

Blanche C. Tasso, 84

Blanche C. Tasso, 84, died Monday, Feb. 6, from natural causes at her home in Eureka.

She is survived by her husband, Dean Tasso, of Eureka. Services will be at 10 a.m.

Saturday, Feb. 11, at the First Baptist Church in Eureka. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. today at the Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Eureka. Interment will take place at the Eureka Cemetery.

Dorothy Louise Bair Taylor, 74

Dorothy Louise Bair Taylor, 74, "passed on to her Lord Jesus" on Sunday, Oct. 22, 2006, at Colonial Manor in Whitefish. She was born April 13, 1932, in Hillsdale, Kan., to Ernest and Elsie Campbell Bair.

She attended school in Fontana, Kan. In 1948, Dorothy moved to Hazelton, Idaho, where she completed high school.

She moved to California in 1952.

Dorothy had a day care in her home for many years. She was a great cook, and worked in vari-

ous restaurants in California.

She is survived by her loving family, brother, Larry Bair, of Concord, Calif.; sister, Helen Wells, of Wilcox, Ariz.; sons and daughters, Cathy Eggert, John Taylor, Trita Taylor, Jim Taylor, Susan Taylor and Gian Taylor; grandchildren, Chrissy Dushkin, and Joshua, Miriah, Fred, Billy and David Taylor; and great-grandchild, Liorah Dushkin.

A memorial service will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at Assembly of God Church in Kalispell.

Evelyn Nelson Boe Taylor, 97

On Nov. 13, 2006, our beloved and lovely mother, grandmother, sister and friend, Evelyn Nelson Boe Taylor, "went to be with her heavenly Father" while she was residing at Prestige Assisted Living.

Evelyn was born Sept. 15, 1909, to Adolph and Borgina "Bertha" Larson Nelson, the first of seven children. She attended school in Minnesota before graduating from Flathead County High School.

In 1933 she married William R. Boe in Cut Bank and lived there for 25 years with the exception of eight years in North Hollywood, Calif. To this marriage was born two daughters, Shirley and Sharon. Evelyn was very active in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, artistic circles and was assistant city clerk for the City of Cut Bank for several years.

Evelyn was widowed in 1953 and a few years later married John K. Taylor in Cut Bank. They later moved to the Seattle area, before retiring to their home at Bitterroot Lake near Marion. They spent their winters in Mesa, Ariz., enjoying the many activities the area had to offer. Evelyn thoroughly enjoyed her two homes and sharing them with family and friends.

John died in 1984 in Kalispell, but Evelyn continued living in Kalispell and Mesa until 1998



when she moved into Prestige Assisted Living. She was lovingly cared for by the staff at Prestige for which the family is grateful. Our thanks to them and Hospice for the wonderful care they gave to our mother.

Evelyn was a very artistic, creative person, sharing her paintings and handiwork with family and friends throughout her life. Her legacy lives on in our homes with her many oil paintings, crocheted afghans and knitted items.

She will be greatly missed by Shirley and Max Amberson of Bozeman, and Sharon and Paul Tutvedt of Kalispell; six grandchildren, Pam and Jim Okura of Woodinville, Wash., Mark and Debra Amberson of Bend, Ore., LeeAnn and Peter Burke of Bozeman, Craig and Laurie Tutvedt, David Tutvedt, Brian and Suzanne Tutvedt; 12 grandchildren, Breann, Taylor and Will Tutvedt, Megan, Garrett, Nate and Boe Tutvedt, Blake and Kailee Amberson, Christopher Okura and Ben and Max Burke. Her surviving sisters are Janet and Clayton Donovan, and Beartrice and Gene Havens, all of Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by sisters, Altona Gorton, Anna Wik, Lois McCluskey, and brother, Arlind Nelson.

Memorial services with family will be held on Nov. 18 at Stillwater Lutheran Church.

Memorials may be sent to the Home Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Buffalo Hill Funeral home is caring for the family.

Lee Daniel Taylor, 89

Lee Daniel Taylor, 89, died Nov. 30, 2006, at his residence in Kalispell, due to a heart attack.

He had worked as a logger and mechanic.

Survivors include his children, Joan Taylor Grant

of Visalia, Calif., Fred Taylor of Everett, Wash., and John Taylor of Anchorage, Alaska.

Cremation has taken place. Burial will take place in the spring at a date to be announced.

Mary Lee Catherine Taylor, 61

Mary Lee Catherine Taylor, 61, beloved mother, grandmother and friend, "left this earth" on Dec. 30, 2006.

"We are writing this in loving memory of our mom." Her daughters, Lori, Koni, and KayLene would not be such strong and independent females had it not been for the strength and love provided by this remarkable woman. She also provided the nurturing for her granddaughter, Kristina "Krissy" Kangas who shares her love for dance, drama and music. Her four grandsons, Tyler, Trevor, Treyce and Tristen, take with them her humor, the laughter, and her passion for life.

Mary was born on Sept. 24, 1945, to Tex and Olive Ezell in Conrad. Mary attended school in Great Falls where she also began to develop her skills at a young age, working in the food and beverage industry. She had a natural talent to serve others with a warm and friendly smile.

She married Arvi Leroy Kangas in July 1962. Her daughter, Lori, was born in 1963, and Koni was born in 1965. She divorced Arvi in 1965, and soon after she and her daughters moved to Oregon.

She survived cancer at the age of 23 and continued to battle and survive the disease throughout her life. With the love and support from her brother, William "Billy" Ezell, she was able to raise her two daughters, Lori and Koni. She shared with them her passion for adventure and living life to the fullest. She was a unique individual and she marched to her own drum. On her adventures she lived in Montana, Oregon, California, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Minnesota and Wisconsin, where she loved the country life, rode horses, and shot rattlesnakes; and the city life in San Francisco, where she rode cable cars and walked on the beach.



Kristina Kangas of Sacramento, and Tyler, Trevor, Treyce and Tristen of Rainier; mother, Olive Clair Ezell, of Great Falls; and two sisters, Sylvia and husband Charles Harant of Black Eagle, and Tammy Ezell of Great Falls; and three nieces of Black Eagle. She also leaves behind her dog Mister, cat Pyewackett, birds and fish.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan 4, at Johnson's Mortuary in Kalispell.

She always had a connection with the birds, dogs, and cats that she cared for throughout her life. She loved the holidays; especially Halloween, when she could dress up and act like a kid, and Christmas which she celebrated long past the New Year. She loved baking cinnamon rolls for everyone.

She made friends so easily and was able to communicate with people from all walks of life — from top executives to those less fortunate. She made people feel comfortable and at ease. She continued her many friendships to the end.

She waited on Charlie Pride and Evel Knievel Sr., in Montana. She bartended for Eric Clapton in Portland, and Willy Nelson at the Cow Palace in South San Francisco. She was a showroom hostess and blackjack dealer at the Sahara in Reno and Las Vegas. She met Debby Reynolds and Steve and Edie Gourmet back stage.

In 1992 she adopted her daughter, KayLene, and raised her as a single parent. She and KayLene moved to Kalispell so that she could care for her ailing father, Tex, and stepmother, Millie. After their passing, she and KayLene stayed on in Kalispell until she passed.

Mary was preceded in death by her father, M. William "Tex" Ezell; and her brother, William "Billy" Ezell.

She is survived by three daughters, Lori Kangas Brown and husband Bert of Rainier, Ore., Koni Kangas of Sacramento, Calif., and KayLene Taylor of Kalispell; five grandchildren,

Richard Lord Taylor

Richard Taylor, prominent Montana architect, passed away in San Diego, Calif., on March 31, 2006.

He is remembered for the many buildings he designed throughout the state and as a fine gentleman.

Dick was the grandson of the Rev. Thomas and Elizabeth Woodbridge Wickes who came to establish a Presbyterian church in Wickes, which was known as the first town in Montana to have a church before it had a bar. They then established a church in Boulder.

Dick's mother, Mary, was born and raised in Boulder. Dick's father, Dr. William W. Taylor, came to Montana from Kasson, Minn., fell in love with both Mary Wickes and Montana and opened a practice in Whitefish. Three sons, William, Robert and Richard, were born to their union. All three were active in Whitefish High School sports.

Dick graduated from the University of Minnesota School of Architecture in 1942 and went directly into the Navy. He studied Naval Architecture at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and was stationed at the Boston Navy Yard in shipbuilding. At MIT he met and married Conne MacDougall of Belmont, Mass.

Dick's professional years in architecture were from 1945 to 1985 with his office in Kalispell.

His firm, consisting of Richard Taylor, Ray Thon, James Thompson and John Peterson, did many jobs around the state including several jobs in Whitefish, Kalispell, West Glacier, Columbia Falls, Libby, Eureka, Polson, Missoula, many rural schools, and major buildings at the University of Montana in Missoula and Montana State University in Bozeman. They specialized mostly in schools, hospitals, justice facilities, college dormitories, and commercial buildings. They also did plans for houses, about one a year. The firm evolved to the current Architects Design Group.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Kalispell, of Rotary, and was the former state president of the American Institute of Architects.

Dick is survived by his wife of 62 years and three children, Linda Woodbridge with her husband, two daughters, and three grandchildren; William Taylor with his wife, their son, and two grandchildren; and Barbara Taylor with her husband.

Dick Taylor will be remembered at memorials, both in Oceanside and this summer in Montana, where many friends, colleagues, and family will be able to attend. And he will always live in the memories of the many people who knew him, respected him, and loved him.

Memorial services for architect Richard "Dick" Taylor, AIA, who died March 31 in San Diego, will be held 4 p.m. Aug. 24, at First Presbyterian Church of Kalispell, 540 S. Main Street.

Memorial services for Robert Wesley "Punk" Riley, who died May 31, will be held 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 1, at Pyramid Trailhead in Seeley Lake.

Stanley Arthur Taylor, 76

Stanley Arthur Taylor, 76, passed away on Monday, Feb. 11, 2006, at Franciscan Hospice House in University Place, Wash.

He was born on July 29, 1929, in Kalispell, the son of Jacob Ross and Amy (Cornell) Taylor. Stanley received his early education in Kalispell.

At an early age he worked on the Hungry Horse Dam and in the forest doing logging. Stanley joined the Army during the Korean Conflict and served his country for two years.

While stationed at Niagara Falls, N.Y., he met and married Mary McCully on July 4, 1953.

After the service, the couple moved back to the Flathead Valley where Stanley worked as a mechanic at numerous businesses all over the valley. He worked for



the Columbia Falls Aluminum Plant until his retirement in 1990.

Stanley was an active member of the Christian Science Church which was a very important part of his life. He enjoyed restoring cars and would put his hand to anything that needed fixing up.

Stanley was preceded in death by his wife, parents, and one brother.

He is survived by his three children, Alan Taylor and wife, Deana, of Kalispell, Les Taylor and wife, Karen, of Columbia Falls, and Elaine Hageman and husband, Jerry, of Auburn, Wash.; six grandchildren; one great-grandson; two brothers, Forrest and Paul Taylor; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Stanley will be held 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 17, in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Burial will follow at the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

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

Mary Josephine 'Mary Jo' Ten Eyck, 85

Mary Josephine "Mary Jo" Ten Eyck, 85, passed away on Thursday, May 4, 2006, at Health Center Northwest.

She was born in Kalispell, graduated from Flathead County High School and during her childhood spent many days hiking in and around the valley. Throughout her young life she worked at businesses which her parents owned, The North Star Dairy and The Silver Grill Restaurant.

While working at The Silver Grill she met the love of her life, George Ten Eyck, and they married on Feb. 5, 1944. In the early years of their marriage they moved with George's construction work but as the family grew, she decided they needed a permanent home and they moved to the family farm north of Kalispell, where she lived for over 50 years.

In the fall of 1962, she went to work as a cook at Kalispell Regional Hospital and later became the manager of the dietary department, retiring on Aug. 7, 1981. A few years later she went back to the hospital as a volunteer and again retired when she felt her eyesight was no longer good enough to drive.

For a short period of time, during her early married years, she and her husband and two of



her children lived in a three-wall tent in the Middle Fork area. She also accompanied her husband on many a hunting outing. "Family was very important to our mother, and her favorite thing to do was spend time with her children and grandchildren." The family spent many fun-filled days during the summer just enjoying the great outdoors.

Her parents, an infant grandchild and her husband preceded her in death.

She is survived by her four children, a son, James S. Ten Eyck and special friend, Anita Kair of Mesa, Ariz.; daughters, Georgia Gimbel of Choteau, Sharon Horne and husband, Richard, of Mesa, and Sandra Hawk and husband, Richard, of Kalispell; also nine grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

In the last few years she resided at Prestige Assisted Living, where she made many new friends and felt if she couldn't live on the farm, this was a pretty good place to be.

She had a strong belief in God and country. She was a lady to the end and will be dearly missed by all who truly knew her.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations be made to the Hospital Foundation in Kalispell, the American Cancer Society or the donor's choice.

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

Earl C. Tenley, 78

Earl C. Tenley, 78, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2006, at Brendan House in Kalispell. He was born Aug. 24, 1927, in Sardis, Ohio, the son of William and Josie Pearl (Bolen) Tenley. He attended schools in Sardis and completed the eighth grade.

He worked as an auto-body specialist for several years at Rygg Ford. He also worked for McElroy and Wilken, and Harpline Construction. He enjoyed the outdoors and was an avid fisherman.

He was a member of the Moose Lodge and the Eagles.

He was preceded in death by



his parents; a daughter, Virginia Tenley; a sister, Belva Jones; and a brother, Roger Tenley.

He is survived by his six children, Debbie Wigner, Earlene Greene, Randy Tenley and Joe Cook, all of Kalispell, and Karen Noe and Larry Tenley of Tennessee; six grandchildren, Hunter, Christina, Jamie, Justin, Chelsea and Jennie; and two brothers, Paul Tenley of Deersville, Ohio, and Donald Kennedy of Sumter, S.C.; and a sister, Mary Carpenter, of Sardis.

Memorial services for Earl will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, at the Eagles Lodge in Kalispell.

The family suggests memorials to the donor's choice.

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

William 'Bill' Robert Tennant, 68

William "Bill" Robert Tennant, 68, died peacefully of lung cancer at his home in Morgan, Utah, on April 29, 2006.

He was born July 11, 1937, to Vern and Mary Wilson Tennant in Kalispell.

He married Elizabeth Diane Jones on June 23, 1957, in Superior. Bill worked at the zinc mine in Kellogg, Idaho; then the cement plant in Devil's Slide, Utah, for 42 years. He also worked numerous part-time jobs: Allgoods Service Station, Heiner Garage, Parkside Bowling Lanes and Barber Brothers.

Bill was a Morgan volunteer policeman years ago and a volunteer fireman with the Morgan Fire Department. He was a member of Morgan's Lion's Lodge. Hobbies were fishing, traveling, hunting, playing pool and bowling. He "proudly" bowled the first



300 series to be bowled at Morgan Bowling Lanes.

Bill is survived by his wife, Diane; and his children, Dick Tennant of Morgan, Pat and Stacey Tennant of Nampa, Idaho, Kevin and Lori Tennant of Buford, Ga.; daughter, Lori, and Gene Bills of Morgan; and seven grandchildren. He also is survived by his brothers, Vern and Audrey Tennant of Missoula, and George and Clara Tennant of Kalispell; and sister, Louise Herbold, of Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and younger sister, Mary Ellen Drake.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to the Huntsman Cancer Foundation, 500 Huntsman Way, Salt Lake City, UT 84108.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 6, in the Morgan 5th Ward Chapel in Porterville, Utah. Friends may call at the church from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday.

Funeral arrangements are by Walker Mortuary in Morgan, Utah.

Barbara Kay Tester, 60

Barbara Kay Tester, 60, passed away Sunday, Feb. 19, 2006, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

She was born on June 29, 1945, at Wyandotte, Mich., the daughter of Francis O. and Lucille K. (Kooi) Reames. Barbara graduated from Buckley Community High School in 1964.

She married Dana L. Tester in 1967, and they lived happily in love until he "went home to be with the Lord" in 1982. Barbara then moved to the Flathead Valley in 1983 to be with friends. She held various jobs in the area.

Barbara was a committed member of Faith Alliance Church (formerly Community Alliance). She regularly helped with the Community Kitchen. She loved people and would do anything she

could for them. Her hobbies were dreaming of motorcycles, cooking, and playing Scrabble and Yahtzee.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Dana; two sisters, Betty and Shirley; and two brothers, Marshall Reames and Robert Reames.

She is survived by her daughter, Aimee Cooper, of Mercerville, N.J.; a sister, Carol Reames, of Cheyenne, Wyo.; and two brothers, Donald Reames of Cheyenne, and Earl "Butch" Reames of Aurora, Colo.

Memorial services for Barbara will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, at Faith Alliance Church, 348 Second Ave. W., in Kalispell. There will be no visitation.

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

Anna Marie Thacker, 49

Anna Marie Thacker, 49, of Libby, died Saturday, Aug. 5, 2006, at the Libby Care Center from natural causes.

Survivors include her mother, Teresa Thacker, of Battle

Ground, Wash. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 11, at the city of Libby Cemetery.

Local arrangements are by Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Sibyl P. Thayer, 82

Sibyl P. Thayer, 82, died June 13, 2006, at her Kalispell residence.

She is survived by her husband, Avery.

Memorial services are pending at this time.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

James E. 'Jim' Thomas, 84

James E. "Jim" Thomas, 84, of Bigfork, died Sept. 29, 2006, at Brendan House in Kalispell after a long illness.

He was born March 19, 1922, in Breckenridge, Minn., where he lived until he entered the service in 1943. He returned home in 1945 and in 1946, married Bobbie Stephens of Williston, N.D.

He worked at the Breckenridge post office until 1958, at which time they moved to Billings. There, they operated a Big Boy drive-in for 20 years. After retiring, they moved to Bigfork and have made their home there since. He especially enjoyed his cherry orchard every summer.

Jim was preceded in death by

his parents. He is survived by his wife, Bobbie, at the family home; one son, Dave Thomas, and wife, Mary, and grandson, Andy, of Kalispell; a brother, Cliff Thomas, of Belle Fourche, S.D.; and several nieces and nephews, including Donna Lawson of Bigfork.

Funeral services for Jim will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2006, in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel, with burial afterward at the Lone Pine Cemetery in Bigfork with military honors. In lieu of flowers, it is suggested that memorials be sent to the Bigfork QRU, 810 Grand Ave., Bigfork, MT 59911 or a charity of your choice.

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

Peggy Thomas, 64

Peggy Thomas, 64, died Wednesday, Oct. 25, 2006, at her home in Libby.

She is survived by her husband, Frank Melton, of Libby; children, Mark Gilroy of Libby, Joanne Rogers of Missoula, Dyle Williams and Eugene King, both of

Libby, and Pete Thomas of Kalispell.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 31, at the Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Libby. Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 1, at the Libby Christian Church.

Charles Leigh Thompson, 94

Charles Leigh Thompson, 94, of Columbia Falls and formerly of Cut Bank, passed away Thursday, Aug. 31, 2006, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

He was born Jan. 30, 1912, in Monticello, Minn., to Ray and Julia Thompson.

Charles graduated from the same high school as his father attended and also graduated from the Northwest Institute of Medical Technology in Minneapolis. In 1932, he came to Montana with his parents, and he and his father worked in the oil fields. In 1934, Charles moved to Cut Bank, where he went to work for Carter Oil Company. That became part of Exxon Oil and he eventually retired from Exxon on Jan. 1, 1976, after 42 years.

He married Deloris M. Hartford on Sept. 3, 1936.

Charles was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Cut Bank and the Loyal Order of Moose. He was an avid sports fan. He loved watching baseball and even kept score of games of his favorite team, the Atlanta Braves.

He is survived by his wife, Deloris; his four sons, Teddy and Arla Thompson, Robert Thompson, Richard Thompson, and Ronald and Judy Thompson; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2006, at the United Methodist Church in Columbia Falls. The Rev. David Merkel will officiate. Burial will be afterward in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Arrangements are with the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

Garnett Thompson, 83

Garnett Adeline Butterfield Thompson was born Oct. 2, 1923, in Tacoma, Wash., to Wyatt and Alma Butterfield. She was the oldest of five children. Although the family moved around a lot (Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, California and others) she went to high school there in Tacoma.

She met Alan Thompson in an electric shop, whom she somewhat reluctantly (at least at first) dated. Alan's sister talked her into it. Alan and a hesitant Garnett went to a football game together and the rest, as they say, is history.

They were married in the summer of 1943 at Camp Crowder, Mo. They were just 20 years old, the war was on, Alan was in Air Corps cadet school, and they moved from place to place: Oklahoma, Texas, Missouri, and back again.

Garnett was the loving mother of two, Terry and Janine, born in 1946 and 1949. The family lived in Lakewood and then sunny Fullerton, Calif., which she loved. It was there that the kids grew up. She was homemaker, mom and loving wife.

Throughout her life, Garnett played sports and games. She excelled at bridge, bowling, tennis, cribbage, racquetball and golf. She was a competitor, a self-starter, a reader, a learner.

Garnett and Alan started the first Christian book store on Catalina Island, where they moved in 1968. She founded the annual Catalina Christian Women's retreat in 1975, which continues to this day. She participated in Brownies, Campfire Girls, Boy Scouts and the Braille Institute. She was a counselor and then director of the Osceola summer



camp in the San Bernardino mountains of California. She was an active member and leader of the PTA.

Garnett and Alan moved to Whitefish in 1983. She liked to cross-country ski. She practiced needlework and knitting. She loved sweets.

Garnett was devoted to her church and to her faith. She loved the Lord, the study of the Bible, and sharing her opinions and thoughts with others. Garnett led a Bible study every Tuesday and Thursday — the latter for 23 years. She always was ready to learn.

She was a wonderful grandmother.

Garnett was self-taught in most things, a true autodidact. She was a voracious reader and her children and grandchildren knew better than to challenge her to a game of most anything, with the expectation of winning.

Garnett died at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 20, 2006. She was 83.

Her parents and her younger brother, Skip, preceded her in death.

She is survived, and the memory of her life is cherished, by many. They include her husband, Alan, of Whitefish; her brother, Bert Butterfield, of Shoreline, Wash.; and her sisters, Cecilia Hickman of Surprise, Ariz., and Alayne Butterfield of Marina, Calif.; her son, Terry Thompson, and his wife, Barbara, of Lakeside, Calif.; her daughter, Janine Perry, and her husband, Jim, of Hungry Horse; her grandchildren, Todd Thompson and his wife, Katra, of Princeton, N.J., Brian Thompson and his wife, Melinda, of Seattle, Zachary Perry of Hungry Horse, and Heidi Perry of Missoula.

Her memory survives in the lives and conversation of those she touched. Her true passion was her friends and family.

Harrison Eugene Thompson, 87

Harrison Eugene Thompson, 87, of Libby, died Thursday, Nov. 23, 2006, at St. John's Lutheran Hospital from natural causes.

He had worked for J. Neil's Lumber Company for 20 years.

Survivors include two children, Fred Thompson

Jr., of Libby, and Sheri Raynor of Clark Fork, Idaho.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1, at the Libby Christian Church in Libby. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Thursday.

Local arrangements are by the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Ronald L. 'Ron' Thompson, 61

Ronald L. "Ron" Thompson, 61, of Troy, died Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2006, at his home near Troy.

He is survived by his companion, Ella Ackley, of Troy; a daughter, Kelly Bledsoe, of Conroe, Texas; and his parents,

Lloyd and Mary Thompson, of Ridgecrest, Calif.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26, at Troy Cemetery. Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Monday and until noon Tuesday at Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Ronald Rodger Thorne, 71

Ronald Rodger Thorne, 71, "went to his final resting place" Monday, March 13, 2006, at his home in Lakeside.

He was born June 23, 1934, in Minnesota to Gustave and Sarah (McClure) Thorne.

He married Patricia Veigel on Dec. 22, 1969. Together they had eight children.

He will be dearly missed as a husband, father, grandfather and brother.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Thorne, of Lakeside; three sons, Charles Thorne and

wife, Nora, of Kalispell, James Thorne and wife, Terry, of Kalispell, and Chad Thorne of Lakeside; five daughters, Tammy Kenkel and husband, Richard, of Somers, Tonya Jaquette and husband, Charles, of Arizona, LaRhonda Woodall of North Carolina, and Sharon Hughes and husband, Jim, of North Carolina, and Candy Noonan and husband, Jim, of St. Regis; 19 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and one brother, James Thorne, of Martin City.

Private graveside services will be held for Ronald.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Ronald's family

Collin Andrew Thornton, 23

Collin Andrew Thornton, 23, passed away Saturday, May 13, 2006, in a tragic motorcycle accident west of Kalispell.

Collin was born in Kalispell the son of Donald Thornton and Shelley Smithers. Collin attended elementary school in Evergreen until his family moved to Kila when he was in the fourth grade, followed by Flathead High School.

Collin enjoyed fishing and hunting and the outdoors. He loved working in the shop restoring his classic Chevy muscle cars, riding his four-wheeler and motorcycle. Collin loved spending time with his niece, Sierra, teaching her to tie her shoes, playing and teasing her and nephew, baby Dalton. Sierra and Dalton loved their uncle Collin and he loved them. Collin also had a special relationship and closeness with his cousins.

Collin worked in the family logging and trucking business as a truck driver and harvested



timber.

Collin is survived by both parents, Donald Thornton of Kila, and Shelley Smithers of West Glacier; sister, Marri Thornton, and brother-in-law, Duane Brown, and their children, Sierra and Dalton of Whitefish; grandmother Mavis Thornton of Lakeside; great-grandmother, Leona Burnhard of Fortine; grandfather, William, and his wife, Idela Smithers, of Kalispell; and grandmother Barbara LaJune of Shelton, Wash.

Collin is loved and missed by all of his family and friends.

Collin "will join his grandfather Delivan Thornton and uncle Dale Thornton" at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. A celebration of Collin's life will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 20, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. All friends are welcome. Internment will be afterward at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery with a reception after.

Elaine Genevieve Thurston, 80

Elaine Genevieve Thurston, 80, "returned to her Father in Heaven" on Saturday, Feb. 25, 2006, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish, three days before her 81st birthday.

She was born Feb. 28, 1925, at Fairdale, N.D., the daughter of John and Caroline (Hanson) Lofgren. Elaine grew up on her parent's farm in Fairdale during the Depression, walking two miles to a country school daily, and in wintertime riding in a canvas-covered bus pulled by a team of horses.

As children, she and her brother Merlyn sang duets at church gatherings and socials. The family moved from Fairdale, to Kalispell, in 1939. Elaine graduated from Flathead County High School in 1943. During her school years there, she played the piano for the school dance band and also played the organ. She was known for her beautiful singing voice, having studied with Ann Peterson of Kalispell.

In 1944, she married Wendell D. Johnson of the U.S. Navy, who had survived the attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. Wendell died suddenly in May of 1965, in Missoula, where they resided with their young son, Wendell. After several years, she married Calvin Thurston in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, in November of 1975. Calvin passed away on April 15, 2002, after 26 years of marriage.

"Elaine, we will miss your sweet gentleness and kindness and rejoice in your being reunited with your loved ones. Your beautiful voice will now be a part of the heavenly choir."

Elaine was preceded in death by her two husbands; her parents; and a younger brother, Donley.

She is survived by her son, Wendell E. Johnson, of Kalispell; brother, Merlyn Lofgren, and his wife, Dorothy, of Missoula; Cal's daughter, Sue Ann Robinson, of Seabrook, Texas; granddaughters, Julie Robinson of Seabrook, Maren Robinson of Chicago, and Heather Bramm of Portland; great-granddaughter, Maggie Rose Davidson; several nieces and nephews; and also leaves her loyal, longtime friend, Patty Hardman.

Funeral services for Elaine Genevieve Thurston will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 2, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, with Pastor Larry Stappeler officiating, with burial afterward at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. today at Johnson Mortuary Chapel and at the church from 10 a.m. until service time.

The family suggests memorials be given to Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 603 South Main St., Kalispell, MT 59901.

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

Edna Pauline Tietz, 91

Edna Pauline Tietz "claimed the victory with the Lord," on Oct. 15, 2006.

She was born May 10, 1915, in Bentley, N.D., to Samuel and Charlotta Baler, to a family of nine children.

She met and was married to Herbert Tietz on May 29, 1938, at the First English Lutheran Church in Missoula. They were married for 58 years.

Edna was preceded in death by Herbert in 1996.

A well known baker, Edna was known for her blachinda, kuchen and cinnamon twists. They were always a special treat. Family, friends and the church were always important to her. She was a member of LWML at First Lutheran for many years and always kept in contact by letters. You could always count on getting a letter from Edna ... those letters will be missed greatly.

Both Herb and Edna were avid fisherman and for many years fished the nearby lakes. They both also enjoyed dancing the old-time dances. It was pure joy to watch them polka or do the schottische.



Edna is survived by brother, Edwin Baier, of Lynnwood, Wash.; and sister, Helen Rudy, of Ferndale, Wash.; 4 children: Norman and Norma Tietz of Whitehall, Judith and Roy Kidder of Whitefish, Dorothy and Jerry Weaver of Federal Way, Wash., and Joyce Harvey of Tacoma, Wash.; 11 grandchildren, Carie Dodson of Missoula, Wanda Benson of Post Falls, Idaho, Kirk and Sarah Tietz of East Gull Lake, Minn., Nancy Dowell of Federal Way, Gary and Susan Dowell of Kent, Wash., Scott and Terry Kidder of Milton, Wash., Lynndel Cox of Washington, Jennifer and Brian Schwer of Tacoma, Michael Weaver of Seattle, Janell and Terry Grey of Puyallup, Wash., and Susan and Paul Wigle of Kalispell. She was blessed with 28 great-grandchildren, and numerous other family.

Viewing was held Monday, Oct. 23, at the First Lutheran Church, 2808 South Ave. W. Funeral services followed at the church. Burial has taken place at Sunset Memorial Cemetery. Livingston-Malletta and Geraghty Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for memorials to go to The Lutheran Hour or First Lutheran Church.

Charles B. 'Charley' Tillson, 87

Charles B. "Charley" Tillson, 87, passed away on Wednesday, July 5, 2006, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell, after a long struggle with Parkinson's disease.

He was born June 26, 1919, to George and Elizabeth (Peugh) Tillson at Toston. The family moved to the Flathead Valley between Creston and Bigfork in 1923. He attended Echo School and graduated from Bigfork High School in 1937. He was active in sports — football, basketball, boxing and track. He spent many happy hours with his father, brother and good friends hiking, fishing, picking huckleberries and hunting in the Swan Range. He cut Christmas trees and worked on farms, and then went to California Institute of Technology and learned aircraft construction and went to work at Douglas Aircraft in Santa Monica.

On March 24, 1942, he and Alice Lorraine Hendrickson were united in marriage at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Kalispell. They lived in California until 1943, and returned to Kalispell where he joined the Navy Dec. 17, 1943. He was assigned to a small aircraft carrier, the Steamer Bay, for 20 months of sea duty with the Third Fleet, participating in many of the battles of the Pacific. He was honorably discharged Dec. 18, 1945. Alice remained in Kalispell with her parents. Their daughter Sandra was born while he was overseas.

He then began a carpentry apprenticeship, becoming a journeyman carpenter. He became a Kalispell city firefighter in November 1949. He retired as chief and then began 12 summers as fire protection inspector in Glacier National Park. He helped organize the Kalispell Retired Firefighters and Montana State Retired Firefighters, serving as an officer for many years.

He was a longtime member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, serving as a deacon, trustee, Sunday school teacher, Luther League sponsor and counselor to a national convention of the



Luther League in Miami Beach, Fla., in 1961.

He was a handyman around the church on many projects. He built and installed all the Bible racks on the church pews. He and Marion Cousell stripped and refinished the baptismal font.

Gardening, woodworking and traveling were special joys. He and Alice traveled to 45 states and 10 foreign countries. He was skilled at making inlaid bowls, stands, etc. and built beautiful furniture.

His infectious smile endeared him to everyone — especially children. The family is eternally grateful to the staff and residents of Immanuel Lutheran Home for the tender loving care and friendship shown Charley.

Preceding him in death were his parents; brother-in-law, "Red"; sister-in-law, Grace Hendrickson; and many uncles, aunts and cousins.

He is survived by his wife, Alice Tillson, of Kalispell; one daughter, Sandra Inouye and husband, Roger, of Lake Tapps, Wash.; one granddaughter, Lara Risenhoover and children, Andy and Sarah, of Bigfork; one grandson, Tom Hendricksen, of Seattle; one brother, Alvin Tillson, of Eureka; special nephews, John (Hendrix) Hendrickson of New York City, and Denis Hendrickson and niece, Denise, and their family of Spokane; one stepdaughter, Shirley Ozminski and husband, Phil, and family of Reno, Nev.; and many cousins.

Memorial services for Charles B. Tillson will be held 11 a.m. Monday, July 10, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, with Pastor Larry Stappeler officiating. Burial will be private by the family. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday, July 8, at Johnson Mortuary.

The family suggests that memorials be given to the Immanuel Lutheran Home, 185 Crestline Avenue, Kalispell, MT 59901; Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 603 S. Main, Kalispell, MT 59901 or Home Options, 175 Commons Loop Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901.

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

Kathryn A. Tinnell, 47

Kathryn A. Tinnell, 47, died Saturday, Aug. 19, 2006, at her home in Hungry Horse.

She worked as a cook for many years.

Survivors include her children, Baltimore Carper and

Shantae Boyd; and her fiance, William Arias.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Arrangements are with Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

Betty Tintinger, 76

Betty Tintinger, 76, died on Friday, March 10, 2006, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

She is survived by her children, Tom Tintinger of Columbia Falls, Ann Harvey of Somers, Patty Tintinger of Kalispell, and Dan Tintinger,

John Tintinger and Jim Tintinger, all of Seattle.

A private family urn burial will take place this summer in Helena.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for the family.

Joseph 'Joe' Addison Brouard Tippets, 67

Joseph Addison (Brouard) Tippets, 67, passed away Aug. 3, 2006, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

Joe was born March 14, 1939, in Norfolk, Va. He graduated from high school in Cody, Wyo., and later spent several years in the Army based at Fort Hood, Texas. After his military service, Joe worked as an electrician and refrigerator mechanic in New Mexico, Oregon, Wyoming and Montana.

An avid outdoorsman, he loved canoeing, fishing, hunting and snowmobiling.

In 1978, Joe moved to the Montana Veterans Home after surviving a severe cerebral aneurysm and lived there

for 28 years. At the home, he spent many hours playing billiards, watching basketball games and savoring his visits to Dairy Queen.

He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Joe is survived by three daughters, Mauri Tippets of Portland, Heidi L. Klenski of Salem, Ore., and Rachelle "Shelli" J. White of Portland, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A simple graveside service was held Aug. 7 at the Montana Veterans Home Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

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

Darlene Tkachyk, 69

Mary Darlene Tkachyk, 69, "was received into the loving arms of our Savior" on Sept. 9, 2006, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.



She was born on May 5, 1937, in Plentywood, to Odell and Evelyn (Syme) Johnson. Darlene completed her education in Plentywood where she graduated in 1955.

She married Ralph Tkachyk on June 20, 1955, in Plentywood. She was a loving wife for 51 years to Ralph.

Darlene took every opportunity she was given to share Jesus with her friends and family. Her passion was her children and grandchildren, which she was very proud of. Darlene enjoyed cooking, decorating, shopping and helping others. She so loved the smell of her perfume. You never caught Darlene without her bling-bling!! "She is at peace with Jesus and we are rejoicing. Praise the Lord. Thank you to the hospital staff and Brendan House for your loving care for Darlene during her illness."

She was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her husband, Ralph Tkachyk, of Kalispell; her four children, son Kim Tkachyk and wife, Joann, and their children, Joshua, Brittney and Aaron; son, Kipp Tkachyk and wife, Debbie, and their children, Shiloh, Sarah and Zachariah; daughter, Kori Baker and husband, Mike, and their children, Caleb, Nahum, Ian, Flint, and Cami; son, Kelly Tkachyk and wife, Beth, and their children, Moriah and Brittney; and one great-grandchild, Kamaia, all of Kalispell; with numerous other relatives.

Funeral services for Darlene will be held 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15, in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with Pastor Robert Ross officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be from noon until 6 p.m. Thursday at Johnson Mortuary.

The family suggests memorial be given to Life Outreach International c/o James Robinson, P.O. Box 982000, Ft. Worth, TX 76182-8000.

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

TinaMay 'Tiny' Darlene Foss Toftum, 41

TinaMay "Tiny" Darlene Foss Toftum "was taken home to be with our Father" on Oct. 22, 2006. She was born June 22, 1965, in Whitefish. "TinaMay joins her baby girl Felicia Meranda Jane Foss in Heaven to be our guardian angel." TinaMay will be missed by us all very much.



She was the best daughter, sister, mother, niece and best friend there ever was.

She married Donny on July 23, 2005. They moved to Wyoming in February 2006 for a new beginning. TinaMay loved Wyoming and called it home.

She is survived by her husband, Donny Toftum, of Gillette, Wyo.; daughter, Jessica Nicklaus, of Fort Lee, Va.; son, Ethan Smith, of Kalispell; stepson, Cole Toftum, of Columbia Falls; grandmother, Bernice May Clark, of Whitefish; parents Ben and Mary Jane Foss, and sister, Leslie Hamilton, all of Columbia Falls; stepsister RaeAnna Jorgenson, of

Quartzite, Ariz.; and several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

TinaMay cherished her family as if each of them were golden. She was the most spiritual lady ever known. TinaMay loved the ocean and brought red and golden sunsets. She loved everything mother earth had created. She loved animals of all kinds and always mothered the sick ones back to health.

TinaMay worked as a firefighter, certified nurses assistant, at Plum Creek on the green chain, Meadowlake Resort, Super One, as a truck driver, and logged with her dad in the mountains. These are only a few, but she did it all. She loved working on cars with her uncle, crocheting blankets, playing guitar, and spending time with her family.

TinaMay lived her life as if every day was the last. Her soul and spirit will be with us always. We all love and miss her with all our hearts.

Services will be held in the spring of 2007 due to her husband being hospitalized.

Any donations can be made to The Tina Toftum Memorial Fund at Wells Fargo Bank.

Clarence F. Tommerup, 90

Clarence F. Tommerup, 90, passed away Saturday, April 22, 2006, at the Brendan House in Kalispell. He was born Oct. 13, 1915, in Coalridge to Danish immigrants, Peter and Christine (Jensen) Tommerup.

Clarence was raised on the family farm in a one-room farmhouse along with his four brothers and four sisters, until his triplet sisters came along to make their family complete with 12 children.

On March 11, 1936, he married the first love of his life, Lillian Petersen. They were married 42 years prior to her passing. On Aug. 7, 1979, he married the second love of his life, Florence Boorman, who remained by his side until he "went to be with the Lord."

He attended school in Coalridge and completed school through the eighth grade, at which time his career of hard work began. He moved to Sidney, where his first son, Larry, was born, and worked as a hod carrier building the post office. Then he returned to Coalridge and worked in the coal mines. Later he moved to Blaiddell, N.D., where his daughter, Carol, was born, and he worked on his in-laws' family farm, enjoying wheat farming.

He moved to Kalispell in 1948, at which time he bought his ranch west of Kalispell. On his ranch he had dairy cattle and then later raised beef cattle. He managed the A.J. Thomas Tree Company operation for many years before going on to work at Meridian Dairy delivering milk. He met many friends on his route and they all loved him. It was truly one of his favorite jobs. He thoroughly enjoyed visiting with his customers.

Clarence actively worked on the ranch until about five years ago,



when he had his accident with the tractor. That slowed him down, but he still could be the "boss" and continued to be involved as his daughter, Carol, took over caring for the animals and the ranch.

He had many hobbies that included dancing, square dancing, fishing, camping, hunting, cutting Christmas trees and spending time on the ranch with his cows. His favorite annual event was branding.

He was a longtime member of the Smith Valley Grange, served on the Boorman School board and was active in the Smith Valley 4-H Club.

Clarence was truly a dear friend and "grandpa" to many. He always had a smile and welcomed everyone with open arms. He loved to visit and had a wealth of knowledge and memories that he shared. Anyone who met Clarence loved him. He will be dearly missed by all.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Lillian (Petersen) Tommerup, his parents, two brothers, and two sisters.

He is survived by his wife, Florence Tommerup, of Kalispell; a son, Larry Tommerup, and wife, Dorothy, of Tucson, Ariz.; a daughter, Carol Guest, of Kalispell; seven grandchildren, Larry Tommerup Jr., and wife, Joni, Laurie Hazard, Scott Guest and wife, Laurie, and Sheila Wilson and husband, Andy, all of Vancouver, Wash., Cyndy Tinnel and husband, Tom, David Tommerup and wife, Vonda, both families of Nashville, Tenn., and Susan Schmid and husband, Shawn, of Kalispell; 19 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Clarence will be held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 26, at Calvary Lutheran Church, with burial after services at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. After interment, a celebration of Clarence's life will be a potluck held at Smith Valley Grange.

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

Gordon R. Tracey, 73

Gordon R. Tracey, 73, of Eureka, died Monday, Dec. 25, 2006, in Kalispell.

He had worked for the U.S. Forest Service in Libby and Eureka.

He is survived by his wife, Kathleen Tracey, of Eureka; son, Greg Tracey, of Lansing, Mich.; stepchildren, Debbie Kande of Taylor, Mich., Donald Armstrong of

Trenton, Mich., James Armstrong of Taylor, and Jeffrey Armstrong of Ecourse, Mich.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 2, at the First Baptist Church; interment with military honors will follow at Tobacco Valley Cemetery. Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

Howard H. Tracht, 92

Howard H. Tracht passed away at his home in Kalispell on Jan. 03, 2006.

He was born May 10, 1913, on a homestead near Joplin to Simon and Emma Tracht.

He was preceded in death by Anna, his wife and soulmate of 70 years; his parents; a brother, Oliver; and a sister, Mable.

He is survived by his daughter, Maryle, and son-in-law, Arlen Roll; his son, Lloyd; a grandson, John Roll, and his wife, Mary-Ann; great-grandson, Marshall Roll; granddaughter, Linda Robb, and her husband, Don.

Howard went to grade school in Gilford and attended high school in Rudyard.

He married Anna Shipman in 1935.

He worked at the family business (S.J. Tracht and Son) selling machinery, cars and lumber. He

started farming in the early 1940s south of Rudyard and continued until 1952, when he moved to Kalispell and farmed there. He enjoyed living on the farm on the Stillwater River until he moved to town in 2002. He especially enjoyed spending time on the farm with his grandchildren. He enjoyed Marshall, his great-grandson, and particularly on Christmas Eve, when they helped each other open gifts.

He was active in The Epworth United Methodist Church and served on many church boards.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 6, at Epworth United Methodist Church in Kalispell.

The family is being cared for by Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.

The family suggests that memorial gifts be sent in Howard's name to a charity of their choice.

Mark Trebas, 24

Mark Trebas, 24, of Columbia Falls passed away Saturday, Dec. 30, 2006, at St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula.

He was born July 1, 1982, in Billings to William and Vicky Trebas.

Mark grew up and received his early education in Deer Park. He graduated from Columbia Falls High School. He was working for Saga Exploration at the time of his death.

Mark was a man that words will never describe. He was a person with a huge heart and one who had an unselfish nature to him, that so many will never know. Mark was a very big and strong man, but perhaps it was what he did for so many others that brought out a part of him much bigger than his arms. He put others first before himself and made sure everyone around him was happy and content.

Mark enjoyed many things throughout his life. He loved hunting, fishing and snowmobiling. He enjoyed laughing and being laughed at, with his loved ones. He liked getting dirty or greasy by doing basically anything himself or anyone else asked him to help with. Mark liked multiple things, but he had a passion of a different nature.



His true passion in life was his boots, pants and hat. He looked like a country singer at a concert. We all teased him for it but loved him for it.

Mark was a teacher to all who listened and helped all who asked whether he wanted to or not. It was just his nature to help.

He will always be remembered as our big muscled, red-headed, freckle-faced man. We will never forget the joy he brought to each and every one of our lives. He will be forever loved and admired for all he gave, and he will be remembered indefinitely. We love you Mark.

He is survived by his parents William and Vicky Trebas of Columbia Falls; two brothers; Jason Duval and Bill Trebas; his twin sister, Marika Trebas; his love, Caity McMurray; his nephew, Kyle Duval, his second family; The Walters of Columbia Falls; many aunts, uncles in Kalispell, Columbia Falls and Billings; also his many cousins and friends that were a part of his family.

Funeral services for Mark Trebas will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 5, at The Christian Center in Kalispell. Visitation will be from noon to 6 p.m. Thursday at Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

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

Doug Treece, 48

Doug Treece passed away on Thursday, Dec. 28, 2006, at his residence in Eureka, at the age of 48.

Doug was born on June 28, 1958, in Whitefish, to Bill and Dolly Treece. He was born with a heart defect, and when he was just 5 years old, had open heart surgery at University Hospital in Seattle. No one knew what the outcome would be, but Doug came back being as spry as ever. He went on to attend elementary and high school in Eureka, graduating with the class of 1976.

After graduation he started his career in seismographing. He was a mechanic for GSI in Denver, and his job led him to travel to many states in the U.S. For a while he even seismographed with his sister Toni and his brother Kevin. During this time he met Lynda Archer in Evanston, Wyo., and they married on Dec. 29, 1979. Together they had one daughter, Brittney, in 1980.

Doug continued seismographing until 1983 when he moved back to Eureka. He then went to work for Owens & Hurst and this is where he met Shelly Evans. They married on June 21, 1986, in Eureka. They stayed in Eureka for a little while, then moved to Great Falls. This is where they were blessed with two daughters, Kayla, born in 1989, and Danielle "Dani" born in 1991.

Doug was an ASE certified mechanic and loved doing



mechanical work until he was injured on the job. This forced him to try something different, and he went to work for Mini Mart Stores. Then in 2000 Doug and his family moved back to Eureka. He kept busy doing various jobs and just enjoying living in Eureka. He was an avid fisherman and hunter. He spent lots of time taking Kayla and Dani with him, whether it was hunting, fishing or just driving around the countryside and being with them. He adored his daughters.

Doug also loved doing puzzles, putting models together, working with cameras and tinkering on computers. He was everyone's "go to" guy for computer troubles and knowledge. Doug will be sadly missed by all those who knew him.

He is survived by his daughters, Kayla Treece and Dani Treece of Eureka, and Brittney Nelson, Evanston, Wyo.; parents, Bill and Dolly Treece, of Eureka; three sisters, Karen and Dave Helmrick of Troy, Jo and Rod Treece of Santee, Calif., and LuAnn Treece of Lakeside, Calif.; and brothers, Keith and Diane Treece of Kalispell, and Kevin and Jaci Treece of Kalispell. He is also survived by one granddaughter, Trinity Nelson of Evanston, Wyo.; 17 nieces and nephews; and his children's mothers, Lynda Archer of Evanston, and Shelly Treece of Eureka.

Doug was preceded in death by his grandparents; and his oldest sister, Toni Rae.

"May he rest in peace."

Graveside services and burial will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 4, at Tobacco Valley Cemetery in Eureka.

Harry P. Tripp, 89

Harry P. Tripp, 89, of Libby, died Monday, Oct. 30, 2006, at St. John's Lutheran Hospital from natural causes.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Tripp, of Libby; and two daughters,

Sharyn Anderson of Peabody, Mass., and Katherine Tripp of Sunapea, N.H.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 6, at the Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Terry L. Tyndall, 64

Terry L. Tyndall, 64, of Troy, died Sunday, Oct. 29, 2006, at his home from natural causes.

He had worked as a sales associate with DeShazer/Ryan.

Survivors include his wife, Lois Tyndall, of Troy.

A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 6, at the Nelson and Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Janice 'Jan' K. Tullett, 57

Janice K. Tullett passed away Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2006, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

Jan was born the younger of two girls on Feb. 21, 1949, in Eureka, Calif., to Walt and Madeline (Oliver) Gorski.

She married Albert S Tullett III on New Years Eve 1967.

She attended school in Vallejo, Calif., and after graduation she worked as a teachers' aide, and for the welfare department as a claims agent.

Jan moved to Kalispell, in 1998, where she cooked and helped with elderly care. Jan enjoyed



crocheting, her grandchildren, and her dog Blue. Jan never had a bad thing to say about anyone. She was a very loving mother to her boys.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors included her son, Eric Tullett, his partner, Kathryn Anderson and children, Boone and Hannah Tullett, all of Kalispell; son, Adam Tullett of Dobbins, Calif.; her sister, Judy Gorski of Burlingame, Calif.; uncle, George Oliver and wife, Maxine; ex-husband, Albert, of Camptonville, Calif.; and special friend, Mike Sommerfield, of Kalispell. She is also survived by several cousins.

Cremation has taken place. At her request no services will be held.