

14 Aug 1983
Henrietta S. Sands, 96

Henrietta S. Sands, 96, who had resided at 1309 Foot Hill Road, Kalispell, died on Sunday in the North Valley Hospital following a lengthy illness.

She was born March 24, 1887, in Tromso, Norway, a daughter of Lorens and Elizabeth Lorensen. In 1897, she moved with her family to Clear Lake, Iowa, where they lived for three years before moving to Strathcona, Minn.

On Feb. 13, 1903, she married Ingvold Sands in Thief River Falls, Minn., and was preceded in death by him on May 16, 1930.

In 1936, Mrs. Sands moved to Kalispell and had resided here since that time. During her early years in Kalispell, Mrs. Sands had traveled with her spinning wheel giving spinning and knitting demonstrations in various schools.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Elizabeth Johnson in 1975, a son Lawrence Sands in 1962, and ten brothers and sisters.

She is survived by two sons, Gordon Sands of Kalispell and Elwood Sands of Colorado Springs, Colo.; five daughters, Olga Stahlberg, Gladys Milam, Beatrice Gordon and Eunice Michels all of Kalispell, and Clarice Hewitt of Palm Springs, Calif.; 36 grandchildren, and many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mrs. Sands will be at 1 p.m. Friday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Ron Pierce of Swan Chapel officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Harley J. Sanford, 58

9 Apr. 1983
Harley Jud Sanford, 58, died at his home at 151 Cemetery Road on Saturday evening after a lengthy illness.

He was born Oct. 25, 1924, in Wirt, Minn., a son of Jay and Vivian Sanford. He received his education in Minnesota, and then served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He returned to Minnesota where he engaged in woodwork and sawmill work until moving to Montana in 1950.

He lived in Bozeman for a year prior to moving to Columbia Falls. He again engaged in woodwork until becoming disabled about 10 years ago.

He married Dorothy Deshler Bruce in Coeur D'Alene, July 2, 1955.

He is survived by his wife at the family home; four sons, Lyle, Rockford, Minn., Roger, Grand Rapids, Minn., Jay, Moorcraft, Wyo., and Carl of Newcastle, Wyo.; five

daughters, Mrs. Leo (Judy) Kingbird, Dora Lake, Minn., Mrs. Mike (Carol) LaFrenier, Hibbing, Minn., Mrs. Willie (Deana) Wilson, Moorcroft, Wyo., Fay Sanford, Kalispell, and Mrs. Bill (Roberta) Coe, New Orleans, La.; four brothers, Varley, Bonifay, Fla., Louie, Bowslwich, Fla., Frank, Thompson Falls, and Larry Sanford, Kalispell; four sisters, Zeta Voight, Grand Rapids, Minn., Amy Hauck, International Falls, Minn., Mary Zeubol, St. Cloud, Minn., and Vivian Rutanen, Deer River, Minn.; 25 grandchildren, one great-grandchild and numerous other relatives.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev. Ralph Werner officiating. Burial will be in the Demersville Cemetery. The family suggest memorials to Flathead Hospice Fund, Box 1532, Kalispell.

Doris Sandon, 85

1 Oct 1983
LIBBY — Doris Sandon, 85, died Saturday morning at the Libby Care Center of natural causes.

She was born in North Dakota on Aug. 17, 1898, where she was raised and educated. She lived in Wolf Point, Fort Peck, Whitefish and Lincoln, and Phoenix, Ariz., before moving back to Libby in 1980.

Her husband, Rollie, preceded her in death in 1976.

She is survived by one daughter, Evelyn Lessor, Kalispell; one son, Frank Nichols, Libby; one sister, Florence Anderson, Kalispell; two brothers, Carol and Lloyd Landon, both of Kalispell; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Vial Funeral Home, with the Rev. Wilford Luce officiating. Cremation will follow the funeral services.

S. Sauerbier, 101

^{31 Dec 1983}
Samuel "Sam" Sauerbier, 101, died Saturday morning in Immanuel Lutheran Home where he lived for the last five years.

He was born July 19, 1882, at Stratford, Ontario, a son of Ferdinand and Rachel Sauerbier.

As a child, he moved with his family to Michigan, and when he was 18, he moved with his family to the Flathead Valley.

On Dec. 13, 1903, he married Mabel Spear, and they lived in the Flathead where he farmed and worked in logging. He also farmed in South Dakota for about six years, returning to Kalispell where he was later employed by the city for a number of years before retiring.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife in 1958, two sons, Gordon and Lynus Sauerbier, a brother, John, two sisters and two grandchildren.

He is survived by three sons, Leonard, James and Harold, all of Kalispell; two daughters, Florence Forland, Vancouver, Wash., and Maybelle Maurer, Kalispell; two sisters, Sarah Larson, Minneapolis, and Edith Hoover, Seattle; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Darold Reiner of Trinity Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Louisa Sauerbier, 97

^{1 Dec 1983}
Louisa Sauerbier, 97, formerly of Kalispell, died in Portland, Ore., Thursday.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack, on Sept. 14, 1973. He was an employee of the Forest Service.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Dr. Odin A. Baugh of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating.

Friends and relatives may call at the Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 8 tonight. They will meet at the cemetery for services.

Richard L. Sauer, 24

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Richard "Rick" L. Sauer, 24, died Sept. 25 in Whitefish as the result of an automobile accident. Funeral services were today at 2

Chris Sauer, 72

^{23 Dec 1983}
LIBBY — Chris Sauer, 72, died Friday at St. John Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

He was born July 11, 1911, to Theresa and Christian Sauer Sr. of Ellis, Kansas. He was raised and educated in Cass Lake, Minn.

On Sept. 15, 1933, he married Francis B. Hasbrock in Walker, Minn. He worked as a carpenter for the Civilian Conservation Corps, then worked at a lumber mill in Cass Lake. In 1953 he moved to Libby, where he was employed by the J. Neils Lumber Co. and St. Regis Lumber Co. until his retirement in 1966.

He was a member of St. John Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his wife, Libby; a daughter, Patsy Collinson, Seabrook, Texas; two sons, Chauncey, Everett, Wash., and John, Libby; three sisters, Emma Schluter, Cass Lake, Katherine Knipple, Lincoln Park, Mich., and Lena Sauer, Watertown, Wis.; two brothers, Frank, Bemidji, Minn., and Arnold, Walker, Minn.; 12 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Vial Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Michael Flannery, officiating. Burial will be in the city of Libby cemetery.

p.m. at the Coffelt Funeral Chapel in Sandpoint, Idaho, with the Rev. Bill Freeman officiating.

Graveside services were at the Hope Cemetery in Hope, Idaho.

Mr. Sauer was born June 13, 1959, in Sandpoint. He grew up and attended schools there and graduated from the Sandpoint High School in 1977.

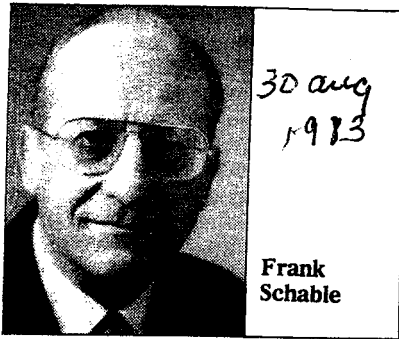
While in high school, he was selected for Who's Who in America's High Schools. He was also a member of National Honor Society. He had been active in 4-H and received numerous awards for his projects.

After high school, he attended the Phoenix Institute of Technology and graduated in 1979.

He lived in Kalispell recently. He worked as a logger and also sold satellite TV antennas.

He is survived by his parents, Darold and Patricia Sauer, Sandpoint; two brothers, Kirk and Craig Sauer, both of Kalispell; his grandparents, Jim and Pearl April, Sandpoint, and Mildred Sauer of Coeur d'Alene.

Frank Schable



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30 Aug
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Dr. Frank M. Schabel, Jr., 65, a Great Falls native and one of the United States' foremost researchers in cancer chemotherapy and former director of chemotherapy research at Southern Research Institute of Birmingham, Ala., died August 30 in Vienna, Austria, of an apparent heart attack.

He had just completed a lecture tour of East Germany at the invitation of the East German government and was about to address the 13th International Congress of Chemotherapy in Vienna.

"We have lost a giant in the area of cancer research," said Sabert Oglesby, Jr., president of Southern Research Institute and a long-time friend and associate of Dr. Schabel. "Frank Schabel spent almost his entire career developing effective treatments against cancer. Without his positive influence, many former cancer patients would not be alive today. He was truly a great scientist as well as a man of immense personal and professional integrity."

He was born in Great Falls in 1918

Albert Scheck

Albert "Al" F. Scheck, 72, 811 2nd Ave. S., died Friday in a Great Falls hospital. He was born in Hays, Kansas. He farmed north of Chinook for many years. He married Ann LaSart in 1939 in Cascade.

They came to Great Falls in 1952 where he was employed by Bison Motors until his retirement. He is a member of St. Anne's Parish.

He is survived by his wife, Great Falls; a son, Dr. Richard Carr, Madison, Wis.; three daughters, Shirley Grubb, Chinook, Viola LaPlante, Kalispell, and Marie Gray, Milan, Mich.; two brothers, Herbert, Fort Benton, and Frank, Taber, Alta.; a half-brother, Bill Koenig, British Columbia; 19 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Services will be 9:30 a.m. Tuesday at St. Anne's Cathedral with burial at Mount Olivet Cemetery. Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Monday at the O'Connor Memorial Chapel.

and moved with his family to Dutton in 1921. He graduated from Dutton High School, studied microbiology at the University of Washington and received his doctorate at the University of Chicago.

He was the author of over 170 publications on epidemiology and chemotherapy of cancer and related subjects.

He is survived by the widow, Gwen Bishop Schabel, Birmingham, Ala.; his mother, Mrs. Frank (Julia) Schabel Sr, Dutton; two sons, Dr. Frank M. Schabel III and Dr. Stephen Schabel, both of Charleston, S.C.; a brother, Loren, of Kalispell and an aunt, Mrs. Frank Loch, Great Falls. He was preceded in death by his father Frank Schabel Sr., a sister, Cathlyn; and a brother, John.

HAVRE — SCHEPP, Edward, 76, died Friday in the Fort Harrison veterans' hospital. Funeral Mass will be 11 a.m. Tuesday at St. Jude's Catholic Church. Rosary will be 7 p.m. Monday in the Holland-Bonine Funeral Chapel. Burial will be in the Highland Cemetery. He was born in Russia and came to the United States as a boy with his parents. They homesteaded near Devils Lake, N.D. He married Anna Swartzenberger in 1935 at Grand Forks, N.D., and served in the U.S. Army during World War II. Following the war, the family moved to Havre in 1951 where he worked as a mechanic for a local farm equipment company. He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Helen Rice of Big S and Betty Ann Crouch of Great Falls; three sons, Louie and Edward Jr., both of Havre and Raymond of Libby; 13 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren; a sister Pauline Reggin of Devils Lakes, N.D.; five brothers: Chris of California, Joe and Frank, both of Devils Lake, Emil of Michigan, N.D., and Tony of Cheyenne, Wyo.

Dora L. Schilling, 63

Dora Loretta Schilling, 63, 198 Old Highway 93 South, Somers, died in the Kalispell Regional Hospital Monday morning.

She was born Dec. 27, 1919, in Harlem, a daughter of Charles and Julie Schilling. She graduated from Harlem High School.

She was employed by the F.A. Buttrey Store in Havre until 1960. She then moved to California where she lived until this April when she moved to Somers to be with her brother.

She was of the Lutheran faith.

She is survived by her brother, Ervin C. Schilling, Somers, and several nieces and nephews.

The body has been forwarded by the Johnson Mortuary to the Edwards Funeral Home of Harlem where services and burial are being planned for later this week.

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Nov. Lydia Schmidt, 78 ¹⁹⁸³

Lydia Schmidt, 78, Eureka, died Wednesday morning in Kalispell Regional Hospital after a lengthy illness.

She was born April 14, 1905, in Hazen, N.D., a daughter of George and Katharine Briedenbucher Weidrich. She received her education in Hazen.

In 1924, she married Leo Bauer in North Dakota. He preceded her in death. She later married Gilbert Schmidt who also preceded her in death.

She had lived in North Dakota until moving to Eureka two years ago.

She was a member of the Lutheran faith and was a life-long member of the Lutheran Church in North Dakota.

She is survived by six sons, Edwin Bauer of Portland, Ore., Leonard Bauer of Modesto, Calif., Elmer Bauer of West Covina, Calif., LeRoy Bauer of Imperial Beach, Calif., Ronald Bauer of Vancouver, Wash., and Calvin Bauer of Billings; two daughters, Deloris Paff of Lodi, Calif., and Eldora Spier of Eureka; 23 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Saturday in Hazen, N.D., with burial to follow.

⁸³ Lillian Clara Schlenz, ^{0-22 Jan 1983}

Lillian Clara Schlenz, 75, Kalispell, died Saturday in the Colonial Manor Nursing Home in Whitefish.

She was born Sept. 3, 1907, in Liberty, Minn., a daughter of Charles and Mary Schlenz.

In 1910, she moved with her family to Brockton, Montana, where she received her schooling. In 1948, she moved with her family to Kalispell where she has resided since that time.

Miss Schlenz was a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by her father in 1947 and mother in 1962.

She is survived by eight brothers and sisters, Agnes Putzier and Florence Anderson of Litchfield, Minn., Priny Schlenz

Lenora Schmid, 93 ^{26 Nov 1983}

Lenora Belvera Schmid, Kalispell, died in the North Valley Hospital Extended Care Center on Saturday, which was her 93rd birthday.

She was born Nov. 26, 1890, in Roslyn, S.D., a daughter of Peder and Emma Hazeldon Sunde. She was educated in South Dakota and was baptized on Feb. 10, 1891, in the Roslyn Lutheran Church.

In 1911, she married George Schmid in South Dakota. They

farmed there for many years until coming to Kalispell in 1937.

Mrs. Schmid worked in the shipyards in Portland, Ore., during World War II. She returned to Kalispell and worked as a maid at the Montana Hotel for 12 years. She was a member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George, on Oct. 24, 1969; three sons, Kenneth, Leonard "Babe", and Lee; a daughter, Leona Brunette; three brothers; four half-brothers and three step-brothers.

Survivors include a son, Vernon Schmid, and a daughter, Lorraine Hardinger, both of Kalispell; four half-sisters, Alida Norling of Minneapolis, Minn., Alyce Boyce of Calgary, Canada, Lena Erickson of Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, Mrs. Fred (Bea) Manning of East End, Saskatchewan; a step-brother, Magnus Hustad of Gull Lake, Canada; twenty-one grandchildren; forty-one great-grandchildren; twenty-one great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews, including Ella Mohn and Fritz Sunde of Kalispell.

Funeral services for Mrs. Schmid will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday in the Bethlehem Lutheran Church with the Rev. Matthew Cox officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

of Brockton, Grace Rice of Wenatchee, Wash., Edwin Schlenz of Kalispell, Andy Schlenz of Glendive, Eva Frazier Corporon of Polson and Esther Hagen of Poplar; and many nieces and nephews.

Services will be at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in Johnson with the Rev. James Holt, pastor of Happy Valley Missionary Baptist Church, officiating.

After services, the body will be forwarded to Clayton Memorial Chapel at Wolf Point where services will be conducted and burial will be made at Riverside Cemetery in Brockton.

M. Schwarz, 72

^{4 Oct. 1983}
Maryanne Schwarz, 72, 1122 8th St. West, Kalispell, died at home Tuesday morning.

She was born July 1, 1911, in Czechoslovakia, the daughter of Paul and Matilda Dworzak. She was raised in Olmutz, Czechoslovakia, where she learned her trade as a seamstress. In 1931, she married Ernest Schwarz in Olmutz, where they lived until his death in 1945. In 1946, she escaped with her children to Bavaria in West Germany, later moving to New Jersey in 1955, and then to Kalispell in 1974.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Walter (Eva) Zidack of Whitefish, and Jutta Schwarz of Howell Township, N.J.; two sons, Dieter Schwarz of Farmingdale, N.J., and Gunter Schwarz of Toms River, N.J.; and seven grandchildren.

Public funeral services will not be held. Arrangements are by the Weatherford Funeral Home in Kalispell.

L. Seaman, 71

^{1 Oct. 1983}
Lawrence L. Seaman, 71, a former resident of Coram, died Saturday at the Hot Springs Convalescent Center in Hot Springs.

He was born Aug. 12, 1912, in Big Rapids, Mich., to Henry and Hattie Seaman. He was raised and educated in Michigan and in Chinook, where he farmed for a number of years.

He was married to Anastasia Rogers on Sept. 22, 1934 in Chinook, Montana. She preceded him in death on Jan. 11, 1973.

They moved to Coram in 1954. He worked for the Glacier National Park for 20 years in the maintenance department.

He served in the Navy during W.W. II. He was a member of the V.F.W.

Survivors include two sisters, Cora Bosch of Monroe, Washington and Hazel Irish of Sparks, Nev., and by numerous nieces and nephews and cousins.

A military graveside service will be conducted by local veterans on Monday at 1 p.m. at the Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell. Friends may meet at the cemetery.

Visitation will be Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls.

Evelyn Schneider, 76

^{11 Dec 1983}
Evelyn Elizabeth Schneider, 76, Spokane, Wash., died Sunday at her home in Spokane.

She was born Oct. 27, 1907, in Minot, N.D., a daughter of Simon and Laura Stacey. She was raised and educated in Whitefish and attended college in Billings. For many years she was a first grade teacher in Spokane and retired in 1975.

On June 8, 1947, she married Charles Schneider in Whitefish and was preceded in death by him on May 9, 1957.

She was an active member of the Christian Science Church in Spokane.

She is survived by three brothers, George Stacey, Whitefish, Fred Stacey, Great Falls, and Sam Stacey, Merced, Calif., and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Charles Stacey and Ralph Stacey.

Graveside services will be Friday at 3 p.m. at the Whitefish Cemetery with the Rev. Harold Petersen of the Christ Lutheran Church of Whitefish officiating. Viewing hours at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish will be tonight until 8 and Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friends will meet at the Whitefish Cemetery for graveside rites.

W.E. Searight, 82

^{3 Jan 1983}
W.E. 'Earl' Searight, 82, 119 Seventh Ave. W., died Monday morning.

He was born Aug. 23, 1900, in Wayne County, Neb., the son of William B. and Dolly Hyatt Searight. He served with the U.S. Armed Forces in the Phillipines as a military policeman from 1923 to 1926. On his return from the service he worked out of Seattle as a long-haul truck driver until retiring and moving to Kalispell in 1977.

Searight was a member of the Independent Order of Foresters of Seattle.

On March 28, 1948 he married Shirley Stickney at Warm Beach, Wash., and she now survives him at the family home in Kalispell. Also surviving are two sons, William E. Jr., North Plains, Ore., Lyle, Milwaukee, Ore.; two daughters, Mrs. William (Dolly Mae) McCall, Renton, Wash., and Mrs. Larry (Latona) Reid, Kalispell; 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren; one brother, George Searight, Corvallis; one sister, Della Chalmers, Seattle, Wash.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Arrangements and cremation were by the Weatherford Funeral Home. There will be no public service.

26 Mar, 1983

Fred W. Sempf, 86

Fred W. Sempf, 86, died on Saturday at the Immanuel Lutheran Home.

He was born March 27, 1896, in Kalispell a son of Fred and Mary Jane Sempf. He had attended Kalispell schools.

In 1922 he married Nina Hanchett who preceded him in death in 1951. In 1955 he married Lucille Furlong who preceded him in death in 1978.

Mr. Sempf had been employed with the

Kalispell Mercantile for 48 years prior to his retirement. He then moved to Swan Lake where he and his wife owned and operated Elk Horn Lodge Resort. Following the death of his wife, Lucille, he moved to Kalispell and made his home with his sister, until entering a nursing home.

He was a longtime member of the International Order of Odd Fellows.

He is now survived by one son, Eugene Sempf, Anchorage, Alaska; three grandchildren; one great-grandchild, and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a son, Donald Sempf, in 1970.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev. Ron Pierce pastor of the Swan Chapel officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.



FRED W. SEMPF

George W. Severns, 63

George W. Severns, 63, Kalispell, died June 17 at Carswell Air Force Base in Fort Worth, Texas, where he had been hospitalized for heart and lung problems.

Mr. Severns was born in Kent, Ohio, May 4, 1920, to William and Ruth Severns.

Mr. Severns was a member of the Disabled American Veterans and Eastaven Baptist Church. He was a Scoutmaster for the handicapped Scouts.

He is survived by his wife, Lurena, and a daughter, Georgia Waltman.

A military funeral was conducted at Fort Worth June 20. A brief memorial service is planned later in Kalispell.

Charles I. Shaw, 93

23 May 1983

Charles I. Shaw, 93, Immanuel Lutheran Home, Kalispell, died Monday morning.

He was born in the Sweetgrass area of Montana Sept. 14, 1889, and attended the public schools there.

On Oct. 25, 1910 he married Grace Dillenbeck in Kalispell and they made their home in Cut Bank, where he worked for Great Northern railway. From 1915 to 1921, he worked in the retail tire business in Bisbee, Ariz. He worked for DeGeogia Fruit Farms in California for a short time until moving to Kelso, Wash., where he was foreman for Central Mill Works for 10 years. The couple then lived in Grand Coulee, Spokane, and Newport, Wash., where they owned and operated Shaw's Lodge on Diamond Lake for 15 years. They retired and moved back to Kalispell about 1950. They moved into Immanuel Lutheran Home in 1977. Mrs. Shaw died in 1980.

Mr. Shaw was known for his craftsmanship as a carpenter and cabinetmaker, and for his beautiful rose garden.

He was a member of the Eagles in Kelso, Wash.

Surviving are one son, Leonard Floyd Shaw of Forestville, Calif.; one daughter, Mrs. Charles (Alice) Whitmore, Spokane, Wash.; three grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Friends and family will meet for graveside funeral services Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Glacier Memorial Gardens, with the Rev. Marshall Moen, Chaplain of Immanuel Lutheran Home, officiating.

Arrangements are by Weatherford Funeral Home.

29 July Jesse Shoop, 91 1983

Jesse W. Shoop, 91, of Kalispell, died Friday evening at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born Dec. 15, 1891 in Kirksville, Mo. to Isaac and Carrie Shoop. He was raised and educated in Missouri and Kansas and moved with his family to Montana in the early 1900s.

As a young man, he started a herd of Scottish Highland cattle, some of the first imported from Scotland. He raised Highland cattle and buffalo and trained horses until the early 1970s when he retired from ranching and moved to Kalispell.

He and his two brothers, Cy and Earl, followed the rodeo circuit for a number of years. He ranched primarily in the Browning area.

He married Adee Banks in Kalispell in 1945.

He was a member of Kalispell's Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by a son, Jess Jr.

He is survived by his wife in Kalispell; three daughters, Mrs. Richard Johns, Mrs. Ed Helmetag and Mrs. Bill Johnson of Kalispell; and three grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held Monday at 10 a.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. Scott Morris of the Church of Christ in Kalispell will officiate. Friends may meet at the cemetery. Van Leuven Funeral Home of Columbia Falls is in charge of local arrangements.

The family suggests that memorials may be made to the Church of Christ in Kalispell.

7 Feb. 1983
Ella M. Sherry, 85

Ella M. Sherry, 85, Lakeside, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital Monday afternoon.

She was born Sept. 4, 1897, in Chicago, Ill., a daughter of Frank and Marie Neckar. She was educated in Illinois and on Feb. 19, 1919, married Joseph Sherry in Berwyn, Ill.

The couple lived in Berwyn until 1981, when they moved to Lakeside to be with their daughter and son-in-law.

Mrs. Sherry was of the Catholic faith.

She is survived by her husband, Joseph; her daughter, Mrs. Arthur (Irene) Novak, Lakeside; six sisters in Illinois, Michigan and Minnesota; two brothers in Illinois; five grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mrs. Sherry are at 2 p.m. today in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev. Father Emmett O'Neill of St. Matthew's Catholic Church officiating. Burial is in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

27 June 1983
Frank J. Shields, 74

Frank J. Shields, 74, died Monday in the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls where he has resided for the past three years.

He was born Nov. 11, 1908, in Butte, a son of Tom and Julia Shields. He received his education in Butte, and spent much of his life there. He had served in the armed forces during World War II.

He was a Catholic.

He is survived by a brother, John McKenna, of Butte.

Rosary for Mr. Shields will be recited at 7:30 tonight in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Montana Veterans Home Chapel with the Rev. Juan Diphe of St. Richard's Catholic Church officiating. Burial will be in the Montana Veterans Home Cemetery where military rites will be conducted by the local veterans organizations.

LOUISE SIDERIUS 22 Nov. 1983

Mrs. Louise Siderius, 82, Bigfork, died on Wednesday, Nov. 16, in the Immanuel Lutheran Home where she has resided for the past two months. She was born Nov. 23, 1900, in Black Diamond, Wash., a daughter of Charles and Elizabeth Larson Johnson. She had lived much of her young life in Idaho where she received her education at Lewiston. She taught school in Idaho until moving to Montana in 1927, where she taught at the Demersville school. On May 27, 1929, she was married to Peter Siderius in Kalispell. The couple then moved to Somers where Mrs. Siderius served as librarian for the Somers School District for a number of years. In 1969 they moved to Bigfork where

they have resided since that time. She is survived by her husband, Peter, of Bigfork; four sons, Charles, Jerry and Tom Siderius all of Kalispell, and Ken Siderius of Columbia Falls; two daughters, Maxine Hanson of Billings, and Judy Johnson of Missoula; one brother, Bill Johnson of Mesa, Az.; 21 grandchildren; one great grandchild, and many nieces and nephews. Funeral services were Saturday, Nov. 19, in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey, pastor of the Lakeside Chapel officiating. Burial was in the Glacier Memorial Gardens. The family suggest memorials be made to the Bigfork Methodist Church or the Immanuel Lutheran Home.

Vernon Sievers, 56

^{26 Dec 1983}
Vernon Dale Sievers, 56, Kalispell, died early Monday morning at Kalispell Regional Hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born May 28, 1927, in Kalispell, the son of William C. and Susie Ferwerda Sievers. He was raised in Kalispell and graduated from Flathead High School. During the Korean conflict, he served in the U.S. Army from 1951 to 1953. After his honorable discharge, he returned to Kalispell, where he has farmed and worked in the woods ever since, most recently with Owens Logging.

On Oct. 25, 1951, he married Faye Booth in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and she survives him at the family home in Kalispell.

Also surviving are his mother, Susie Sievers in Whitefish; four sons, Richard of Kalispell, Gary of Whidby Island Naval Air Station, Wash., Eddie and Donald, both of Kalispell; one granddaughter; three brothers, Lawrence and William, both of Libby, Larry of California; three sisters, Mrs. Leonard (Grace) Wolf of Kalispell, Mrs. Duane (Jeanette) Davidson of Thief River Falls, Minn., and Mrs. Richard (Glenmar) Culbertson of Texas; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation is Thursday at the Weatherford Funeral Home from 6 to 8 p.m. Funeral services will be Friday at 11 a.m. at the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Jerome Jackson of Community Alliance Church officiating. Burial will be at Glacier Memorial Gardens, with military honors provided by local veterans.

Loyal Simonson, 86

^{29 Oct 1983}
Loyal Simonson, 86, Kalispell, died Oct. 29 in the Veterans Administration Hospital in Phoenix, Ariz.

Mr. Simonson was born in Terry, S.D. He later moved to Wallace, Idaho, then to Spokane, Wash., where he made his home until 1969 when he came to Kalispell and made his home with Earl and Dorothy L. Nutter.

He was a World War I veteran.

He is survived by a daughter, Betty Altimore, Post Falls, Idaho; a nephew in Anaheim, Calif.; 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Burial will be in Spokane, Wash.

Mitchell Siderius, 80

Mitchell D. "Sid" Siderius, 80, Tavernier, Fla., died Nov. 29, 1983.

He was born in Flint, Mich. He came to Kalispell with his parents in 1908 and attended local schools.

He was a graduate of Portland Chiropractic School.

Mr. Siderius was a long-time resident of the Florida Keys. He was the owner of the Sea Breeze restaurant on Plantation Key. He also built and operated the Green Turtle Inn and Sid and Roxies Cannery in Islamorada.

After retiring, he traveled around the world. Mr. Siderius spent many summers in the Flathead visiting. He also worked several years for the Flathead National Forest.

He is survived by three brothers, seven sisters, and several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Services were in Tavernier, followed by cremation.

Floyd J. Simonson, 57

^{17 June 1983}
LIBBY — Floyd J. Simonson, 57, died at his home in Libby Friday morning.

He was born Sept. 20, 1925, at Ross, N.D. where he received his schooling. He was a veteran of World War II. He came to Libby in 1959 and worked for St. Regis Lumber Co. in the plywood department until he became disabled in 1979.

He married Rosalie Boykin Nov. 3, 1972, at Olalla, Wash.

He was a member of the Eagles, the Moose Lodge and the American Legion.

Survivors include his wife; four daughters, Jennifer McElmurry and Zetta Evans, both of Libby, Veronica Skinner, Belgrade, and LaVonne Duzik, Santa Monica, Calif.; two sons, Lynn, Rock Springs, Wyo., Dale, Libby; his mother, Edith Simonson, Stanley, N.D.; three stepdaughters, Loretta Clemens of Palmer, Alaska, Delores Jensen of Libby, Jeannette Crabtree of Anchorage, Alaska; four stepsons, Mark Boykin, Anchorage, Mike Boykin, Reno, Nev., Kenneth and William Boykin, Libby; two sisters, Bernice Hermanson and Mayo Miller, both of Stanley, N.D.; three brothers, Willard Simonsen, Kalispell, Budd Simonsen, Libby, and Allen Simonson, Redding, Calif. and 14 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Vial Funeral Home, Libby, with the Rev. Sheridan Erickson officiating. Burial will follow at the City of Libby Cemetery with military graveside and Moose Lodge rites.

Loren R. Simpson, 80

20 Nov. 1983
Loren R. Simpson, 80, a former Kalispell resident, died Nov. 20 in Milpitas, Calif.

He was born July 12, 1903, in Ansley, Neb., a son of William and Nancy Draper Simpson. He came to the Flathead Valley with his family in 1909. He lived in the Bigfork and Kalispell area until he moved to California in 1956.

He married Leona Caton Hill on Nov. 11, 1934, in Bigfork.

Mr. Simpson worked in grocery stores most of his life. He owned the G&E Grocery and later worked at Economy Foods and Super Foods. After moving to California, he managed a produce market in San Jose. He retired in 1965.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Grover, Edward and Richard Simpson and a sister, Fern Harris.

He is survived by his wife, Leona, in Milpitas; a son, Roy Simpson, also of Milpitas; three step-children, Beth Lange of Sheridan, Ore., Leslie Hill of Hot Springs, Ark. and Helen Ramsey of Bozeman; a brother, William Simpson of Olivehurst, Calif.; four sisters, Vera Ballenger and Bonnie Lebert of Kalispell, Lucille Dutton and Edith Pival of Libby; a number of stepgrandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Burial took place in Milpitas, Calif.

Wilhelmina M. Skeeters, 76

1 May 1983
Wilhelmina Mitzi Skeeters, 76, died Sunday evening at her home at 280 Swan Retreat, Bigfork, after a lengthy illness.

She was born Nov. 12, 1906, in Jackson, a daughter of Emma and Joseph Schindler. She was educated in the Big Hole area, and in 1937 married Wesley G. Skeeters in Helena. The couple ranched in the Big Hole area for a number of years, and later ranched at Melrose.

In 1974 they retired and moved to Bigfork.

She is survived by her husband, Wesley, at home in Bigfork; a brother, Emil Schindler, Dillon, and several nieces and nephews.

The body is being forwarded by the Johnson Mortuary to the Wayrnen-Richards Funeral Home in Butte, where funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday. Burial will be in the Sunset Memorial Gardens there.

11 Aug 1983
POLSON — SINCAVAGE, Hester Mae, 58, died Thursday evening in a Missoula hospital after short illness. Rosary will be 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Mosley Chapel in Polson. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Thursday at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery. She was born in Townsend, attended school there and graduated from Townsend High School. After graduation she worked for Nash Finch Co. in Helena. She married Edward S. Sincavage at Townsend on Sept. 25, 1945. The couple moved to Fort Dixon, N.J., where her husband was in the U.S. Army. After the war, the couple moved to Great Falls for a short time and then to Conrad, where they lived until 1969 when they moved to Polson. She is survived by her husband; five sons, David of Helena; Daniel of Colorado City, Colo.; Joseph of Gillette, Wyo.; and Edward and John of Polson; three daughters, Sharon Miller of Great Falls; Mary Pauli of Mesa, Ariz., and Debbie Clark of Polson; 13 grandchildren; and two brothers, Earl and Bill Webb of Toston.

6 Aug 1983 Opal M. Skiftun, 62

Opal M. Skiftun, 62, died Saturday in the Immanuel Lutheran Home.

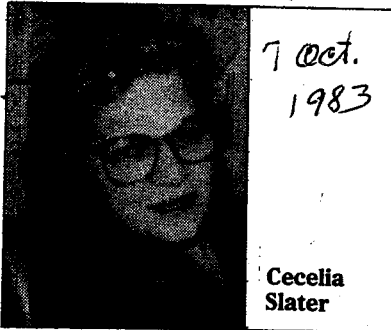
She was born Oct. 9, 1920, in Parshall, N.D., a daughter of Ole and Mabel Skiftun. She attended school in North Dakota, and moved with her family to Bigfork in 1937 where she graduated from Bigfork High School in 1938.

She has lived at the Immanuel Lutheran Home for the past 11 years.

She is survived by a brother, Norman Skiftun, Bigfork; four sisters, Benida Brosten and Arlene Larson, both of Kalispell, Margie McClure, Boise, Idaho, and Fern Hartford, Honolulu, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services for Miss Skiftun will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Immanuel Lutheran home Chapel with Chaplain Marshall Moen officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary. The family suggests memorials to the Immanuel Lutheran Home.

Cecelia Slater



Cecelia A. Slater, 70, 504 18th St. S., died Friday morning in Columbia Falls after an extended illness.

She was born in Devils Lake, N.D., where she was raised and educated. She worked as a clerk there and married Angus W. Slater in Moorhead, Minn. They lived in Devils Lake until moving to Havre in 1954 and Great Falls in 1960.

She was a member of the YWCA and the Catholic Church.

Survivors include four sons, George L. and Joseph J., both of Great Falls, and James W. and Thomas G., both of Columbia Falls; a daughter, Mrs. Steven (Barbara) Saint of Thompson Falls; four sisters, Barbara Melin and Josephine

Kessler, both of Seattle; Veronica Withey, Kalispell, and Ann Scheppe, Havre; a brother, August Swartzenberger, Gary, Ind.; 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her husband in July 1970 and three brothers.

Services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the O'Connor Memorial Chapel with Rev. John Linehan, St. Ann's Cathedral, officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Steve Slack, 74

Steve Slack, 74, Columbia Falls, died Saturday at St. Patrick's Hospital in Missoula following a brief illness.

He was born May 19, 1909, in Kibby, the son of Stephen and Ila Niesman Slack. When he was still an infant, the family moved to Highwood, where he later attended the public schools. On May 2, 1932, he married May Prichard in Great Falls.

The couple moved to the Snowy Mountains area south of Lewistown in 1934, where they ranched for 26 years. In 1961, they moved to Columbia Falls, where they raised cattle and he worked in the woods as an equipment operator until his retirement in about 1972.

Survivors include his wife, May, at the family home; two sons, John S. Slack of McGregor Lake and Roy R. Slack of Portland, Ore.; two daughters, Ila May Barta of Columbia Falls and Bonnie Jean Barta of Kalispell; eleven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; one brother, Allan Slack of Pe Ell, Wash.; two sisters, Virginia Wambolt of Roseburg, Ore. and Ila Thompson of Centralia, Wash.; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two brothers and one sister.

Family and friends will meet at the Fairview Cemetery east of Kalispell Tuesday at 2 p.m. for graveside memorial services. Arrangements and cremation are by the Weatherford Funeral Home.

George A. Slack, 78

George A. Slack, 78, 529 E. Evergreen, died Tuesday evening at the North Valley Extended Care Center in Whitefish after a brief illness.

He was born Aug. 31, 1905, in Kalispell, the eldest son of Alvin and Mary McGregor Slack.

Mr. Slack spent most of his life in the Flathead Valley, and attended LaSalle elementary and Flathead County High School. A woodworker all his life, he had been employed by the U.S. Forest Service as a log scaler. He also worked in the Christmas tree industry.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps, and later with the Army Reserves.

Mr. Slack attended Central Christian Church in Kalispell. He was a member of IOOF Lake Lodge No. 50 and VFW Post No. 2252 in Kalispell. He was a 35-year member of FOE Aerie No. 234 in Kalispell.

On June 28, 1953, he married Marie O. Morrison in Whitefish, and she preceded him in death Nov. 20, 1981. He was also preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Thomas Slack.

Surviving are one daughter, Mary Margaret Leib of Tucson, Ariz.; three grandchildren; one brother, John Slack of Evergreen; and one sister, Dorothy Lewis of Kalispell.

Visitation is at the Weatherford Funeral Home today until 8 p.m. Funeral services will be Saturday at 3 p.m. at the Weatherford Funeral Home, with the Rev. Eugene Mockabee, pastor of Central Christian Church, and George Darrow, chaplain of VFW Post 2252 officiating. Burial will be at Conrad Memorial Cemetery, with military honors provided by local veterans. A reception will follow at the Kalispell Eagles Hall.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Montana Heart Association, 435 Second St. E., Kalispell, 59901.

FERN SLETTEN

1983

Fern Sletten, 49, Whitefish, died Sunday, Nov. 20, in North Valley Hospital in Whitefish after a long illness. She was born Jan. 20, 1934, in Kalispell, a daughter of Brice and Ruby Adams. She married Ralph "Sunny" Sletten on Mar. 29, 1950, in Whitefish, and has been a resident of Whitefish for many years. She is survived by her husband at the family home; a son, Ralph Sletten Jr. of Columbia Falls; a daughter, Loraine DeSteur of Elkford, British Columbia; two brothers, Barry and Brian Adams, both of Oregon; a nephew she raised, Dayle Siegel of Spokane, Wash.; and four grandchildren. Memorial services will be Wednesday, Nov. 23 at 7 p.m. in Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Ron Meyers of the Church of Nazarene officiating. Cremation has taken place. The family suggested memorials to the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Margaret Slaybaugh, 76

20 May 1983

WHITEFISH — Chinook. She worked as a bookkeeper for the family business there and in Whitefish and Kalispell, where the couple moved in 1936. She was a member of the First United Presbyterian Church of Whitefish and belonged to the IOOF and AARP. For many years she worked with the Mothers Club, which served the DeMolay boys of Whitefish. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bert, in 1970.

She was born April 16, 1907, in London, Ontario, to James and Margaret Forbes. As a small girl she moved with the family to Chinook, and graduated from Chinook High School there.

On July 4, 1928, she married Albert Slaybaugh in

Chinook. She worked as a bookkeeper for the family business there and in Whitefish, where the couple moved in 1936. She was a member of the First United Presbyterian Church of Whitefish and belonged to the IOOF and AARP. For many years she worked with the Mothers Club, which served the DeMolay boys of Whitefish.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bert, in 1970.

Surviving are two sons, Donald of Whitefish and Darrell of Castle Rock, Wash.; a stepdaughter, Mary Chatherine Tew of Flagstaff, Ariz., six grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Friends may contribute memorials to the building fund of the First United Presbyterian Church of Whitefish or the American Cancer Society.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Ken Peterson of the First United Presbyterian Church of Whitefish officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Margaret E. Slethaug, 96

8 May 1983

Margaret Ecklie Slethaug, 96, died Sunday evening in the Immanuel Lutheran Home.

She was born Jan. 20, 1887, in Gol, Norway, a daughter of Ole and Barbo Ecklie. She came to America with her parents and settled at Walcott, N.D.

In June 1907, she married Engebret Slethaug in Walcott. They farmed there until 1910 when they moved to Echo Lake. They lived in the lower Swan Valley until the death of Mr. Slethaug in 1959. Mrs. Slethaug later entered the Immanuel Lutheran Home.

She had been a member of Bethany Lutheran Church since 1910.

She is survived by two sons, Olander, Bigfork, and Erwin, Rollins; three daughters, Olive Tencich, Tacoma, Wash., Hilma Newton, Great Falls, and Gordyce Durocher, Seattle, Wash.; one sister, Olga Otterson, Fridley, Minn.; 12 grandchildren; 39 great-grandchildren; 22 great-great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in the Bethany Lutheran Church with the Rev. Russell Hillman officiating. Burial will be in the Bethany Cemetery near Bigfork.

The family suggest memorials to the Bethany Lutheran Church or the Immanuel Lutheran Home. Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary.



MARION "BUZZ" SMITH

Marion "Buzz" David Smith, 55, who lived at 732 Two Mile Drive in Kalispell, died at Kalispell Regional Hospital Friday evening.

He was born Nov. 8, 1927, in Polson, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith. He attended Kalispell schools and was a graduate of Miles City High School.

On June 4, 1946, he entered the U.S. Navy where he served as a seaman until receiving his honorable discharge on April 2, 1948 in San Diego.

He returned to Kalispell and was employed as a lineman with the Mountain States Power Co. for a short time until establishing his own construction business, which he operated for several years. He continued with power line construction work until he was employed by Harp Line Construction Co., where he was powerline superintendent for the past 21 years.

He was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose, Kalispell Eagles Lodge and the IBW Union Local 768.

On Dec. 24, 1948, he married Vivian "Pat" Engebretson in Kalispell and is now survived by her at the family home.

He is also survived by twin sons, Mike of Kalispell, and Mark of Bonners Ferry, Idaho; three daughters, Rita Roll, Kalispell, Patti Rewz, Phoenix, and Vicki Jo Smith, Albuquerque; his mother,

Mildred Frach, Kalispell; a brother, Robert Frach, Kalispell; three sisters, Eileen Kair, Issaquah, Wash., Lois Enevold, Venezuela, and Sharon Hawk, Kalispell; seven grandsons and one granddaughter.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey, pastor of the Lakeside Chapel, officiating. The body will be cremated after the services.

20 Mar 1983

Claude D. Sloan, 87

Claude D. Sloan, 87, formerly of Kalispell, died on March 20 in Portland, Ore.

He was born March 10, 1896, in Hammond, Wis., a son of Edwin and Mercy Sloan.

In 1900, he moved to the Flathead Valley with his family. He attended Kalispell schools and was a graduate of the Flathead County High School in the class of 1917. He attended the New York University.

On May 29, 1929, he married Lulu McDonald in Kalispell.

Mr. Sloan was employed with the U.S. Forest Service in Montana and Idaho for more than 30 years before his retirement in 1961. He moved to Oregon and had resided there since.

He is survived by his wife, Lulu, Gresham, Ore.; a brother, Dr. Leigh Sloan, Santa Ysabel, Calif., and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be in Gresham this afternoon. The body will be forwarded to Kalispell where graveside services will be Friday at 3 p.m. in the Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Ron Pierce, pastor of the Swan Chapel officiating. Friends will meet at the cemetery for services. Local arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

Margaret Sluder, 66

18 Mar 1983

EUREKA — Margaret Sluder, 66, Rexford, died Friday at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane.

She was born March 6, 1917, in Eureka, the daughter of Walter and Ella Jane Holder. She attended grade school and high school in Eureka. After graduation, she worked at the Davis Cafe in Eureka.

She married Walter Sluder in July 1956 at Butte. They lived in Butte for four years then moved to different areas of western Montana.

They moved to Libby in 1967, where she went to work at the Venture Motor Inn for several years. They returned to the Tobacco Valley in 1979 when they moved to Rexford.

She is survived by her husband, three daughters, Lucille Soderstrom and Florence Tregida, both of Rexford, and Jacqueline VerValen of Index, Wash., one son, Robert Burch of Eureka, two brothers, Elliott Holder and Robert Holder, both of Libby, three sisters, Kathleen Hobson and Lucille Payne, both of Eureka, and Jacqueline Mitchell of Libby, 11 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Monday at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Eureka with Pastor James Holder officiating. Burial will follow in the Tobacco Valley Cemetery under the direction of Vial Funeral Home of Eureka.

Opal L. Smith, 63

10 Jan 1983

Opal L. Smith, 63, who lived at 110 Second Ave. W. Kalispell, died Monday evening at the North Valley Extended Care Center.

She was born Sept. 25,

1919, in Kalispell to Fred and Mattie Walter. She graduated from Flathead County High School in 1939, and then attended the NYA School in Red Lodge. There she met Roy Lane Smith and was married Dec. 16, 1939, in Columbus.

She was a member of the Epworth United Methodist Church.

Her husband preceded her in death March 22, 1970. She is survived by two sons, Ed Smith of Marion and Danny Smith of Kent, Wash.; one daughter, Sandi Swartzenberger of Kalispell; one brother, Paul Walter, Seattle, Wash.; two sisters, Lila Perry of Kalispell and Elma Neipoth of Allyn, Wash.; and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel. The Rev. Fred C. Crow of Epworth United Methodist Church will officiate. Interment will be in the Fairview Cemetery near Kalispell.

Stanley Smart Sr., 77

15 Jan 1983

Stanley Royal Smart Sr., 77, 103 W. Lincoln Blvd., Libby, died Saturday in Kalispell Regional Hospital following a brief illness.

He was born Aug. 12, 1905, in Cookesville, Wis., the son of Winfield J. and Laura Wood Smart. He was educated in Lewistown.

He married Lois E. Disbrow in Anaconda Nov. 12, 1927, and the couple made their home in Missoula, where he operated a service station. In 1948 they moved to Libby where he was the Dodge-Plymouth dealer and owned and operated the Mobil bulk plant. In 1960 he sold the automobile dealership and continued to operate the bulk plant until his retirement in 1970.

He was master of Harmony Lodge 49 AF&AM, Missoula; a member of the Libby Masonic Lodge; served two terms on the Libby City Council; was president of the Libby Lions Club and the Libby Chamber of Commerce; and was an elder of the First Presbyterian Church of Libby.

Surviving besides his wife, Lois, at the family home in Libby, are five sons, Royal, Chicago; Jim, Libby; Bill, Anchorage; Doug, Los Angeles; Ted, Portland; 15 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Phil (Judy) Stewart, Anaheim, Calif., and Nancy Haried, New Orleans.

Memorial services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Libby with the Rev. Wilford H. Luce Jr., officiating.

The family suggests memorials to the Gideons or the First Presbyterian Church of Libby.

Elmer L. Smith, 74

22 Feb 1983

Elmer L. Smith, 74, Whitefish, died Tuesday morning.

He was born Aug. 13, 1908, in Tokio, N.D., a son of Albert and Jessie Smith. He was raised and educated there and in the 1920s moved to Whitefish. He had been employed with the Park Service, City of Whitefish, Western Fruit Division, and the Great Northern Railroad, retiring as relief foreman of the roundhouse in August 1973.

He was a member of the Moose, charter member of the Flathead County Sheriff's Posse, for many years secretary-treasurer of the Fireman and Oiler Union, Back County Horseman, Tennessee Walker Club, and First Presbyterian Church of Whitefish.

On Dec. 25, 1931, he married Thelma Street in Whitefish and is now survived by her at the family home.

He is also survived by one son, Gary Smith, Kalispell; one sister, Blanche Cronk, Seattle, Wash.; two brothers, Ben Smith, Minneapolis, Minn., and Bob Smith, Cheney, Wash.; three grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial services for Mr. Smith will be Friday at 2 p.m. in the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Ken Peterson of the First Presbyterian Church of Whitefish officiating. Cremation has taken place.

The family has suggested that memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church building fund or to the charity of the donor's choice.

19 Feb. 1983

William J. Smith, 84

William J. Smith, 84, 103 North Haven Drive, Kalispell, died Saturday morning in the Flathead County Nursing Home.

He attended the public schools of Highland County, Ohio, and married Lela C. Grube at Sibina, Ohio, April 10, 1919.

They lived most of thier married life in Wilmington, Ohio, where they owned and operated Smith Auto-top and Paint Shop

He was born Dec. 26, 1898, at Sugartree Ridge, Ohio, the son of Bynes W. and Sally Borden Smith.

for over 50 years. In 1979 they moved to Kalispell. Mrs. Smith died in 1981.

He is survived by a daughter, Wavelene Warren of Kalispell; a brother, Virgil Smith of Toledo, Ohio; a sister, Ethel Moon of Wilmington; and one

grandson. The body has been forwarded from Weatherford Funeral Home in Kalispell to Fisher Funeral Home in Wilmington for services Feb. 26 at 1 p.m. Burial will follow in Lee's Creek Cemetery.

Willie J. Smith, 57

BUFFALO, Mo. — Willie J. Smith, 57, formerly of Kalispell, died Sunday at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, Mo. 3 Jul 1983

He was born July 25, 1925, in Miami, Okla., to Estella Grace and Andrew MacDonald Smith. He attended schools in Missouri and Oklahoma, graduating from Warrensburg, Mo., High School, then entered the Army Air Corps. He retired from the Air Force in 1965 after 22 years.

He lived in Kalispell from January 1980 to March 1981. While in the Flathead Valley he was active in the Montana Association for the Blind and the Disabled American Veterans.

Surviving are his wife, Joyce, of Kalispell; a daughter, Priscilla Topp of Kalispell; four sons, William and Christopher, both of Kalispell, Samuel of St. Charles, Ill., and Andrew of Denver; his mother, E. Grace Glanville of Urbana, Mo.; and a sister Edith Neitzert of Buffalo, Mo.

He is to be buried today in the family plot at Howard Chapel Cemetery in Buffalo. The family suggests memorials to the Heart Fund or Disabled American Veterans. 2 July 1983

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Walter M. Smith, 77

Walter M. Smith, 77, Columbia Falls, died Sunday morning at the North Valley Extended Care in Whitefish.

He was born Feb. 22, 1906, in Columbia Falls, to Andrew N. and Charlotte Smith. He was raised and educated in Columbia Falls.

As a young man, he worked at various jobs in Columbia Falls.

He married Leslie Talley Sept. 14, 1929, at Polson.

In 1935, the couple moved to Juneau, Alaska, where Mr. Smith was employed by the Dupont Co. They later were transferred to Dupont, Wash., where they retired in 1967 and moved back to Columbia Falls.

Mr. Smith was preceded in death by his wife Aug. 3, 1977, and by a brother, Vernon, in 1981.

He is survived by two brothers, Robert and Tom Smith, both of Columbia Falls.

Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at St. Richards Catholic Church Tuesday at 10 a.m. Burial will be in St. Richards Catholic Cemetery under the direction of the Van Leuven Funeral Home. Mr. Smith had requested no viewing.

ANTHONY SNOOKSTER 26 Oct 1983

Anthony Snookster, 80, died on Monday, Oct. 17, in the Bigfork Convalescent Center where he has resided since 1979. He was born August 3, 1903, in Kovna, Lithuania, a son of George and Mary Shnukster. When he was five years of age he came to America with his family, settling in Worchester, Mass. He had received his education in Massachusetts, and on April 16, 1924, he entered the U.S. Army in Boston. He had served during five enlistments until receiving his final discharge on December 10, 1938. He later moved to Montana where he

worked in ranch work and property management much of the time. On Feb. 14, 1957, he was married to Myrtle Graham in Hardin and was preceded in death by her several years later. He is now survived by a sister, Sophia Cook, of Sagimore, Mass. Graveside services were Saturday, Oct. 22, in the Lonepine Cemetery near Bigfork with the Rev. Father William Morley of St. Catherine's Catholic Church officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

29 July 1983

Robert Spears, 72

Robert M. Spears, 72, of Whitefish, died Friday evening at North Valley Hospital.

He was born July 3, 1911 in Havre to Robert F. and Clara A. Spears. He was raised and educated in Glasgow and moved to Whitefish in 1937.

He began working for the Great Northern Railroad in the 1930s in the engineering department. He later worked for the Knott Mercantile in Whitefish and also for Whitefish Furniture. In the 1960s, he returned to the railroad, working in the accounting department before retiring in 1974.

He was a member of the Whitefish Masonic Lodge 64, First Presbyterian Church of Whitefish, Railroad Clerk's Union and B.N. Veterans.

He married Elizabeth Caldwell in Whitefish on Sept. 5, 1937, and is survived by her.

Other survivors include a son, Robert of Midland, Mich.; a daughter, Mary Beth Baker of Spokane; a brother, Fred of Fresno, Calif.; two sisters, Charlotte Seim of Missoula and Doris Pond of Colorado Springs, Colo.; and three grandchildren.

Memorial services are pending and will be announced later by the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. Cremation has taken place.

The family suggests memorials be given to the First Presbyterian Church of Whitefish building fund or to the charity of their choice.

8 Feb. 1983

Flora E. Somers, 72

SAN DIEGO, CALIF. — Flora Evelyn Somers, 72, died Feb. 8 in University Hospital, San Diego, Calif.

She was born in Ione, Wash., Nov. 18, 1910, a daughter of Otis and Leola Turk. She moved to Whitefish in 1955 and worked in the offices of the Great Northern Railroad. She was an active member in Eastern Star and Rainbow Girls.

On Feb. 7, 1970 she married Bill Somers. He preceded her in death on Jan. 25, 1983.

She is survived by a daughter, Darlene Smithson, Whitefish; one stepson, Bob Somers, California; two stepdaughters, Connie Beth Ladeau, Whitefish and Marcia Fauske, Spokane; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Whitefish.

25 Jan. 1983

William R. Somers, 69

William R. (Bill) Somers, 69, died Tuesday morning in Yuma, Ariz. after an extended illness.

He was a long-time resident of Whitefish, owning Bill's Barber Shop. For many years he was active with the Masonic Lodge, Eastern Star and Rainbow Girls.

He is survived by his wife Evelyn, daughters, Connie Beth Ladeau, Whitefish, Marcia Fauske, Spokane; a son, Bob, Calif.; and a step-daughter, Darlene Smithson, and several grandchildren.

Memorial services will be at First Presbyterian Church, Whitefish, on Saturday at 2 p.m. Cards to the family may be addressed to Connie, Box 483, Whitefish.

EDITH SPENCER

1983

Mrs. Edith Spencer, 87, of 213 - 3rd Avenue West, died on August 1 in the Kalispell Regional Hospital following an extended illness. She was born June 22, 1896, in New York city, N.Y., a daughter of John and Catherine Hall. On November 24, 1918, she was married to William Spencer in Tulsa, Okla. The couple had lived in several western states settling in California in 1933. Mrs. Spencer moved to Kalispell in 1981 following the death of her hus-

band, and has resided here since that time. She is now survived by two daughters, Audrey Arellanes of Alhambra, Calif., and Beverly Mason of Kalispell, and three grandchildren, including Catherine and J. Clark Mason, both of Kalispell. The body was forwarded by the Johnson Mortuary to California where graveside services and burial were in the Mountain Villa Cemetery in Altadena, California.

Nora Ellen Spicher, 94

Nora Ellen Spicher, 94, died at the Bigfork Convalescent Center Friday, where she had lived since June 1981.

She was born Sept. 29, 1988 in Millerstown, Pa. to Paul and Sarah Cox.

She was raised and educated in that area and taught school in the community for seven years. She then came to Montana where she homesteaded 10 miles north of Hingham.

On Nov. 29, 1913 she married Chester C. Spicher, who was also from Pennsylvania. They farmed for many years before retiring to Havre in 1948.

They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1963.

She was preceded in death by a son, Stanley, in 1923, and by her husband in 1964.

She was a member of Havre's Sixth Avenue Christian Church.

She is survived by five children, Mildred Farrell, Spokane, Stella Greb, College Place, Wash., Marlin Spicher, Kalispell, Nora Terwolbeck, Joplin, and David

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Spicher, Sandpoint, Idaho; 17 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and many other relatives here and in Pennsylvania.

Funeral services will be in Havre at the Holland and Bonine Funeral Home beginning at 2 p.m. Tuesday. Interment will be in the family plot at the Hingham Cemetery in Hingham. Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish is in charge of local arrangements.

Mary Sprunger, 86

Mary Enders Sprunger, 86, died Sunday evening at the Immanuel Lutheran Home where she has resided for the past two years.

She was born Dec. 8, 1897, near Plum City, Wis., a daughter of Anthony and Josefina Liffering Enders. When she was 2, she moved with her family to a farm near Chili, Wis., where they lived for 10 years before moving to Bigfork in 1910. She received her education in Chili, Wis.; Bigfork and Kalispell.

In 1915, she married Jeremias Sprunger in Kalispell. They had lived at the foot of Swan Lake where they were caretakers of a summer home for nearly 40 years.

Mrs. Sprunger was preceded in death by her husband in 1964. She is survived by two sons, Elmer Sprunger of Bigfork, and Peter Sprunger of Columbia Falls; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; two brothers, Jim and Ray Enders, both of Libby; two sisters, Ethel McCoy of Sanders, Idaho, and Jennie Torres of Eureka; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services for Mrs. Sprunger will be at 11 a.m. Thursday in St. Catherine's Catholic Church of Bigfork with the Rev. William Morley officiating. The body has been cremated. Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

Bertha Sperry, 78

Bertha Sperry, 78, died in Seattle, Wash., March 31.

She was born June 1, 1904, the daughter of John and Mary White, pioneers who lived north of Kalispell.

She married Richard

Smith, who preceded her in death. She later married Roy Sperry, who also preceded her in death.

Survivors include a son, Dr. R.M. Smith Jr.; two daughters, Roberta Carlson and Irene Harris; three sisters, Bessie Pearson, Hattie Martin and Alice Bartlett; one brother, Howard White; and several grandchildren.

Robert D. Spoonheim, 27

Robert David Spoonheim, 27, Somers, died early Monday morning as the result of injuries sustained in a single vehicle accident near Lakeside.

He was born July 18, 1955, in Harlem, a son of Mel and Marge Spoonheim. He had attended schools in Turner, before serving two years in the U.S. Army. He then returned to Harlem where he was employed as a carpenter and mechanic until two years ago when he moved to the Flathead Valley. He had been employed as a mechanic for the Lakeside Marina since then.

He is survived by his father, Mel Spoonheim of Kalispell; two brothers, Mel, Malta, and Richard Hader, Harlem; three sisters, Jan Williams, Libby, Carol Wisegram, Conrad, and Tracy Spoonheim, Malta; his grandmother, Lucille Hader, Harlem, and a number of other relatives.

The body has been forwarded by the Johnson Mortuary to the Adams Funeral Home of Malta. Funeral services and burial will be in Harlem later in the week.

Earl E. Squires, 83

23 July 1983

LIBBY — Earl E. Squires, 83, Libby, died Saturday at Holy Family Hospital in Spokane, Wash.

He was born Jan. 6, 1900, at Sauk County, Wis., to Utley and Flora Squires. He was raised at Baraboo, Wis., and attended grade school and high school there.

He married Harriet Risley June 14, 1925, at Belton, Wis.

He was employed by the U.S. Postal Service at Baraboo as a rural mail carrier for 39 years. After his retirement he came to Libby in 1971,

where he has since lived.

He was a member and past noble grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Baraboo.

Survivors include his wife, Harriet, Libby; one sister, Flora Harmon, Reedsburg, Wis.; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Vial Funeral Home, Libby, with the Rev. Dewayne Price of the Church of the Nazarene officiating. Burial will be in the Libby Cemetery with graveside rites conducted by the Odd Fellows.

Francis B. Standley, 78

17 July 1983

HAMILTON — Francis Bryan Standley, 78, died Sunday at the Marcus Daley Memorial Hospital in Hamilton.

He was born Sept. 2, 1904, in Sundance, Wyo. When he was 5 years old, he moved west with his family by covered wagon and settled in Montana.

He married Ann Marie Stephens of Missoula, and the couple shared 51 years of marriage.

He worked in logging and contract clearing in the Flathead and throughout Montana until 1980 at which time he retired in the Bitterroot Valley.

Survivors include his wife, at the family home in Hamilton; a son, Bryan LeRoy Standley of Kalispell; two daughters, Rosie Young of Beaverton, Ore., and Donna Dahlgren of Hamilton; 10 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a sister, Minnie Spurlock of Yakima, Wash.; and a brother, Charley Standley of Seattle, Wash.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at the Dowling Funeral Chapel in Hamilton.

10 Nov. 1983

GLASGOW — SQUIRES, Harry

L., 92, died Thursday. Services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Holy Family Church at Glentana where the rosary will be recited on Friday at 7 p.m. Burial will take place in Holy Family Cemetery. Born at Eau Claire, Wis., he came to Valley County in 1910 and homesteaded in the Opheim area in 1912. Squires had farmed and ranched there since. He married Pansie Phelps in August 1917 in Glasgow. Survivors are his wife; two sons, Bernard, Moses Lake, Wash., and David, Panzo, Wash.; daughters Lorraine Johnsen, Livermore, Calif.; Leone Eid, Kalispell; Allie Ahdahl, Opheim; Mary Bartley, Tucson, Ariz.; Pat Mueller and Evelyn Bien, both of Great Falls, and Rhoda Campbell, Glasgow; and a brother, Lisle, Glasgow.

Clinton Craig Staley, 4 months

22 May 1983

Clinton Craig Staley, 4-month-old son of Ricky and Joann Staley, died Sunday at his home in Kalispell.

He was born Jan. 18, 1983, in Kalispell.

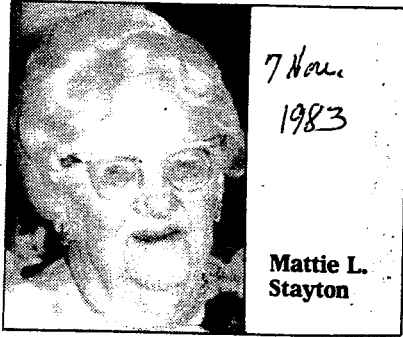
He is survived by his parents; grandparents, Norman Staley, Vancouver, Wash., Wanda

Staley, Bremerton, Wash., and Gordon and Barbara Jones, Kila; his great-grandparents, Raymond and Ruth Ross, Kalispell, and a number of other relatives.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Bob Smith of the Church of Christ officiating. Friends will meet at the cemetery for the services.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary.

Mattie Stayton



Mattie L. Stayton, 95, 1501 11th Ave. S., died Monday in a local hospital. Services will be Thursday at 10 a.m. in the Croxford Rose Room with Rev. Fred Dorisse officiating. Burial will be in the Highland Cemetery.

Born and raised in Missouri, Mrs. Stayton married Welby Stayton in Clinton, Mo., in 1907. They farmed in Butler, Mo., until they moved to Great Falls in 1924. She was a member of the Central Christian Church for 59 years and was active while she was able to attend.

Her husband died in 1969. She is survived by a son, Robert, Lakeside; three daughters, Mina Stayton and Mrs. Clyde (Bernice) Gibbs, both of Great Falls, and Nina Page, Adrian, Mo.; 16 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and 13 great-great-grandchildren.

Ted Stanley, 68

24 Apr. 1983
Ted Stanley, 68, formerly of Hungry Horse and Kalispell, died Sunday at his home in Tucson, Ariz.

Stanley worked in construction for many years in the Flathead Valley before moving to Tucson five

years ago.

He is survived by his wife, Ann, at the family home in Tucson; sisters, Elsie Cooper of Kalispell and Lois Motichka of Whitefish; and a brother, Herb Stanley of Columbia Falls.

The funeral and burial was this morning in Tucson.

Vern Starling, 78

2 Apr. 1983
EUREKA — Vern Starling, 78, died Saturday in Eureka.

He was born March 22, 1905, at Necedah, Wis., the son of Marvel and Hattie Starling. He was raised in Minnesota and had attended school there.

He had lived in North Dakota and eastern Montana before coming to the Tobacco Valley in 1933. He had farmed and had also worked in the Christmas tree industry in Eureka for many years until his retirement in 1967.

He was preceded in death by his wife Cathleen in 1967.

He married Adeline Quilling June 1, 1968, at Coeur D'Alene.

Survivors include his

wife, Adeline, Eureka; two sons, Robert, Eureka, and Raymond, Spokane; five sisters, Alma Tomberlin, Enumclaw, Wash., Nessie Brew, Dickinson, N.D., Almeda Snapp, Denver, Josephine Madsen, Columbus, Ohio, and Roselle Fisher, Spokane; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at the First Church of God in Eureka with the Rev. Warren Pomeroy officiating. Burial will be in the Tobacco Valley Cemetery under the direction of Vial Funeral Home of Eureka.

The family suggests memorials to the First Church of God.

Rev. W.C. Stearns, 82

20 Mar. 1983
The Rev. William C. Stearns, 82, died March 20 after a long illness.

William (Bill) Cooley Stearns was born Aug. 11, 1900, in Burlington, Vt., to Elizabeth Cooley and John Stearns. The family moved to Berkeley, Calif., when Rev. Stearns was a child. He attended the University of California at Berkeley, the Chandler School of Theology in Atlanta, Ga., and Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, Calif.

Rev. Stearns served Methodist churches in California, Kentucky and West Virginia before coming to Montana in 1946.

In the Montana Conference he served churches in Libby, Troy, Hamilton, Bigfork, Somers, Lakeside, Shelby, Bridger, Belfry, Plains, Paradise, Chinook and Harlem. He was associate pastor in Havre two years after his retirement in 1971. He served a total of 58 years in the Methodist ministry.

He married Margaret Rogers, Sept. 15, 1938, in Clendenin, W. Va.

Rev. Stearns is survived by his wife, Margaret; a daughter, Anna Coe and two grandchildren, Stephen and Cari Coe, all of Butte, and a brother David B. Stearns, Adin, Calif.

A memorial service was March 23 at the Van Orsdel Methodist Church.

Memorials may be sent to the Shodair Hospital in Helena or the Van Orsdel Methodist Church in Havre.

27 Jan 1983

Hiram Stephenson, 77

TROY — Hiram J. Stephenson, 77, died Thursday at the Libby Convalescent Center.

He was born Sept. 1, 1905, in Pine River, Minn., and came to Libby in 1939.

He was a gyppo logger and sawyer until his retirement in 1968. In 1979 and 1980 he managed the store at Little Jo.

He married Blanch Gooselaw on Nov. 22, 1926,

at Longview, Wash. She preceded him in death in 1971.

Survivors include three daughters. Beatrice Talmage and Evelyn Hingley of Troy and Dorothy Giacinto of Denver; two sons, James of Olalla, Wash., and Walter of Troy; a brother, Henry, of Longview, Wash.; two sisters, Gertrude Fish of Aberdeen, Wash., and Margaret

Fittings of LaCrosse, Wis.; 14 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Funeral services will be Monday at 11 a.m. at the Troy Methodist Church, with the Rev. David Larimer officiating. Burial will follow at the Milner Lake Cemetery in Troy under the direction of the Vial Funeral Home.

26 Aug 1983

Jack T. Stedman, 70

Jack T. Stedman, 70, Columbia Falls, died Friday evening at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born Feb. 21, 1913, in Santa Ana, Calif., to Alvirus R. and Edith Stedman. He was raised and educated in Selma, Calif. He attended Long Beach State College for one year.

He worked for the Coastal Geodetic Survey for five years. In 1942 he entered the Navy and served until 1945.

He married Sara Hewett in Billings in 1946. They moved to California where he worked in the shipyards in San Pedro, Calif., until 1950. In February 1950 they moved to the Flathead Valley where he worked on the Hungry Horse Dam. He later worked as a surveyor on the Cabinet Gorge Dam in Utah. He returned to Columbia Falls and worked for the Anaconda Aluminum Co. for 21 years.

He was active in the Columbia Falls Senior Citizens Center. He helped build it and was its treasurer for a time. He was also active in the Masonic Lodge No. 89 in Columbia Falls and the Scottish Rite in Missoula.

He was preceded in death by two brothers and one sister.

He is survived by his wife, Sara, at the family home; two daughters, Susen James of Hall and Anna Lee Stedman of Atlanta, Ga.; three grandchildren; three sisters, Dorothy McKenzie of Kalamazoo, Mich., Ellen Baggs of Del Rey, Calif., and Ruth Gardner of Bakersfield, Calif.

A Masonic memorial service will be conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls. The body was cremated.

DANIEL STILLMAN

1983



Daniel J. Stillman, 38, 390 Snowline Lane, passed away Dec. 16 in Kalispell. He was born Sept. 2, 1945 in Kalispell, the son of Theron J. and Maybelle Stillman. He attended Demersville grade school and graduated from Columbia Falls High School in 1963. He enlisted in the US Army in 1963, and was honorably discharged in 1966. He drove logging trucks and tankers for 17 years, the

last 10 years with CENEX. He enjoyed skydiving, was an avid gun and military memorabilia collector and a stock car enthusiast. On December 9, 1981, he married Connie Hogan in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Surviving are his wife Connie in Kalispell; three sons, Tom, Chad and Billy, all at the family home; his mother, Maybelle Stillman in Kalispell; six brothers, Ted of Battle Ground, Wash., Gary and Ron of Draper, Utah, Larry and Robert of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Tim of Kalispell; two sisters, Joanne J. Stillman and Melanie G. Stillman, both of Salt Lake City; and 17 nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father Theron J. Stillman and a sister Vickie Merine. Funeral services were Dec. 20 at the Kalispell First Ward Chapel, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints with Brother Tom Perry officiating. Burial followed at Conrad Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Weatherford Funeral Home.

David, Diane and Karen Stewart

31 Mar 1983

David G. Stewart, 51, Diane Janet Stewart, 48, and Karen Jo Stewart, 17, Kalispell, died Thursday in an airplane crash near Milona, Minn.

David was born Sept. 20, 1931, in Bozeman, the son of David F. and Eva Wright Stewart. He attended schools in Crane and Sidney. He served in the U.S. Air Force and was honorably discharged in 1954.

Diane was born March 25, 1935, in Missoula, the daughter of Roger P. and Leta Mae Miller Morin. She attended public schools in Arlee, then attended Montana State University for a year. Before her mar-

riage, she worked for several retail firms in Missoula.

David and Diane were married on Nov. 30, 1964, in Idaho. Karen was born Aug. 11, 1965, in Missoula.

The family briefly lived in Missoula, Wyoming and Fairbanks, Alaska, before moving to Bozeman, where David was manager of the Montgomery Ward store. They then moved to Kalispell, where they owned and operated Stewart Carpets for the past 14 years.

David belonged to the National Federation of Independent Business, the National Rifle Association and Elks Post No. 725. He was a leader for Boy Scout Troop 141 in Crane.

Diane was the newly elected president of Beta Sigma Phi. She was a member of the Community Alliance Church in Kalispell and was active in their youth program. She served on the board of directors of the Christian Womens Club. She greatly enjoyed sewing and cooking and belonged to the Triple L Extension Homemakers, and was an avid skier.

Karen was a senior at Flathead High School, where she was active in the concert choir, concert band, pep band and the Arrow staff. She participated in the 1983 Kalispell Junior Miss Pageant. Her hobbies included piano, sewing and skiing.

Surviving are one son, Delbert, of Camp Pendleton, Calif.; Diane's father, Roger Morin of Arlee; her three brothers, LeRoy Morin on Arlee, the Rev. Dean Morin of Marshfield, Wisc., and Glen Morin of Seeley Lake; David's father, Dave Stewart, and his mother, Eva Clark, both of Sidney; his three sisters, Anita Moran of Big Sky, and Norma Mitten and Maryan Schrekengust, both of Sidney; and numerous cousins, uncles, aunts, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Christian Center Assembly of God, 1275 U.S. 93 North, Kalispell, under the direction of the Weatherford Funeral Home. Officiating will be the Rev. Jerome Jackson, pastor of the Community Alliance Church of Kalispell, with the Flathead High School concert choir participating.

Burial will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery, with military honors provided by local veterans.



DAVID STEWART



DIANE STEWART



KAREN JO STEWART

K. Stoken, 77

5 Oct. 1983
Katherine Stoken, 77, died Wednesday evening at Mountain View Manor in Eureka. She was born Dec. 3, 1905, in Columbia Falls to Lawrence and Maria Feirstein. She was raised at Columbia Falls where her parents had homesteaded. She attended school there and later attended nurses training at Havre. She married John Stoken Dec. 15, 1940 at Whitefish. The couple ranched at Graves Creek near Fortine for many years, and she continued to make her home there until the time of her death. She was a member of Our Lady of Mercy parish in Eureka.

Her husband preceded her in death in 1978.

Survivors include one son, John Stoken, and one daughter, Maria Ekhoit, both of Eureka; one brother, Joe Feirstein of Columbia Falls; three sisters, Ann Opalka of Columbia Heights, Florence Stringfellow of Columbia Falls, and Ellen Hellman of Missoula; and seven grandchildren.

Rosary services will be Thursday evening at 7:10 p.m. Mass of the resurrection will be celebrated Friday at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Eureka with the Rev. Richard Bradley as celebrant. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell. Arrangements are under the direction of Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

Lila P. Stoner, 60

10 May 1983
Lila P. Stoner, 60, former resident of Olney and Coram, died Tuesday morning near Gardner as the result of an auto accident.

She was born Jan. 28, 1923, in Libby, the daughter of Harold and Alvina Clough. She was raised in an orphanage in Twin Bridges until age 16. She then returned to Libby for a short time.

On March 22, 1940, she married George E. Stoner in Kalispell. They lived in Olney for 27 years. In October 1975 they moved to Coram where they purchased and operated the Stoner Inn. After the death of her husband, she moved to Gardner and purchased the Ranger Tavern there.

She was a member of the Eagles and Moose Lodge in Gardner.

She is survived by two sons, Douglas Stoner, Missoula, and Darrell Stoner, Kalispell; one daughter, Mrs. Reginold (Donna) Briggs, Olney; seven grandchildren; two sisters, Florence Hinman, Alexandria, N.D., and Evelyn Seel, Williston, N.D.; and numerous other relatives.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens, Kalispell.

Pat A. Stipe, 56

14 June 1983
Pat A. Stipe, 56, Hungry Horse, died Tuesday morning at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

She was born Jan. 1, 1927, in Ismay, to Edward and Effie Lewellin. She was raised and educated in Charlo.

She married Harold Stipe April 15, 1944, in Missoula. They farmed in the Charlo area until 1962, when they moved to Hungry Horse. She raised quarter horses there.

She was a member of the American Quarter Horse Association.

She is survived by her husband, Harold, at the family home in Hungry Horse; one son, Jim, Arlington, Ore.; two daughters, Mary Wall, Charlo, and Peggy Wagner, Hungry Horse; two sisters, Betty Leonard, Mission Viejo, Calif., and Mary Hardowski, San Dimas, Calif., and seven grandchildren.

A memorial service will be Friday at 2 p.m. at the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Jesse D. Waters of the Glacier Friendship Alliance Church of Hungry Horse will officiate. The body has been cremated.

The family suggest that memorials be made to the Hungry Horse Fire Department.

Jon C. Stolpa, 26

LACROSSE, WIS. — Jon Christopher Stolpa, 26, died Monday in San Angelo, Texas, in a traffic accident. He is a former resident of Kalispell.

He was born Oct. 19, 1956 in Winona, Minn., to Robert and Delaine Stolpa.

He lived in Kalispell from 1979 until December 1982 when he moved to Texas. He was employed as a roofer with several roofing companies in Whitefish.

He is survived by Michelle (Sunshine) Stolpa, Kalispell, his sister; one brother, Michael, Colorado Springs, Colo.; his parents, LaCrosse, Wis.; his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Kaufmann, Buffalo City, Wis.; and a paternal grandmother, Mrs. Victoria Stolpa, Winona, Minn.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather.

Memorial services will be Saturday at 11 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church in LaCrosse, with the Rev. Gerald Fisher officiating. The body will be cremated. There will be no visitation.

Memorials are suggested to the charity of donor's choice.

The Schumacher-Kish Funeral Home in LaCrosse is in charge of arrangements.

29 Aug 1983

Arthur N. Stubkjaer

13 Oct 1983

Arthur N. Stubkjaer, 70, a Whitefish resident, died Oct. 5 in the North Valley Hospital.

He was born July 8, 1913 in Columbus, Mont., to Joseph and Belle Stubkjaer. He was raised and educated in Big Timber, Mont., and later attended the University of Montana.

During W.W. II, he served in the U.S. Army from 1941 to 1945.

He married Mabel M. Johnson Dec. 18, 1942 in Billings. After receiving his discharge, he and his wife returned to Missoula where he managed the Carpenter Paper Company from 1946 to 1953.

In 1954 they moved to Cut Bank, where they purchased the Glacier Motor Hotel and operated it until 1975 when they retired. Since July of 1976 they had resided in Whitefish.

Memberships included past president of Montana Hotel-Motel Association; past president of Rocky Mountain Hotel Association; director of the National Hotel Association; chairman of Montana Taxpayers; vice president of Montana Chamber of Commerce; University of Montana Council of 50; past president of Highway 2 Association; a director of First Interstate Bank of Cut Bank; and a member of the Masonic Lodge and Shrine Club.

He is now survived by his wife

Mable at the family home in Whitefish; three sisters, Myrtle Stubkjaer and Mrs. Bernard Mason of Huntington Beach, Calif., and Mrs. William Cameron of Friday Harbor, Wash., and a number of other relatives.

He was preceded in death by a brother Lloyd.

Memorial services were Oct. 8 in the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Harold Peterson of the Christ Lutheran Church of Whitefish officiating. Cremation has taken place.

The family has suggested memorials to be given to the Spokane Shriners Children's Hospital in Spokane.

Carl J. Storbakken, 69

8 mar 1983

LIBBY — Carl J. Storbakken, 69, died Tuesday at his home in Libby after a long illness.

He was born Aug. 23, 1913, at Souris, N.D., the son of Ole and Anna Storbakken. He attended schools in North Dakota for several years and moved to eastern Montana with his family. He moved to Troy in 1938 where he operated a service station until moving to Libby in 1942.

While in Libby he had been employed by Libby Transfer and also had operated a taxi service for

many years. After his retirement he worked for the Wallace-Colville Fright Co. for three years. He also had been associated with the Gomps Funeral Home and later the Vial Funeral Home in Libby for the past 41 years.

He married Ardelle Howard June 17, 1970, at Libby.

He was a member of the Libby Senior Citizens.

Survivors include his wife, Ardelle, Libby; two daughters, Ann Howard and Kathy Howard both of Libby; two sons, Carl Howard, Ventura, Calif., and Keith Howard, Libby; a sister, Adeline Esterby, Alamo, N.D.; and a brother, Mel Storbakken, Great Falls.

Services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Vial Funeral Home with the Rev. Michael Flannery and Vicar Charles Gieschen officiating. Burial will be in the Libby Cemetery.

Edna L. Storm, 60

LIBBY — Edna L. Storm, 60, died Friday at St. John's Lutheran Hospital in Libby.

She was born Oct. 17, 1922, at Sundance, Wyo., to Chris and Alice Bomar. She was raised and educated in Wyoming and Montana and moved to Libby from Plains in 1980.

Mrs. Storm was preceded in death by her husband and by 11 brothers and sisters.

Survivors include two sisters, Alvina Riewoldt, Libby, and Bernice Hamilton, Three Forks; two brothers, Clarence Bomar, Pittsburg, Calif., and James Bomar, Polson.

Graveside services were this morning at the City of Libby Cemetery with the Rev. Wilford Luce officiating.

Funeral arrangements were by Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

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Glen I. Strayer, 72

Glen I. Strayer, 72, died Wednesday at his home in Hungry Horse.

He was born Feb. 11, 1910, in Omaha, Neb., to Frank and Grace Strayer. He served in the Army during World War II in Europe. He received several certificates of merit for outstanding performance during his tour of Europe. After his discharge from the Army, he moved

to the Flathead Valley in 1946. He worked for Green Construction until his retirement in 1975. He moved to Hungry Horse in 1970. He was married to Blanche Koch in Spokane, Wash., on Sept. 2, 1970.

He was a member of the Teamster's Union, the V.F.W. in Columbia Falls, the Moose Lodge in Cut Bank, and an honorary member of the Eagles Club.

He is survived by his wife at the family home in Hungry Horse; one sister, Alice Tuma, Kalispell; and two nephews, Frank Ray Jones and Donald R. Jones of Kalispell.

A funeral service will be on Friday at 2 p.m. at the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery with military graveside rites.

Rudolph J. Streit Jr., 69

Rudolph J. Streit Jr., 69, who resided at 1670 Lower Valley Road, died in St. Patrick Hospital, Missoula, July 1.

He was born July 3, 1913, in Leighton, Ala., a son of Rudolph and Emma Isch Streit. He was educated in Leighton and in 1929 moved with his family to the Lower Valley.

He married Eileen Kirkelie in Kalispell April 11, 1936.

Mr. Streit engaged in farming and mining, and in 1956, entered the drywall contracting business. He retired in 1976. He continued to farm until his death.

He was a long-time member of the Kalispell Elks Lodge and the Kalispell Eagles Lodge.

He is survived by his wife, Eileen, at the family home; two sons, Rev. Dale Streit, Missoula, and Kirk Streit, Kalispell; one daughter, Mrs. Ron (Judy) Bronson, Kalispell; two brothers, Tom Streit, Tacoma, Wash., and Paul Streit, Kalispell; four sisters, Minnie Thompson, Boring, Ore., Margaret Nichols, Long Beach, Calif., Caroline Taylor and Mary Ridenour, both of Kalispell; seven grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial services for Mr. Streit will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Chauncey Biffle, associate pastor of Epworth United Methodist Church officiating. Cremation has taken place. The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Jean E. Stroud, 59

4 June 1983
Jean E. Stroud, 59, Kalispell, died Saturday in the Kalispell Regional Hospital.

She was born Aug. 9, 1923, in Clarion, Utah, the daughter of Oscar and Matilda Jensen Keele. She grew up in Mayfield, Utah, and graduated from high school in Manti, Utah. She then worked in defense work in Washington state for a time and then moved to Los Angeles and worked in management for Pacific Telephone for 25 years.

On Christmas Eve 1970, she married Everett Stroud at Las Vegas, Nev., and they made their home in Fresno, Calif., for two years.

In 1972, they retired and moved to Kalispell. The couple had made their home here since then.

Surviving in addition to her husband at the family home in Kalispell, are one son, Billy Gene Van Zant, San Pedro, Calif.; four sisters, Gladys Bench, Manti, Utah, Myrle Hansen, Mayfield, Utah, Mrs. Richard (Beth) Lyon, Milford, Ill., and Mrs. Julius (Jessie) Strickland, Laurel, Miss.; one brother, Morris Keele, Lehi, Utah; two grandsons and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was a member of Adah Chapter 17, Order of Eastern Star, Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW and the Ladies Auxiliary of the FOE.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Weatherford Funeral Home with Rev. J. Torrance Harvey, pastor of the Lakeside Chapel, officiating, and special services by Adah Chapter 17, OES. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Visitation for family and friends at the Weatherford Funeral Home today until 8 p.m.

The family suggests memorials to the Montana Lung Association, Christmas Seal Building, 825 Helena Ave., Helena, Mont. 59601, or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Dorothy Sundt, 62

Dorothy Sundt, 62, 26 Third Ave. W., died in Kalispell Regional Hospital Friday.

She was born March 28, 1921, in Kalispell, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Singleton. She attended Kalispell schools.

On Aug. 20, 1940, she married Melvin Sundt in Kalispell. She was a homemaker for the Flathead County Welfare Department until her recent illness.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1973 and a son, Jack, in 1982.

She is survived by two sons, Donald of Reno, Nev., and Melvin of Kalispell; a daughter, Evelyn Carr of Libby; two brothers, Ken Singleton of Graham, Wash., and George Singleton of Kalispell; two sisters, Isabelle Everett of Kalispell and Ione Dawson of Graham, Wash.; 11 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Johnson Chapel with the Rev. James R. Newman, pastor of Bethel Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be Glacier Memorial Gardens. Friends may call at the Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 8 p.m. Monday.

17 Jan 1983
Nina Lenoir Street, 66

Nina Lenoir Street, 66, of Rexford, died at Kalispell Regional Hospital Monday.

Mrs. Street was born on Jan. 8, 1917 in Eureka to Roby and Alice Triplett.

She married Gilbert Street in Libby in 1936.

She is survived by her husband in Rexford; her mother in Eureka; a daughter, Ginger Ward, Eureka; a son, John Street, Eureka; 6 grandchildren; 3 great-granddaughters: four brothers, Harry (Buck) Triplett, Eureka, Gordon, Missoula, Robert, Yakima, Wash., and Arthur, Seattle, Wash.; five sisters, Nellie Darling, Rexford, Alice Tritchler, Yakima, Wash., Ruth Wolf, Renton, Wash., Margie Lengstorf and Beatrice Thienes, Kalispell.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Baptist Church in Eureka.

2 Aug, 1983 **Anna T. Sundberg, 86**

Anna T. Sundberg, 86, Columbia Falls, died at her home Tuesday evening.

She was born Aug. 6, 1896, in Karlstad, Minn., to Charles and Anna Kallstrom.

She married E. Albert Sundberg on Sept. 3, 1921. She moved to Montana from International Falls, Minn., in 1962.

She is preceded in death by her husband in 1962, five sisters, two brothers, and one granddaughter.

She is survived by two daughters, Florence Coultas of Poulsbo, Wash., and Louise Sundberg of Columbia

Falls; one son, Arnold Sundberg of Columbia Falls; one sister and three brothers all of Canada; 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at St. Richard's Catholic Cemetery in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Bernard Sullivan of St. Richard's Catholic Church will officiate. Friends may meet at the cemetery.

Visitation will be Friday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Van Leuven Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

18 July 1983 **LeRoy A. Sunde, 57**

LeRoy A. Sunde, 57, died in Kalispell Monday afternoon.

He was born May 16, 1926, in Kalispell, a son of John and Olga Sunde. He attended Kalispell schools.

He joined the U.S. Army Sept. 1, 1943, and served for 12 years including the Luzon Campaign in the Phillipine Islands; the Asiatic-Pacific theater and the European theater. He received the bronze star and good conduct medal.

In 1950, he married Daisy Wilcox in Nome, Alaska.

After his discharge, he returned to the Flathead Valley and worked as a painting contractor.

He is survived by two sons, Bob Sunde and Buckley Isakson, both of Kalispell; five daughters, Mrs. Dick (Kathy) Lawrence, and Mrs. Ron

(Ruth) Johnson, both of Kalispell; Mrs. Rick (Carol) Darling of Houston, British Columbia; Mrs. Steve (Julie) White of Grand Junction, Colo.; and Shannon Sunde of Orofino, Idaho; a stepdaughter, Mary Freese of Kalispell; two brothers, Ed Sunde of South Pasadena, Calif., and Fritz Sunde of Kalispell; two sisters, Mrs. Mark (Ella) Mohn of Kalispell, and Mrs. Russell (Millie) Packard of Helena; 17 grandchildren and numerous other relatives. He was preceded in death by two brothers and a sister.

Funeral services for Mr. Sunde will be at 11 a.m. Friday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Matthew Cox, pastor of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Nina E. Swaney, 92

July 1983
Mrs. Nina E. Swaney, 92, formerly of Kalispell, died in Seattle on July 1.

She was born Jan. 29, 1891 in Neilsville, Wis., a daughter of F.A. and Carrie Rossman. She received her education in Wisconsin, where she was trained as a beauty operator.

She was married to Milton Hoydal before moving to the Flathead Valley, where she worked as a beauty operator for a number of years.

Following her husband's death in 1946, she moved to Seattle, and was later married to Charles Swaney. Following his death in 1972, she returned to Kalispell until about four years ago when she returned to Seattle.

She was a long-time member of the Order of the Eastern Star Adah Chapter 17.

She is survived by a son, Karl L. Downer, and his wife, Lodi, Calif.; a sister, Katherine, Kokomo, Ind.; and several nieces and nephews, including Mrs. Robert Gatiss of Kalispell.

The body was cremated. Graveside services and burial will be at 10 a.m. Monday in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. C. Fred Crowe of the Epworth United Methodist Church officiating. Friends will meet at the cemetery for the services. The family suggests memorials to the charity of donors' choice. Arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

Luella Swanberg, 83

27 Apr 1983
Luella Swanberg, 83, formerly of Kalispell, died in the Bonner General Hospital in Sandpoint, Idaho, Wednesday evening.

She was born Aug. 9, 1899, in Albion, Wash., a daughter of John and Emma Provence. She moved with her family to Galata, as a child. She later worked in Great Falls, and also lived in Canada for several years before moving to Kalispell.

In December 1948 she married Arthur M. Swanberg in Kalispell, where they made their home. In 1977, Mrs. Swanberg moved to Sandpoint and had lived since that time.

She was a member of the Methodist Church of Great Falls.

She is survived by a sister, Eunice Dorn, Thorsby, Alberta, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Monday in the Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Herbert Cies, pastor of the Epworth Methodist Church officiating. Friends will meet at the cemetery for the services. Friends who wish, may call at the Johnson Mortuary from 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday for visitation.

Keith Thomas Sweeting, 8 months

28 Jan. 1983
Keith Thomas Sweeting, 8-month-old son of Randal K. and Violet O. Sweeting died Friday afternoon in Whitefish.

He was born May 7, 1982, in Whitefish. He is survived by his parents; one sister, Lori, a brother, John, both at the family home in Whitefish. His grandparents are Stan and Lou Willette of Whitefish. His grandmother is Charlotte Snow of Spokane, Wash.

Graveside services will be Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Whitefish Cemetery with Mark Hudson, branch president of the Whitefish Latter-day Saints Church, officiating. Austin Funeral Home of Whitefish is in charge of arrangements.