

## John Michael Ladanye, 51

John Michael Ladanye, 51, of Kalispell, passed away Sunday, Oct. 15, 2006, at Poudre Valley Hospital in Fort Collins, Colo., after a brave struggle against brain cancer.



He was born Jan. 15, 1955, in Albuquerque, N.M. He lived in New Mexico until he was 13, when he moved with his family to the Missoula area. He graduated from Sentinel High School and went on to receive a bachelor's degree in zoology and a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Montana. In 2003, he earned a master's degree in science education from Montana State University-Northern.

On July 3, 1999, he married Karen (nee Seibel) in Havre. The first marriage for both, they enjoyed more than seven loving and wonderful years together. The couple lived in Havre until October 2005, when they moved to Kalispell.

John worked many years as a high-school science teacher, including six years with the Turner Public School System. While there, he supervised many student science projects that advanced all the way to the international level of Science Fair competition.

From 2002 to 2005, he was the natural-resources instructor at Fort Belknap College in Harlem. In the summer of 2005, while attending the Revere Academy of Jewelry Design in San Francisco, he was diagnosed with brain cancer, which ended his dream of becoming a goldsmith and jewelry maker.

He loved to learn and was knowledgeable in many areas. He took great pleasure in nature and the outdoors, including all types of plants and animals,

and he had great respect and concern for the natural environment. He liked camping, fishing, hiking, sailing, and many other outdoor activities.

He enjoyed traveling and had the opportunity to go to many places, including the Hawaiian Islands and Alaska. In 2004, he and his wife took a cruise to the Caribbean.

He was also very artistic and creative, and enjoyed working with his hands.

His pet dogs brought him a great amount of happiness.

John was both a strong and gentle man. He was thoughtful and kind, and had a great sense of humor. He remembered his childhood fondly, and at times he joyfully displayed the sense of wonder and innocence of the little boy he was so long ago.

Survivors include his wife, Karen, of Kalispell; his parents, Mary and George Ladanye, of Arlee; his brother, George, of Arlee, his brother, Ray, of Ketchikan, Alaska; and many aunts, uncles and cousins. He also leaves behind his beloved dogs, Elsie and Sparky.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Charles and Mary (nee Serson) Ladanye, and Ray and Edith (nee Clark) Vandevoot.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22, at Garden City Funeral Home in Missoula. Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at the funeral home, with the Rev. Glen Burfeind of Kalispell First Presbyterian Church officiating. Interment will be afterward at Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Missoula.

Pallbearers will be Ray Ladanye, George Ladanye, John Legan, John Seibel, Ralph Beckett and Joe Beckett.

The family suggests memorials to the National Brain Tumor Foundation, the American Cancer Society, or the donor's local ASPCA.

## Jennie Mae Pemble Ladenburg, 77

Jennie Mae Pemble Ladenburg died Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2006, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

Jennie was born Jan. 26, 1929, to Charles and Verna Pemble of the Deer Park community. She graduated from Flathead County High School and received a degree in nursing from Montana State College and Deaconess School of Nursing in Bozeman.

She was married in 1952 to John Ladenburg, and they settled in the Columbia Falls area, where they raised six sons and two daughters.

Jennie worked at the Montana Veterans Home from 1974 to 1983, serving as director of nurses. After her retirement due to health issues, she devoted herself to church activities at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls, where she participated on the pastoral council and was a member of CCW.

She also volunteered at the Chamber of Commerce and started the cribbage program in the



schools. In her spare time, Jennie loved reading, knitting, watching sports, playing cards, and traveling to visit her children and grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Lucille Parpart; her husband, John; and her sons, Charles and William "Bill."

She is survived by her children, Martha Philbin of Columbia Falls, Joseph of Bidor, Texas, Matthew of Havre, Mark of Columbia Falls, Paula Land of Seattle, and Patrick of Libby; nine grandsons and one granddaughter; and her brothers, Fay Pemble of Kalispell, and Chuck Pemble of Billings.

A visitation will be held from 1 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, at Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. A rosary will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, at Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. A funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 25, at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be made to St. Richard's CCW or the Badrock Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary.

## Iris M. Laffoon, 93

Iris M. Laffoon, 93, of Troy, died Saturday, Dec. 23, 2006, at a Spokane nursing care facility.

She was born Sept. 21, 1913, near Livingston to George and Minnie Case. She married Clare Laffoon on Aug. 15, 1933. Clare preceded her in death in 1980.

She is survived by her children, Charline Garrison of Troy; Larry G. Laffoon of Hayden, Idaho; Joel F. Laffoon of Spokane; and Gail Jefferson of Ephrata, Wash.;

and a sister, Betty Schnell, of Grand Junction, Colo.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Troy Church of God, with Pastor Dennis Crystal of the Seventh-day Adventist Church officiating. Interment services will follow at Milnor Lake Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10:30 a.m. until service time Wednesday at the church.

Nelson and Vial Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

## Violet Margaret Lake, 95

Violet Margaret Lake, 95, died Friday, May 19, 2006, at Lake View Care Center in Bigfork.

She is survived by her two sons, William "Bill" Reed of

Algonac, Mich., and Philip Reed of Bigfork.

There will be no visitation or memorial services locally.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for the family.

Memorial services for Majel M. Lamoreux, who died Aug. 27, 2006, will be held at 7

p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 27, at Epworth United Methodist Church.

### Robert L. Lampton, 89

Robert L. Lampton, 89, a longtime resident of Libby, died on June 3, 2006, at Libby Care Center.

He had worked mainly in the grocery business, particularly Rosauers, until his retirement.

He is survived by his children, Nancy Phillips of Phoenix, Lee and Larry Lampton

of Libby, and Betty Jean Lampton of Livingston.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 7, at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 8, at Libby Christian Church. Interment will follow at the City of Libby Cemetery.

### Marvin Landon, 75

Marvin Landon passed away July 11, 2006, at age 75 at Life Care Center in Kennewick, Wash.

Marvin resided 30 years with his wife, Gladys, in Wenatchee, Wash., then spent his retirement — 10 years — in Irrigon, Ore.

He grew to manhood in Kalispell before moving to the Wenatchee area. He worked in the logging industry for approximately 20 years here.

He attended the Salvation Army in Wenatchee for many years, was involved in community service as well as the church. He was a member of Wenatchee Elks Lodge. He attended the S.D.A. Church in Leavenworth, Wash., Cashmere, Wash., and in Irrigon.

Marvin loved golfing with friends, traveling and family reunions each year. He will be missed this year.

He is survived by his wife, Gladys, of 51 years; four children,

Marvin "Buzz" Landon Jr. of Irrigon, Anita Moser of Wenatchee, Laura Hightower of Pasco, Wash., and Karey Ann Gasser of Columbia Falls; sisters, Nadine Christie and Grace Watters, both of Kalispell; brothers, Frank Landon of Newberg, Ore., James Landon of Burns, Ore., and Don Landon of Kalispell; three grandchildren, and numerous great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Carol and Merle Landon; sisters, Alice Pollard and Sylvia Gleason; and brother, John Roy Landon.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, July 14, at Desert Lawn Memorial Park in Kennewick, and a memorial service will follow at noon at the Kennewick Seventh-day Adventist Church, 7105 W. 10th Ave., in Kennewick.

The family invites you to sign their online guest book at [www.muellersfuneralhomes.com](http://www.muellersfuneralhomes.com).

## Jennifer 'Jenny' Rose Lanktree, 20

"Our beloved Jennifer "Jenny" Rose Lanktree, 20, "left us to be with the angels" Saturday June 24, 2006, at her home in Kalispell, after fighting a long and courageous battle with leukemia. Jenny was born May 16, 1986, in Kalispell to Scott and Laurie (Schultz) Lanktree.



Jenny attended local schools and graduated in the spring of 2004. Jenny had a love for life, music and spending time with her family and friends. She had a very special group of friends with whom she loved to gather around a bonfire and have fun. Jenny's warm smile and wonderful spirit touched the lives of everyone she met.

Jenny "is being watched over in heaven" by her Grandma Alma Lanktree, her Aunt Joy Schultz, and her Uncle Larry Baier.

Those she left behind who are holding her warm smiles and memories in their hearts are her fiance,

Andrew Rapada, of Kalispell; her dad, Scott Lanktree, of Kalispell; her mom, Laurie Schultz, and her fiance, Craig Roberts, both of Kalispell; a brother, Aaron Lanktree, of Kalispell; three sisters, Jessica Guderjahn and her husband, Wyatt, of Camp Pendleton, Calif., Joni Lanktree and her fiance, A.J. Kruse, both of Kalispell, and Ashley Lanktree of Kalispell; her grandparents, Don and Lorraine Schultz, and James Lanktree, all of Kalispell; and three very special nephews, Alarik, Stetson and Zane Guderjahn; also numerous aunts and uncles who were very dear to her.

A private service is being held for Jennifer "Jenny" Rose Lanktree on Wednesday, June 28, in Kalispell.

The family suggests cards be mailed to P.O. Box 475, Kalispell, MT 59903; and flowers may be sent to 328 Smith Lake Road, in Kalispell. Any memorials may be sent to Home Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901; or the Wings Foundation, P.O. Box 7852, Kalispell, MT 59904.

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

## Jerry Dennis Langton, 57

Jerry Dennis Langton packed a lot of living into his 57 years of life.

Always ready for a good time and surrounded by friends, Jerry spent endless hours riding his Harley, golfing, fishing and camping. He was also an avid snowmobiler prior to losing a courageous fight with cancer.

Jerry was the sole proprietor of Langton Excavation and enjoyed his work immensely. He was very respected in his profession and often stated that "every construction project starts with a hole in the ground."

Born to Dennis and Birdie Langton in Baudette, Minn., on July 29, 1949, Jerry joined his only brother, Larry, who was his best friend until Larry's death in 1989. Debbie, his only sister, was well-protected by both big brothers throughout their lives and currently resides



in Spokane, Wash., with her husband, Scott Gallaher, and two sons.

Jerry was preceded in death by his brother and parents.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Langton; son, Shawn; daughter-in-law, Rebecca; two grandsons, of Anchorage, Alaska; stepdaughter, Stacy Necessary; Jim Cook, of Jacksonville, Fla.; stepson, Shawn; daughter-in-law, Holly; four grandchildren, of Lemoore, Calif.; various aunts, uncles and cousins; one nephew and one niece; and hundreds of friends.

Services will be held at 4 p.m. today, Oct. 24, at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. Cremation has taken place, and interment at Glacier Memorial will be at a later date. Friends and family will gather at the VFW in Whitefish after the service.

Donations may be made to Hospice Home Options or the Humane Society of Northwest Montana.

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

## Dennis Langton, 88

Many hearts were broken with the passing of Dennis Langton on April 21, 2006, in Whitefish.

Dennis was born Oct. 23, 1917, in North Dakota. He attended school there and later was involved in farming and logging prior to entering the service in 1942. He served with the 13th Army Air Force in the Pacific and received many special awards with much of his time being spent as a gunner and radar technician.

In 1947 he married the love of his life, Birdie Tenney, and after having three children, they moved to Flathead County. He worked building the Hungry Horse Dam, followed by 23 years at Anaconda Aluminum Company in Columbia Falls where he served as the local president of the Aluminum Workers International Union. The Langton residence was a safe, loving home for nearly 50 foster children, and the favorite meeting place for family and friends.

Dennis loved gardening, camping, convertibles and music, especially singing and playing his



guitar, fiddle and harmonica. He was a life member and past commander of the VFW, life member of the DAV, member of the American Legion, Moose Lodge, and a longtime friend of Bill W.

Dennis recently published his first book, "The Day of the Bootlegger."

Dennis was preceded in death by his wife of 56 years, Birdie; eldest son, Larry; parents; one sister; and two brothers.

Survivors include his brother and sister-in-law, Ted and Mertle Langton, of Columbia Falls; sister and brother-in-law, Violet and Alvin Emerson, of Yakima, Wash.; son and daughter-in-law, Jerry and Patricia Langton, of Whitefish; daughter and son-in-law, Debbie Langton and Scott Gallaher, of Deer Park, Wash.; seven grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. Other survivors include Cecelia Langton of Libby; numerous nieces and nephews; and loads of friends.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, April 28, at Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish. After burial at Glacier Memorial Gardens, friends and family will gather at the Moose Lodge in Whitefish.

Donations may be made to VFW Post 275 in Whitefish.

## 'F' 'A' Langston, 78

"F" "A" Langston, 78, of Elmo, passed away from natural causes Sunday, Sept. 3, 2006, while archery hunting in Beaverhead County.

He was born Feb. 7, 1928, in Harrison, Ark., to "F" "A" and Ardina Langston. "F" "A" grew up in Arkansas and moved to Los Angeles as a young man.

He joined the U.S. Navy and served during World War II. After his honorable discharge from the Navy, "F" "A" made his home in Covina, Calif., for 20 years. He was a self-employed contractor.

He married Dolly in Los Angeles on April 12, 1946. He moved to Arlee in 1965, and continued as a general contractor. He later moved to Polson, in 1978, and continued contracting until retirement.

"F" "A" loved hunting, fishing and flying. He was a pilot for 40-plus years. He liked to travel and

spend winters in the South. He married Silvia Gelinis in December 2004.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Dolly Jean; and his second wife, Silvia Gelinis.

He is survived by his children Larry Langston, Charles Langston, Paul Langston, all of southern California, and Kenneth Langston of northern California, Paula Burch, of Washington, and Tami Nelson of Missoula; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at the Grogan Funeral Home Chapel, with Pastor Lloyd Barrie officiating.

Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory of Polson. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.groganfuneralhome.com](http://www.groganfuneralhome.com).

## Rachael Lee (Repnak) Lapp, 24

Rachael Lee (Repnak) Lapp peacefully "entered into her rest in Jehovah's memory" on Sept. 28, 2006, surrounded by her loved ones.



While Rachael was taken from them much too young, her family finds comfort in knowing that Rachael believed in God and will be resting in Jehovah's memory, awaiting the day when he will resurrect her into a perfect world.

Rachael came into this world June 6, 1982, to Becky Kirkwood in Polson. Rachael brought much love to her mother's life, and the two were inseparable from that point on. They had many adventures together during the early years, such as moving to California before finally settling in the Flathead Valley.

On June 18, 1988, their lives were joined with Lloyd Repnak in Polson, and they became a family on that special day. Lloyd welcomed Rachael into his heart as his daughter and loved her as one in every way. The day that she officially became his daughter was a cause for great celebration. The family grew with the addition on Rachael's sister, Aubray, and the event was much anticipated by Rachael as she was going to be the "Big Sister."

Rachael was known as the kind of person who would help you in a time of need, was loyal to her friends and loved ones, and had a great love of life. One of the many loves of Rachael's was her love of the outdoors. This showed in many of the activities that she shared with loved ones over the years. She spent many hours fishing, swimming, and hunting with her dad and mom, and many cousins and friends.

Many of Rachael's school years were spent at Fairmont-

Egan where she made many friends and memories. She continued her education at Flathead High School where she met her special group of friends — who were by her side through the many ups and downs of becoming a young woman. She graduated in June 2000, prepared and eager to begin her adult life. Her friends and she had much fun and shared many tears as they traveled the path to adulthood and grew through their experiences and forays into the worlds of wife and motherhood.

Rachael met Michael Lapp, who became the love of her life, in 2003 and they began to build their life together with friends and family. Shortly after, they were excited to discover that they were soon to be blessed with the addition of a child born of their love. On April 27, 2004, Josephine Wendy entered the world to become Rachael's pride and joy. Rachael found great contentment in being a mother, even though the experience was a new one for her. She spent many hours with Josephine teaching, playing, singing, and just reveling in the joys of motherhood.

She left us much too early but has left us with a lifetime of memories to help us through the hard days and to help keep her memory alive for Josephine and her loved ones.

Rachael was preceded in death by her paternal grandfather and maternal grandmother.

She leaves behind her husband, Michael Lapp; daughter, Josephine; father and mother, Lloyd and Becky Repnak; and sister, Aubray; father-in-law, Vance A. McMillan; and sister-in-law, Debbie Bergeson.

Rachael touched many lives and also left behind many, many beloved family members and friends who will cherish her memory.

A memorial service for Rachael will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 4, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in Kalispell.

## Clarice 'Clarie' Jenkins Larrick, 77

"What words could possibly capture the vibrant, effervescent character known as Clarie? "The 90-pound dynamo" will have to suffice! It wouldn't be too far-fetched to imagine that her list of "Things to do today" during the greater part of her lifetime might have included 1) paint the house 2) mow the lawn and 3) move the woodpile — one more time!" She could accomplish more in one day than many can manage in a week or more. Clarie's attitude was always "I can do it" and was manifested in her warp-speed gait and high-energy accomplishments.



Clarie was the mistress of true sacrifice, serving her family and community without any need for recognition. She chose to actively make a difference by supporting others undergoing laryngectomies (surgical removal of the larynx) and helping to set up a local support group for fellow laryngectomies, sharing her cancer story with teenage smokers, serving as a hospital volunteer, and as a volunteer for the Gemini program. For many years she also served as a Hospice volunteer, helping to ensure that people dying might do so with dignity, and she was blessed by this organization when it so compassionately served her and supported her family when she died on the morning of July 10, 2006, at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

Born in her parents' home in Philipsburg on Jan. 30, 1929, to George C. and Della (Rule) Jenkins, Clarie was proud to be the grandchild of pioneer families. She graduated from Drummond High School in 1947, and on March 20, 1948, married her sweetheart, S.Y. Larrick, to whom she was affectionately known as "Clarie" forever more. Theirs was a love affair that lasted for 47 years, until S.Y.'s death in 1995.

After graduating from the Business College in Missoula in 1949 and working to support S. Y. while he was in law school, Clarie gave birth to twin daughters, Vickie and Jackie, and in 1950, moved to Whitefish. In 1951, she and her family moved to Kalispell where she and S.Y. had daughters Suzanne and Robin, and where she remained until her death.

Clarie was born with the "gift of gab," an ability that allowed her to make any stranger feel at ease. Even after her laryngectomy, she joked that "they can cut my throat, but they can't shut me up." Her gift, however, was tempered by an amazing ability to listen — she should have written the book on "active listening." She had an uncanny ability for calling at just the right time, and saying just the right thing. She could be trusted to keep a confidence, and this fact and her wise counsel drew many to her fence and kitchen table where could be found people of all genders and ages. She was a mother figure to many, who encouraged them to do and be their best, and offered her support and help to make others' dreams come true.

Perhaps because Clarie was such a good listener, her ability to remember the details of others' lives was so extraordinary. She filed away the

various minutiae of people's lives and was always able to call to mind what seemed like insignificant data, helping people realize just how much they meant to her. Inside her head resided vast stores of dates, names, numbers, facts, and many irretrievable, sweet memories of good times with friends, relatives, children and grandchildren. Sometimes her references to time were slightly unique — "Don't you remember," she might say, "that was the year we grew that huge potato?" — but you could always count on Clarie to remember what, when and where.

She laughed with reckless abandon with a hearty, infectious laugh that was quelled only by her surgery after throat cancer. When she could no longer laugh with her voice box, her sky-blue, extraordinarily expressive eyes took over. With just one look, she could stop an offender in the midst of a misdeed, or embrace one with such compassion that you knew you'd just come home.

Clarie was a savvy investor, a homemaker extraordinaire whose cooking many looked forward to. She had a lovely singing voice and a love of music, and it wasn't unusual to hear her stereo blaring on cleaning day, as she enjoyed the songs of her ear. Just as comfortable with a wrench in her hand fixing her lawn mower, or at the sewing machine whipping up curtains for her girls, there just wasn't much that Clarie couldn't do. She was a classy dresser, a beautiful dancer, and a gracious hostess. Unimpressed with people's position or status, she gauged others by their character, and held herself to her own standards.

Her family and friends meant everything to Clarie, evident in the fact that through a multitude of hospitalizations, setbacks, declining health and a recent move to an apartment in an assisted-living facility, she continued to receive numerous visits and phone calls from those whose lives she touched. We are sure that she would want you all to know how much you meant to her.

The legacy she leaves to us, her community and loved ones, is as simple and clear as her bright blue eyes: "Be there for one another, do your part, and when it's time to go Home, do so having left the world a better place."

Clarie was preceded in death by her mother and father, Della and George Jenkins; brother, Cameron, Charles, and George Calvin; daughter, Suzanne; and husband S.Y.

She is survived by daughters, Vickie Poynter, Jackie Stevens and her husband, Greg, Robin Graham and her husband, Murry; grandchildren, Sean Larrick Poynter, Clair Elyse Graham, Taylor Emery Graham; and great-grandchild, Connor Larrick Poynter.

Memorial services for Clarie will be held at 4 p.m. Friday, July 14, at Epworth United Methodist Church in Kalispell, with the Rev. Huston Green officiating. Burial will be at 2 p.m. in C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. There will be no public visitation.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Clarie's memory to CASA for Kids (Court Appointed Special Advocates), c/o 600 Granite View Drive, Kalispell, MT 59901

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

## Alvin A. Larsen, 54

Alvin A. "Al" Larsen, 54, passed away Sunday, Dec. 17, 2006.

He was born May 11, 1952, to Alton and Myrtle Larsen in Fargo, N.D. Al attended school in Felton and graduated in 1970 from Glyndon/Felton High School.

Al and Roxanne (Longtime) were married Sept. 10, 1971, in Lake Park, Minn. They were married for 35 years and were true partners in life.

In 1978, the family moved out West to Montana. They lived in the Havre/Chinook area, but home was always the Flathead Valley, and that is where the family settled.

Through the years, Al worked as a rancher, firefighter for the Forest Service, logger and heavy-machine operator. At the present time, he was the owner of his own company, Bad Rock Trucking.

Al had a love for the mountains and horseback riding. He would look forward to those times when he could "head to the hills" and spend time sitting by a campfire after enjoying the ride on John Henry, his faithful

mule.

Family was very important to Al. He was a constant spectator at his grandkids' sporting events. His grandchildren all enjoyed the camping and fishing trips that he took them on. Horseback riding with his family and friends and hunting trips with his son, James, will always be fond memories.

Al leaves behind his loving wife, Roxanne; daughter, Michelle and Tim Peterson; sons, Jeremy, and James and Jessica Larsen; grandchildren, Nathaniel, Nicholas, and Rachel Peterson, and Kobie and Abie Larsen; sisters, Marlys Hicks and Carol Halabrin, both of Minnesota; and a brother, Gene Larsen.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the Reid Morgan Peterson Fund at Glacier Bank, or the NRA.

Al was preceded in death by his parents, Alton and Myrtle Larsen of Felton, Minn.; and his son, Chad Wade Larsen.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 22, at Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

## David Cameron Larsen, 47

David Cameron Larsen, 47, died on Tuesday, 27, 2006, at his home in Kalispell.

He is survived locally by his mother and stepfather,

Suzanne and Walter Koerschner.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.



## Clinton Kenneth Larson, 81

Clinton Kenneth "Kenny" Larson passed away Dec. 16, 2006, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

Kenny was born in Helena on Sept. 8, 1925, to Clint and Savilla Larson. There he attended public schools. He joined the Navy in October 1943.

After completing radio and gunnery schools in Tennessee and Florida, he was assigned to Night Torpedo Squadron 55 as an air crewman, and was serving aboard the USS Enterprise when the war ended. He was honorably discharged in May 1946. He then went on to attend the University of Montana for one year.

Kenny had a lifetime love for aviation and was a skilled model builder and radio-control airplane pilot.

In 1950, His family moved to the Kalispell area, where he worked on the Hungry Horse Dam and Reservoir.

On Dec. 25, 1950, he married Betty Ann Felsman of Kalispell. From that marriage they had four children, Garry, Douglas, Wayne and Laura. This marriage ended in divorce in 1968.

Ken worked for the propane company in Kalispell and was

manager of the propane company in Ronan for several years. He eventually moved to North Dakota, where he married Marion Stinkeoway, who passed away in 1981.

While in North Dakota, he purchased the Hamden Bar and later the Lawton Bar in Lawton, N.D.

He retired in 1990 and moved back to Kalispell to be closer to his children. He lived at the Glacier Manor until illness forced him to move to the Veterans Home in Columbia Falls, where he passed away.

He is survived by his brother, Gary, and wife, Judy, of Seattle; his three sons and their wives, Garry and wife, Dawn, of Benton, Ark., Douglas and wife, Jeannie, of Kalispell, and Wayne and wife, Vicki, of Louisiana; and one daughter, Laura Hargrave, and her friend, Josh Shulenburger, of Kalispell; 10 grandchildren, Cory, Sara, Jack, Brooke, Kristin, Kayla, Kinsey, Ryan, Megan and Beau; and two great-grandchildren, Jailyynn and Chance.

Cremation has taken place. Services will be held at a later date.

## Colton Andrew Larson, 16

Colton Andrew Larson, 16, "went home into the arms of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" on Friday, July 14, 2006, in Kalispell as the result of a motor-vehicle accident.

He was born Feb. 28, 1990, in Whitefish to Scott Larson and Deborah (Keller) Larson.

Colton attended schools in Kalispell and was going to be a junior at Flathead High School this fall. Colton did everything all out. He loved anything to do with speed. He raced stock cars at Raceway Park in Kalispell; loved go-karts, radio-controlled cars and snowmobiles. He enjoyed racing games on his Xbox and PlayStation; working on cars; was an avid hunter and also enjoyed camping.

He also had a real knack for personalizing people with a name that was unique for that person. He was a loyal son, grandson, nephew and friend. He enjoyed working with his dad in their shop on cars and trucks. At the time of his death, he was working as a body-shop technician at M&T Auto Body. He also attended the Christian Center in Kalispell.

Colton would do anything for a friend. As a result of his giving nature, Colton donated his organs, tissues and corneas so that oth-



ers can benefit and enjoy a better quality of life. Colton will be sorely missed by his parents, his son, girlfriend, uncles, grandparents and everyone with whom he came in contact.

He is preceded in death by his maternal grandfather Floyd William Keller and step-grandfather Harold "Pappers" Shields.

He is survived by his parents, Scott Larson and Debi Keller-Weisz, of Kalispell; a sister, Samantha Jo Keller, of Kalispell; his 7-week-old son, Aydon Scott Larson, and his mother, Alexandria Markham, of Kalispell; three uncles, Steve "Boo" Larson of Kalispell, Russell Keller of Pforzheimer, Germany, and Bob Shields of Spokane; his grandmothers, Joan Shields and Cheryl Larson, both of Kalispell; a grandfather, Lowell Larson, of Brodheadsville, Pa.; two very special people, Laura Pierce, who was like a second "Mom," and her son, Kyle, of Kalispell; along with numerous cousins and friends.

Funeral services for Colton will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 19, 2006, at the Christian Center in Kalispell. Burial will be after services at C.E. Conrad Cemetery. The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children, P.O. Box 2472, Spokane, WA 99210.

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

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## Marrion 'Terri' Larson, 63

Marrion "Terri" Larson died Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2005, in Missoula. She was 63.

Relatives and friends are invited to meet for a graveside burial at 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, at Lone Pine Cemetery. The Rev. Miles Finch will be the celebrant. The family wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to the nurses and staff of St. Patrick Hospital.

Terri was adopted Jan. 6, 1942, in Bigfork, by Evelyn E. and Claude W. Schandelmier.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her daughter, Marci.

She leaves her eldest son, Randy Walter; her son, Justin Larson, and his wife, Sandra; she also leaves a daughter, Lori Walter. Terri leaves the grandchildren she so dearly cherished, Chance,

Steven, Stacey, Casey and Alexis. She also leaves her sister, Kathy Eslick of Bigfork; many nieces and nephews; dear friends, the Rev. Miles and Karen Finch; and her "angel on earth" Margit Groessler, registered nurse.

In her early years, Terri celebrated life in the wondrous beauty of her family's farm on Flathead Lake and found great joy working alongside her father. Her care for detail and exquisite handiwork was realized in her knitting and sewing. Every grandchild has begun life with blankets and bundling lovingly made by Terri. A woman of immense strength and loyalty, she lived for her children, and theirs.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that those who smoke find the strength and support to quit.

## Pat L. LaSalle, 70

"Pat" L. LaSalle, 70, died Monday, Oct. 2, 2006, in Helena.

Services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 6, at the Fortress of Joy, with interment to follow at the

Montana State Veterans Cemetery at Fort Harrison. Military graveside honors will be presented by the Lewis and Clark Veterans Council.

## Guy Laurendeau, 81

On Tuesday, May 9, 2006, at 2:18 p.m. a great man, wonderful friend, loving father, and unique personality passed from this world "to be with his Lord and Savior."



Guy Laurendeau was born in Montreal, Quebec, on Oct. 8, 1924, to Georges and Stella Franceur Laurendeau. As a result of family circumstances he spent a portion of his youth in a Catholic orphanage.

Migrating west to California at the age of 17, he served a stint in the U.S. Army before beginning a long and remarkably successful career in business. His first business was as an owner and operator of a parking lot in Hollywood where he met all of the great movie stars and celebrities of the day. He then took a job with Pachmayer Gun Works as an engineer and firearms tester, serving also as a guide for company hunting parties to Colorado, Mexico and many other locations.

In the 1960s he started Trans-Aero, his own aircraft interior design and manufacturing company, building interiors for both commercial and private aircraft. He developed a long-standing relationship with Boeing aircraft and won many awards of recognition during the years he did business with them. The seats he designed and built are still in use in commercial aircraft today. After successfully negotiating the sale of his company to a large English corporation, he continued to serve as a consultant to the company for five years.

Guy's enthusiasm for life was apparent in everything he did. He was accomplished in many areas of endeavor and had an abiding interest in a wide variety of hobbies and activities. No matter what he turned his attention to, he did it wholeheartedly and well.

His love of boats led him to sailing, which he did with great skill, winning many competitive races, including the President's Cup, a long-distance race from Newport, Calif., to Ensenada, Mexico.

When his attention turned to aviation, he became a pilot and aircraft owner with many exciting tales of flying exploits. Other sporting activities included snow skiing and scuba diving, as well as racing cars and power boats. Once when talking about his hobbies, he mentioned that he had done everything but skydiving.

Guy loved to cook and to enter-

tain. His passion for food extended to entering the annual Bigfork Tamarack Time! cooking competition, which he won many times for his chili and stews.

Guy and his wife of 21 years, Toni, purchased land in Bigfork in 1991, and moved here permanently in 1992, naming his Montana paradise Nirvana.

All of his life, Guy was very active in civic organizations and benevolent groups, especially after arriving in Bigfork. He was extremely active in Big Brothers and Sisters and always brought many people to the annual Select 100 fundraising dinner. He won the 2005 Big Hat Award for outstanding community service given by the Bigfork Development Company. He earned the rank of general in the Bigfork Elves, creating the tradition of traveling among the decorating parties with hot chocolate and schnapps.

He was a relentless recruiter for civic organizations and was active in Rotary, The Scott Valley Soldiers Memorial Fund, and most recently the Intermountain Children's Home. In 2000, Guy was diagnosed with terminal cancer and given only a short time to live. He started attending the Bigfork Friday morning Bible study known as The Dirt Bags and soon became an amazing recruiter for the Dirt Bags, bringing many people into that group. Guy accepted Christ and was baptized in Flathead Lake on July 4, 2002.

In light of his deep and abiding love and appreciation of women, it is only fitting that a celebration of his life will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. on Mother's Day, May 14, at Flathead Lake Lodge; casual attire is acceptable.

He is survived by his wife, Toni Laurendeau; daughter, Renee Coursey, of Sonoma, Calif.; son, John Gary Laurendeau, of Kimball, Mich.; brother, George Laurendeau, of Eureka Calif.; sister, Mimi Henkes, of Bend, Ore.; grandchildren, Guy Coursey, Jason Coursey, Michelle Coursey and Lisa Laurendeau; stepsons, Michael and Vince Bologna of San Pedro, Calif., and Perry Harding of Barnegat, N.J.; stepgrandchildren, Christian Bologna, Sydney and Ryan Harding; along with his three great-grandchildren, Lauren, Nicole and Abigail Coursey, and all who claimed him as a friend, father, brother and grandfather. He also leaves behind his pet companions, Miss Pea, Buster and Prince Andrew.

In lieu of flowers, please send your memorials to Intermountain Children's Home, 500 S. Lamborn, Helena, MT 59601.

## Mary Ellen Lauterbach 47

Mary Ellen Lauterbach, 47, passed away early in the morning of July 1, 2006, of heart complications. She was born Jan. 16, 1959, in The Dalles, Ore., to William P. and Marjorie J. Gaige.



"Mary has gone ahead of us to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

Mary loved family and she loved and cherished her two daughters, Ashley and Molly. She loved her husband, Brian, but family did not stop there for Mary; she also loved and cherished her dad, mom, brothers, sisters, nieces and nephews.

She had the ability to draw others to her, especially young

children and teenagers, and pretty soon they were family, as well. Mary was an amazing mother and wife and had devoted her life to raising and caring for her husband and children.

"We will miss Mary greatly and she will always live in our hearts."

Mary was preceded in death by her brother, William "Sonny" Gaige.

She is survived by her husband, Brian; two daughters, Ashley and Molly; her parents, Bill and Marjorie Gaige; brother, Allen Gaige; brother, Denny Gaige; sister, Cheryl Lowe; sister, Denise Patton; brother, Robert Gaige; and by many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 6, at the Whitefish Church of the Nazarene, 1125 Seventh St. E., in Whitefish.

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## Linda L. Lawler, 55

Linda L. Lawler, 55, of Trego died Saturday, June 10, 2006, at her home.

She is survived by her husband, Randy Volkmar, of Trego; a daughter, Tamie Fedor, of Kalispell; and

stepsons, Neil Volkmar of Kalispell, and Jesse Volkmar of Georgia.

Private visitation will be at Nelson and Vial Funeral Home. A public service will be announced at a later date.

## Paul Everett Lawson, 76

Paul Everett Lawson, 76, of Bigfork passed away on Sept. 23, 2006, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center after fighting a courageous battle with pulmonary fibrosis.



He was born Sept. 18, 1930, in Drumright, Okla., to Everett and Daisy (Taylor) Lawson. Paul spent his younger years moving around the Midwest following his dad's oil career.

In 1951, he married Darlene Reeves and they had two children, Richard Paul and Paula Kai Lawson. They lived in Midland, Texas, Fort Morgan, Colo., and Billings, following his oil drilling career until their divorce. In Billings, Paul went to work for his brother, Haskell "Hack" Holeman, at Holeman G.M. Diesel where he was branch and dealer manager until his retirement in 1985.

In 1981, he married Donna Stephens, whom he met on a trip to England three years earlier. They recently celebrated their 25th anniversary in June of this year. They were truly soul mates and had many happy times together.

Golf and computers were Paul's greatest achievements. He loved golfing at Eagle Bend Golf Course and at his winter home in Yuma, Ariz. He was active in the Rooster's and the Hooter's golf groups and his proudest moments were when he shot his two holes-in-one at Eagle Bend.

His grandchildren and great-grandchildren brought great joy to his life and he especially enjoyed the time he spent with his faithful companion, Frankie.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Sam and Lelia Stephens.

He is survived by his loving wife, Donna, at the family home. He also leaves behind his faithful companion, Frankie. He is also survived by his brother, Haskell Holeman and Connie of Bigfork; his son, Richard Lawson and Janeen of Visalia, Calif.; his daughter, Paula Lawson, of Visalia; his granddaughter, Jennifer and Leon Parks of Puyallup, Wash.; his granddaughter, Kimberly and Chris Makert of Visalia; six wonderful great-grandchildren and three nephews; also, two very special friends, Gretchen Gates and Mister Langlois.

"Clink-Clink," honey we all loved you and will miss you dearly!"

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. today, Sept. 27, at the Little Brown Church in Bigfork with the Rev. Ron Pierce officiating. A celebration of life will follow from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Eagle Bend Golf Club.

The family suggests that memorials may be made to the Bigfork QRU, 810 Grand Ave., Bigfork, MT 59911.

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

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

## Ruth V. Lawson, 95

Ruth V. Lawson, 95, died Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2006, at Mullan Meadows Assisted Living in Missoula.

She was born Jan. 5, 1911, at the family home in Ardmore, Okla.

She attended Southeastern Teacher's College in Durant, Okla., and taught for three years in Ardmore.

She first came to Montana to help her brother at a Bible camp near Havre. While there, she met Hazen Lawson. They were married March 6, 1936, in Ardmore and then moved to Montana, where they taught in Hingham, Chinook, Harlem, Browning and Starr School. Later they lived in Cascade, Sunburst and Eureka, where Hazen served as superintendent of schools.

She enjoyed many summers and holidays at the family cabin, Square Peg Ranch, in Polebridge, entertaining guests and serving the famous "Ruthie's sourdough pancakes."

During the 1950s, she designed and made original jewelry using Alder cones, Kinikinnik berries and pussy



willows on tiny pieces of Juniper wood. Sales of her jewelry helped put her husband through summer school.

In 1972, Ruth and Hazen retired to Missoula where she has lived ever since. They continued enjoying summers at Polebridge until 1991.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Hazen, in 1993; brother, Virgil Gaines; and sisters, Trudy Stonestreet and Bonnie Gaines.

She is survived by two daughters, Katie Lawson Gilfilen and husband, Larry Gilfilen, of Bellingham, Wash., and Sharon Dill and husband, Dick, of Florence; three grandsons, Dale Dorcas of Bellingham, Larry Dill and wife, Carol, of Missoula, and Dean Dorcas and wife, Danene, and great-grandsons, Branden and Nathen Dorcas, all of Seattle.

A special thanks is extended to the staff and "Mother" Teresa at Mullan Meadows for their kind care of Ruth.

Memorial services will be held at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, at University Congregational Church in Missoula. A reception with refreshments will be afterward in the Fireside Room at the church.

Cremation and arrangements are by Garden City Funeral Home.

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### Steven E. Laxson, 56

Steve looked forward to meeting his maker, "and his day came" when he sustained a severe heart attack Sept. 5, 2006.

Steve was born in southern California to Edward and Betty Laxson. Ever the artist, he created livable art with his unique architectural home designs. In 1992, he fulfilled his lifelong dream of living in the mountains, and relocated to Whitefish. Steve recently completed the design and construction of his dream home.

He is survived by the loves

of his life, his wife, Paula; his daughters, Elissa Cappis and Kristin Laxson; sons, Rand Laxson and Sterling Laxson; and son-in-law, Ramon Cappis. In addition, he is survived by his brothers, Lon Laxson and Glenn Laxson; and his father, Edward Laxson.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at the First Baptist Church in Whitefish.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to the American Heart Association.

### Clark Leaphart, 82

Clark Leaphart, 82, formerly of Kalispell, died Dec. 10, 2006, in Windsor, Calif.

He had been a U.S. postal carrier in Whitefish for 16 years.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley Leaphart, of Windsor; and children, Sharon

Besancon of Idaho, and Mark Leaphart of Folsom, Calif.

At his request, no formal services will be held. Inurnment will be private.

Daniels Chapel of the Roses Funeral and Cremation Services in California is handling arrangements.

### Robert A. 'Bob' LeCount, 48

Robert A. "Bob" LeCount, 48, a former resident of Libby and Troy, died Wednesday, June 7, 2006, at Springfield, Ore.

He had been employed by St. Regis Paper Company, Champion International and Stimson Lumber before moving to Springfield.

He is survived by his wife, Cheryl, of Springfield, and his children, Brian LeCount and

Erin LeCount, both of Libby, and Daniel LeCount, Jade LeCount and Jordan LeCount, all of Springfield.

Services will be 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home Chapel in Libby, with the Rev. Les Nelson officiating. Interment services will follow at the City of Libby Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

### Billy E. Ledbetter, 81

Billy E. Ledbetter, 81, died at the Montana Veterans Home on Thursday, Sept. 21, 2006, in Columbia Falls.

Memorial urn graveside service will be held 10:30 a.m. today, Sept. 24, at the Mon-

tana Veteran Cemetery in Columbia Falls. There will be no visitation.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Jacob Randall Lee, 19

Jacob Randall Lee, 19, died Saturday, June 24, 2006, in Eureka from a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

He was born Aug. 14, 1986, in Whitefish to Randall and Sheri McClure Lee. He grew up and attended school in Eureka. He enjoyed working on cars. He had a heart of gold and spent a lot of time caring for his elder brother.

Survivors include his mother, Sheri Lee, of Eureka; his father, Randall Lee, of Sacramento, Calif.; brothers and sisters, Wade

Wagoner of Kalispell, Gabriel Wagoner of Rexford, Braidy Yargus of Eureka, Trisha Brain of Eureka, Hope Lee of Kalispell, Lief Lee of Eureka, Rance Christiansen of Sacramento, and Kenneth of Sacramento; and grandparents, William McClure and Jacqueline Hoenstein, both of Eureka.

Services will be at 4 p.m. Thursday, June 29, 2006, at the Spiritual Sky Ranch. Local arrangements are by Nelson Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

## Valerie Helyn Lee, 51

Valerie Helyn Lee, 51, died Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2006, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell. She was born June 28, 1955, in Lewistown to Charles David and Gwenn Dell (Rambo) Lee.

She attended Shelby grade school and Flathead High School.

In 1974, she moved to Mandan, N.D., and returned to Kalispell in 1990 to work for the family business. In 2002, she moved to Shelby and resided there until her passing.

Valerie was preceded in death by her father, Charles Lee; and one infant brother, David Lee.

She is survived by her

beloved son, Thomas "Tom" Mousel of Kalispell. Her mother, Gwenn Lee, and one sister, Criste Lee, both of Kalispell; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorial services for Valerie Helyn Lee will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, 2006, in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with Pastor Steve Snipstead officiating. Urn burial will be afterward at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. There will be no visitation.

The family suggests memorials be given to Marias Medical Center, Shelby, MT 59474; or a charity of your choice.

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

## Wilbur 'Bill' Lee, 82

Wilbur "Bill" Lee, 82, passed away May 31, 2006, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

Bill is survived by his wife of 61 years, Donna, in Whitefish; daughter, Dawn Gregory, and husband, Mark, of Whitefish; and grandchildren, Lucas, Danielle and Ethan; and son, Todd Lee, and wife, Connie, of Scottsdale, Ariz.

Bill was a very loving father, and will be missed greatly by all. He loved music, animals and

hunting, and farming was his life up to six years ago when they sold the family farm in Michigan and moved to Montana to retire and spend time with Dawn and Mark; and their grandchildren.

Memorial services are planned for 2 p.m. June 15, at the Presbyterian Church in Whitefish.

Cremation has taken place by Austin Funeral Home.

Contributions may be given to Whitefish Presbyterian Women's Association.

## Larry W. Lemke, 54

Larry W. Lemke, 54, died Wednesday, May 31, 2006, at his residence in Kalispell.

Larry is survived by his wife, Inger Lemke, of Kalispell; three daughters, Sybil Lemke of Kalispell, Sarah Rooney of Abbotsford,

British Columbia, and Nidia Alire of Los Angeles; and his parents of Sumner, Wash.

Memorial services are planned June 9 in Seattle.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Dr. Ross M. Lence, 62

Dr. Ross M. Lence, a distinguished teacher at the University of Houston, died July 11, 2006.

The son of Nickie and Marlo Lence, Dr. Lence was born Dec. 19, 1943, in Whitefish.

He is survived by his mother, Nickie Lence, of Houston; brother, John, of Meadow Lake; nephew, Dino Justin Lence, of Seattle; nephew, Mario Valentino Lence, of Missoula; niece, Natalee Nikkolina Lence, of Kalispell; aunt, Teresa Granier of Missoula; and numerous other cousins and relatives.

After earning his bachelor of arts degree at the University of Chicago, Dr. Lence studied at Georgetown University and later at the British Museum. He completed his Ph.D. at Indiana University, under the tutelage of the legendary teacher and scholar Professor Charles Hyneman.

Dr. Lence joined the Houston faculty in 1971, where he himself became a legend. A professor in the department of political science and The Honors College, Dr. Lence was named in 1998 a John and Rebecca Moores Professor.

The crowning mark of Dr. Lence's work came in the 1990s, when hundreds of his students donated funds to establish a chair in his honor.

In 2001, Dr. Lence was appointed to the Ross M. Lence Distinguished University Teaching Chair.

For more than 20 years, Dr.



Lence taught courses at the Women's Institute of Houston. He was, as well, an invited participant in many scholarly conferences sponsored by Liberty Fund, an educational foundation in Indianapolis. In Dr. Lence's honor, Liberty Fund Inc., has placed a complete set of its books, many of which are classic texts in political philosophy, in The Honors College Alumni Library.

Passionate about great books and ideas, Dr. Lence is remembered for the clarity of his intellect, the quickness of his wit, the depth of his soul and the generosity of his love. A leading scholar on the thought of John C. Calhoun, he edited "Union and Liberty: The Political Philosophy of John C. Calhoun," published by Liberty Fund Press in 1992.

During the 11 months of his illness, countless numbers of Dr. Lence's current and former students manifested their respect, gratitude and love for their teacher by visiting and assisting him. To these and all other persons who extended their support, Nickie Lence expresses her abiding gratitude.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 13, with a rosary at 7:30 p.m. at the chapel of The Settegast-Kopf Co., 3320 Kirby Drive. A Mass of Christian burial will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, July 14, at St. Anne's Catholic Church, 2140 Westheimer.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Ross M. Lence Scholarship Fund in The Honors College at the University of Houston, 212 M.D. Anderson Library, Houston, TX 77204-2001.



### **Lillian Ann Leonard, 64**

Lillian Ann Leonard, 64, died Saturday, Sept. 30, 2006, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She is survived by two sons, Rick Jumper of Washington, and John Jumper of Montana; two daughters, Colleen Balam of Kila, and Kris Jumper of Fairbanks, Alaska; two brothers,

Herb Leonard and Jim Andrews; and a sister, Shirley Winchester.

Family and friends are invited to a celebration of Lillian's life, which is pending at this time. Please call Colleen at 212-8904 for details.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for the family.

### **James Lessley, 86**

James Lessley died Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2006, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He was retired from a long-time career with the federal government.

He leaves behind two daughters, Sandra Hartshaw

of Columbia Falls, and Karen Jacobi of Whitefish.

Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. today, Aug. 22, at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is in charge of the arrangements.

### **James R. Lex, 75**

James R. Lex, 75, died on Friday, May 26, 2006, at his home in Kalispell.

He is survived by his wife, Camilla Lex, of Kalispell; two daughters, Louise Stack of Milwaukee, Wis., and Mary Lex of Kewaskam, Wis.; and three sons, James Lex and John Lex of Wausau, Wis.,

and Joseph Lex of Timber Lake, N.C.

Inurnment will be in the Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery located in Milwaukee, at a later date.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for the family.

## Beverly Trodgon Lieberman, 54

Beverly Trodgon Lieberman, 54, of Highland Beach, Fla., and of Bigfork, "peacefully left us" on Sept. 11, 2006, after a 12-year-long battle with breast cancer. Her healing spirit, love of family and friends, and her ability to light up a room will be greatly missed.



She is survived by her adored husband, Arthur Lieberman; her cherished children, Luke, Samantha, Mark and Ann Marie, Mitchell and Bethany, and Shari and Amos Balaish; her nine grandchildren, Timor, Andrew, Jake, Ori, Noah, Alex, Emma, Maytal and Rena; her parents, Bill and Virginia Trodgon; her sisters, Jill Dwyer and Kathy Konigsberg; and a large family of loving friends and relatives.

She was a National Honor student and Florida Regent Scholar in high school and graduated Magna Cum Laude at Sacred Heart University in Stamford, Conn., where she later served on the board of trustees. She had many accomplishments throughout her life and left us many gifts. She created SportsLab Theme Park which was America's largest virtual interactive sports arena and it was later featured at the Summer Olympics in Atlanta, Ga. Her visionary concepts for peace awarded her

an invitation to be a part of the World Forum for Peace in New York and San Francisco. With her sense of style and real estate savvy, she received the Award for Best Little House in America for one of the many log homes she developed and was featured in House Beautiful Magazine and Log Cabin Magazine for their log cabin home in Montana that she designed and built with her husband.

She was a seeker and passionate reader, pioneering new healing concepts. She was known for her infectious laugh and enjoyed family gatherings, friends, traveling, hiking and all things outdoors and near the water.

The memorial service to celebrate her life will be held 11 a.m. today, Sept. 17, at the Coveleigh Club in Rye, N.Y. Her heart and soul will be forever laid to rest 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 21, at their family home on Flathead Lake in Montana where a service will be held for family and friends.

Her passion for life, high energy, and her magnificent beauty will always be an inspiration to those of us who were blessed to have known her.

Donations are being accepted in her name online at Making Strides Against Breast Cancer. Go to [MakingStrides.acevents.org/Westchester](http://MakingStrides.acevents.org/Westchester) and click on "Find a Walker" then "Find her Team" and type "Love to Bev."

## Alcine Lien, 80

Alcine Lien, 80, a longtime Troy resident, died Nov. 10, 2006, at Henderson, Nev.

Surviving her are her children, Cheri Osterberg of Henderson, and Darryl Lien of Troy.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 22, at Troy

Christian Fellowship; interment services will follow at Milnor Lake Cemetery. Visitation will be one hour prior to service time at the church.

Arrangements are by Nelson & Vial Funeral Home.

### Majorie L. Little, 82

Majorie L. Little, 82, died Monday, Oct. 9, 2006, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

She is survived by her husband, William J. Little, of Kalispell; one son, Jeff Little, of Kalispell; two daughters, Cheri Heinecke

of Kalispell, and Candi Vincent of The Woodlands, Texas.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, in the Johnson Mortuary chapel. There will be a private family graveside service on Friday.

### Walter Arthur Little, 69

Walter Arthur Little, 69, passed away Sunday, Jan. 3, 2006, at his residence in Bigfork. He was born July 21, 1936, at Valparaiso, Ind., the son of Theodore Haige and Viola Grace (Carter) Little.

He attended schools and graduated from Poly Tech High School in Riverside, Calif. He attended one year of college and enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1955.

On June 25, 1959, he was united in marriage to Thea in Bremerhaven, Germany. Following his retirement after 20 years from the U.S. Navy, he began work for the Federal Communications Commission, retiring after 18 years of service. He was a Ham radio operator, an avid hunter and fisherman; enjoyed reading, health and fitness. He was a 32nd Degree Mason, a member of the Scottish Rite and was a lifetime member of the

Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Thea Little, of Bigfork; two daughters, Marilyn Grace Poshak and husband, Gary, of San Antonio, and Katherine Ann Guthrie and husband, Tod, of Bigfork; and three grandchildren, Charles Poshak, and Chelsea and Shelby Guthrie.

Memorial services for Walter will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 12, at the Swan River Hall in Bigfork, with Pastor Jim Holeman officiating. There will be no visitation. The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to Home Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901; or Montana Veterans Home, P.O. Box 250, Columbia Falls, MT 59912.

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

## Sylvia Moran Linstead, 92

Sylvia Moran (Everett) Linstead, 92, died Oct. 30, 2006, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center of natural causes.

She was born Nov. 29, 1913, in Kila to Mr.

and Mrs. Seth Everett. She was raised in Kila, and attended Kila School and Flathead County High School. On Dec. 16, 1933, she married Floyd Linstead in Polson, and they were married for 44 years.

Through her life, she worked for Montgomery Ward, a shipyard in Oregon during the war, as a cook for logging camps, sawmill work, selling Christmas trees, road construction and at Drug Fair.

She was also a devoted mother and grandmother. She will be greatly missed for her love, laughter, stories and cooking. She was famous for her homemade chicken soup, cookies, cakes and egg-in-the-hole, which she loved making for her grandkids.

She also enjoyed fishing, cooking, latch hook and sewing, but mostly loved being with family and friends.

Sylvia was preceded in death



by her husband, Floyd; two sons, Neil and Mike; two granddaughters, Silver and Dawni; and her brothers, Raymond, Lyal and Seth Jr.

She is survived by a son, Rex Linstead Sr., and wife, Marlene, of Kalispell; grandchildren, RJ and Haydhi Linstead, Schad and Jackie Linstead, Tami and Tim Olson, Trina Linstead, Sundee, Susan and Randy Watson, Vickie and Jack Lucy, and Jeff, Sara and Michael Linstead; 14 great-grandchildren; and sister-in-law, Helen Everett.

Cremation has taken place. No services are planned at this time. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Breast Cancer Foundation.

## Alexander Lodinoff, 80

Alex Lodinoff passed away Oct. 18, 2006, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Alex was born to Alex and Bertha Lodinoff on April 30, 1926. He spent his entire life in Whitefish, with the exception of his service in World War II in Korea.

He began his career working as a call boy for the Great Northern Railway, later becoming a machinist for them. Later he spent years working at the Anaconda Aluminum Plant.

He spent his spare time golfing and fishing. He was always ready to lend a helping hand to anyone who needed one.

He married Maxine Robertson in 1956 and adopted her two children, William "Bub" and Carol.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Maxine; daughter, Carol Smith; brother, Boris; and sisters, Helen Ekholm and Hazel Irwin.

He is survived by his son, Bub; sister, Flora Anderson; son-in-law, Jim Smith; grandsons, Jason Lodinoff and Douglas Smith; granddaughters, Kim "Smith" Geones and Jill Tagliareni; and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be announced later.

Memorials may be made to Home Health (Hospice), 175 Commons Loop, Suite 100, in Kalispell.

Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish is handling the arrangements.

## Luella M. Loewen, 84

Luella M. Loewen, 84, of Missoula, passed away after an extended illness on Friday, Aug. 4, 2006, at St. Patrick Hospital. She was born March 5, 1922, in Tokio, N.D., the daughter of Cecilia Smith and Peter Fauske.



Luella moved to Montana when she was 2 years old and attended schools in Whitefish. She moved from Kalispell to Missoula 25 years ago and has lived in Elmar Estates ever since. She loved ceramics, sewing, bowling,

hunting, fishing, camping and snowmobiling and traveled extensively.

She is preceded in death by a brother, Robert V. "Bob" Fauske.

She is survived by her husband, Roy Loewen, and his children, Joan and Teri; siblings, Elmer "Spick" Fauske, Jessie Fauske and Pete Fauske; numerous nieces and nephews. She also leaves behind her loving companion of 18 years, "Fifi."

Viewing will be at Garden City Funeral Home in Missoula from 2 to 6 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 7. Graveside services will be at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell at 3 p.m. on Tuesday.

## Juanita Haney Logan, 98

Juanita Haney Logan, 98, passed away at Heritage Place in Kalispell the morning of June 5, 2006.



Juanita was born on Nov. 17, 1907, in Farmersville, Texas, to James and Titia Haney. She grew up in Hansford County in the panhandle of Texas. She enjoyed telling stories of moving the town of Hansford to Spearman and telling of adventures of her father as a country doctor driving the first car in the county over wagon trails.

A graduate of Texas Tech in 1928, Juanita married fellow student Alwis H. Logan on June 22, 1929. Juanita and Alwis celebrated 66 years of marriage before his death in 1996. Two children were born to the union — Jimmie Joe Logan of McLean, Va. and Alita Logan Phelps of Whitefish.

Juanita served beside her clergy husband in many United Methodist churches in North Texas, including Bonham, Paris, Honey Grove, Henrietta, Electra and in Dallas — Centenary, Urban Park, Cockrell Hill and Walnut Hill. Juanita was a certified director of Christian education, teaching leadership courses in various churches. A.H. served 26 years as volunteer chaplain for the Dallas First Department while

they served churches in the Dallas area.

When her children were teenagers Juanita returned to school, receiving her bachelor of divinity and master of arts degrees from Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.

After the death of her husband, Juanita moved to Polson to live with her daughter and son-in-law.

Juanita is survived by her son, Dr. Jimmie Logan and wife, Daisy, and their four children, Joe, David, Cynthia and Janet.

She is survived by her daughter, Alita Phelps and husband, Rev. Robert Phelps, of Whitefish, and their son, Joel. Juanita's granddaughter, Charissa Phelps, preceded her in death in 1999.

Juanita had numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews and was particularly close to two nephews, Ralph and Bill Brock.

A memorial service will be held 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 14, in Dallas, at Walnut United Methodist Church, 10066 Marsh Lane.

Persons wishing to give a memorial in her honor are invited to do so to the charity of their choice.

Always a gentle and loving person with a beautiful smile, Juanita will be greatly missed by her family and many friends.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Cody Noel Long, 89

Cody Noel Long, 89, of Kalispell, Montana, passed away on Friday, June 2, 2006, at Brendan House in Kalispell.



He was born in Tesla, W. Va., the son of the late Francis Stuart and Florilla (Heffner) Long.

On Feb. 3, 1941, he married the love of his life, Mary Jane (Heiermann) Long, who passed away in March 2005.

Cody was preceded in death by three sisters, Velma and Erma, who resided in Michigan, and Freda, who made her home in California.

Cody is survived by his son, Monty Long and wife Barbara of Kalispell and their two sons, Marc of Kalispell and Michael Long and wife Karen of White Sulphur Springs;

daughters Pati Zorn and husband Laurel, and Micki Grosswiler and husband Brian and her two sons Cody and Douglas, all of Kalispell; and a brother Carney Long of Niles, Mich., Cody's hometown.

The family thanks the entire staff of Brendan House for their gentle sincere kindness in the care of their father.

Funeral services for Cody will be held at 1 p.m., Tuesday, June 6, 2006, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Jim Davey officiating. Visitation will be from 2 to 6 p.m. Monday, June 5, 2006 at Johnson Mortuary. Burial will follow the services at Glacier Memorial Gardens, with military honors conducted by the United Veterans of the Flathead

Johnson Mortuary & Crematory is caring for Cody's family.

## Jean Carolyn Hogmart Lowney, 76

Mrs. Jean Carolyn Hogmart Lowney, 76, of Hartwell, Ga., died Saturday, April 1, 2006, from terminal cancer at her home.

Born on Feb. 14, 1930, in High Bridge, N.J., she was one of four daughters born to Eugene and Olga Hogmark.

She became a registered nurse, and it was during her training that she met Dan Lowney, a brother of one of her nursing companions. Jean and her late husband, Dan, were both avid hunters and fishermen, and in 1962 they opened Dan's Sport Shop in Clinton, N.J. During the 20-plus years they personally operated their small family business, they developed lifelong friendships with many of their loyal customers.

In 1979 they sold the family business, retired and relocated to Hartwell, where they both enjoyed a hobby farm, and established another network of close friends with similar interest in the Hartwell area. They both were members of the Hart County Cattlemen's Association.

On July 4, 2004, Dan Lowney was killed in a farming accident. The loss of her lifelong best friend and husband was Jean's hardest burden, and she accepted her terminal cancer without resistance.

Surviving family members

wish to extend their deepest gratitude to the Vista Care Hospice program, which allowed Jean to spend her final days at home without pain with her children and local friends.

Survivors include her four children; a son, Michael D. Lowney, and spouse, Tammy, of Dewy Rose, Ga.; three daughters, Carolyn B. Osburn and spouse, Dennis, of Kalispell, Wendy S. Arace and spouse, Mick, of Londenderry, Vt., and Cindy J. Broadwell and spouse, Gene, of Bowersville, Ga.; two sisters, Marian Long of Clearwater Beach, Fla., and Eleanor B. Fretz of Hilltown Township, Bucks County, Pa.; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her Swedish parents; her husband; and her sister, Doris Hogmark.

The body will be cremated and the family plans no memorial services in accordance with her wishes. All who knew Jean can toast her memory with a private ceremony.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be sent to Hart County Cattlemen's Association or VFW in Glen Gardner, N.J.

Strickland Funeral Home of Hartwell was in charge of all arrangements.

## Levi Lee Loyning, 29

Levi Lee Loyning, 29, was born Nov. 16, 1976, and passed away at his home Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2006.

Levi was born in Forsyth to Debra and Geary Loyning. He grew up in Colstrip and graduated from high school in 1995.

After graduating, Levi traveled around a bit, working in construction, but always came home to Montana. He moved to the Flathead Valley in 1999. He loved working in this valley and being outdoors was his happiness, whether at work or down at the river.

Levi was a very talented young man, and a gifted artist who had dreams of being a pilot and flying one day. His brother-in-law Gary took him on his first flight and will greatly miss him.

Levi married the love of his life, Leeann Barlow, on June 29, 2001. He was more than just a stepfather to her two children, Krista and Michael; he was a best friend, and the greatest grandpa ever to baby Kayleigh.

Levi was preceded in death by his grandfather, Jay Asay; and



and aunt, Tina Asay.

He is survived by his wife, Leeann, stepchildren, Krista and Michael, and granddaughter, Kayleigh, all of Kalispell; and his father- and mother-in-law, Jerry and Sally Barlow, of Kalispell; his mother, Debra Loyning, and brothers, Paul, Shawn and Travis Loyning, all of Colstrip; father, Geary Loyning, of Boise, Idaho; a very special niece, Halle Loyning, of Idaho; grandmother, Grace Asay, uncle, Jay Asay, aunt, Tony, uncle, Russ Renner, and cousins, Cassi and Courtney, all of Wyoming; grandparents, George and Bonnie Loyning, of Powell, Wyo.; and other aunts and uncles.

Levi touched many lives with just one smile. He was his mother's little "Levi Lee, blue jeans baby" and his brothers were his best friends. He loved them dearly.

"We love you Levi. We miss you deeply. God is with you now."

Services will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

Memorials are suggested to be sent c/o Jerry and Sally Barlow, 254 Coclet Lane, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

## Howard Dale Lozeau, 81

Howard Dale Lozeau, 81, died Wednesday, April 12, 2006, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

He was born Feb. 8, 1925, in Nirada, the son of James and Emma (Rivers) Lozeau. Howard graduated from high school in 1942 in Hot Springs.

He served honorably in the U.S. Navy from 1942 to 1944. Howard married Claudia Dille on July 21, 1947, in Missoula.

After the Navy he worked for Missoula Mercantile until 1951, when he transferred to the Kalispell Mercantile in Kalispell to become fancy-foods manager. He enjoyed letting people sample the chocolate-covered ants. In 1955 he began a career with the Flat-



head County Road Department, first as a truck driver and then as a heavy-equipment operator. His skills plowing snow for people earned him many dear friends.

Upon his retirement in 1985, he spent his time at their ranch and at his home in Kalispell. He loved the outdoors and camping and fishing. He was a member of the VFW in Kalispell.

Howard was preceded in death by two brothers, Jim Lozeau and Hank Lozeau; a sister, Francis Waylett; his son, Trevor Lozeau; and his daughter, Valerie Lozeau.

He is survived by his wife, Claudia Lozeau, and his son, Randy Lozeau, both of Kalispell; five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

As per Howard's wishes, no services are planned.

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

## Carl Lundstrom, 79

Carl Lundstrom, 79, of Libby, died of natural causes at home in Libby on Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2006. Carl was born in Dodson on Sept. 10, 1927, to Emil and Ruth (Holzheimer) Lundstrom.



Carl lived his entire life in Montana and was an avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed camping and hunting, sports events (especially those that involved his children or grandchildren), and family events.

Carl is survived by his wife of 36 years, Judy Lundstrom, of Libby; and his twin sister, Inez, and Norman Hanson, of Libby. Carl is also survived by

daughter, Linda Lundstrom, of Anchorage, Alaska; son, Art, and Mary Lundstrom, of Malta; son, Dan, and Lori Lundstrom, of Malta; daughter, Jeanne Lundstrom, of Billings; son, John Graham, of Phoenix; son, Jay and Judy Graham; and son, Jack Graham, of Phoenix; 13 grandchildren; a new great-grandson; and many nieces, nephews and extended family members.

He was preceded in death by a grandson.

The family is not holding a memorial or service, according to Carl's wishes. In honor of his love of mountains and the outdoors, his ashes will be sprinkled in the Cabinet Mountains this summer.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to the Libby Sports Booster Club.

## Robert H. 'Bob' Lundvall, 68

Robert H. "Bob" Lundvall, 68, died Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2006, from natural causes at his home in Libby.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce, of Libby; five children, Gail Baker of Helena, Mark Lauer, Kerrie Schikora and Steve

Lauer, all of Libby, and Greg Lauer of Pembroke Pines, Fla.

Services will be 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 13, at the Libby Christian Church. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 Sunday, Feb. 12, at Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Libby.



## Ray L. 'Buzz' Lutz, 86

Ray L. "Buzz" Lutz, 86, died Thursday, Nov. 16, 2006, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

Buzz served in the Army Air Corps from 1941 to 1945. He owned and operated the Glacier Village Restaurant and Villager Dining Room in East Glacier Park, and also worked as a food supervisor on Big Mountain.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Lutz, of Whitefish; and his children, Maureen

Little Dog, of Kalispell, Peggy Lutz, of Portland, Ore., and Paul Lutz, of Spokane, Wash.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21, at St. Charles Catholic Church in Whitefish. A funeral service and inurnment will be held in the spring in East Glacier Park.

Arrangements are with the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

## Clavie A. 'Kay' Lupton, 90

While at home and with her family at her side, Clavie A. "Kay" Lupton "went to be with her Lord" on Oct. 12, 2006, in Spokane. Kay was born the youngest of two daughters, to Charles W. and Madeline A. Anderson, in Opheim on March 18, 1916.



She graduated with honors from Montana State University in 1936, with majors in home economics and history. After graduation, she taught home economics in Scobey as well as Cut Bank.

Kay and Verne Lupton met in 1940, while both were working for the Farm Security Administration in Kalispell. The same day as Verne's commissioning in the United States Army Air Corps, they were married at Scott Field, St. Louis, Mo., on Nov. 28, 1942.

After Verne's discharge from the Army in 1945, they first lived and worked in Polson, until 1948, when they moved to Kalispell. Devoting their lives to the raising of their four children and the development of their business, Snappy ServiSenter, they lived happily in Kalispell, until finally moving to Coeur d'Alene in 1986.

Through the years 1984 to 2003, Kay and Verne enjoyed the winter months with friends and traveling family members in Mesa, Ariz. Finally in 2003, they moved to Spokane, where they lived until the time of Kay's passing.

Kay embraced life. She was actively involved in their business, and all of the activities that enriched her children's lives, including PTA, teaching Sunday school, and as a leader in Cub Scouts. She applied endless energy to her faith, volunteering extensively in Circle and the Presbyterian Women's Association.

Kay was preceded in death by her mother and father, her sister Mary, and son-in-law Kevin.

She is survived by her husband, Verne; her four children and spouses, B.J. Lupton and wife, Mary, of Kalispell, Scott Lupton and wife, Kay, of Rochester, Minn., Shaunda Gaffney-Barile and husband, Michael, of Greeley, Colo., and Kent Lupton and wife, Cindy, of Spokane; grandchildren, Mark and wife, Kristi, Doug and wife, Kasey, Emily, Korri, Joel, Brecca, Brynne, Jonathan and Annie; and great-grandchildren, Rylee and Samuel Vern.

Memorial services for Kay will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27, at Northview Bible Church in Spokane; and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 29, at First Presbyterian Church in Kalispell. After each memorial service, the family will be greatly blessed with your company and fellowship, as we enjoy light refreshment together.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Spokane, 121 South Arthur, Spokane, WA 99202; or Hope Ranch, P.O. Box 4841, Whitefish, MT 59937.

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

Mae was a bright, independent Irishwoman with a great sense of humor and positive attitude. She accepted life's challenges and joys with equanimity. She had no time for maudlin sentimentality; her interests were current events and the future, as well as baseball and pro football.

Mae is survived by her brother,

Mae was a proud American with a deep sense of gratitude to war veterans. She was loyal without hesitation to her family, friends and beliefs. There were no trophies, plaques or awards for her life's work as wife, mother and homemaker, but she had the reward of providing strength, love and inspiration to her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mae lived in Butte with her husband and two children until 1966, when they moved to Las Vegas. She returned to Montana in 1986 to be near her daughter. Mae was a bright, independent Irishwoman with a great sense of humor and positive attitude. She accepted life's challenges and joys with equanimity. She had no time for maudlin sentimentality; her interests were current events and the future, as well as baseball and pro football.

Mae loved young people and believed education should be available to all. She was deeply thankful for the Radio Reading Service that allowed her to continue reading after her eyesight failed.

## Mae Rose Lyden, 93

Mae Rose Lyden died at her daughter's Polson residence April 9, 2006. She was born in Butte on May 21, 1912.

Mae was preceded in death by her parents, Dennis Joseph Murphy and Kate Harrington Murphy; an infant son, Joseph Michael; her sisters, Margaret Murphy Dumphry and Frances Murphy Pool; and her husband of 51 years, Joseph M. Lyden, who died in 1982.

Mae lived in Butte with her husband and two children until 1966, when they moved to Las Vegas. She returned to Montana in 1986 to be near her daughter.

Mae loved young people and believed education should be available to all. She was deeply thankful for the Radio Reading Service that allowed her to continue reading after her eyesight failed.

In lieu of flowers, please honor Mae by making a contribution to the Salish Kootenai College Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 70, Pablo, MT 59855; or the Radio Reading Service, 337 Stephens Ave., Missoula, MT 59801; or a charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the care of Grogan Funeral Home in Polson. At Mae's request, cremation has taken place. A private family service will be held this summer.