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OBITUARIES

Ralph W. Jackson, 71,

Ralph W. Jackson, 71, formerly of Kalispell and Great Falls, died Aug. 22 at his home, 4497 Hart Lane in Helena.

Services were Friday in the Highland Cemetery in Great Falls.

He was born in Carter on Feb. 27, 1917. He attended McKinley and Great Falls High School in Great Falls. He was in the U.S. Navy from 1935 to 1956. He retired then, while in Great Falls.

He moved to Kalispell and worked

for the city for 12 years. In 1980, he moved to Helena.

He married Edith A. Goodell in 1942 in Philadelphia.

Survivors include his wife; daughters, Sandra Ireland of Phoenix, Ariz., Judy Samoy of Great Falls, Beth Myrer of Fredricton, Canada, and Jackie Jackson of Kalispell; a sister, Betty Dillow of Walnut Creek, Calif.; 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

3 Feb 1988

Florence Jahnke, 73

ONTARIO, Ore. — Florence B. Jahnke, 73, a Kalispell resident, died in Ontario, Ore., on Feb. 3 while visiting her son.

She was born May 8, 1914, in Rawlins, Wyo., the daughter of William and Crystal Lea Sherrod. She was raised in Montana and Wyoming and lived in Sheridan, Butte, Rawlins and Cheyenne. She worked in the San Francisco shipyards in World War II. She married Carl Jahnke on Dec. 31, 1950, in Kalispell.

They ranched near Niarada until 1968. She moved to Kalispell and ran a restaurant near the Log Cabin Bar called the Log Cabin Cafe.

She sold it in 1978.

She was a member of the Eagles Lodge No. 234 in Kalispell, and enjoyed fishing, crocheting and cooking.

She is survived by two sons, Andrew Nick, Lewiston, Idaho, and Ed Nick, Fruitland, Idaho; two

daughters Jean Conners, Butte, and Donna Darvey, LaCosta, N.M.; 21 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by eight brothers and sisters and her husband, Carl.

Services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Lone Pine Community Hall near Niarada. Burial will follow at Murray Memorial Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the American Lung Association.

7 Feb-1988

1 Jun 1988

David James, 58

LIBBY — David James, 58, of Libby, died of cancer June 1 at his home.

He was a veteran of the Korean War.

He and his wife, Beverly Ann, moved to Libby in 1960. He worked for J. Neils Lumber Co. He also owned and operated the Pipe Creek Grocery Store and the Red Dog Saloon until 1971.

Survivors include his wife, eight sons and four daughters.

Services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at Vial Funeral Home Chapel. Burial with military honors will be at City of Libby Cemetery.

3 June 1988

5 Jan 1988
Ada Jaquith, 77

Ada Jane Jaquith, 77, Kalispell, died in Brendan House Tuesday evening.

She was born June 23, 1910, in Big Falls, Minn., to Val and Della Poor. She received her education in Minnesota.

On Feb. 8, 1937, she married John Jaquith in Little Falls, Minn. They continued to live there until 1948, when they moved to Kalispell.

She was a member of the Home League of the Salvation Army.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John, on Feb. 20, 1978; a brother, Chancy Poor; and two great-grandchildren.

Survivors include two sons, Fred Jaquith of Kalispell, and Elwin Jaquith of Marysville, Wash.; two brothers, Jesse Poor of Kalispell, and Val Poor of Douglas, Alaska; three sisters, Viola Johnson of Harlowton, and Mabel Boe and Della Robinson, both of Kalispell; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and a number of other relatives.

Family graveside services were this morning in Glacier Memorial Gardens with Lt. Bill Hathorn of the Salvation Army officiating. Arrangements were by Johnson Mortuary. 7 Jan 88

13 Sept 1988

John James Jeffers, 85 16 Sept 88

John James Jeffers, 85, a retired U.S. Forest Service employee, formerly of Kalispell, died of congestive heart failure Sept. 13 at Tri-State Convalescent, Clarkston, Wash.

Jeffers was employed as a grocer prior to working for the Forest Service.

He was born July 28, 1903, to Daniel Kenney and Sibba Maxfield Jeffers at Colfax, Wash., where he lived until 1924. He attended elementary and high school at Colfax, graduating in 1921.

He married Florence Pearl Petro at Colfax on Dec. 7, 1921. She survives him at the family home at Clarkston.

He was a civil service employee on Adak Island in the Aleutian Islands. The couple later moved Crescent City, Calif., for two years, then moved to Sacramento.

In 1941, they moved to Kalispell where they lived for 35 years. Then they moved to Spokane, Wash., and later to Clarkston, where they've lived since 1984.

He past master of the Masonic

7 Feb 1988
Elizabeth Jellison, 79

CASTRO VALLEY, Calif. — Elizabeth "Bess" Jellison, 79, a former area resident, died Feb. 7 in Castro Valley, Calif.

She was the youngest child of Walter Fremont and Elizabeth Jellison, early residents of the LaSalle community. She received her schooling at LaSalle and graduated from Flathead County High School.

She taught school for a few years before entering nurse's training in Spokane, Wash. She served as a public health nurse in Malta and Lake County before moving to Portland, Ore., where she worked in public health for more than 20 years.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Marshall, Walter, and Charles "Pat" Jellison; and two sisters, Caroline Bahr and Mildred Cannon.

Survivors include a daughter of Castro Valley, Calif.; a brother, Dr. William Jellison of Hamilton; and numerous nieces and nephews in the Flathead Valley.

Her body has been donated to the University of California Medical Center. 16 Feb. 88

Lodge and a member of the Order of Eastern Star at Bigfork and the Shriners in Helena. He was also affiliated with the Salvation Army.

Survivors in addition to his wife include a son, Lonnie James Jeffers of San Jose, Calif.; four daughters, Lenore Cook of Noxon, Joyce McCracken of Spokane, Wash., Phyllis Gingerella of Westerly, R.I., and Karen Winslow of Seattle, Wash.; two step-sisters, Gertrude Floyd of Schaumburg, Ill., and Florence Hassis of Cheney, Wash.; 20 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from noon to 5 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday at Johnson Funeral Home. Graveside service will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Glacier Memorial Gardens with Bigfork Masonic Lodge No. 150 officiating. Friends will meet at the cemetery for the services.

Merchant Funeral Home, Clarkston, Wash., is in charge of arrangements.

27 Jan 1988

C.E. Jenkinson, 98

CHOTEAU — Charles E. Jenkinson, 98, retired rancher, formerly of Kalispell, died Sunday at Teton Medical Center Hospital in Choteau.

In 1891, his parents homesteaded on the Marias River south of Havre. In 1906, the family moved to Sun River where he helped his mother who operated a restaurant there.

Later he worked as a stage coach driver out of Fort Benton and Fort Shaw, many times stabling his horses with those of Charles Russell.

In 1917, he married Mary Lou Hackersmith at Great Falls and they made their home on her homestead at Sun River. They farmed there for a while, then rented their farm to a neighbor and moved to the Highwood Mountain area near Cottonwood Creek to work on a cattle, sheep and horse ranch.

In the 1930s, the Jenkinsons moved to Glacier Park and both worked in Browning. He was Glacier County road supervisor.

In 1946, they retired and moved to Kalispell.

Mrs. Jenkinson died in 1963. Following her death, he moved to Augusta, ranching near there until becoming a resident at Skyline Lodge at Choteau in 1977.

In October 1987 he became a patient at the extended care wing of Teton Medical Center.

Survivors include a nephew, George Faller of Great Falls; and two cousins.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Albert and Arthur Jenkinson.

No services are planned. Cremains will be interred at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Gorder Funeral Home of Choteau was in charge of arrangements.

27 Jan 1988

28 Jan 1988

Beatrice Jennum, 63

Beatrice Jennum, 63, Coram, died Thursday afternoon at Brendan House in Kalispell following a brief illness.

She was born February 27, 1924, in Willow City, N.D., the daughter of John and Emma Johnson. She was raised and educated in Overly, N.D.

On May 13, 1948, she married James L. Jennum in Cando, N.D. They came to Kalispell in 1985 and had been living in Coram since last autumn.

She is survived by her husband James in Coram; seven daughters, Janice Brininger of Kalispell, Monica Stienhaus of Hudson, Colo., Becky Hair of Tacoma, Jennifer Wilke of Columbia Falls, Roxanne Didrickson of Sitka, Alaska, Roberta Miller of Harrisburg, N.C., and Wanda Jennum of Coram; two sons, Paul Jennum of Poway, Calif., and Mark Jennum of Coram; 16 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; three sisters, Ella Brimie of Fargo, Wilma Arstien of Rolette, N.D., and Bernice Wittmayer of Carnation, Wash.; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Daniel John Jennum and an infant son; a granddaughter, Suzeanne Carlson; three brothers and a sister.

Visitation will be 1-3 p.m. today at the Weatherford Funeral Home. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Monday at the Weatherford Chapel, with the Rev. Darold Reiner, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Perth, N.D.

13 Mar 1988

WHITEFISH—Warren D.

Jerome, 89, a former resident of Great Falls, died of natural causes Sunday at North Valley Hospital. He was born May 22, 1899, in Glen Ullin, N.D. He was raised and educated in North Dakota and was employed as a ranch hand. He moved to Great Falls in 1941 and was a self-employed rancher until his retirement. He moved to Whitefish in 1984 and lived at Colonial Manor. He married Anna Wang on Nov. 12, 1922 in North Dakota and is now survived by her in Whitefish. Other survivors are two sons, Don and Neal Jerome, both of Columbia Falls; one daughter, Joan Paliga of Kalispell; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one brother, Stacy Jerome of Livingston; one sister, Dora Holmes of Libby. Services are 1:30 p.m. Wednesday (today) at Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with the Rev. Thomas Gopp of Our Savior's Lutheran Church of Columbia Falls officiating. Burial is in Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell.

12 Nov 1988

Fred Anson Jewett, 80

17 Nov 1988

Fred Anson Jewett, 80, of Kalispell, died Saturday at Kadlec Medical Center in Richland, Wash. He was in Richland visiting his children.

He was born in White County, Ind., on April 29, 1908, and had lived in Kalispell since 1947.

He was a machinist for various machine shops until his retirement in 1973.

He was a member of the Epworth United Methodist Church in Kalispell, two Kalispell Masonic lodges and Masonic Lodge No. 264, Columbia Falls.

He also was a member of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers No. 1760, and a member of the Order of the Shrine of Jerusalem, Rose Croix, Mis-soula.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, Kalispell; a daughter, Sharon Jewett Basquez, Clifton, Texas; a son, James L. Jewett, West Richland; sisters,

Helen Walker, Wisconsin, and Mable Eggert, Valley City, N.D.; brothers, Guy Jewett, Rodgers, N.D., and Mack Jewett, Valley City, N.D.; four grandchildren, Matthew Todd Jewett and Christopher James Jewett, both of West Richland, and Travis Jewett Basquez and Tabatha Joan Basquez, both of Clifton, Texas.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18, at Epworth United Methodist Church in Kalispell.

Masonic services will be conducted by the officers of the Kalispell Masonic Lodge.

Family graveside services were held at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Richland, Wash.

Memorial contributions may be made to Epworth United Methodist Church Memorial Fund, 329 Second Ave. E., Kalispell, or to the American Cancer Society.

7 Jun 1988

Myles C. Johns, 80

9 June 1988

Myles C. Johns, 80, died June 7, at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

Mr. Johns was born April 7, 1908, in Rushford, Minn., and was the second of eight children born to Jules G. and Anna B. Johns. His family moved to Conrad in 1916. He was educated in the Conrad schools, and following high school graduation attended one year at the University of Montana.

Mr. Johns began working for Montana Power Co. as a lineman in Fort Benton around 1928. While there he met Hilda M. Yandell, a registered nurse from Cascade, whom he married in 1932.

Following his Fort Benton assignment, Mr. Johns transferred to the retail sales office of Montana Power in Great Falls.

It was then that his first son, Myles Ronald, was born in 1932. The family next moved to Cut Bank where he was a salesman for the International Farm Implement dealer. His daughter, Bette Lee, was born in 1937, just prior to moving to Kalispell.

The Johns family then moved to Kalispell in 1937, where Mr. Johns was employed as an automobile salesman for Phillips-Wohlwend Dodge and Plymouth. In 1939, he began selling automobiles for Schney Buick, which he acquired in 1940 along with a Carter Oil retail fuel dealership. The business became known as Johns Buick and following World War II a new sales and service facility was built, which is the building now occupied by Pacific Power and Light Co. on South Main Street.

During the war, Mr. Johns sold Purina feeds, Fuller brushes, and bought, repaired, and sold used cars as a means of supporting his family since new cars were unavailable due to a material shortage caused by the war effort.

Mr. Johns' third and fourth children, Douglas R. and Daniel D., were born in Kalispell in 1942 and 1946 respectively. He continued operating Johns Buick until Dec. 31, 1955, when the business was sold to Myron Curry of Butte.

At that time Mr. Johns' business efforts changed to construction, ownership, and operation of the Devonshire Motor Inn. It opened on July 4, 1955, with the original two-story building consisting of 20 units and lobby. Expansion of the motel across the alley to the west was contemplated when he purchased the former City Market in 1958. Plans were delayed when the Conrad National Bank burned in 1959 and was relocated in the old City Market the following morning. The bank remained there until its present facility was completed several years later. Following relocation of the bank, the motel was expanded to include an additional 14 units and coffee shop.

While in the motel business, Mr. Johns began one of Kalispell's first travel agencies known as Northwest Travel Agency: It was sold to Gene and Dorothy Mc Glenn in 1962, who own and operate Flathead Travel.

Mr. Johns sold the Devonshire in 1975 and has been retired since that time. He continued to live in Kalispell, plus his summer home on Flathead Lake and winter home in Mesa, Ariz.

Hilda Johns preceded her husband in death in 1983. He married Erma Fox in 1984 and is survived by her at the family home. He is survived by four children, M. Ronald of Spokane, Bette Johnson of St. Cloud, Minn., Douglas R. and Daniel D. of Kalispell; 15 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Mr. Johns is also survived by six brothers and sisters, Madeline Maki, Esther Flynn and Violet Pings, all of Great Falls, Joe Johns of Conrad, Margaret Toohey of Bozeman, and Raymond Johns of Winter Haven, Fla. He was preceded in death by his wife of 50 years, parents, and one sister, Eleanor Brophy.

Mr. Johns was a firm believer in the Flathead and actively advocated its economic development. He participated with other key business people in soliciting construction of the aluminum plant in Columbia Falls. He served as a member of the board of directors of the Kalispell Chamber of Commerce; board of trustees of Flathead County High School; board of trustees of Bethlehem

Lutheran Church, was building chairman of the Hjordland Youth Building at Bethlehem; and district governor for Best Western Motels. Mr. Johns was a member of the Royal Arch Masons, York Rite, and Algeria Shrine Temple. Past memberships included being a charter member of the Kalispell Lions Club and the Elks Lodge No. 725.

The family requests that those persons wishing to make memorials do so to the Shrine Crippled Children's Hospital, Spokane, Wash., or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday in the Bethlehem Lutheran Church with the Rev. Howard Mars officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.



12 Jan 1988
A.G. Johnson, 93

AITKIN, Minn. — Arthur G. Johnson, 93, a former Marion resident, died Jan. 12 in Aitkin, Minn.

He was born Aug. 6, 1894, in Superior, Wis.

He married Helen Perry on Nov. 25, 1926, in Aitkin.

He moved to Marion in 1942 where he lived for 26 years before moving back to Aitkin.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Kathy Allen, and a son, George Johnson.

Survivors include his wife, Helen, in Aitkin; two sons, Francis of Aitkin, and Darrell Johnson of Marion; a daughter, Viola Kiniburgh of Marion; 11 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Jan. 16

20 July 1988

Betty Eleanor Johnson, 64

Mrs. Betty Eleanor Johnson, 64, of Kalispell, died in the Kalispell Regional Hospital on Wednesday morning.

She was born Jan. 3, 1924, in Bagley, Iowa, a daughter of Clarence Edgar and Frances Alberta Miller.

She had received her education in Iowa, having graduated from the Menlo, Iowa High School.

In 1943, she was married to James Knight in Texas, and was later divorced.

On Aug. 25, 1967, she was married to Vincent Johnson in Kalispell, and was preceded in death by him on Feb. 19, 1984. She has continued to reside in Kalispell.

She is now survived by two daughters, Judy Johnston of Missoula, and Annette Wright of Polson; seven brothers and sisters, Santa Leeper of

Hooper, Neb., Vivian Knight of Corvallis, Deneida Williams of Des Moines, Iowa, Sherwin Miller of Algona, Wash., Marles Moore of Corvallis, Iowa, Willadene Ackley of Kalispell, and Clarence Miller of Fort Worth, Texas; five grandchildren, Kevin, Sam, Jill and Scott Wright, and Stephanie Johnston, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services for Mrs. Johnson will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday in the Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Mary Ronning, pastor of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, officiating.

Friends will meet at the cemetery for the services.

The family suggests memorials be made to the United Way fund.

21 July 88

17 Sept 1988

Dr. George Hiram Johnson, 96

20 Sept. 1988

Dr. George Hiram Johnson, 96, a longtime resident of Whitefish, died Sunday at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He was born at Alma, Wis., on Feb. 28, 1892, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Johnson. He came to the Flathead at the age of 1 year, and lived in the Flathead the remainder of his life.

He received his early education in Kalispell, graduating from Flathead High School, and was awarded his dental degree in Portland, Ore., from the University of Oregon Dental School. Upon graduation, he entered the Dental Corps in World War I and served at Camp Lewis, Wash. After discharge he entered the practice of dentistry in Whitefish, where he practiced for more than 50 years.

On May 31, 1922, he married Dagmar Haubensak, who preceded him in death on Oct. 21, 1964.

He is now survived by one daughter, Helen M. Johnson of Scottsdale, Ariz.

On Sept. 25, 1967, he married Mrs. Sylvia Findley of Dallas, Texas, and she passed away on Dec. 12, 1968, in Whitefish.

Dr. Johnson was a charter member of the American Legion and a past commander; charter member of the Whitefish Rotary Club and past president.

Dr. Johnson was one of the original group of public-spirited citizens who started the Whitefish Lake Golf Course, and he was a past president of the Whitefish Golf Association.

Dr. Johnson was a member of the Kalispell Elks Club, and a member of the Whitefish Presbyterian Church.

He was an avid sportsman and enjoyed fishing, hunting and golf.

Services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Whitefish Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Ken Peterson officiating. Cremation has taken place.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Austin Funeral Home of Whitefish.

23 Oct 1988

Ivan W. Johnson, 80

Ivan W. Johnson, 80, died at his home in Kalispell Sunday. He was a longtime Kalispell resident.

Survivors include his wife, Lona.

Graveside services will be 3 p.m. Tuesday in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

24 Oct. 1988

10 Mar 1988

JoAnn M. Johnson, 48

THOMPSON FALLS — JoAnn Marie Johnson, 48, of Thompson Falls, died of a heart attack Thursday at her home.

She had lived in Thompson Falls since 1970.

Survivors include her husband, James, Thompson Falls; a daughter, Sherry Ann Johnson, Columbia Falls; two sons; and a brother.

Services will be 10 a.m. Saturday at Coffelt-Bunch Funeral Chapel in Thompson Falls.

6 Mar 1988
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John Johnson, 66

John S. Johnson, 66, died in North Hollywood, Calif., on March 3.

He was born and raised in Bigfork and had worked for Lockheed Aircraft for 25 years before retiring.

He is survived by his wife, Norma; two brothers, Cecil and James Johnson of Bigfork; and two sisters, Rose Timm of Kalispell, and Dorothy Karr of Havre.

Services will be in California.

1 Aug 1988

Lester J. Johnson, 63

LIBBY — Lester J. Johnson, 63, Libby, died of a heart attack Monday at St. John's Lutheran Hospital.

Mr. Johnson had been a lumber grader for J. Neils Lumber Co. and St. Regis Lumber Co. He retired in 1986.

Survivors include a son, Glen, Libby; a sister; and three brothers, including Donald, Libby.

Services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at Vial Funeral Home. Burial will be at the City of Libby Cemetery.

2 Aug 1988

20 Aug 1988

Royal Charles Johnson, 78

23 Aug 1988

Mr. Royal Charles Johnson, 78, died in the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls on Saturday evening.

He was born Dec. 17, 1909, in Whitefish, a son of Charles D. and Margaret Johnson.

He had received his elementary education in Whitefish and was a graduate of Havre High School.

On March 22, 1942, he entered the U.S. Army and had served in Company "E", 46th Armed Infantry Regiment, until receiving his honorable discharge on Sept. 26, 1945.

He returned to Montana and had been employed with the Great Northern Railroad for a time, and had also done various other jobs until his retirement.

He has been a resident of the Montana Veterans Home for the past 12 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers and a daughter.

He is survived by a son, Royal C. Johnson in Florida; a daughter, Mary Lou Hagreen of Spokane, Wash.; two brothers, William R. Johnson of Kalispell, and Charles D. Johnson of Long Beach, Calif.; a sister, Marion Ball of Tacoma, Wash.; and several grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt, pastor of the Epworth United Methodist Church, officiating. Military honors will be conducted by the local veterans organizations.

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

The family suggests memorials be made to the Montana Veterans Home or to the charity of the donor's choice.

28 Nov 1988

Olga Weydemeyer Johnson, 87

9 Dec
1988

Former longtime Lincoln County resident Olga Weydemeyer Johnson, 87, died of natural causes Nov. 28 at the Providence Hospital in Centralia, Wash.

She was born Aug. 19, 1901, to Harry and Margaret Weydemeyer at their pioneer homestead near Marston, on the Kalispell-Fort Steele wagon trail. She attended schools at Fortine and Eureka, graduating from the Lincoln County High School in 1919. She studied art at Montana State College, graduating in 1925, and later secured further instruction at the Broadmore Art Academy in Colorado Springs and Otis Art Institute in Los Angeles.

She taught art for a year at All Saints School in Sioux Falls, S.D., and for two years at Billings Polytechnic.

Returning to the family ranch near Fortine, she became involved in community affairs. Active in the Little Theatre Club, she wrote and directed one of its major productions. Working with other members of a Pioneers group, she edited and wrote most of the book "The Story of the Tobacco Plains Country." Later she wrote and published "Flathead and Kootenai," an exhaustive study of those Indian tribes, "Bears in the Rockies," and "Early Libby and Troy, Montana."

On May 13, 1941, she married Peter Johnson of Wibaux. They soon settled on a small ranch west of

Eureka, where Olga did extensive flower gardening and continued historical research. Following the death of her husband in 1950, she moved to Libby, acquired property, and helped build a house for herself. She served as a reporter for The Western News, which newspaper printed also many of her historical and feature articles.

In 1960, she moved to Grants Pass, Ore. Acquiring property there, she became active in garden clubs, wrote for local newspapers, and prepared a book on the history of an adjoining community.

In 1986, she moved to Centralia, Wash., where she continued to prepare historical material for contributions to libraries.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a brother, Donald, and a sister, Lucretia.

Surviving her are a brother, Winton Weydemeyer of Fortine; a sister, Marian L. Johnson of Centralia, Wash., and 14 nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12, at the First Baptist Church in Eureka, with the Rev. Jim Rogers and the Rev. Carl Pershall officiating. Cremated remains will later be interred in the Fortine cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to Eureka's Historic Village or to Libby's Historical Museum.

1 Jun 1988

Werner William Johnson, 75

5 June
1988

Mr. Werner William Johnson, age 75, was found dead in his home in Hot Springs, Montana, on Wednesday June 1.

He was born Aug. 25, 1912, in Crosby, North Dakota, a son of Henry and Elsa Johnson.

He had received his education in North Dakota, and on January 5, 1938, he married Selma Peterson in Crosby. The couple lived at Noonon, North Dakota, until 1948, when they moved to West Glacier, Montana.

Mr. Johnson was employed as a heavy equipment operator for Glacier Park for 18 years, retiring in 1979. In 1981, they moved to Hot Springs, and had lived there since.

Mr. Johnson had been a member of the Lions Club of West Glacier.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Selma, on June 21, 1987, and is now survived by a daughter, Lola Mackin, of Lone, Washington; three sons, Leonard Johnson of West Glacier, Larry Johnson of Marion, and Roger Johnson of Coram; one brother, Ole Johnson of Larson, North Dakota; two sisters, Luella Johnson of Crosby, North Dakota, and Ann Johnson of Iowa; 14 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Mr. Johnson will be held at 1 p.m. in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Randall Nicolai, pastor of the Northridge Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

24 Apr 1988

Merle W. Johnston, 83

BIG ARM — Merle Willis Johnston, 83, of Big Arm, died April 24 at St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula.

He was a former rancher and Forest Service packer.

He was preceded in death by his wife and a daughter.

Survivors include three sons.

Services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at Mosley Funeral Home in Polson.

Memorials to the American Cancer Society are suggested.

25 April 1988

16 Sept 1988

Wayne E. Johnston, 72

18 Sept 1988

Wayne E. Johnston, 72, Kalispell, died Friday afternoon due to a fire at his home in the Evergreen area.

He was born July 4, 1916 in Greeley, Colo., the son of Harry and Harriet Johnston. He was raised and graduated from high school in Greeley, then worked as a jockey for several years.

In 1943, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy, and served in the South Pacific during World War II. After his honorable discharge in 1946, he returned to horseracing, mostly in California.

On May 7, 1946, he married Rubye Joesphine Martin in San Diego, Calif., and they came to Kalispell in 1949.

Starting in 1951, Mr. Johnston was employed for many years as a telephone repairer and installer for Pacific Power and Light.

Mrs. Johnston passed away in 1979.

Surviving family members include two brothers, Harold and Donald Johnston, both in California; one stepdaughter, Mrs. Matthew ("Tootie") Zipfel of Republic, Wash.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Private graveside services will be held at a family cemetery in the North Fork area. Arrangements and cremation are by the Weatherford Funeral Home and Crematory.

14 Jun 1988

William 'Mack' Johnston, 91

William "Mack" Johnston, 91, a longtime resident of Whitefish, passed away Tuesday, June 14, at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish of natural causes.

He was born Feb. 11, 1897, at Odebolt, Iowa, a son of William N. and Alpha Johnston. He moved with the family to Black Hills, S.D., and then Spearfish, S.D., where he completed his education. He later moved to St. Joe, Mo.

On March 31, 1917, he was married to Nora May Lewis at Savannah, Mo., and on Nov. 14, 1917, they moved to Whitefish where they have resided since.

In 1918, Mack started working for the Great Northern Railway and was employed in the Round House until his retirement in 1956.

He was a member of the following organizations: Whitefish United Methodist Church, Loyal Order of Moose-Bitterroot Legion, Legion of the Moose, Fellowship Degree, Modern Woodman of America, Whitefish Masonic Lodge, Royal Arch Masons, Flathead Council

Royal & Select Masters, Great Northern Veterans Association, National Association Retired & Veteran Railway Employees, American Association of Retired Persons, Montana Senior Citizens Association and Whitefish Golden Agers.

Mack was a great outdoorsman. He lived, loved and enjoyed a wonderful long life.

He is survived by his wife, Nora, at their home in Whitefish; one son, Gerald, of Kerrville, Texas; one daughter, Dorothy Trent, of Whitefish; two grandchildren, Sharon Johnston of Dallas, Texas, and William Johnston of St. Louis, Missouri.

Memorial services will be 11 a.m. Saturday, June 18, at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish, with the Rev. Darrel Aleson of Whitefish Methodist Church officiating.

The family has suggested memorials to the Whitefish United Methodist Church or North Valley Hospital Extended Care or a charity of the donor's choice.

3 Aug 1988

POPLAR - JONES, Edward Lee,
3 Aug 1988
36, of Poplar, died early Wednesday in a one-car accident near Poplar. Wake set Friday evening at Poplar Cultural Center. Service: 10 a.m. Saturday at the center. Burial in Riverside Cemetery, Brockton. Born and raised in Poplar, attending schools there. Married Mildred F. Longee at Poplar in 1987. Survivors: his wife of Poplar; a son, Arron, of Farmington, N.M.; three daughters, Tanya, Priscilla and Jennifer, all of Poplar; a brother, Manfred of Dodson; two sisters, Charity Longee and Annabelle Jones, both of Poplar. Clayton Funeral Home.

28 Oct 1988

Scott L. Jones, 3 mos.

Scott Lee Jones, 3-month-old son of Rhonda Chapman and Duayne Jones, died at Kalispell Regional Hospital on Friday morning.

He is survived by his parents at the family home; three brothers, Ronnie Chapman, Robert Jones, and Nicholas Jones; grandparents, Raelene Knox of Kalispell, Mike Pierce of Kalispell, Bob Jones of Columbia Falls, and Nora Jones of Whitefish; and a great-grandmother, Luella Schwenkee of Kalispell.

Services are at 2 p.m. Monday at the Lonepine Cemetery near Bigfork. Friends may call at the Johnson Mortuary from 1-5 p.m. today for visitation. 30 Oct 1988

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Cleo E. Jystad, 84

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Mrs. Cleo E. Jystad, age 84, of Columbia Falls, died in the Immanuel Lutheran Home on Sunday morning.

She was born Oct. 24, 1903, in Butler, Mo., a daughter of Ernest and Edith (Warnock) Montgomery. As a child, she moved with her family to Sprague, Wash., where she attended school



for the first two years. The family then moved to Bigfork, and later to Kalispell, where she graduated from the Flathead County High School.

On Dec. 23, 1922, she was married to Edward B. Jystad. They had lived in Kalispell and Columbia Falls since that time.

Mrs. Jystad was a member of the Epworth United Methodist Church of Kalispell where she had served as Sunday School superintendent for seven years. After moving to Columbia

Falls, she served as Sunday School superintendent of the Methodist Church there for eight years. She had been very active with the women's groups of both churches.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward B. Jystad, in April 1975, and a son, Robert Edward Jystad, on Oct. 26, 1987.

She is now survived by two sons, Dr. Gary Ronald Jystad of Los Angeles, Calif., and Dr. Marvin Craig Jystad of Visalia, Calif.; a daughter, Nadine Edith Guanella of Somers; a brother, Kenneth Montgomery of Twin Falls, Idaho; eight grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mrs. Jystad will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Howard Hunter, pastor of the United Methodist Church of Columbia Falls, officiating. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. Friends may call at the Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 8 tonight.