

Edwin Sager, 60

26 June 1977

Edwin M. Sager, 60, of 45 Sager Lane, died Sunday in Kalispell Regional Hospital. He was a retired game warden.

Mr. Sager was born July 14, 1916 in Kalispell and attended schools here. He enlisted in the Army in 1936 and served two years in the Philippines.

In 1942 he entered the Air Corps and served in the 384th Bomb Group as a flight engineer. He was shot down over Germany on Feb. 22, 1944 and was a prisoner of war until May

of 1945. Mr. Sager married Frances Emehiser in Kalispell on Aug. 3, 1940. He was a game warden for the Montana Fish and Game Department 27 years before retiring last July.

Mr. Sager was an elder in the Bible Presbyterian Church; a member of the Neighbors of Woodcraft and was formerly a member of the Veterans of

Foreign Wars in Kalispell. Surviving, besides his widow at home, are his daughter, Mrs. Chris (Vickie) Hansen, Valdez, Alaska; his son, Max E., Valdez; a granddaughter, Toria Hansen, Valdez; two sisters, Mrs. Ralph H. (Velma) Olson, and Mrs. Ray (Ila) Gibney, both of Kalispell; his stepmother, Mrs. Elen Sager, Spokane; stepbrother, Earl Mithaug, Kellogg, Idaho; his step-

sister, Mrs. Beulah Sorenson, Spokane and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Clyde Field of the Bible Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial will follow in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to the organ fund of the church.

Nellie M. Sanford, 66

12 June 1977

Nellie M. Sanford, 66, of 105-8th Ave. W., died Saturday in Kalispell Regional Hospital.

Mrs. Sanford was born Feb. 19, 1911 in Kansas City, Kan. She attended schools in Baker and Ollie. She was married to Roger N. Sanford in Baker on July 30, 1930. They farmed there until 1940. They moved to Kalispell from Banning, Calif., where they lived a number of years.

Mrs. Sanford was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Surviving, besides her widower at home, are two sons, Harry of Kalispell, and Delbert Sanford of Campbell, Calif.; her sister, Mrs. Bertha Roeser of El Paso, Tex.; and five grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints with Bishop Paul Johnston officiating. Burial will follow in Glacier Memorial Gardens. The Weatherford Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Alma A. Santana, 69

22 May 1977

Alma A. Santana, 69, who had resided at the Greenwood Trailer Court in Whitefish, died in Whitefish Sunday. She was born Feb. 14, 1908, in Bonners Ferry, Idaho.

She received her education there and was married to John Santana on June 21, 1930, in Bonners Ferry. The couple had then lived in Spokane, Montana and Idaho and in 1953, they moved to Whitefish where they lived at the Whitefish Motel for many years.

Mrs. Santana now is survived by her widower, John,

at home; four brothers, Otto and Walter Mewes, both of Kellogg, Idaho, Billie and Howard Mewes, both of Spokane; two sisters, Anna McLean and Frances Pahaska, both of Spokane, and several nieces and nephews.

Services for Mrs. Santana will be conducted in the Austin Chapel 2 p.m. Thursday with the Rev. Father John F. Cronin of St. Charles Catholic Church officiating. Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Tom E. Scherpenseel, 19

20 Dec 1977

Tom E. Scherpenseel, 19, of 199 Granrud Lane, was dead on arrival at Kalispell Regional Hospital Tuesday morning. Cause of death is unknown.

Born in Missoula Oct. 18, 1958, the son of Robert and Shirley Scherpenseel, he moved with them to Kalispell as a child. He attended Russell Grade School, Kalispell Jr. High and graduated from Flathead High School in the class of 1976.

Surviving, besides his mother and father in Kalispell, are two brothers, Wayne Pratt, of Pompano Beach, Fla., and Dennis Pratt of Denver, Colo.; his

sister, Susan Pratt of Kalispell; his grandmother, Marie Long of Missoula; and foster grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. P.J. Pratt of Missoula.

His body will be sent to Sandpoint, Idaho for cremation. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Ellwood Grissom, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, officiating. The family suggests memorials to the Elks National Foundation, 427 W. Diversey Parkway, Chicago, Ill. 60616.

Arnold O. Sagen, 60

31 Mar, 1977
RONAN — Arnold O. Sagen, 60, a resident of Martin City died Thursday in the Veteran's Hospital in Helena.

He was born June 25, 1916 at Northwood, N.D. His family came to the Kalispell area in 1929 and moved to Pablo in 1938.

Mr. Sagen resided in Stratford, Conn., before moving to Martin City approximately three years ago. He was a retired construction worker and a veteran of World War II.

He married Agnes F. Fennell on Aug. 5, 1946.

He now is survived by his widow of Stratford, Conn.; one daughter, Mrs. Karen Wilkinson of Fort Walton, Fla.; one son, Gary Sagen of Stratford; two brothers, Kenneth of Libby and Arley of Coos Bay, Ore.; five sisters, Mrs. Lawrence Smart of Missoula, Mrs. Lawrence

Marchant of Libby, Mrs. William Shepard of Pablo, Mrs. Bruce Day of Martin City and Mrs. Richard Luton of Fort Walton, Fla.

Services will be 10 a.m. Monday in Shrider's Mortuary in Ronan with Rev. James W. Holmlund officiating. Military graveside rites will be at Mountain View Cemetery in Ronan under the direction of Shrider's Mortuary.

30 July 1977 Ruth Saunders

VICTOR — Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday in the Whitesitt Chapel in Stevensville for Ruth Saunders, 71, of Victor. Mrs. Saunders died Saturday in Hamilton. Burial will be in the Victor Cemetery.

Mrs. Saunders was born July 13, 1906, in Livingston and was graduated from Park County High School in Livingston. In 1929 she married Jack Saunders there. The couple moved to Helena in 1933 and to Great Falls in 1946. Later they moved to Billings and then to Victor in 1972.

Mrs. Saunders was a bookkeeper. She was of the Bahai faith and was a member of the Victor Garden Club.

Survivors include her husband, Jack, Victor; two daughters, Barbara Peters, Gig Harbor, Wash., and Jeanine Horne, Deer Lodge; one son, Jack Saunders Jr., Aberdeen, S.D.; two brothers, Fred Bennett, Butte, and Robert L. Bennett, Prescott, Ariz.; five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Harry Salomon

29 July 1977
POLSON — Harry B. Salomon, 67, a life-long resident of the Polson area, died Thursday in St. Joseph Hospital.

He was born Sept. 19, 1910, in Virginia City. In 1913 he moved with his parents to Polson where he grew up and attended schools.

He farmed with a brother, Leonard, in the Mountain View area for a number of years before his retirement. He was an

avid sportsman and fisherman.

Survivors include three brothers, Carl and Leonard, both of Polson, and Thomas, Pablo, and four sisters, Elvine Bichov, DeBorgia; Viola Gerturich, San Francisco, Calif.; Bertha Wallett, Clarkston, Wash., and Myrtle Barker, Salt Lake.

Service will be Monday at 2 p.m. in the Mosley Chapel at Polson with the Rev. Gale Fisher officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

6 Jan 1977
Ida Marken Sargent, 87 years old, formerly of Bigfork and Kalispell passed away in La Mesa, CA, January 1, 1977. She was preceded in death by her parents Mr. and Mrs. Iver Marken and brothers Albert, Otto, Ed and Sophus. She is survived by her husband Rolland Sargent and one brother Henry Marken of Bigfork and six nieces and several great nieces and nephews. Lutheran Services and Eastern Star Rites were held in Cypress View Mortuary, San Diego, CA.

Neil J. Salisbury, 56

1 Dec 1977

EUREKA — Neil J. Salisbury, 56, died Thursday at his residence in Eureka following a short illness. He was born Jan. 6, 1921, in Stanwood, Mich.

He married Ruth Wilson; June 21, 1944, at Stanwood, Mich. He was a veteran of World War II, came to Libby in 1964 where he served as deputy sheriff for seven years and for the past year served as a city policeman for the City of Eureka.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth of Eureka; three sons, Bernell of Golden, B.C., Max and Gary of Kalispell; a daughter, Mrs. Joan Cuffe of Libby; one brother William of Evart, Mich.; one sister, Nellie Eichenberg of Eureka; and eight grandchildren.

Memorial services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Eureka Baptist Church

with Glenn Roth officiating. His body will be forwarded to Sandpoint, Idaho, for cremation. Memorials may be made to Ruth Salisbury of Eureka. Arrangements are being made by Vial Funeral Home.

Lucile Schagel

Services were held at All Angels and St. Michaels Episcopal church of Eureka for Lucile Nicholson Schagel Aug. 18. The Rev. Loren Foot officiated and Mrs. Thomas (Maurine) Smith, a family friend was the organist.

Mrs. Schagel was born November 18, 1904, in Everly, Iowa. In her childhood she lived in North Dakota and Montana. In 1923 the family moved to New York State.

She was married on August 4, 1934, to John Stanley Schagel, who survives her. Lucile and Stanley were not blessed with any children, but their home seemed never to be without a child for whom they were caring. There

are many who to this day call Lucile their second mama. Wherever Lucile went she made many friends. One of her greatest attributes was liking people.

In 1973 Lucile and Stanley moved to Tacoma, Wash., where they lived with Stanley's sisters, Girlo and Hazel, and brother, Sterling, until they bought a little place in Fife with room for a garden and flowers.

Lucile was preceded in death by her mother and father, one sister Patricia, and two brothers, Ortie and Lawrence, of Binghamton, N.Y.

Lucile was an active member of Afton New York Senior Citizens until moving west.

Those attending her services were her widower Stanley, nephew Jack Whalen and Anita, Hazel Staples, Winifred Nelson, and Sterling Schagel of Tacoma; Mrs. Ruth Jones, Tonasket, Wash.; Mrs. Roberta Maas, Okanogan, Wash.; nephews Charles Staples, Spokane, Wash., Dr. H. Tracy Nelson of San Diego Calif.; and relatives from the Kalispell area, Claude T. Yerkes, John and Phloris Slack, Bernard Metcalf, Betty Metcalf Day and Deanna Goldizen; brother-in-law and sister-in-law Manly and Helen Schagel of Eureka.

Interment was in the family plot of the Eureka Cemetery.

Tamara Kay Sena, 17

9 Oct 1977

LIBBY — Tamara Kay Sena, 17, of Libby, died Sunday as the result of an accidental gunshot wound.

She was born July 6, 1960, in Libby. She had lived in Libby before moving to Alaska with her parents a few years ago. She had returned to Libby in May, 1977, where she was

currently a senior at Libby High School.

Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Sena of Wasilla, Alaska; two sisters, Debra Hilderbrand of Anchorage, Alaska, and Dana Ann Sena of Wasilla; two brothers, Daren and David, both of Wasilla and her grand-

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wilson of Libby.

Services will be Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Vial Funeral Home. The Rev. Ronald Clapper, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, officiating.

Burial will follow in the City of Libby Cemetery.

George V. Schimming, 60

4 Nov 1977

George V. Schimming, 60, died at the Fort Harrison Veterans Hospital Nov. 4. He had been ill for the past two years and was last admitted to the hospital Oct. 21.

Schimming was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Schimming and was born at Ramsey Feb. 22, 1917. He attended Anaconda schools and was employed by the Anaconda Company in Anaconda and also at the company's plant in Columbia Falls.

He was a member of the Catholic Church, the VFW Columbia Falls Post 5650, and the Bartenders Union.

He married Donnie Vuckovich in 1947.

Schimming was a veteran of WW II and served in the U.S. Army. He was discharged a sergeant with overseas duty record.

He is survived by his wife at Hungry Horse; a

brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schimming; a sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Sporr; brother-in-law Mr. William J. "Tod" Morley, all of Anaconda; Also the following stepchildren and their spouses; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Vuckovich, Anaconda; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vuckovich, Mt. Iron Minn.; and Mr. and Mrs.

Raymond Sherrill of Auburn, Wa. Thirteen grandchildren, one great-grandchild and several neices and nephews.

Funeral services were held Nov. 9 from Finnegan Funeral Home with Mass of the Resurrection celebrated at St. Paul Church in Anaconda.

Interment was in Mount Olivet with military honors.

Kenneth Schooley

14 June 1977

Kenneth B. Schooley, Sr., age 60, a former Whitefish resident, died on June 14, at March Air Force Base Hospital, Riverside, California.

He is survived by his wife Josephine L. at the family home in Perris, California; two sons Kenneth B. Jr., Arcadia, California and Adrian L. of Riverside, California; his father Harold H. Schooley, Whitefish; two sisters, Shirley S. Hamberlin of Phoenix, Arizona; and Laura B. Johnson of Libby, Montana; three brothers, Harold B. of Cody, Wyoming; George A. and Burton C. of Whitefish.

Kenneth was born and raised in Whitefish. He was a member of the Montana Army National Guard 163rd Infantry, 41st Division which was activated and served in the South Pacific during World War II. During his tour in the New Guinea theatre he kept the local families informed of the unit's activities through weekly letters to the Whitefish Pilot. Upon return to the States, Kenneth transferred into the newly formed U. S. Air Force where he became a law enforcement officer. He remained in this field, with tours of duty in Korea and the Phillipines, until his retirement from the service.

Services for Mr. Schooley were held June 17 at the Evens-Brown Perris Chapel in Perris, California.

1 Aug 1977

Leo Seery

Funeral services will be Monday for Leo G. Seery, 52, who died Aug. 1 of natural causes in a room in the Park Hotel.

Services will be at 1 p.m. in the Livingston-Malletta Chapel, with Father Joseph Shirey of St. Francis Xavier Church officiating. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery.

He was born Nov. 12, 1924 in Townsend. He attended schools in Townsend and St. Ignatius.

Mr. Seery joined the Navy in 1944 and was discharged in 1946. He attended the University of Montana for a short time. Since then he had been employed in the Great Falls and Missoula areas.

Mr. Seery was a member of American Legion Post 106 of St. Ignatius and the Missoula Moose Lodge.

Survivors include a daughter, Sheba, Billings; four brothers, Dan of St. Ignatius, Frank of Downey, Calif., Joe of Yuba City, Calif. and Tim of Missoula, and a sister, Ann Simonson of San Diego.

2 Feb 1977

Mr. George Schilling, age 56, who had resided at 550 LaSalle Road, died in Kalispell on Thursday morning. He was born Feb. 24, 1920, in Beulah, ND, a son of Jacob and Magdalena Schilling. In 1938, he moved to Chinook, MT. On Sept. 26, 1942, he was married to Elenora Hoyt in Ely, NV. On Apr. 19, 1944, he entered the U.S. Army, serving until receiving his honorable discharge on Dec. 23, 1945. He then returned to Chinook where he was manager of the Monarch Lumber Company. In 1955, he moved to Kalispell and was employed with the O'Neil Lumber Company for 16 years. In 1971, he was employed at the Libby Dam until retiring in 1974. He was of the Presbyterian Faith. He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Marvin, in 1972; one brother, Elbert, in 1955 and one sister, Pauline Magda in 1941. He is now survived by his widow, Elenora, at home; three sons, Don of Gresham, OR, Daniel of Lancaster, CA and Vernon of Sacramento, CA; two stepsons, Raymond of Dundee, OR, and David of Missoula, CA; two brothers, Jack of Columbia Falls and John of Chinook; four sisters, twelve grandchildren and a number of other relatives. Funeral services for Mr. Schilling were in the Johnson Chapel on Saturday with the Rev. Dr. Odin A. Baugh, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial was in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Bernhard H. Schlegel, 84

21 Mar 1977

Bernhard "Ben" H. Schlegel, 84, died at the Montana Veterans Home Monday. Mr. Schlegel was born Jan. 15, 1893, in Helena.

At an early age he moved to the Flathead Valley where he had attended the Lower Valley School. On July 22, 1918, he entered the U.S. Army at Kalispell and served until receiving his honorable discharge on February 13, 1919 at Camp Funston, Kan.

He returned to the Flathead and was a meat cutter at the Somers Meat Market for a number of years. In 1931, he was married to Ellen Bergholm at Somers. The couple then moved to Kalispell where Mr. Schlegel operated the

Glacier Club for 18 years before retiring due to illness.

He was a member of the Kalispell Elks Lodge.

He now is survived by his widow, Ellen, at home in Kalispell; one daughter, Mrs. Fred (Bernie) Gyrion, Jr. of Kalispell; four grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Elsie Hagel of Superior; two half

brothers; two half sisters and several nieces and nephews.

Services for Mr. Schegel will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 10:30 a.m. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

12 Apr 1977

Otto H. Schultz, 84

Otto H. Schultz, 84, of Columbia Falls, died in Whitefish Tuesday. Mr. Schultz was born Sept. 24, 1892, in Mankato, Minn.

He spent his early life in Minnesota and moved to Kremlin, where he homesteaded. In 1923, he moved to Kalispell where he was employed with the Kalispell Lumber Company for 25 years.

He then moved to the Deer Park area where he had operated Otto's Fly Shop since that time. Mr. Schultz was of the Lutheran faith.

In 1915, he was married to Elsie Buck and was preceded in death by her in 1949.

He now is survived by one son, Clifford of Clearfield, Utah; two daughters, Mrs. Beryl A. (Virginia) Wagner of Hungry Horse and Mrs. Carl (Betty) Daley of Kalispell; one sister, Mrs. Elsie Renner of Pasadena, Calif.; nine grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

Services for Mr. Schultz will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel 2 p.m. Thursday with the Rev. H. Peder Waldum, pastor of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

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A-A. News June 16-77

Former Mayor Schmidt Dies

Services for Frank Schmidt, 83, former Columbia Falls mayor, will be held Saturday 2 p.m. at Van Leuven Funeral Home with the Rev. Ron Paulson of Our Savior's Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mr. Schmidt died Thursday morning at North Valley Hospital.

He was born April 5, 1894 in the Flathead, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilhelm Schmidt, and attended grade school, high school and business college at Atchinson, Kansas where he stayed with an aunt.

In 1916 he returned to the Flathead. On Aug. 12, 1927 he and Bessie Greve of Columbia Falls were married. She died in 1964. Ten years ago he and Sarah Burton were married. She survives as do a son, F. W. (Bill) Schmidt, and daughter, Mrs. Leonard (Roberta) Knutson, Columbia Falls. There are six grandchildren.

Also surviving are a brother, Karl Schmidt, The Dalles, Ore., and two sisters, Ruth Baxter, Modesto, Calif., and Lillian Russell, Maple Valley, Wash.

Schmidt worked as a lumber grader and in 1933 became an electrician, working in that trade until 1956 when he retired. He had been an electrician for Bonneville Power Administration.

He was Columbia Falls mayor in the 1930s for two years and also a town council member.

In 1961 he was elected city councilman and re-elected in 1963.

When he ran for office in 1961, Schmidt said he wouldn't

accept pay as a council member, but instead turned the money over for use on streets. At that time council members were paid \$24 a month or \$288 a year. He was much concerned about the poor condition of streets.

4 Jan 1977

Dan E. Schwartz, 26

Dan E. Schwartz, 26, 350-3rd Ave. W.N., died Tuesday in Sacred Heart Hospital in Spokane. He was a school teacher.

Mr. Schwartz was born Nov. 17, 1950 in Whitefish. He attended Elrod Grade School and was graduated from Flathead High School in 1968.

He then attended Northern Montana College, after which he started student teaching at the Kalispell Junior High School in 1972. He taught until two years ago when illness forced him to stop.

Mr. Schwartz married Jan Stenehjelm in Kalispell on March 23, 1973. She now

survives him at home. Other survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Schwartz, Kalispell; his brother, David, Spokane; his grandmother, Mrs. V.E. Gray, Whitefish; an aunt, one uncle and three cousins.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. James Newman of Bethel Baptist Church officiating. The Weatherford Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

It was his request that there be no flowers at his services and any contributions to the American Cancer Society would be appreciated.

Stephen G. Schwartz

17 Dec 1977

Stephen Gormley Schwartz, 59, died at his home on Haskell Creek Road Saturday evening.

Mr. Schwartz was born April 18, 1918 in Wynnewood, Pa. the son of Louis and Gorgaina Schwartz.

He received schooling in Pennsylvania and later attended Princeton University. During World War II he served in the Merchant Marine.

In 1953, he moved to Whitefish, where he was engaged in the logging business. He was a member of the Pacific Coast Golf Association and a member of the board and past president of Montana State Golf Association.

In 1976 he received the the Paddy Fitzgerald Award for outstanding service to Montana Golf.

He was married to Ann Mather Sullivan in 1953. He is now survived by wife, three daughters, Mrs. John B. Collins Jr., Wavzata,

Minn., Mrs. Lloyd Pakradooni, Westchester, Pa.; Peri Schwartz, Ashland, Oregon; one step-daughter, Mrs. Steven Kohler, Sheridan, Wyo.; two stepsons, John L. Harrison, Denver, Colo. and Gilbert M. Harrison, Sheridan, Wyo.; one brother, Peter A. Schwartz, Ft. Worth, Texas; one sister, Mrs. E.D. Meader, Rochester, N.Y.; and six grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Montana State Golf Association to assist young golfers, and can be sent to Frasier MacDonald, Butte, Montana.

Funeral services will be from the Holy Nativity Episcopal Mission, Whitefish at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, with Rev. Herbert W. Buckley officiating.

Following the services, the body will be cremated. Arrangements are under the direction of Austin Funeral Home.

27 July 1977

George H. Sedgwick, 67 of 168 2nd Ave. E.N., died Sunday night in Kalispell Regional Hospital. He was a retired State Electrical Inspector. Mr. Sedgwick was born Dec. 12, 1909 in Fort Benton, the son of Cortez and Mollie Sedgwick. He moved to Kalispell in his early life and graduated from Flathead High School in the class of 1930. Mr. Sedgwick went to work for the Charles Ward Electric Co. as a young man, and then worked 20 years for Hollingsworth Electric as an electrician followed by his employment with Miller-Ford Electric Co. for 11 years. He was an electrical inspector for the state from 1965 until he retired in 1975. He married Eunice Knutson here Oct. 7, 1933. Mr. Sedgwick was a member of the Christ Church Parish (Episcopal); had served on the vestry of the church for 12 years and was a member of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew's of the church; the I.O.O.F. Lodge in Kalispell; and was a charter member of the Electrical Brotherhood Local 768. Funeral services were Wed. in Christ Church with Father Paul Taylor officiating. Burial was in Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials to the church or to a charity of the donor's choice. Surviving are his widow, Eunice, at home; his mother, Mrs. Mollie Sedgwick, Kalispell; 3 sisters, Mrs. Elmer (Geneva) Cummings, Martinez, CA, Mrs. Morlin (Patricia) Speyers, Spokane, WA, and Mrs. Bert (Kathryn) Huggins, Kalispell. He was preceded in death by his father and a brother and a sister.

Winnifred Senner

11 Sept 1977

Services for Winnifred (Babe) Senner, 54, Columbia Falls, were held Thursday in the Van Leuven Funeral Home. Burial was in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers were Joe Spencer, Roy Herrmann, Al LaBere, Clarence Carter, Harold Anderson and David Wyman.

Mrs. Senner died at Lake Koochanusa, near Libby, on Sunday. She was born Feb. 9, 1923, at Casper, Wyo., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Leach.

In 1929 she moved with her parents to Whitefish, where she graduated from Whitefish High School in 1941. She later work-

ed at the Diana Shop and the Woolworth Store in Kalispell.

On Feb. 21, 1948 she and Alvin (Bud) Senner were married in Whitefish. They made their home there until two years ago when they moved to Columbia Falls.

She is survived by her husband, Alvin (Bud), at the family home in Columbia Falls; two daughters, Lana Frank, Columbia Falls, and Mrs. Lonnie (Linda) Herrmann, Whitefish; one brother, Seth Kates, Hardin; three sisters, Mrs. Leora Micho, Mrs. Frank Steinger and Mrs. Martin Doyle, all of Whitefish and two grandchildren, Robyn and Jeffery Frank.

Hungry Horse News
Thurs. 22 Sept. 1977
Orrin O. Seilstad

Funeral services for Orrin O. Seilstad, Spokane, former Hungry Horse resident, were held in Spokane Saturday, with burial there.

Mr. Seilstad had worked as heavy duty mechanic for the Bureau of Reclamation at Hungry Horse from 1948 through 1952, transferring to the USBR at Eltopia, Wash. In 1959 he went to work for the Forest Service in Spokane, and retired in 1965 with 31 years federal service.

Survivors are Mrs. Seilstad at their home W1503 Central, Spokane; a daughter, Marian, Spokane; son, Norman, Federal Way, Wash.; three grandsons; a sister, Mrs. Donald Runsvold, Kalispell; brothers, Evender, Marvel and Peter, all of Denton; Palmer, Winifred, and Oscar in Tucson, Ariz.

He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Spokane, a Mason, Sons of Norway, NFFE and Spokane Machinists Union.

John Sereday, 87

29 Jan 1977

John Sereday, 87, died in Whitefish Saturday. He was born Jan. 23, 1890 in Zlatnik, Czechoslovakia.

In 1912 he came to America and settled at Tacoma, Wash. In 1914, he moved to Lehigh, Mont. and worked in the mines there until 1921 when he

was engaged in farming operations.

In 1919 he married Susie Mital.

He now is survived by one daughter, Margaret Nash of Columbia Falls; two sons, Henry of Lewistown and John Jr. of Augusta, Ga.; 15 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

The body has been forwarded by the Van Leuven Funeral Home to the Croxford Funeral Home in Great Falls, where services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday. Burial will be in the Belt Cemetery.

10 Aug 1977
Lucy Selvio

Lucy Woodcock Selvio, 46, Seattle, Wash., died Wednesday in Billings.

Mrs. Selvio was born Jan. 10, 1931, in St. Ignatius. She attended school in St. Ignatius.

Survivors include three sons, Jim Bigsmoke of Minneapolis, Minn., Ron Martin of Ronan, and Joe Senecal of Ronan; two daughters, Marie Bigsmoke of Cusick, Wash., and Jeannie Garfield of Ronan, and two sisters, Clara Bourdon of St. Ignatius and Theresa Ness of Ronan.

Friends can call at the St. Ignatius Community Center Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. Sunday. Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday in the St. Ignatius Catholic Church with Father Obersinner officiating. Burial will follow in the Catholic cemetery.

Elmer Senne

12 Nov 1977

Elmer Senne, who had worked in Glacier National Park as a plumber, died at Coeur d'Alene Nov. 12 with graveside services held at Pinecrest Memorial Cemetery, Sandpoint Nov. 15. The Rev. Warren Pomeroy of the First Church of God officiated.

Mr. Senne, 62, was born Nov. 26, 1914 at Minot, N. Dak., a son of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Senne. The family moved to the Flathead when he was a young boy.

He was an Army veteran of World War II, and on returning from service was employed in Glacier until his retirement.

Survivors include one brother, Arthur, Sandpoint, a sister, Esther Carl, Long Beach, Calif. Cousins here in the Flathead are Mrs. Forrest Buck, Columbia Falls, Mrs. Marion Buck, Kalispell, and Chris Fladmark, Kalispell. The late Elmer Fladmark was a cousin. Mr. Senne was preceded in death by a brother and sister.

Thelma

Shermer

25 Feb. 1977

Thelma I. Shermer, 65, a former Kalispell resident, died Feb. 25 in Tilden, Neb.

She was born March 9, 1911 at Park Center, Nebraska.

She married Asa C. Shermer June 1, 1933 at Vallentine, Neb. They ranched in Nebraska for 21 years, and five years in Marion, Montana, and then moved to Tilden, Neb. in 1961.

She taught school for 17 years in Nebraska and five years in Kalispell.

She is survived by her widower, three sons, one daughter, three brothers, and three sisters.

Funeral services were Tuesday in Tilden, Nebraska.

Mary Sederstrom

HOT SPRINGS — Mary Sederstrom, 90, of Hot Springs died in St. Joseph Hospital in Polson Sunday. She was a Hot Springs resident for 56 years.

She was born Oct. 8, 1886, in Sweden and moved from there to Evanston, Ill. She married Albert Sederstrom June 5, 1915, in Evanston.

14 Aug 1977
The couple moved to Hot Springs in 1921 and engaged in ranching. Mr. Sederstrom died in 1962.

Mrs. Sederstrom was a charter member of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Hot Springs.

Survivors include one son, John Oliver, Hot Springs; two daughters, Victoria Sederstrom and Mrs. Marion Merritt, both of Hot Springs; one sister, Mrs. Anna Almo, Hot Springs; two grandsons; three step-grandchildren; five great-grandchildren, and seven step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Trinity Lutheran Church in Hot Springs with the Rev. Ole Helland officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell under direction of Shrider Funeral Home of Plains.

28 Sept. 1977
Mrs. Rosemary Stuart, age 90, formerly of Kalispell, died in Eugene, Oregon on Friday. She was born April 26, 1887, in Boyd, Wisconsin. On December 1, 1907, she was married to William J. Stuart in Kalispell. The couple lived here until 1943 when they moved to Crestwell, Oregon. Mrs. Stuart was preceded in death by her husband on September 30, 1953, and is now survived by one sister, Mrs. Nettie Evans of Seattle, Washington and several nieces, nephews and grand nieces and grand nephews. Graveside services for Mrs. Stuart will be conducted in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery at 10 a.m. on Thursday.

Vernon F. Smith, 59

16 May 1977
TROY — Vernon F. Smith, 59, died in his home in Troy Monday morning.

He was born May 24, 1917, in Dickinson, N.D., and he married Myra Hall Oct. 12, 1937, at Terry. He was a heavy-duty mechanic and followed construction jobs.

The Smiths moved to Troy in 1966. Mr. Smith was a member of the Cabinet Grange 145 and the International Union of Operating Engineers.

Survivors include his widow, Myra, Troy; one daughter, Myrna O'Neil, Troy; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one sister, and one brother.

Services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Assembly of God Church in Troy with the Rev. Orville Forrest officiating. Burial will be in the Milner Lake Cemetery. Vial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

ALBERT SHAFER

30 Nov 1977

Mr. Albert Shafer, age 67, died at his home at 274 3rd Ave. E.N. on Saturday. He was born December 7, 1909, in Hobson, MT, a son of Fred and Laura Shafer. He had spent his early life in Lewistown and on April 17, 1942, he entered the U.S. Army at Missoula. He had served in Co. D, 2nd Batn. until receiving his honorable discharge on October 9, 1945. On November 25, 1945, he was married to Mary Burns in Polson. The couple then moved to Kalispell where Mr. Shafer was employed with the City of Kalispell Street Department for twenty years. He later established his own shoe repair business which he has operated since that time. He is survived by his wife, Mary, at home;

one son, Steve Shafer of Kalispell; two brothers, Charles of Oak Harbor, WA and John of Stanford, MT; four sisters, Caroline Anderson of Harlem, MT, Maude Chapman of Dodson, MT, Dorothy Cramer of Kalispell and Laura Finkbinder of Lewistown; one grandson, Stewart James Shafer of Kalispell and a number of nieces, nephews and other relatives. Funeral services for Mr. Shafer were conducted in the Johnson Chapel on Wednesday with Mr. George Darrow, Veteran Chaplain officiating. Burial was in the Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery where military graveside rites were conducted by the local veterans organizations.

ROBERT SHAFER

Mr. Robert Shafer, age 30, formerly of Whitefish, died in Salem, OR on Nov. 16th. He was born Feb. 1, 1947, in Whitefish, a son of Arnold and Genevieve Shafer. He had received his education in Whitefish having graduated from the Whitefish High School in the Class of 1965. He then attended Northern Montana State College at Havre. He then returned to Whitefish and was employed with the Markus Grocery for a time and had also tended bar in Kalispell. In August of 1976, he moved to Salem, where on Sept. 1, 1976, he was married to Vonnie Goble. He was preceded in death by

his father on Sept. 1, 1976 and his mother on Sept. 15, 1976. He is now survived by his wife, Vonnie and one son, Joshua Bo both at home; two sisters, Mrs. Lynn White and Mrs. Judy Bates both of Salem, OR; two half sisters, Mrs. Ruth Luding of Tacoma, WA and Mrs. Loretta Markus of Whitefish and a number of other relatives. Mass of the Resurrection for Mr. Shafer was celebrated in St. Charles Catholic Church on Friday with the Rev. Father John Cronin as celebrant. Burial was in the Whitefish Cemetery under the direction of the Austin Funeral Home.

23 Nov 1977

Edna Forbes Shaffer

22 Sept. 1977

Edna Forbes Shaffer home on a farm near died in Ukiah, Calif., Sept. 22. Whitefish for many years.

She was born in Kalispell, the daughter of the late Charles E. and Rachel Clayton Forbes, early pioneers of Flathead County.

She and her husband Peter E. Odman, made their

She later married Chris Shaffer, who died several years ago.

She is survived by a brother, Jesse C. Forbes of Oregon; three daughters, Hyacinth Mingle Hole and Marcella Mingle Brosig, both of California and Petra Odman Jerzerick of Pennsylvania; 13 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Shaffer was a member of the Mother Church, the First Church of Christ Scientist in Boston, Mass. and the First Church of Christ Scientist in Ukiah, Calif.

Private services were held at Evergreen Memorial Gardens in Ukiah. Interment was made in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

1 Mar. 1977

Kandie M. Shaffer, 2

Kandie Marie Shaffer, 2-year-old daughter of David and Carla Shaffer of Columbia Falls, died on Tuesday in a home fire.

Kandie was born Dec. 28, 1974, in Whitefish.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Shaffer; two brothers, Michael and Monte and three sisters, Karey, Kathryn and Kristine all at home; her

grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shaffer and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Scouten all of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Funeral services for Kandie Marie will be conducted in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Columbia Falls at 2 p.m. on Friday with Bishop Max Staheli officiating.

Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery under the direction of the Van Leuven Funeral Home.

21 Mar. 1977

Freda Shanahan, 78

Freda Shanahan, 78, of Whitefish, died on Monday in Cupertino, Calif. while visiting her son there. She was born July 21, 1898, in Hancock, Minn.

She had received her education there, and was graduated from the Hancock High School in the class of 1916. In 1918, she moved to Whitefish where she married William J. Shanahan on July 23, 1919.

She was then employed with the Great Northern Railroad. In 1933, she initiated the hot lunch program in the Whitefish schools, and had served on the Whitefish School Board from 1944-1948.

In 1954, she was elected Flathead County treasurer until 1959, when she continued to work in the treasurer's office for 3 more years. She had served as county chairman for the Democratic party and held all offices within the party at the county level.

In 1964, she established the Whitefish Credit Bureau and served as manager there until 1969. She initiated the idea for low cost housing for senior citizens which

was realized with the construction of the 50 unit apartment building in 1969.

She then became executive director of the Whitefish Housing Authority, a position she held until retiring in June 1973. She had served as president of the Flathead Senior Citizens and in 1970 was honored as First Lady of Whitefish.

She had served as a member of the Committee of the Council on Aging and was an active member of the American Association for Retired Persons.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William, in 1946, and now is survived by two sons, Bill Shanahan of Cupertino, Calif. and Wayne Shanahan of Whitefish; one daughter, Mrs. Patricia Erickson of Kalispell; nine grandchildren; one great-grandson and one brother, Harold Bailey of Somers.

Funeral arrangements for Mrs. Shanahan are incomplete and will be announced later by the Austin Funeral Home. The family suggest memorials be made to the charity of donor's choice.

7 Aug 1977

Mary Ann Barber, 3

Charles Shelton, 1

Mary Ann Barber, 3-year-old daughter of Mary Margaret Shelton, and Charles William Shelton, 23-month-old son of Mary and Daniel Shelton, died at their home in Columbia Falls Saturday evening.

Mary Ann was born July 2, 1974, in Wilmington, N.C. Charles was born Aug. 24, 1975 in Wilmington.

The family moved to Columbia Falls in October, 1976, where they have since resided.

The children are survived by their parents in Columbia Falls; grandparents, Mrs. Eleanor Barber and Paul Barber, both of Wilmington, N.C., and Charles and Erma Bennett of Columbia Falls and David and Fay Shelton of Seattle; and great-grandmother, Mrs. Florence Cyr of Seattle.

Funeral services for Mary Ann and Charles will be conducted in the Austin Chapel at 2 p.m. Friday with burial to follow in a local cemetery.

June Sheppard, 56

10 July 1977

June D. Sheppard, 56, of 58 W. Cottonwood Dr., died Sunday at home.

Mrs. Sheppard was born Oct. 25, 1920 in St. Thomas, N. D., the daughter of John and Ethel Bailey. She was a cook in Great Falls many years and later was a microfilmer for the Dikewood Company, in Helena.

She had lived in Billings one year and five years in Great Falls. She moved to Kalispell from East Helena one month ago.

Mrs. Sheppard was married to Robert R. Sheppard in Billings on May 17 1967. She was a member of the V. F. W. Auxiliary in East Helena.

Surviving, besides her widower at home, are one son, Howard C. Gaylan, Great Falls; her stepson, Skip Stillman, Helena; her father, John Bailey, Helena; her brother, Gary Bailey, Anchorage, Alas-

ka; two sisters, Mrs. Robert (Jean) O'Brien, Helena, Mrs. Bill (Jean) Alley, Anchorage, Alaska.

Services will be held at 2 Forestvale Cemetery, charge of local arrangements.

28 July 1977

Delbert Simons

Graveside services will be conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Holy Cross Cemetery, Townsend, for Delbert M. Simons, 65, who died July 28 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Mr. Simons was born June 3, 1912, in Parker, Idaho, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simons. The family moved to Townsend in 1916, where he attended school.

For many years he worked as an operating engineer on construction projects throughout the western states and Alaska.

After his retirement he lived in the Salt Lake area.

He is survived by three brothers, C.W. Simons of Fairfield, Calif.; Ralph Simons of Boulder and Rev. Lawrence Simons of San Diego, Calif.; one sister, Virginia Sullivan, Missoula; and several nieces and nephews including Maureen Donegan and Dan and Mike Sullivan of Missoula.

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Thomas J. Sillers

Thomas J. Sillers, 76, former Flathead banker, died May 16 in Laguna Hills, Calif.

Mr. Sillers was associated with the Conrad National Bank, then the Bank of Columbia Falls before going to the First National Bank of Whitefish where he was president.

On leaving Whitefish he was briefly associated with the Bank of Scottsdale, but left before the bank opened and retired.

He was a member of the 50 Year Bankers Club of Montana and of the Presbyterian Church.

Survivors are his wife, Nellie, and daughter, Mrs. Charlotte Phillips in Arizona.

Interment was in Cypress View Mausoleum, San Diego.

Kenneth Small

8 Aug 1977

Services for Kenneth A. Small, 70, resident of the Montana Veterans' Home since Dec. 9, 1975, were held Wednesday in Great Falls at the Croxford and Sons Funeral Home.

Mr. Small died Monday. He was born Oct. 1, 1906, in Sioux City, Iowa. He was a Navy veteran of World War II and Korea.

On Oct. 1, 1938 he and Helen Archibald were married in Havre.

Survivors include his wife, Helen, Great Falls; one son, Dr. Kenneth C. Small, Great Falls, one daughter, Mrs. Theron (Martha) Brown, Grand Forks AFB, N.D.; one brother, Herbert, Lawton, Okla.; and nine grandchildren.

Alex 'Calhoun' Skerlock, 53

31 Mar 1977

TROY — Alex "Calhoun" Skerlock, 53, died in a Liberty Hospital Thursday evening.

He was born May 8, 1923, in Bethlehem, Pa. He was a veteran of World War II and the Korean War. He retired from the Air Force in 1962. He was owner and operator of the Antlers Night Club west of Libby.

Survivors include his widow Nadine of Troy; a son, Scott, Great Falls; a daughter, Elizabeth Siller, Great Falls; his mother, Anna Skerlock, St. Petersburg,

Fla.; two brothers, William, Lowelville, Ohio, and Ernest, Bethlehem, Pa., and two sisters, Irene Banks, St. Petersburg, and Wilma Allred, Tallahassee, Fla.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the Vial Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert M. Gregory officiating. Burial will be at the Custer National Cemetery near Hardin. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Chad Sherwood, 5

16 June 1977
EUREKA — Chad Gaylord Sherwood, 5, died in a house fire Thursday afternoon.

He was born May 23, 1972 at Whitefish. He was the son of Mary and Gaylord Sherwood.

Other survivors include on sister, Amy, and one brother, Jared, both of Eureka; grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Jack Helms, and Mr. and Mrs. Frances Sherwood of Spokane and great-grandparents Mr.

and Mrs. Arthur Tucker of Eureka.

Services will be today at the First Baptist Church in Eureka, with the Rev. Don Smith officiating. Burial in Tobacco Valley Cemetery under the direction of the Vial Funeral Home.

Kenneth Simons, 43

22 July 1977
Kenneth Duane Simons, 43, Fairbanks, Alaska and St. Regis, Mont., formerly of Kalispell, was shot and killed near Trego early Friday morning.

He was vacationing in the area at the time of his death.

Simons was born July 16, 1934, in Whitman, N.D., a son of Roy and Leona Simons. At an early age he moved with his family to the Flathead Valley and had attended local schools.

He was a long-time resident of the Kalispell area where he worked in the woods as a cat skinner. He had also owned and operated his own logging and road building business in both Kalispell and St. Regis areas.

After almost 18 years of this work, he moved his trucks to Fairbanks to work on the pipeline in March, 1975.

Simons was a member of the Kalispell Masonic Lodge No. 42 AF&AM and the Adah Chapter No. 17 Order of the Eastern Star.

He was preceded in death by three children in infancy; one brother in infancy and his father, Roy Simons, on Feb. 14, 1977.

He is now survived by his widow, Karen, and children, Kevin and Kimberly of Fairbanks and DeBorgia, Montana; other children, Shirley Johnson of White Sulphur Springs, Sherri Stevens of Kalispell, Duane Simons of St. Regis, and Darren Simons of San Luis Obispo, Calif.; his mother, Mrs. Leona Simons of Lakeside; three sisters, Lenore Burgess and Karen Mower, both of Fortine, and Mavis Thornton of Lakeside; three grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Services for Mr. Simons will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 2 p.m. Wednesday. The Rev. Ray Tuttle, pastor of the Church of God, will officiate.

Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens where ritualistic Masonic rites will be conducted by the Kalispell Lodge No. 42 AF&AM.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society.

Roy Simons, 68

14 Feb 1977
Roy L. Simons, 68, of Lakeside, died in Kalispell Monday evening. He was born Oct. 31, 1908, in Denver.

As a child he moved with his family to North Dakota where he attended school at Whitman and Grand Forks. In 1932, he was married to Leona Brininger at Lakota, N.D.

Mr. Simons had engaged in farming operations and also had operated a trucking business in North Dakota until moving to Lakeside in 1946. He then engaged in logging work until his retirement.

He was a 50-year member of the Eagles Hall.

He now is survived by his widow, Leona, at home; one son, Kenneth of Fairbanks, Alaska; three daughters, Mrs. Dellivan (Mavis) Thornton of Lakeside, Mrs. R.D.

(Karen) Mower and Mrs. Keith (Lenore) Burgess both of Fortine; one sister, Mrs. Albert (Ruby) Swenson of Gilby, N.D.; fourteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services for Mr. Simons will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel 2 p.m. Thursday with the Rev. Don Smith, pastor of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church of Fortine officiating.

Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

23 Nov 1977

Floyd Sissel, 99

WHITEFISH — Floyd Sissel, 99, the twin brother of Lloyd Sissel, died Wednesday morning in the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish. According to his family, the brothers were believed to be the second oldest set of twins in the United States.

They were born Jan. 28, 1878, in Leon, Iowa.

Floyd Sissel attended school in Iowa and married Luella Logsdon Dec. 28, 1902, in Baxter, Iowa.

He was a ticket agent at Oelwein, Iowa, for the Chicago Great Western Railroad for 44 years.

He and his wife moved to Whitefish in 1948. Mrs. Sissel died in 1963.

He had lived with his brother, Lloyd, in the North Valley Hospital since 1975.

Survivors include his brother, Lloyd, Whitefish; one daughter, Genevieve Wolleson, Tucson, Ariz., and two sons, Harold, Spearfish, S.D., and Howard, Des Moines, Iowa.

Graveside services will be Friday at 10 a.m. in the Whitefish Cemetery with the Rev. Dewey Forbes officiating. Arrangements are under direction of the Austin Funeral Home.

Roy Slusher

23 Aug. 1977

Roy R. Slusher, 88, Whitefish, Montana, died August 23, 1977 at the Midlands Hospital, Papillion, Nebraska. He and his wife Margaret had gone to Omaha to spend the summer with their two daughters, Mrs. Marie Neff and Mrs. Rosalie Porter. Roy was born in Topeka, Kansas, on December 24, 1888 to Mack and Silvia Zinn Slusher.

When he had completed his schooling, he went to Austin, Texas and learned the trade of a boilermaker. He was employed by the AT & SF RR in the round-houses in the Topeka, Horton, and Atchison area for several years. He was united in marriage to Margaret Schneider on October 21, 1913 in Downs, Kansas. To this union were born four children: Raymond, Louise, Marie and Rosalie.

In 1926 the family moved to a farm in Muscotah, Kansas, near Atchison. Five years later the family moved to Glen Elder where Roy opened a bakery. For 19 years they made their home in Glen Elder. In 1950 and for the next 8 years, Roy owned and operated a bakery in Limon, Colorado, then in 1958 settled in Whitefish.

In the Glen Elder community he was known by his friends as "Scissor Bill", and they remember how much he enjoyed their fishing and hunting trips together. Roy was a family man, always had his Bible, never missing a day of reading scripture, and was a master at telling stories. His many friends will always remember his kind and witty character.

Thomas Skelly, 85

13 Dec. 1977

Thomas L. Skelly, 85, the Meuse-Argonne Front. died Tuesday at the Montana Veterans Home, Columbia Falls. After his honorable discharge, he came to Trego, where he homesteaded for several years before moving to Spokane where he worked until retirement in 1957.

A former resident of Eureka, he was born July 20, 1892, at LeSueur, Minn., a son of Dennis and Catherine Skelly. He attended school and grew up in Minnesota.

He entered the U.S. Army infantry in World War I and was wounded at

He then returned to Eureka to live until 1969, at which time he moved to the Veterans Home.

He was a member of the Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He is survived by one son, Thomas J., Eureka; two daughters, Mrs. Duke (Ann) Barney, Eureka, and Mrs. Gene (Janet) Langford, Auburn, Wash.; and nine grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Eureka. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday with Rev. Wilson Smart as celebrant.

Burial will be at Tobacco Valley Cemetery with the Eureka Veterans in charge of military honors.

He was a member of the United Methodist Church and the Glen Elder Masonic Lodge No. 294.

He leaves his wife Margaret of the home in Whitefish; a son Raymond of Whitefish; three daughters: Mrs. Louise (Gene) Williams, Apple Valley, California; Mrs. Marie (Dale) Neff, Omaha, and Mrs. Rosalie (Morris) Porter, Omaha; thirteen grandchildren, and twenty-one great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the United Methodist Church.

Frank R. Smith, 75

1 Nov 1977

Frank R. Smith, 75, who had resided at 714-Fourth Avenue East, died in Missoula Tuesday evening.

He was born Jan. 27, 1902, in Kalispell, a son of George and Annie Smith. He had attended Kalispell schools and was a graduate of the Flathead County High School in the class of 1920. On June 9, 1925, he was married to Olive Elwood in Polson. Smith had lived most all of his life in Kalispell and had been a rural meter reader for the Pacific Power and Light Company until his retirement in 1967.

He was a member of the Scandinavian Fraternity of America. He is now survived by his wife, Olive, at the family home; three daughters, Mrs. Elmer

(Ruth) Elzig of Anchorage, Alaska, Mrs. John (Pauline) Dyer of Somers and Mrs. Eugene (Dorothy) Fordham of Costa Mesa, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services for Smith will

be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 11 a.m. Saturday with the Rev. Chauncey Biffle, associate pastor of the Epworth United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Therma Small, 82

11 Dec 1977

Mrs. Therma Lenore McGlaughlin Small, 82, who had resided at the Immanuel Lutheran Home, died in Kalispell Sunday evening.

She was born July 21, 1895, in Washington, Pa., a daughter of John Dunkle and Mary Rachel Whitehill McGlaughlin.

In the early part of 1900 she moved with her family to Kalispell, where she attended Kalispell schools graduating from the Flathead County High School in the class of 1913.

In the spring of 1917, she received her bachelor of arts degree in education, majoring in mathematics from the University of Montana. She then taught for several years at Camas Prairie, Montana and Twin Falls, Idaho.

On Nov. 22, 1922, she was married to Arthur H. Small in Kalispell. To this union three children were born.

She was a long-time member of the First Presbyterian Church of Kalispell and was an active member of the women's organization of the church. She was a past matron of the Adah Chapter Order of the Eastern Star, active member of the Past Matrons Club; past presi-

dent of the Social Order of Beauceant; member of the Terzah Temple Daughters of the Nile and had also received the Grand Cross of Colors from the Order of Rainbow for Girls. She was also a member of several farm organizations including the grange and the Farmers Union.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arthur, on Aug. 28, 1960; one daughter, Virginia H. Yaeger on July 13, 1976, one brother, Ray McGlaughlin, and one sister, Gertrude Allison.

She is now survived by two sons, Dr. J. Milton Small of Great Falls and A. Harold Small of Kalispell; one sister, Alene Starkweather of Riviera, Ariz.; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services for Mrs. Small will be conducted in the First Presbyterian Church at 2 p.m. Wednesday. The Rev. Dr. Odin A. Baugh will officiate. Ritualistic rites will be conducted by the Adah Chapter 17 Order of the Eastern Star. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery under the direction of the Johnson Funeral Home.

Leslie Smith

3 Aug 1977
Services for Leslie Smith, 68, Columbia Falls, were held Thursday in St. Richard's Catholic Church with the Rev. Father Leonard Spraycar as celebrant. Burial was in St. Richard's Cemetery.

Mrs. Smith died Wednesday in Whitefish. She was born Sept. 22, 1908 in Old Fort Texas. She moved to the Flathead as a child and later to Washington.

On Sept. 14, 1929 she and Walter Smith were married at Polson. He now survives at the family home in Columbia Falls. Other survivors include one brother, David Talley, Berkeley, Calif. and one sister, Sydney Redmond, Berkeley, Calif.

William D. Bruce were married in Missoula. He died March 10, 1965.

The couple had lived in Colorado where Mrs. Bruce was office manager for the Great Western Sugar Co. until her retirement. In 1966 she moved to Kalispell.

Survivors include one brother, Ralph Rouselle, Kalispell; and several nieces and nephews, including Norman R. Rouselle and Mrs. Fred (Bett) Merritt, both Kalispell.

Thomas A. Smith, 81

1 Apr. 1977
EUREKA — Thomas A. Smith, 81, died in the Veteran's Administration Hospital in Spokane Friday. He was born April 29, 1895 in Grandview, Tenn.

He received his schooling in Tennessee. He was a veteran of World War I. After serving in the service, he worked in the woods in Idaho, coming to Troy in 1940 when he went to work for the Forest Service.

In 1953, he moved to Rexford. Following his retirement in 1957, he moved to Eureka. He was a member of the VFW.

On June 22, 1940, he mar-

ried Maurine Thomas in Eureka and is now survived by her at the family home. He also is survived by a daughter, Melita Osamica of Eureka; two sisters, Kathleen Davidson of Sebring, Fla., and Molly Hammond of Tifton, Ga.; two brothers, Lee and Rev. Wallace Smith of Grandview, Tenn., and two grandchildren.

Services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Vial Funeral Home in Eureka with Father Robert Gregory and Father Loren Foot officiating. Burial will be in the Tobacco Valley Cemetery.

11 Mar 1977

Weldon W. Smith, 78

Weldon William ("W.W.") Smith, 78, formerly of Lakeside, died in Roseberg, Ore. Friday. Mr. Smith was born Aug. 11, 1898, in Mount Ayr, Iowa.

He received his schooling in Iowa and in about 1920, he moved to Montana where he was employed as an immigration officer on the Canadian Border, working at Gateway and Scobey, and Metaline Falls, Wash.

In 1939, he moved to Froid for a year before moving to Lakeside where he lived until moving to Roseberg three years ago.

Mr. Smith had started and developed the Smith Camp at Lakeside and had engaged in farming. He was a member of the Lakeside Chapel and the Mens Fellowship of the Church. He also was a member of the local labor union.

On Nov. 7, 1931, he was married to Evelyn Rock in Kalispell and was preceded in death by her on April 12, 1967. He now is survived by three sons, Robert W. Smith of Lakeside, Gordon F. Smith of Portland, Ore. and Gerald Smith of Spokane; two daughters, Patricia V. Larson of Sutherlin, Ore. and Hazel Beverly of Arlington, Tex.; a sister, June Thompson of Des Moines, Iowa; several grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Services for Mr. Smith will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 11 a.m. Thursday with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey, pastor of the Lakeside Chapel officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens. The family suggests memorials be made to the Yellowstone Boys Ranch of Billings.

3 Oct 1977

Eathel Sonnenberg

Services for Eathel Sonnenberg, 75, Columbia Falls, will be held Friday at 2 p.m. in the Van Leuven Funeral Home with the Rev. Ron Paulson, of Our Savior's Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Willis Vance, William Knapton, Darvin Lundstrom, Virgil Hoerner, Art Harker and Richard Walsh.

Mrs. Sonnenberg died in Whitefish Monday. She was born Feb. 1, 1902, at Independence, Colo. At the age of six she moved with her family to

Bigfork and later to eastern Montana.

On May 18, 1922, she and Victor Sonnenberg were married at Plentywood. The couple lived in various Montana cities moving to Columbia Falls from the Bitterroot area six years ago.

Survivors include her husband, Victor, at the family home; two son, L. G. Sonnenberg, St. Petersburg Beach, Fla. and Shirley (Gus) Sonnenberg, Columbia Falls; one granddaughter, Linda Hoerner, Columbia Falls; two great-grandchildren; one brother, Morris Bell; and one sister, Edith Hanson, both of Snohomish, Wash.

Ada Spain, 34

9 June 1977

Ada Spain, 34, of Libby, died Thursday in Kalispell Regional Hospital after a long illness. She was a Libby school teacher.

Mrs. Spain was born in Kalispell Feb. 11, 1943, the daughter of Pete and Helen Dresen. She attended schools in Cut Bank and was valedictorian of her class in 1961. She later graduated from Montana State University with a degree in general studies.

Mrs. Spain married Lester R. Spain in Cut Bank on June 11, 1966. She had taught school in the Libby Public School system for 10 years.

Her memberships include the P.E.O. Sisterhood, the Phi Delta

Kappa Sorority, the Libby Jayceens, the Montana and the National Educational Associations, and the Montana Library Association.

Surviving, besides her widower at home, are her son, Wade, at home; her mother, Helen Dresen, of Lakeside; a brother, Art Dresen, of Cut Bank; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Services will be at 2 Monday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. James R. Newman, pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow in Glacier Memorial Gardens. It is the family's request that no flowers be sent for the funeral.

Herman Stafinbil, 87

20 Feb 1977

Herman G. Stafinbil, 87, who had resided at 1019 2nd Ave. W., died in Kalispell Sunday evening.

He was born Oct. 5, 1889, in Enderlin, N.D. He attended schools in Enderlin and was employed by the Great Northern Railroad at Fargo and Great Falls.

On Nov. 29, 1916, he was married to Theresa Russell at Glasgow. They homesteaded in McCone County until moving to Kalispell in 1923, where they have resided since.

Mr. Stafinbil was a carpenter and for several years was a steam engineer at the Many Glacier Hotel.

He was awarded a Silver

Carnegie Medal for saving the lives of Alice and Adeline Wutzke, three-year old twins, in a fire at their home in Lakeside. He was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

He now is survived by his widow, Theresa, at home; one daughter, Mrs. A.D. (Edna Mae) Spainhower of Redding, Calif.; four sons, L. James of Lacey, Wash., Jack R. of Spokane, Donald D. and Michael G. Stafinbil both of Carmichael, Calif.; a stepsister, Mrs. William Brandt of Seattle; a stepbrother, Edward Matthes of Enderlin, N.D.; 10 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

Rosary for Mr. Stafinbil will be recited in the Johnson Chapel tonight at 7. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated in St. Matthew's Catholic Church at 11 a.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Gary Reller as celebrant. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Fred W. Sprout, 77

Fred W. Sprout, 77, of Star Meadows, died in Kalspell Tuesday.

He was born Nov. 26, 1896, in Fairfax, S.D.

In 1914, he moved with his family to Nank, Wyo., and on Jan. 10, 1920, he was married to Irma Haney of Basin, Wyo.

In 1932, he moved to River Creek near Billay, where he ranched until 1939, when he ranched at Martinsdale.

In 1943, he moved to his present home at Star Meadows, near Whitefish, where he has operated a guest ranch.

Mr. Sprout is survived by his widow, Irma, at home; two sons, Lew S. Sprout of Star Meadows and Thomas F. Haney Sprout of Kalspell; five grandchildren, four great-

grandchildren, a daughter-in-law, Florence Sprout of Whitefish; two sisters, Mrs. Charles Abbott of Bricker and Mrs. Charles Mulhern of Conrad; and an uncle, O.P. Wroman of Portland, Ore. He was preceded in death by one son, Frank W. Sprout, on Dec. 1, 1969.

Services for Mr. Sprout will be in the Austin Chapel at 2 p.m. Friday with burial to follow on the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Alex Speyer

24 Nov 1977
Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Alexander C. (Jean) Speyer, Jr., of Pittsburgh, Pa. and summer resident of Lake McDonald.

Mrs. Speyer passed away Nov. 24. The family has been coming to Glacier for about 20 summers, and purchased land from Mrs. Bea Macomber north of Lake McDonald Lodge.

Survivors include her husband, three sons, Alex III, James and Timothy, and a daughter, Debbie. There are two grandchildren.

Cliffie Stanton

3 Mar, 1977
TROY — Graveside services for Cliffie M. Stanton will be 2 p.m. Monday at the Milner Lake Cemetery in Troy with Pastor Orville Forest officiating.

Mrs. Stanton died Thursday in Yakima, Wash. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harry, in September, 1974.

She now is survived by five daughters, Winona DeLeo of Seattle, Mrs. Helen Pearson of Cot-

tonwood, Minn., Della Yoakum of Hobbs, N.M., Mrs. Caryol Montgomery of Gled, Wash., and Mrs. Esther Woodruff of Skene, Miss.; three sons, John Peters of Prosser, Wash., Melvin Peters of Kompton, Ark. and Kenneth Krieger of Spokane; 32 grandchildren and 53 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday in Yakima.

25 Feb. 1977

Bertina Stefferud, 76

Bertina Stefferud, 76, died in Whitefish Friday morning. She was born Aug. 22, 1899, in Galesburg, N.D.

She had received her schooling there and in 1919, she married Paul Stefferud in Galesburg. The continued to live there until the death of Mr. Stefferud in 1941. In 1943, Mrs. Stefferud and her daughter moved to Whitefish where they have since resided.

Mrs. Stefferud had been supervisor of the lunchroom program in the

Whitefish schools for 31 years prior to her retirement in 1976. She has a member of the Crhist Lutheran Church and the Sons of Norway of Galesburg.

She now is survived by one daughter, Orva Stefferud of Whitefish; a nephew she raised, Robert Brovick in the U.S. Navy stationed at Chula Vista, Calif.; a foster son, Capt. Dennis Johnson in the U.S. Army stationed at Marina, Calif.; a brother, Ember Brovick of Galesburg,

N.D.; a sister, Mrs. John (Clara) Carpenter of Whitefish and several nieces and nephews.

Services for Mrs. Stefferud will be conducted in the Austin Chapel 4 p.m. Monday with the Rev. Neil Ruedisili, pastor of the Christ Lutheran Church officiating.

The body will then be forwarded to Page, N.D. where funeral services will be conducted in the Elm

River Lutheran Church at 1 p.m. Wednesday with burial to follow in the Elm River Cemetery.

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13 Aug 1977 Leonard Stoner

Leonard C. Stoner, 63, a resident of Hamilton, died in a Missoula hospital Saturday.

Mr. Stoner was born Aug. 1, 1914, in Kalispell. He attended schools in Great Falls.

On July 2, 1939, he married Helen Espelin in Great Falls. He was a meat cutter for Safeway for several years. In 1948 he moved to Browning where he was a postal clerk.

In 1976 he and his wife retired to Hamilton.

Mr. Stoner was a member of Glacier Lodge 47, AF&AM, in

Browning and of the Scottish Rite Bodies in Missoula.

Survivors include his wife; one son, James of Missoula; two brothers, Donald of Butte and Alvin of Cardwell; one sister, Esther Fairfull of Great Falls; three grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Masonic memorial services will be held in the Hamilton Masonic Temple Tuesday at 2 p.m. Cremation will be in Spokane. Livingston-Malletta is in charge of local arrangements.

Paul R. Stanley, 53 *21 Oct. 1977*

TROY — Graveside services for Paul R. Stanley, 53, of Troy will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the Milner Lake Cemetery with the Rev. Leonard Jensen officiating. Vial funeral Home in Libby is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Stanley died in a house fire Friday in the

Valley of the Moon area near Troy.

He was born Sept. 3, 1922, in Hershey, Neb. He was a carpenter and a veteran of World War II. He moved to Troy several years ago.

Survivors include his mother, Wilma Griffith, Index, Wash.; two

daughters, Jane Sharpe and Judy Archer, both of Omaha, Neb.; three sisters, Ardis Fidelity and Ruby Lord, both of Index, and Vera Pope, Everett, Wash.; one half-brother, George Griffith, Washington state and five grandchildren.

24 Aug 1977 Rudolph Stephen

Rudolph Herman Stephen, 76, 3210 Grant St., died Wednesday in a Missoula hospital.

He was born Dec. 10, 1900, in Minnesota. He left Minnesota about 25 years ago and settled at Coal Ridge for several years. He came to Missoula where he and his brother Walter supplied rock for new construction and hauled wood. His brother died in March 1977.

On Oct. 24, 1974, he married Frances Loraine Miller in Missoula. He was a veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife in Missoula; a sister, Hattie Miles, Weippe, Idaho, and three stepchildren, Jeffery Weisser, who is with the Army in Kentucky, Danette Arroyo, Creston, Wash., and Scheryl Nickerson, Missoula.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2 p.m. at Geraghty Funeral Home. Pastor William K. Smith of the Pathway of God Church will officiate. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Garden.

An honor guard will be furnished by the Veterans of World War I, Barracks 35.

Mrs. Marjorie M. Sterner, age 43, who had resided at 1225 5th Ave. E., died in Kalispell on Monday morning. She was born May 22, 1933, in Fort Benton, MT, a daughter of John and Faye Canavan. She had received her education in Great Falls and on Jan. 5, 1951, she was married to Kenneth C. Sterner in Great Falls. The couple then moved to Kalispell where they have since resided. Mrs. Sterner was of the Presbyterian Faith. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Cindy Kay, in infancy and by one brother, Merlin Canavan. She is now survived by her husband, Kenneth and two daughters, Charlene and Terry Sterner all at the family home; her father and stepmother, John and Mary Canavan of Wapato, WA; her mother, Faye Gutenberg of Polson; one brother, Donald Canavan of Polson; a sister, Mrs. Leroy (Shirley) Korst of Aberdeen, WA and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services for Mrs. Sterner were conducted in the Johnson Chapel on Wed. with the Rev. Dr. Odin A. Baugh, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial was in the Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery. *19 Jan 1977*

D-June 23-B-June 29-77 Ray Sterner

Services for Ray Sterner, 51, Kalispell, were held Wednesday in Johnson Chapel with George Darrow, chaplain for the Veterans of Foreign Wars officiating. Burial was in Glacier Memorial Gardens with military graveside rites.

Mr. Sterner died in Tacoma, Wash., Thursday. He was born March 21, 1926, in Sargent County, N.D. son of Claude and Nora Sterner. In 1936, the family moved to Kalispell where he had lived since.

On May 4, 1953 he and Myrle McWilliams were married. Mr. Sterner served in the U.S. Marine Corps, during World War II and the Korean War.

He had been a construction worker and had driven logging trucks. He owned and operated his own logging truck until his retirement due to ill health.

He was a member of the Eagles and VFW.

Survivors include two daughters, Janice Sterner, Kalispell and Mrs. Tony (Marilyn) Chew, Vernal, Utah; two stepchildren, Mrs. Doyle (Jackie) Young, Rosewell, N. Mex. and William Hashberger, Kalispell; two grandchildren; four brothers, Bill, Pete and Roy, all Kalispell and Claude, Straubville, N.D.; three sisters, Winnie Colby, Forman, N.D., Mae Goodman, Palo Alto, Calif. and Mrs. Ralph (Blanche) Kabrick, Tacoma, Wash.

He was preceded in death by three sisters, Mable and Nellie, Briton, N.D. and Marjorie, Renton, Wash.; one brother, Harry, Kalispell.

Mary Stevens, 22

2 Feb 1977

Mary Ellen Walter Stevens, 22, of Columbia Falls, died in Seattle on Tuesday of leukemia. Mrs. Stevens was born in Kalispell on Dec. 30, 1954.

She had lived in Columbia Falls all her life, and attended Columbia Falls schools.

Mrs. Stevens is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Walter of Columbia Falls; one son, Tracy Stevens of Columbia

Falls; two brothers, Terry Walter of Columbia Falls, and Richard Walter of Kalispell; and one sister, Mrs. Chuck (Karen) Kyger of Columbia Falls; and her grandmother, Mrs. Lorena Fox of Fargo, N.D.

Funeral services for Mrs. Stevens will be 2 p.m. Monday at the United Methodist Church in Columbia Falls, with the Rev. Clark officiating. Burial will follow in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family suggests no flowers, but may give a memorial to the United Methodist Church of Columbia Falls, or the Orthopedic Hospital in Seattle, if they wish.

30 Mar 1977

Emma Stewart, 91

Emma Stewart, 91, died in a nursing home in Butte on Wednesday. Mrs. Stewart was born Dec. 26, 1885, in Pipestone.

She had received her education in Sheridan and Silver Star. In 1932, she married Mark Stewart in Seattle and was preceded in death by him in 1942.

She now is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Trotter and Mrs. Lewis Fitschen both of Butte.

Services for Mrs. Stewart will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday in the

Episcopal Church of Columbia Falls with the Rev. Herbert Buckley officiating. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery under the direction of the Van Leuven Funeral Home.

Grant Courtney Stewart, 35

17 Nov 1977

Grant Courtney Stewart, 35, died at his home at 1320 4th Ave. East in Kalispell early Thursday morning.

He was born Sept. 18, 1942, in Hartford, Conn. When he was 3 years of age, he moved with his family to Whitefish, where he attended Whitefish schools, graduating from Whitefish High School.

On June 7, 1961, he entered the U.S. Air Force, where he served until receiving his honorable discharge on June 4, 1965.

He returned to the Flathead Valley, where he attended Flathead Valley Community College. He had owned and operated his own restaurant at the Husky Super Stop in Coram for several years before moving to California, where he managed his own

pizza parlor at Santa Cruz for several years. On March 25, 1967, he entered the U. S. Navy, where he served until receiving his Honorable Medical discharge on July 29, 1977. He then returned to Kalispell, where he has resided since that time.

He was preceded in

death by his father on Feb. 13, 1971, and is now survived by his mother, Alice Stewart of Kalispell; two children, Calvin and Lena Stewart, both of Great Falls; and two sisters, Kay Groff of Eugene, Ore., and Lacy Stewart of Kalispell.

Services for Stewart will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 10 a.m. Monday with the Rev. Elwood Grissom, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

T. Milton Stiles, 81

22 Jan 1977

T. Milton Stiles, 81, a resident of the Montana Veterans Home, Columbia Falls the past five years, died there Saturday morning.

Stiles was born in Corona, S.D., the son of Frank and Ida Stiles. He moved to the Flathead Valley with his parents when he was five and was educated here. He farmed in the Spring Creek area most of his life. For three years during World War II he worked in the shipyards in Seattle. He served in the Army during World War I.

He married Beth Hope July 25, 1925 in Kalispell. She died here in 1930. He was raised in the Methodist faith. At one time he was active in the American Legion and Veterans Of Foreign Wars posts in Kalispell.

Surviving are his daughter, Mrs. Alvin (Frances) Keller, Kalispell; three grandchildren, Mrs. Kevin (Jeanine) Buettner, Leland and Leslie Keller, all of Kalispell; one niece, one nephew and one cousin. He

was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, two sisters and a brother.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey, pastor of the Lakeside Chapel officiating. Burial with military honors will be in the Montana Veterans Home Cemetery.

Vernon Stiles, 80

18 June 1977

Vernon E. Stiles, 80, of 608 Birch Grove Drive, died Saturday in the Kalispell Regional Hospital. He was a retired carpenter.

Mr. Stiles was born May 12, 1897 in Stiles Station, N.D., the son of Ezira and Olive Stiles. He attended schools in North Dakota and farmed in the Shields area there.

On Dec. 6, 1923 he married Verna E. Stedman in Linton, N.D. They moved to the Flathead in 1934 and lived in the Birch Grove Community. She died here in May of 1953.

Mr. Stiles was a carpenter by trade and worked for various contractors before retiring in 1962.

Surviving are his daughter, Mrs. Duane (Marjorie) Olsen, Kalispell; his son, Milton, Kalispell; a brother, Winford, Minot, N.D.; his sister, Mrs. Frank (Edna) Moore, Winchester, Ky.;

three granddaughters and two great-granddaughters. Besides his wife he was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Arnold Stiles here in August of 1974.

Services will be at 10:30

a.m. Wednesday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Ralph Werner of the First Baptist Church in Columbia Falls officiating. Burial will follow in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Ceylon A. Stowell, 73

24 Jan 1977

Ceylon A. Stowell, 73, who resided at 239 El Rancho Road, died in Kalispell Monday evening. He was born Aug. 12, 1903 in Max, N.D.

He spent his early life in North Dakota and in 1929 he came to the Flathead Valley where he had since resided.

He had been employed by the U.S. Forest Service and later was a furnace repairman prior to his retirement.

He is survived by his widow, Carol at the family home; two sons, Russell of Salt Lake City and Ceylon of North Carolina; two

daughters, Mrs. Lola Mitchell of St. Paul and Carol Lu Stowell at the family home; one brother, Clifford of Nampa, Idaho; one sister, Irene Hager of Portland, Ore.; and seven grandchildren.

Services will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 11 p.m. Friday with burial to follow in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

28 Jan 1977

Emma Struck, 86

Emma Struck, 86, who had resided at 540 East Cottonwood Drive, died in Kalispell Friday morning. She was born Oct. 18, 1890, in Dromborough, Germany.

When she was six years old she moved with her family to the United States and settled at Hutchinson, Minn. She grew to womanhood there and later moved to Malta, where she homesteaded with her family.

On Aug. 18, 1916, she was married to Emil A. Struck in Malta. The couple made their home there until 1936, when they moved to the Flathead Valley and since that time had made their home in Evergreen.

Mrs. Struck was a longtime member of the Trinity

Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Emil, on May 12, 1967.

She now is survived by two sons, Clarence and Emil E. Struck of Kalispell; one daughter, Mrs. Helmuth (Martha) Kuhn of Havre; 10 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Services for Mrs. Struck will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel 11 a.m. Monday with the Rev. Harold Huber officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

8 Sunday 1977

Walter Streeter, 87

Walter N. Streeter, 87, of Bigfork, died Sunday in Kalispell Regional Hospital. He was a retired forest ranger.

Mr. Streeter was born July 19, 1889 in Rewey, Wis., the son of Clark and Emma Streeter. He was educated in Wisconsin and later moved with his family to Choteau. He was a veteran of Army service in World War I, serving in France. In 1924 he married Mary Read at Choteau. She died in Kalspell in 1954.

Mr. Streeter operated a grain elevator in Choteau at one time. He went to work for the National Forest Service after World War I as a ranger and for many years was in the Lewis & Clark District retiring in 1951.

In 1956 he married Mildred Savall in Polson. They owned and operated a cherry orchard on the East Shore of Flathead Lake and in 1971 they moved to Bigfork.

Mr. Streeter was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Polson; Bigfork Masonic Lodge #150, A.F.&A.M.; York Rite Bodies; Algeria Shrine; Flathead Lake

Chapter #128, O.E.S. He was past high priest of Polson Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons; was past master of Choteau Lodge #44 AF&AM; and was past patron of Mystic Chapter #53, O.E.S. in Polson.

Surviving, besides his widow at home, are a brother, W.D. Streeter and two sisters, Bertha Streeter and Harriette Roberts, all of Polson; a stepson, Duane Savall, of Las Vegas, Nev.; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Jack (Carol) Greenwood, of Wolf Point; his nephew, Malcolm Streeter of Helena and two step-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Joseph Loos of the Bigfork Methodist Church officiating. Burial, with Masonic rites conducted by members of Bigfork Lodge #150, AF&AM officiating, will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to the Shriner's Crippled Children's Hospital in Spokane or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Louise Strunk, 54

9 Oct 1977

Mrs. Louise Strunk, 54, who had resided at 9 Heckathorn Law Firm in Somers Ave., Whitefish, died in Whitefish Sunday.

She was born Oct. 23, 1922 in Whitefish, a daughter of Ross and Geltrude Lence. She attended Whitefish schools and was a graduate of high school there in the class of 1940. She then went to Washington, D.C. where she was employed in the government offices there.

She met and later married LeRoy Strunk there on Dec. 16, 1942.

Following World War II, she returned to Whitefish and was employed in the First National Bank. She then worked at the Valley Insurance Company in Kalispell until working for

the office of Jake Heckathorn Law Firm in Whitefish. At her death she was business manager for the Physicians Clinic in Whitefish.

Mrs. Strunk was a member of the St. Charles Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her father in 1967 and a brother, Marlo Lence in 1972.

She is now survived by her widower, LeRoy, at home; two sons, Charles of Whitefish and Rodney in the U.S. Army in Germany; a daughter, Mrs. Jack (Phyllis) Garlitz of Whitefish; four grandchildren; her mother, Mrs. Ross Lence of Whitefish; a sister, Mary Gainer of Havre and a number of nieces and nephews including John Lence of Whitefish.

Funeral arrangements for Mrs. Strunk are incomplete and will be announced later by the Austin Funeral Home.

9 May 1977

Frank Stryker, 71

Frank Stryker, 71, of Hungry Horse, died at his home Monday morning. He was born May 22, 1905, in Somers.

At an early age the family moved to the Deer Park area and he attended school there. Mr. Stryker later moved to Ellensburg, Wash. where he was graduated from high school. He had served in the U.S. Army from 1942 until 1945. He then returned to Hungry Horse and was employed with the Bureau of Reclamation until his retirement.

On Sept. 1, 1974, he married Grace Mason at Jerome, Idaho, and now is survived by her at the family home.

He also is survived by one son, Sidney of Columbia Falls; four daughters, Mrs. Peter (Ardella) Fauske of Whitefish, Mrs. Jerry (Charlotte) Inman of Kent, Wash., Mrs. Lane (Janet) Walden of Columbia Falls and Alice Truscott of Manteca, Calif.; four stepchildren, Dean Mason of Buhl, Idaho, Nuburn Mason of Jerome, Idaho, Mrs. Johnny (Shirley) Summerlin of Jerome, Idaho and Ed Mason of Twin Falls, Idaho.

Services for Mr. Stryker will be conducted in the Van Leuven Chapel 2 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Ralph Werner, pastor of the First Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery.

23 Sept 1977
Olga Sunde

Services for Mrs. Olga M. Sunde, 86, Kalispell, were held Tuesday in the Johnson Chapel. Burial was in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Mrs. Sunde died in Kalispell Friday. She was born March 28, 1891, in Webster, S.D. In February, 1910 she and John Sunde were married in Webster. The couple moved to Canada where they homesteaded until 1919 when they moved to Kalispell. Mr. Sunde died in 1969.

Survivors include three sons, William C. (Fritz) Sunde and LeRoy Sunde, both of Kalispell and Edwin L. Sunde, South Pasadena, Calif.; three daughters, Mrs. Mark (Ella) Mohn and Mrs. Carl (Julia) Lasater, both of Kalispell, and Mrs. Russell (Millie) Packard, Sidney; 25 grandchildren; 39 great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren and one sister, Mabel Nesvold, Ormiston, Sask.

Joy Sunford, 17

14 Feb 1977

Funeral services for Joy Ann Sunford, 17, of Happy Valley, Whitefish, will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. John Rieth, pastor of the Faith Free Lutheran Church officiating.

Cremation will follow. She died Monday night of injuries sustained in a one vehicle accident north of Kalispell.

Miss Sunford was a senior at the Whitefish High School and had been active in school activities and was on the drill team, was in the color guard and was a majorette.

She had lived in Whitefish the past three years after spending most of her life in Bryan, Ohio.

Surviving are her mother and step-father, Sgt. Duane E. and Gloria Rittenhouse, of Seiglesbach, Germany; her father, Ramon Sunford of Missoula; her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Grover, with whom she lived here, and her paternal grandfather, Tom Sunford of Saco.

Memorials are suggested to the band instrument replacement fund established at the Whitefish Credit Union by the Whitefish Soroptimist Club, for instruments lost in the Whitefish High School fire.

Clifford Swanberg, 49

1 May 1977
HENDERSON, Ky. — Clifford D. Swanberg, M/Sgt. U.S.M.C. Ret., 49, died here Sunday.

In his 23 years of active duty in the Marine Corps, he served with the Fleet Marine Forces in Okinawa; Shanghai, China; Korea; Japan; Formosa; the Philippines and

Chou Lai, Vietnam.

Upon his retirement in 1968, he went to work for the Anaconda Aluminum Co. in Columbia Falls. Five years ago, he was transferred to the Sebree, Ky. reduction plant.

He is survived by his widow, Margaret; six sons,

Christopher, Gregory, Arthur and Thomas; two daughters, Ann Marie and Marguerita; father, C. Sidney Swanberg of Kalispell; two brothers, Donald and Ted of Kalispell; and two sisters, Mrs. Betty Gillette of Blackfoot and Mrs. Jean Wheeler of Tujunga, Calif.

The Rudy Rowland Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Services were this morning at the Holy Name Church in Henderson. Burial will follow in St. Louis Cemetery, with Marine Corps military rites at graveside.

Hazel Sweo

23 Aug 1977
POLSON — Hazel Belle Sweo, 73, of Polson died Tuesday in Polson. She was born Oct. 14, 1903, in Grand Rapids, Minn.

On April 2, 1924, she married Art Sweo, and the couple homesteaded near Opheim. In 1953 they moved to the Flathead Valley, where they owned a cherry orchard for several years before retiring and moving to Polson.

Mrs. Sweo was a member of the Polson Senior Citizens, the Montecahto Club and the United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Art, Polson; seven sisters, Ida Holtz, Verna Schewebke and Elenore Boettcher, all of Belvidere, Neb.; Daisy Lee, Saint Cloud, Minn.; Beulah

Crow, Shakopee, Minn.; Ruth Berkshire, Montague, Calif., and Eunice Gustafson, Nashwauk, Minn.; three brothers, Andrew Kent, Eugene, Ore.; Jack Kent, Grand Rapids, and Wallace Kent, Manhattan, and two granddaughters.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the Mosley Chapel with the Rev. William Royle officiating. Burial will be in the Lake View Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Heart Fund.

Abbie Swift

11 Aug 1977
Abbie Lucy Swift, 87, 330 W. Kent, a native of Missoula, died in her home Thursday.

Mrs. Swift's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Lucy, were married in Missoula in 1883. Her father was present at the driving of the golden spike at Gold Creek.

Mrs. Swift attended Sacred Heart Academy and was graduated from the University of Montana in 1911. She was a charter member of the National Catholic Council of Women and belonged to Kappa Kappa Gamma, the first sorority on the UM campus. She was a co-founder of St. Patrick Hospital Guild and an honorary member of the St. Anthony Altar Guild.

Two sons, John and Terence, preceded her in death.

Mrs. Swift is survived by a daughter-in-law, Ellen, of Missoula; five grandchildren, Isabel Bascus and Catherine, John, Christopher, and Timothy Swift, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services are pending at Squire-Simmons-Carr funeral home.

Andrew Swanoski, 66

20 June 1977
LIBBY — Andrew J. Swanoski, 66, died Monday in Libby. He was born Nov. 7, 1910, in Superior, Wis., where he was raised.

He moved to Winslow, Ariz., in 1945, remaining there for 16 years, working for the Sante Fe Railroad. He later moved to Phoenix, Ariz., before coming to Libby in May, 1976.

He married Daphne Conner, Nov. 4, 1939, in Carlton, Minn. He had been a member of the Libby Senior Citizen Center, Holy Names Society, Knights of Columbus and the Brotherhood of Railroad Workers.

Survivors include his widow, Daphne of Libby; one stepdaughter, Jeanne

Anderson of Phoenix; one stepson, Sam Stewart of Libby; three brothers, Michael of Superior, Joe of Milwaukee, Wis. and Philip of Duluth, Minn.; three sisters, Katherine Melius of Milwaukee, Mary Styk of Sault Marie, Mich. and Margaret Home of Superior and five granddaughters.

Mass of the resurrection will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday at St. Joseph Catholic Church with the Rev. Charles Strom as celebrant. Burial will be in the City of Libby Cemetery.

Vial Funeral Home in Libby is in charge of arrangements.

Clara M. Swartout, 57

27 Apr. 1977
LIBBY — Clara Mae Swartout, 57, Libby, died in Salt Lake Wednesday.

She was born Aug. 31, 1919, in Helena. She came to Libby in 1964 and taught the second grade until 1975. On Sept. 23, 1966, she married Donald Swartout at Troy. She was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Survivors include her husband of Libby; four daughters, Marie Henthorne, Libby; Judy Lenderman, Spokane, Wash.; Jeanne LaBlank, Spokane, Wash., and Jan

Hall, Fort Wayne, Ind.; two sons, John Robbins, Shelton, Wash., and Joel Robbins, Ralston, Wash.; one sister, one brother, and 22 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at the Seventh Day Adventist Church with the Rev. Terry Pooler officiating. Burial will follow in the City of Libby Cemetery under the direction of Vial Funeral Home.

Alfred Swearingen, 22

LIBBY — Military graveside services were conducted for Alfred Swearingen, 22, of Libby Saturday in the City of Libby Cemetery.

Mr. Swearingen drowned in the Kootenai River March 25. His body was recovered from the river Tuesday about two miles west of Troy.

He was born May 29, 1954, in Butte. He came to Libby in 1967 and served with the

U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

Survivors include his mother, Helene Hustuft, Libby; three sisters, Kathlene Bailor, Magdalene Bailor and Charalene Hustuft, all of Libby; four brothers, Mike Schmitt, Seattle; Charles Swearingen, Missoula; and Claude and Peter Bailor, both of Libby; and his grandmother, Magdalene Jangula, Butte.

Amel J. Swing, 81

5 Apr 1977
EUREKA — Amel J. Swing, 81, long-time Eureka merchant died Tuesday in a Libby hospital. He was born Nov. 17, 1895 in Glen, Minn.

He received his schooling in Minnesota and came to Montana in 1927, later settling in Eureka in 1935.

In Eureka, he was associated with Eureka Hardware until his retirement in 1960.

He married Edith Spute on June 16, 1926 in Aitkin, Minn. He also had served with the U.S. Army in World War I. He had been a member of the American

Legion and the Masonic Lodge.

He now is survived by his widow, Edith, at the family home; one daughter, Adalyn Giddens of Seattle; one son, John, of Libby; one sister, Anna Sutton of Livingston, one brother, Louis, of Glen, Minn.; nine

grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be 3 p.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Carl Pershall officiating. Burial will follow in the Tobacco Valley Cemetery. Friends may call at the Vial Funeral home in Eureka until 2 p.m. Friday.