesis ... Everything Begins in Mind," "The Hidden Mystery of the Bible," "Your Needs Met," "How to Love and be Loved," "The Perfect Power Within You," "All About Prosperity and How You Can Prosper," "The Wonder-working Power of God," "The Secret of Healing," "Life Never Dies," and "The Joy of Meditation," most of which are still in print, and have been printed in many different languages throughout the world.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack, in 1999.

She is survived by her daughter, Barbara and her husband, Jim Jacoby, of Chicago; son, David and his wife, Lissa Addington, of Tripp Island, S.C.; one sister, Dorothy and her husband, Gene McGlenn, of Kalispell; grandchildren, Jim and his wife, Dawn Jacoby, of Chicago, Sam Addington, and Cynthia and her husband, Brian Davis.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers memorials may be sent to your favorite charity.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements and cremation.

ROBERT LEE 'BOB' ADSIT, 76

September 01, 2005 at 5:00 am |

Robert Lee "Bob" Adsit, 76, of Polson, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 30, 2005, at Evergreen Health and Rehabilitation Center in Polson.

Robert was born Oct. 12, 1928, in Walton, Kan., to Charles Lee Adsit and Margarite Mary Schwindt Adsit.

On Oct. 9, 1949, he married Martha June Howard, and they had five children, Margaret, Robert, Grace, Barbara, Debra, and an adopted daughter, Rhonda.

Bob was raised on a farm in Kansas until his mother's death. Robert was 9 years old at the time and went to live on a farm in Oregon with his grandparents. He graduated from college in Compton, Calif., and also took engineering training in New York City.

Bob worked for General Dynamics Corporation as an electrical engineer in California. He was the shop steward for the union while he was employed at General Dynamics. Working in the city was not for Bob, so he retired and came to Montana.

On May 19, 1990, Bob married Laura B. Mueller. They lived in Ronan a short time and then moved to Polson, where they remained. They spent several years traveling in their motor home, seeing family and attending Good Sam events.

He was a member of the Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Polson. Laura and Bob enjoyed meals at the senior centers and other activities provided by the centers.

Bob retained his sense of humor to the end and had many visits from friends and family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Martha June; and daughters, Barbara Bernard and Debra Adsit.

He is survived by his wife, Laura, of Polson; son, Robert Adsit and Bernice; daughters, Margaret Morris and Ron, Grace Adsit, and Rhonda Jensen and Jack.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 5, at the Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, 1608 Second St. W., in Polson, with the Rev. Aaron Stinnett officiating. The family suggests memorials to the Life Savers Animal Rescue, P.O. Box 643, Polson, MT 59860; or to the donor's choice.

Arrangements are Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory of Polson.

BEATRICE DAISY AGEE, 96

November 30, 2005 at 5:00 am |

Beatrice Daisy Agee, 96, passed away early Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2005, in Helena.

She was born in St. Joseph, Mo., on Feb. 22, 1909, the daughter of Wesley A. Dillon and Bessie (Boyd) Dillon.

She and F.M. "Sprout" Agee were married in St. Joseph on Sept. 14, 1935. He preceded her in death March 23, 2001.

Her hobbies were quilting, knitting and reading. She was affiliated with the First Christian church.

She is survived by a son, Michael B. and Ginger Agee, of Helena; and grandchildren, Mike A. Agee and Timothy Agee of Helena, and Shannon and Zach Jones of Harlowton.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was also preceded in death by four brothers, Homer, Donald, Raymond and Robert Dillon; and a sister, Lily Mae Dallam.

No formal services are planned.

Retz Funeral Home of Helena assisted the family with cremation arrangements.

WILLARD STANLEY AGGSON

February 09, 2005 at 5:00 am |

Willard "Bill" Aggson passed away peacefully after a short illness, on Jan. 27, 2005, at his home in New York City. A number of relatives had come from great distances to say goodbye.



Bill was born in Kalispell in 1927. He attended Flathead County High School, the University of Montana, Arizona State University, and San Francisco State University.

He enjoyed working for the Park Service as a trail boy in Glacier Park. During the last years of World War II, he was at sea in the U.S. Navy. Fluent in Russian, he later operated listening posts in Eastern Europe. He had a long career as an educator in the California school system. He received several citations for his work with high school dropouts.

In retirement, Bill spent much time at his beloved Ashley Lake. He also traveled all over the world ... including several trips to Nepal. At his death, family members proposed that it was easier to understand that he had just "hiked on ahead."

A memorial service is planned for Bill at the Aggson cabin on Ashley Lake later this summer.

Bill is survived by daughter, Peggy Koen and her husband, Phil; grandchildren, Clare, Will and Ted Koen; a brother, Tom Aggson and wife, Betty; nieces, Laura Holland, Marie Ryan and Kitty Prendergast; and nephews, Alan Aggson and Josh Aggson.

THEODORE WILLIAM ALCOTT, 55

April 17, 2005 at 5:00 am | Daily Inter Lake

Theodore William Alcott passed away in Kalispell, on April 2, 2005, at age 55.



Theodore, known as Teddy to some, was born Dec. 5, 1949, in Pennsylvania. He was a very adventurous man and worked hard at preparing his children for the future as well as introducing them to different lands and a unique way of life. He was an amazing friend, a nurturing father and a loving son.

Teddy is survived by his father, Ted, and four children, Jessica, Rebekah, Matthew and William, all of Whitefish.

A memorial will be held at 2 p.m. on April 23, in Whitefish at the Bohemian Grange Hall located behind Montana Coffee Traders on U.S. 93.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Louise Carolyn Ostin Alter, 83

Louise Carolyn Ostin Alter, 83, passed away March 26, 2005, in Salt Lake City.

Born Louise Carolyn Ostin, Nov. 21, 1921, in Los Angeles, Carolyn Alter was

raised in the heart of Los Angeles and graduated from L.A. High School. She attended the University of Southern California as well as Stanford and graduated from the University of California, Berkeley.

She married Howard T. Ryan in 1943, and had four children, Patti, Tom, Ramon and Larry. As a devoted mother she spent the majority of her time raising and chauffeuring her children in Los Angeles.

She was an active supporter and contributor to the National Charity League and the Los Angeles Philanthropic Society. In 1962, she became an avid sailor and a member of the California Yacht Club where she rose to the challenge of becoming the senior executive officer of the Women's Auxiliary in 1979.

In 1981 she concluded her career as homemaker and declared the rearing of her children a success and at the age of 60 took up the sports of skiing, scuba diving and long range cruising. In the following years she built a "sketch" ravana, and spent her summers sailing with her high school sweetheart soon to be husband, Allan Alter, between the San Juan Islands in Washington state and Anchorage, Alaska.

Due to her love and knowledge of sailing and competitions in 1984, she was selected as a judge for the wind surfing events for the



Olympics in Los Angeles.

In 1985, she built her first of three houses in Park City, Utah, where she loved the skiing almost as much as she loved the pace and sense of community that she found here. She became a lifetime supporter of the Egyptian Theater and served on the board as treasurer of the Park City Community Church during the time of its ground breaking and construction at its present location on Highway 224.

Her wanderlust caused her to purchase a house on Flathead Lake in Montana with Allan where they spent their summers sailing their Cal 22.

During the last 23 years of her life, when not sailing or skiing she was usually traveling around the world with Allan via their favorite mode of world travel, freighters.

In 1999, she moved to Orcas Island, Wash., where she lived until Allan's death in 2003. She then moved across the country to Pensacola, Fla., until driven out by hurricanes last year. She then returned to Park City.

Carolyn is survived by her four children, Patti and Chuck Saccio of Park City, Utah, Tom and Susan Miller of Malibu, Calif., Dr. Ramon and Carolyn Ryan of Milton, Fla., and Larry Ryan of Brentwood, Calif.; her grandchildren, Traci and Dennis Smith of Park City, Poett and Rodolfo Ryan of Carbond, Costa Rica, Christopher and Francesca Soberon of Park City, and Morgan Ryan, Elijah Worley Soberon and Dylan Soberon.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. at the Park City Community Church on Saturday, April 2, with interment to follow at the Park City Cemetery.

Arrangements in care of Olpin-Hoopes Funeral Home.

Jordan Michael Alstad, 18

Jordan Michael Alstad, 18, "went to be with our Lord" on Monday, June 13, 2005, at his residence in Kalispell.

He was born on Sept. 26, 1986, in Mission Hills, Calif., to Alan B. and Teri L. (Bailey) Alstad.

Family and friends were the No.1 priorities in Jordan's life.

He found solace in being outdoors, by enjoying snowboarding, hunting, fishing, camping, swimming, riding wave runners, boating and golf (Frisbee golf), to name a few. Special times with his family included eating great food, playing board games, cribbage, doing puzzles; simple things.

He also had a love for animals (especially Moab, his Siberian husky), babies and little children.

Jordan's love for time spent with family and friends was especially dear and appreciated by those who frequently enjoyed his company.

Jordan appointed himself special caregiver to his little sister, Destiny, from the day she was born and looked up to his older brother (and friend), Clayton.

He had many friends and was well-known for his kind and loving heart, politeness, sweetness and handsome face.

Jordan was loved deeply; his



mischievous and charming smile will be sorely missed, as well as his witty, fun-loving disposition.

His mother and father were blessed from the moment he entered this world.

His life with them was a gift they will treasure always.

Jordan was preceded in death by his grandfather, Ole Alstad; and great-grandmothers, Joy Loring and Emma "Nana" Bailey.

Jordan is survived by his parents, Alan Alstad and Teri Bailey, both of Kalispell; his big brother, Clayton Alstad, and little sister, Destiny, both of Kalispell; his grandparents, Dorothy Alstad, and Bryan and Jan Bailey, all of Kalispell, and grandfather, Monty Ventsam, of Canyon Country, Calif.; as well as numerous aunts, uncles and cousins and many friends.

Funeral services for Jordan Alstad will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 18, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church with Pastor Linda Barnett officiating.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. today at Johnson Mortuary.

A memorial fund has been established in Jordan's name to be used for gun-safety education and courses.

The family suggests that contributions be sent to Jordan Alstad Memorial Fund, c/o Valley Bank, P.O. Box 48, 323 First Avenue W., Kalispell, MT 59903.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Jordan's family.

LOUISE CAROLYN OSTIN ALTER, 83

March 31, 2005 at 5:00 am /

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During the last 23 years of her life, when not sailing or skiing she was usually traveling around the world with Allan via their favorite mode of world travel, freighters.

In 1999, she moved to Orcas Island, Wash., where she lived until Allan's death in 2003. She then moved across the country to Pensacola, Fla., until driven out by hurricanes last year. She then returned to Park City.

Carolyn is survived by her four children, Patti and Chuck Saccio of Park City, Utah, Tom and Susan Miller of Malibu, Calif., Dr. Ramon and Carolyn Ryan of Milton, Fla., and Larry Ryan of Brentwood, Calif.; her grandchildren, Traci and Dennis Smith of Park City, Poett and Rodolfo Ryan of Carboni, Costa Rica, Christopher and Francesca Soberon of Park City, and Morgan Ryan, Elijah Worley Soberon and Dylan Soberon.

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Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. at the Park City Community Church on Saturday, April 2, with interment to follow at the Park City Cemetery.

Arrangements in care of Olpin-Hoopers Funeral Home.

Donald Lee Amundson, 85

Donald Lee Amundson, 85, passed away Thursday,

Oct. 15, 2005, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

Don was born July 2, 1920, in Havre, to Anton and Minnie Lee Amundson. He was raised in the Bear Paw Mountains and graduated from Havre High School. After high school, he attended Montana State University. Don married Shirley Forbes at the First Presbyterian Church in Kalispell 59 years ago. He served as a bombardier with the U. S. Air Force. When he returned to the Flathead Valley, he went to work for Anaconda Aluminum Co. plant in Columbia Falls. He worked as the warehouse buyer, and retired after more than 30 years of service. He belonged to the Old Time Fiddlers and the Glacier Radio Control Club. His hobbies included fiddle repair and playing numerous musical instruments. He loved building remote-control airplanes, and especially flying them.



Don was preceded in death by his parents, Anton and Minnie Amundson; one brother, Harold Amundson; and two sisters, Sadie Strand and Marie Gingery.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Shirley Amundson, of Kalispell; daughter, Stephanie Brousseau, of Billings; son, Arvin Amundson, of Kalispell; brothers and sisters Ione Amundson of Kalispell, Billie Lefferson of Fairbanks, Alaska, and Louise Myles of Vancouver, Wash.; grandchildren Kimberly Plum, Christopher Amundson, Stacey Amundson, Nicole Brousseau, Travis Brousseau, Trena Boyd; great-grandchildren Carter, Ethan and Brooklyn Plum; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2005, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with the Rev. Ron Pierce officiating. Cremation will be after the services.

The family requests that memorials in Don's name be given to the Glacier RCers in care of Ray Cunan, 20 E. Nicklaus, Kalispell MT 59901.

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

Cooper Curtis Andersen, 3

On May 8, 2002, we were blessed with a beautiful spirit from above. Cooper's life touched so many hearts. His bright smile and big blue eyes would light up a room. His laugh was contagious to those around him. Cooper Curtis Andersen "was lifted up by angel wings" Oct. 18, 2005, "to be with his beloved Nonni." He will be dearly missed. Cooper, you are our sunshine!



Cooper is survived by his mom and dad, Shelly and Shane Andersen; sister, Alice Vrana; grandparents, Curt Peterson, Tom and Holly Vidic and Robert Andersen; great-grandparents, Robert W. and Helen Andersen; aunts and uncles, Rhonda Petersen, Stacy and David Ballew, Rob and Miesha Andersen, Renee Keith Blom and Mike Blom, and Darlene and Sandy Keith; cousins, Kyle and

Taylor Ballew, Tianna, Roma and Brendan Andersen, and Pat and Robbie Keith; special friends, Joe and Ellie Stimpson and family, Wyatt and his buddies at Animal Crackers Daycare in Bigfork; he also left behind numerous other family and friends; and loving pet Maggie.

Cooper was preceded in death by his grandmother, "Nonni" Diane Peterson, and Sam, his first true friend and pet.

Funeral services for Cooper Andersen will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, 2005, at St. Patrick's Episcopal Church in Ferndale, with the Reverends Carolyn Kuhr and Susan Merrin officiating. There will be no visitation.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to the Children's Heart Foundation, 3006 S. Maryland Parkway Suite 430, Las Vegas, NV 89109.

There will be a memorial service in Butte at a later date.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Cooper's family.

Stanley O. Andersen, 87

Stanley O. Andersen, 87, an Army Air Corps veteran and retired farmer, died Thursday, Aug. 25, 2005, at his home on Yodelin Ridge Road in Kalispell.

He is survived by one sister, Inez Bailey of Cascade, and numerous nieces and

nephews.

A celebration of Stan's life will be held 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 2, at the Opheim Cemetery with military graveside services.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for the family.

Edwin Charles 'Bud' Anderson, 60

Edwin Charles "Bud" Anderson, 60, passed away on Wednesday, May 18, 2005, at his home in Bigfork.



He was born on Sept. 14, 1944, in Minneapolis, to Edwin O. and Florence (Ost) Anderson. The family moved to Bigfork when Bud was 2 years old. That is where Bud's dad started his own masonry business building native stone fireplaces.

Bud graduated from Bigfork High in 1962. He went to Montana State and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in construction technology in 1967.

He then entered the Air Force as a second lieutenant and went to pilot training at Wichita Falls, Texas. The spring before graduation Bud met the love of his life, Nina Stout. They later married on Dec. 23, 1967, and spent 37 wonderful years together.

In May of 1968, Bud received a hardship discharge to come home and take over the family business after his father had a heart attack. Bud and his brother Don later became partners and built Anderson Masonry into a successful construction company. In the early '80s, along with their partner Tom Arvidson, they started a retail masonry store that has now grown to two stores strong.

Bud loved the outdoors. He spent many days and nights hiking and climbing the mountains of Western Montana. He loved the wilderness and spent many a fall at the "black bear" hunting camp. He taught his children to love and respect Mother Nature. There were many family fishing, camping, hiking trips to ensure that his passion for the outdoors was passed on.

His other passion was golf. He enjoyed his Thursday afternoon rounds with his pals playing "bingo, bango, bongo" and helping Tom fish for golf balls in the river.

As his friend Denny says, "How fitting that Bud was in the brick and mortar, rock and stone business. In his quiet confident way, he was the bedrock upon whom so many of us leaned. Three simple words for this most special friend: None Better-Ever."

"My husband was one who led and you willingly followed. His confident, solid presence gave those around him such a feeling of security."

"My dad built this family out of brick and stone, so it would last forever. He is the cornerstone to be loved and remembered forever." Love Jay.

As his daughter put into words, "My Dad was the most unselfish, giving and loyal person I know. He took care of us all; his friends, his employees and his family. I have a feeling he will take care of us long after he is gone." "He was a damn good man."

Bud was preceded in death by his father, Ed; his brother, Jim; and his brother-in-law, Howard.

Bud is survived by his wife, Nina, of Bigfork; and two sons, Justin Anderson and his wife, Beth, and their two children, Lauren and Mason of Missoula, and Zack Anderson and his wife, Sally, and their daughter, Ashley, of Bigfork; one daughter, Katie Radtke, and husband, Rex, and their son, Jackson, of Hall; his mother, Florence Tigges; two brothers, Don Anderson and wife, Sheri, and Richard and wife, Michelle; three sisters, Pat Johnson, Sandy Fellows and Shirley Harrison; many nieces, nephews; "and his dog Andy."

Memorial services for Bud will be held at 2 p.m. Monday May 23, at the Bigfork Chapel Assembly of God, 290 Hwy 83. There will be no visitation.

The family suggests that donations go to the Bud Anderson Memorial Scholarship Fund Account at the First Interstate Bank, P.O. Box 5388, Kalispell, MT 59903-5388, attention: Peggy.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Bud's family.

Dorothy Jane (Donaldson) Anderson, 81

Dorothy Jane (Donaldson) Anderson, 81, of Kalispell, passed away on Jan. 4, 2005, at Buffalo Hill Terrace of natural causes. She was born on Sept. 27, 1924, in Spring Lake, N.J. She then moved to New York City where she was raised.

In 1942, she moved with her family to Kent, Ohio, where she worked for the War Department in communications at the Ravena Arsenal in Ravena, Ohio. It was there that she met her husband-to-be, Herb Anderson. They were married on July 6, 1944.

Dorothy and Herb moved to New Jersey where they raised their family. After retiring, they lived in Vero Beach, Fla., and Monument, Colo., before moving to Bigfork in 1994. They moved to Kalispell in January 2002.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband, Herb Anderson, her parents, Robert and Ann Donaldson, brother, Alexander Donaldson, who was killed in action during World War II, her brother, Robert Donaldson, her sister, Elizabeth Berkman, and a 16-year old

granddaughter, Lauren Anderson.

She is survived by her three sons, Herbert A. Anderson II and his wife Judy of Kalispell, Robert A. Anderson of Hopkinton, Mass., and Eric C. Anderson and his wife Maxine of Seeley Lake; six grandchildren, Vicki Jones of Powell, Ohio, Christie Anderson of Fort Collins, Colo., Katie Jones and husband Brian of Nampa, Idaho, Herbert E. Anderson of Frenchtown, and Amy and Julie Anderson of Hopkinton, Mass., and two great granddaughters, Megan and Allison Jones of Ohio.

Dorothy was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She enjoyed talking about her mother being raised in Ireland and her father being raised in Scotland. She was an inspiration to all and will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Dorothy was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Kalispell.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is handling the cremation and a small family service took place on Jan. 6.

DOROTHY JANE (DONALDSON) ANDERSON, 81

January 11, 2005 at 5:01 am | Daily Inter Lake

Dorothy Jane (Donaldson) Anderson, 81, of Kalispell, passed away on Jan. 4, 2005, at Buffalo Hill Terrace of natural causes. She was born on Sept. 22, 1923, in Spring Lake, N.J. She then moved to New York City where she was raised.

In 1942, she moved with her family to Kent, Ohio, where she worked for the War Department in communications at the Ravena Arsenal in Ravena, Ohio. It was there that she met her husband-to-be, Herb Anderson. They were married on July 8, 1944.

Dorothy and Herb moved to New Jersey where they raised their family. After retiring, they lived in Vero Beach, Fla., and Monument, Colo., before moving to Bigfork in 1994. They moved to Kalispell in January 2002.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband, Herb Anderson; her parents, Robert and Ann Donaldson; brother, Alexander Donaldson, who was killed in action during World War II; her brother, Robert Donaldson; her sister, Elizabeth Bjorkman; and a 16-year-old granddaughter, Lauren Anderson.

She is survived by her three sons, Herbert A. Anderson II and his wife Judy of Kalispell, Robert A. Anderson of Hopkinton, Mass., and Eric C. Anderson and his wife Maxine of Seeley Lake; six grandchildren, Vicki Jones of Powell, Ohio, Christie Anderson of Fort Collins, Colo., Katie Jones and husband Brian of Nampa, Idaho, Herbert E. Anderson of Frenchtown, and Amy and Julie Anderson of Hopkinton, Mass.; and two great-granddaughters, Megan and Allison Jones of Ohio.

Dorothy was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She enjoyed talking about her mother being raised in Ireland and her father being raised in Scotland. She was an inspiration to all and will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Dorothy was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Kalispell.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is handling the cremation and a small family service took place on Jan. 6.

Leoda 'Lee' Anderson, 72

Leoda "Lee" A. Anderson, 72, passed "into the arms of her Lord and Savior" on Friday, Oct. 21, 2005, in Phoenix. She was born March 4, 1933, in Roseau, Minn., to Lester and Lucille (Rouse) Erickson.



At the age of 9, she moved to Saco where she lived for the rest of her childhood.

In 1951, she graduated from Saco High School. Shortly thereafter, she moved to Malta and began work at the local telephone company.

It was there she met the love of her life, Lowell Anderson. They were married on May 9, 1954, in Malta.

Lowell "Andy" and Lee moved the family to Kalispell in the summer of 1966, where she worked at Northwest Telephone Systems, retiring in 1975.

After Andy's retirement from Flathead Electric in Kalispell, they spent their winters in Arizona, where she made many friends at the Wheeler In (a snowbird community).

Her five children were the lights of her life and she could never be more proud of them. Many of her favorite times revolved around her family, including camping and fishing trips, Fourth of July outings, many holidays where she cooked up potato salad, cinnamon rolls, cookies and many other dishes and treats, and having her family and friends over for cards. These were among her favorite memories.

Lee also enjoyed knitting, sewing, reading, and the many visits

from grandchildren and great-grandchildren, when she would proclaim "let me kiss your face!" "We love you Mom."

She is survived by her husband, Lowell Anderson, of Kalispell; five children, Joanne "Jo" Keller and husband, Bob, of Kalispell, Neil Anderson and wife, Tamara, of Phoenix, Alyn Ann Hangebrauk and husband, Robert, of Kalispell, Lynette Witts and husband, Bill, of Polson, and Lana Clark and husband, Sam, of Kalispell; 11 grandchildren, Nikolette Elletson, Amy Elletson, and Jeff Keller, all of Kalispell, Kenny Keller of Bozeman, Cobey Hangebrauk of Denver, Heidi McAtee and husband, Dave, of Kalispell, Bobby Hangebrauk of Kalispell, Erin Witts and her fiancé, James Debleed, of Springfield, Mo., Eric Witts of Polson, and Jayson and Jayden Clark of Kalispell; four great-grandchildren, Jona Elletson, Brady and Parker McAtee and William Russel Debleed; also one sister, Lavetta Hensley, of Libby.

Lee's family invites you to share in a celebration of the life of this wonderful wife, sister, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt, niece, cousin and friend at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 27, at Calvary Lutheran Church of Evergreen. Visitation will be held from 1 until 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens of Kalispell. The family suggests donations be made to: The American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22718, Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Leoda's family.

Martha Frances (Hoppus) Anderson, 81

Martha Frances (Hoppus) Anderson, 81, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2005, at St. Mary Medical Center in Walla Walla, Wash.

Loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend, Martha was born in Kalispell to Edward and Minnie Amilia Hoppus on Aug. 24, 1924.

She grew up in Kalispell where she met the love of her life, Kermit L. Anderson. They were married Feb. 2, 1943.

Martha worked at the Army Depot in Pasco, Wash., during World War II, and had their first child while Kermit served his country abroad, after which they settled back in Kalispell.

Martha was a devoted wife who took great pride in the upkeep of her home and family, always keeping her home warm and inviting to many friends and relatives, no matter where they moved. They settled in Walla Walla in 1965, and it became home. Martha suffered some medical problems in 1977, which made everyday things hard for her. But she always had great determination, always was feisty, and continued to challenge herself to

overcome any difficulties that she might have had.

After the death of her husband in 1983, Martha focused her attention on her animals, of which there were many. She found great joy in her grandchildren, and always enjoyed their visits.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Kermit L. Anderson; her parents; a daughter, Karen Anderson, and a brother, Victor Hoppus.

Martha is survived by a daughter, Vicki Russell, of Richland, Wash.; and two sons, Raymond Anderson of Hermiston, Ore., and Robbin Anderson of Walla Walla; a stepbrother, Alvin Krentz, of Kalispell; 10 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. today, Sept. 16, at Mountain View Cemetery in Walla Walla, with Chaplain Steve Morris of the Jonathan M. Wainwright Veterans Medical Center officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Blue Mountain Humane Society through Herring Funeral Home in Walla Walla.

Arrangements are entrusted to Herring Groseclose Funeral Home.

Maureen Anabell Martin Anderson, 85

Maureen (Maureen) Anabell Martin Anderson, 85, of Ferry, formerly of Columbia Falls, died March 29, 2005, at the Prairie Community Health Center.

Survivors include her daughter, Barbara Rind,

Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 1, at the Glacier Memorial Park in Kalispell. Family and friends will meet the Johnson Mortuary in Kalispell at 1:30 p.m. and proceed to the cemetery.

Ruby E. (Blades) Anderson, 85

Ruby E. (Blades) Anderson, 85, a longtime resident of Columbia Falls, died Oct. 20, 2005, in Elgin, Ill.

She is survived by her children, Jerri Harrison of Arizona, Debbie Becker of East

Dundee, Ill., Janet LaRocco, Florence Anderson and Jeffrey Anderson, all of Carpentersville, Ill., and Patricia Telford of Boca Raton, Fla.

Services were held in Illinois.

SOFIA MARIE ANDERSON, INFANT

December 29, 2005 at 5:00 am | Daily Inter Lake

Sofia Marie Anderson passed away Dec. 24, 2005, at the Benefis Neonatal Intensive Care Unit in Great Falls.

She was born on Dec. 23, 2005, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Sofia is survived by her parents, Lee and Heidi Anderson, of Kalispell; grandparents Dean and Linda Knutson, of Polson, and George and Florence Anderson of Choteau; great-grandparents, George and Jean Anderson of Blairstown, N.J., and Don McGuire of Bismarck, N.D.; aunts and uncles, Cory and Angie Knutson of Polson, Heather Knutson of Polson, and George and Cindy Anderson of Big Timber; and cousins, Brooke, Beau, Kenzie and Kylee Wegner of Polson.

While Sofia's time with us was short, she brought a lifetime of love to her family and those who took care of her in her time of need. Our lives were touched by this little angel and will be forever changed.

"We know you are smiling down upon us Sofia Marie and we will never forget you."

Angelica A. Andrachick, 17

Angelica is now sleeping in death with her father, Frank, awaiting Jehovah God's glorious resurrection." Angelica was born Aug. 5, 1988, in Apple Valley, Calif. She moved to Marion in July of 1989.



She was very talented. Her drawings were wonderful and she loved singing. She was best when writing. Her poetry was beautiful. She wrote a book and was in the process of finding a publisher.

She attended school at Marion, Lakeside, Somers, and at Flathead High School. She finished eleventh grade in June of 2005 and then went to Running Start where she completed her credits for the twelfth grade and accumulated nine college credits with a 4.0 grade point average. She received her diploma two weeks after turning 17. She would have walked down the aisle with her graduating class in May 2006. She moved to Las Vegas in September with her mother Dolly (Gwen) Holland.

She loved Montana and went to visit family and friends on Dec. 18. She would have returned Jan. 5 to Las Vegas. Her tragic death occurred on Dec. 25, while going up to Kalispell to see the love of her young life, Scott Allen Purdy of Kalispell.

Angelica loved life and she loved to laugh. She was beautiful both inside and out. She was intelligent, compassionate, empathetic and kind. She loved her family and friends with her whole heart.

She leaves behind her brother, Sean Andrachick, and his wife Sandy, and their two children, Terren and Taylor, all of Marion; brother, Steven Andrachick, and his wife Lindsey, and their three children, Austyn, Braxtyn and Stevyn, all of Kalispell; her mother, Dolly (Gwen) Holland, and her fiancé Frank Hamers, of Las Vegas — the only man since her father that she said she would ever call "Dad."

We will all miss her sense of humor, her wit, her charm and her laughter.

May Jehovah God remember her.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday Dec. 31, 2005, for all of her family and friends at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in Kalispell. A potluck will follow the services at the home of Sean and Sandra Andrachick, 263 Gopher Lane, Marion.

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

Gayle Applegate, 77

Gayle Applegate, 77, passed away at home on April 6, 2005.

He was born on July 2, 1927, in Deer Lodge, to Carl and Helen Applegate. He attended school in Deer Lodge.

Gayle married the love of his life, Rosalyn Forkan, on April 17, 1948, in Anaconda. They resided in Anaconda and he retired from the Anaconda Company after 30 years.

He was a member of the Eagles, March of Dimes and the Anaconda Catholic Community. Gayle also enjoyed many activities including hunting, fishing, bowling and spending time at his cabin that he built at Georgetown Lake. He was an avid Flathead Braves football fan for 30 years. He will always be

remembered, but sadly missed.

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

Survivors include his wife; son, Bob Applegate of Kalispell; daughter, Linda and son-in-law, Dave Snow of Anaconda; grandchildren, Jeff and Misty Snow of Anaconda, Summer Peztl of Washington, and Max and Ali Applegate of Kalispell; great-grandchildren, Grady and Ryan Snow and Malakah Peztl. He is also survived by brothers-in-law, Joe and John Forkan; and numerous nieces and nephews.

At his request there will be no services. Private interment will take place at a later date.

Memorials requested to Discovery House, Hospice, Project Hope or donor's choice.

Cremation arrangements are under the care of KT Riddle Funeral Home, Anaconda.



George Francis Antonovich, 80

George Francis Antonovich died March 31, 2005, at the age of 80. He was born Jan. 14, 1925, in Butte.



He lived his entire life in Montana between Butte and Livingston. His profession was a locomotive engineer with the Northern Pacific and Burlington Northern Railroad for 42 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 37 years, Nancy Marie (Comba) parents Catherine "Katie" Flanick and Jack Antonovich; sisters, Ann Fortune, Kay Arko, Mav Shagina and Josephine Antonovich; and brothers Andrew, John "Kelly" and Steve Antonovich.

He is survived by his four chil-

dren and their families, Georgia and Ray Pearson of Belgrade, Frank and Sally Antonovich of Vancouver, Wash., Jerry Antonovich of Belgrade, and Lori and Mike Morgan of Belgrade; three sisters, Margaret Levine of Vancouver, British Columbia, Emma Farmer of Spanaway, Wash., and Evelyn Blaskovich of Anaconda. In addition to immediate family, George is survived by eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 6, at Duggan-Dolan Funeral Home in Butte, with burial of the urn following the service at Holy Cross cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society Memorials, 550 N. 31st, Suite 103, Billings, MT 59101.

O.B. Arestad, 89

O.B. Arestad, 89, formerly of Kalispell, passed away peacefully at home in Tucson Ariz., with his wife, Leona, by his side Oct. 3, 2005.



He was born in Livingston, on Dec. 12, 1915. His parents were John and Oline Arestad.

He was preceded in death by his parents; an older sister, Agnes; and his younger brother, Erling.

In 1920, the family moved to Norway for about a year and then returned to Billings. O.B. received his grade school, high school and some of his college education in Billings. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in music from the University of Montana in Missoula. He began his teaching career in Park City.

In 1942, O.B. entered the Army and proudly served his country in World War II in the Pacific. After the war, he returned to teaching in White Sulphur Springs and Glendive, where he met Leona Miller. They were married Nov. 25, 1948, and were married for nearly 57 years.

O.B. and Leona had a long and loving union. Their companionship and love for each other supported them in good times and bad. As the years passed, their love continued to grow, and O.B. was especially grateful for Leona's deep love during his illness.

O.B. taught music in several Montana cities. His longest and last teaching position was in Kalispell, where he taught for 20 years and had many students. He taught orchestra and band in grade school, junior high and high school. Orchestra and the

violin were his primary interest.

In addition to teaching music and directing church choirs, he sang in many choirs and played in several orchestras. In Tucson, he was a member of Our Saviors' Lutheran Church choir, the Sunshine Barber Shopper's chorus and the Foothills Philharmonic. O.B. taught many beginning band and orchestras, and though the notes were not always sweet, he still enjoyed giving the gift of music. May all the notes sound sweet to him now.

O.B. was an avid golfer, fisherman and hunter. He loved most sports and encouraged his sons to participate. O.B. truly enjoyed many outings with his family. The outdoors was very special to him, and he shared this love of the outdoors with his sons. O.B.'s love of the outdoors and sports were passed to his grandchildren, who participate in sports and also enjoy the outdoors.

O.B.'s strong faith in God carried him through many difficult times of his life. His faith and the church community meant so much to him. He will be greatly missed by his wife, family and friends. He is now at peace after a lengthy and difficult illness.

His wife, Leona, and three sons and their wives survive him, John and Gloria of Littleton, Colo., James and Nancy of Kalispell, and Jeffrey and Kim of Allendale, N.J. Seven grandchildren also survive him, Ian, Cecilia, Lydia, Sage, Michael, Kristen and Sarah. Niece, Judy Quanbeck, and nephew, Duane Quanbeck, and wife, Marie, also survive him.

Memorials can be made to Casa de La Luz Hospice Foundation, 400 W. Magee Road, Tucson, AZ 85704; or Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1200 N. Campbell Road, Tucson, AZ 85718.

Harvey 'Slim' Armstrong, 86

Harvey "Slim" Armstrong, 86, passed away peacefully Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2005, in Spokane. Slim was a longtime resident of the Flathead Valley and a pioneer of Echo Lake.

Slim was born June 6, 1919, in Malta, and was a rancher until he moved to the valley in the 1940s.

He helped build Hungry Horse Dam and worked heavy equipment until becoming a long-haul truck driver. After a long career with Hephry Motor Freight, he bought his own rig in the 1970s. He also worked for Val-Con before retiring in the mid-1980s.

He loved to travel the country, so he and Margy bought a motorhome and became "Snow Birds." He was able to go back to all the places he wanted to stop and see when he was on the road. They especially enjoyed visit-

ing Branson, Mo., Nashville, Tucson, Ariz., San Diego and family in the Vero Beach, Fla., area.

The things Slim loved most in life were his wife, his family, his home on Echo Lake, and his close friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Margy, who passed away March 16, 2005.

He is survived by his children, Tami Ruckhaber and husband, Garth, of Spokane; sons, David Armstrong and wife, Katie, of Kalispell, Albert Greco and wife, Gina, of Spokane, and Lanny Greco and wife, Judy, of Spokane; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A memorial for family and friends to celebrate the lives of both Slim and Margy will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 4, at the family home on Echo Lake.

Ronald D. Arneson, 63

Ronald D. Arneson, 63, died July 22, 2005, at his home in Yuma, Ariz..

He is survived locally by his brother, Ed Arneson.

Cremation has taken place and no services are planned. Johnson Funeral Home in Yuma is in charge of arrangements.

Joyce Elaine Arnold, 82



Joyce Elaine Arnold, 82, passed away Dec. 19, 2005, at Heritage Place in Kalispell. She was born in Seneca, S.D., on Feb. 26, 1923, to Clifford and Selma Slasor. The family moved to Polson, where she attended and graduated from high school.

She moved to Seattle in 1941 where she worked as a bookkeeper.

In 1942, she met her one and only love, Thomas Eugene Arnold. They were married Aug. 10, 1942.

She was preceded in death by her husband, and a son, Peter.

Joyce is survived by one brother, Wayne Slasor, of Vancouver, Wash.; and three sons, Jim Arnold of Columbia Falls, Tom Arnold of Kalispell, and Hayes Arnold of Kalispell; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 22, at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 603 S. Main St., in Kalispell.

Roy N. Arnold, 78

Roy N. Arnold, 78, was born Aug. 24, 1926, to Jessie and Roy Arnold Sr. He passed away Aug. 2005, at the Washington State Veterans Home in Spokane.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Minnie Arnold, of Spokane; children, Matt Arnold and Lenya Treewater Arnold of Seattle, Mark and Robin Arnold, John and Stephanie Arnold, Cathy and Mike Sacco, Joe Arnold, and Beth and Jim Brasch, all of Spokane, Peggy and Scott Spiegelberg of Corvallis, Ore., Tom and Kathleen Arnold, and Bill and Dina Arnold, all of Spokane; 21 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Roy graduated from Whitefish High School, worked in Glacier National Park, and served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II.

He attended Gonzaga University and was a member of the Men's Glee Club.

He worked in the commercial insurance industry for 40 years, retiring in 1992.

Roy was most proud of his association with Lloyd's of London.

He was a member of AA for 29 years and also served on numerous boards and committees during his life.

Roy was loved deeply by his wife and family. He touched many lives in many ways. "He will be sorely missed by all until we are reunited with him again."

Visitation will be held at 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19, with a vigil service afterward at 7 p.m., both at St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 505 W. Thomas More Way, in Spokane.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, at St. Thomas More Catholic Church. A committal service will follow at Holy Cross Cemetery, 7200 N. Wall.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Gonzaga Prep's Fair Share Program, 1224 E. Euclid, Spokane, WA 99207; or to the Alzheimer's Association, 601 W. Maxwell Ave., Ste. 4, Spokane, WA 99201-2418.

Arrangements are by Hennessy-Smith Funeral Home, 2203 N. Division, in Spokane.

Noel D. Aronson, 71

Our loving father and grandfather, Noel D. Aronson, peacefully passed away Nov. 29, 2005, in his home after a battle with cancer and MS. Private family services will be held Saturday, Dec. 3, in Kalispell.

Our father was born in Kalispell on March 17, 1934, to A.T. "Ted" and Nell Aronson. After graduating from Flathead County High School, Noel attended and graduated from Whitman College in Walla Walla, Wash. Our dad was then drafted by the Philadelphia Phillies and was later released to a career-ending injury.

Noel then was hired as a teacher and baseball coach in The Dalles, Ore., in 1957, where he built a very successful baseball program. In 1972, Noel and his family moved to Ontario, Ore., where he became the baseball coach for Treasure Valley Community College. In 1976, he led the Chukars to their first National JUCO World Series appearance.

Noel finished his teaching and coaching careers in Sweet Home, Ore., from 1978 to 1986. Noel was then stricken with multiple sclerosis, forcing an early retirement

with the disability in 1987, where he moved back to Kalispell and Lakeside. Noel spent the remaining years of his life in his cabin on Flathead Lake, where he enjoyed the peace and beauty of this magnificent part of Northwest Montana.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Susanne; his parents; and his grandson, Ian Park.

Survivors include his brother, Sid Aronson, and his wife, Kitty; his children, Ed and Jody Aronson, Pam and Greg Park, Kathleen and Ted May, Jennifer and Francis Forquer, and Amy and Chris Miller; grandchildren, Ryan and Tess Aronson, Shawna Park, Aaron and Trista Forquer, Annie and Katie May, and Samantha Miller; and one great-granddaughter, Kya.

"We want to thank Hospice and Home Options for their wonderful services and support. And a special thank-you to Lisa Warner, Wendy Warner, Cindy Sampson, Ruby Holiday, and Jody Calhoun for their many years of personal care and love for our father. Thank you again, from the whole family."

Jack Lee Atkinson II, 59

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He will be missed by many.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. on Thursday, March 31, at the Lakeside Chapel in Lakeside, with Pastor John Ulrich officiating. After the services a reception will be held at the Homestead Cafe in Lakeside.

A memorial fund has been established at Flathead Bank-Lakeside, P.O. Box 709, Lakeside MT 59922. Flowers may be sent to 183 Troutbeck Road, Lakeside, MT.

Vilas M. Au Claire, 85

Vilas M. Au Claire, 85, died Nov. 4, 2005, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He is survived by his wife, Audrine "Audy" (McClelland) of Kalispell; two daughters, Pam Nelson and Terilyn Anderson of Galt City, Calif.; and twin sons, Mike Au Claire of Roseville, Calif., and Rick Au Claire of Arcata, Calif.; also a sister, June Hill, of Kalispell; and two sisters-in-law, Jane Herbkersman and Tommy Lybeck, both of Kalispell. He is also survived by 13 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.



AU CLAIRE

He was preceded in death by his parents, Pearl and Henry Au Claire; a brother, Harold; two sisters, Lola Craft and Lois Johnson; and stepmother, Clara.

Vilas was born in Kalispell, in 1920, and attended schools here.

He and Audy were married June 21, 1941.

He joined the Seabees in 1943, and later entered the Navy V-5 program, and was going to Flight Officers training when the war ended.

Vilas worked for Kalispell Lumber Co. for several years; in Port Angeles, Wash., for eight years; and in Arcata, Calif., for 12 years as a mill superintendent. He retired from Bohemia Inc., in 1982, and moved back to Kalispell. He also went to Argentina in 1994 as a sawmill consultant.

He was elected to the Saw Filers Hall of Fame on June 15, 2002.

Vilas loved time with his family, music and traveling to Arizona

and California in the winter.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, at Calvary Lutheran Church in Kalispell with Pastor Kurt Rau.

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March 27, 2005 at 5:00 am |

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