

Laura Violet Radabah, 56

Laura Violet Radabah, 56, of Ontario, Ore., died Wednesday, Dec. 21, at Holy Rosary Medical Center in Ontario, Ore.

She was born Oct. 25, 1932, in Coram to Dominico and Maria Greco. She graduated from Flathead County High School in Kalispell in 1952. She was married to Martin Radabah on Oct. 1, 1965, in Kalispell. They moved to Seattle, Wash., in 1966, and to Ontario, Ore. in 1982.

Mrs. Radabah had worked for several years as a cook at the Lindbergh School in Ontario. She enjoyed fishing and traveling. She was a member of the Treasure Valley Baptist Church and was a member of the church choir.

Survivors include her husband, Martin "Marty" Radabah of Ontario, Ore.; three sons, Rick of

Duval, Wash.; John and daughter-in-law Cheryl of Redmond, Wash., and Gary of Boise, Idaho; three brothers, Frank Greco of Eugene, Ore., Orley Greco of Sacramento, Calif., and Angeleo Greco of Cut Bank; one sister, Kay Viano of Kalispell, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 10 a.m. in Ontario with the Rev. David Bolt of the Treasure Valley Baptist Church officiating. Graveside services will be held Wednesday at 10 a.m. at Fairview Cemetery in Kalispell with the Rev. Tod Fox of the Canyon Community Church officiating. Local arrangements are by the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls. Memorials have been suggested to the Treasure Valley Baptist Church in Ontario, Ore. *26 Dec 1988*

Lydia Radabah, 78

16 Jan 1988
Lydia Radabah, 78, of Kalispell, who worked at the Montgomery Ward's store prior to her 1971 retirement, died in the Kalispell Regional Hospital on Saturday morning.

She was born Aug. 4, 1909, in Superior, Wyo., to John and Lydia Siukola. She had moved to Montana as a child, spending her early years in the Swan area. She was a graduate of Missoula High School.



On Dec. 17, 1927, she married Cecil S. Radabah in Polson. The couple had lived in the Creston area and the Flathead Valley since that time. In 1977, they moved to the Kalispell home where they had lived since.

She was preceded in death by a son, Cecil, and is now survived by her husband, Cecil, at the family home; two sons, Keith and Ron Radabah, both of Kalispell; two brothers, Uno Strom of Condon and Tauno Strom of Missoula; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Ron Pierce of the Swan Chapel officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Pete Ramlo, 79 *1988*

LIBBY — Pete Ramlo, 79, of

Libby, died March 14 at his home.

He had worked for Neils Lumber Co. and St. Regis Paper Co. as a lumber grader for 40 years.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday at Christ Lutheran Church. Burial will be in the City of Libby Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Isabelle, Libby; a son; a daughter; and two brothers, including Chris, of Libby.

Patrick Keith Randolph *1 May 1988*

Mr. Patrick Keith Randolph, age 48, died at his residence in Kalispell on Friday April 22.

He was born October 11, 1939, in Fort Sam Houston, Texas, a son of Bert and Annalee Randolph. He was a graduate of the Harlendale High School of San Antonio, Texas.

He had worked as a union carpenter in various places in Texas, Arizona, Georgia, Washington and Montana.

On February 12, 1957, he was married to Dorothy Husband in San Antonio, Texas, and they were later divorced. In 1972, he was married to Andrea Iverson in Kalispell, and they were later divorced.

On Sept. 13, 1957, he entered the U.S. Army at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and had served for a year before being discharged.

He is now survived by his father, Bart Randolph of Rockport, Texas; his mother, Annalee Sharon of Carbon-

dale, Illinois; two daughters, Tommie Arlene Tennant of Mesa, Arizona, and Diana Lynn Ryan of Marion, Montana; a son, Devlin Randolph of San Antonio, Texas; his ex-wife and mother of the children, Dorothy Randolph of San Antonio; three brothers, Raymond Randolph of Rockport, Texas, Cris and Bret Sharon, both of Dallas, Texas; and four sisters, Linda Keeton of Carbondale, Illinois, Sharon Owens of Rockport, Texas, Bonnie Sharon and Trudy Murphy, both of Sabin, Texas.

Graveside services for Mr. Randolph will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Father Edmund Smith of St. Matthew's Catholic Church officiating. Military honors will be conducted by the local veterans organizations.

Friends will meet at the cemetery for the services. Arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

Rowdy Rasmussen

Rowdy J. Rasmussen, 41, of Garrison, formerly of Kalispell, died Sunday when his pickup truck collided with a train near Garrison.

He was born July 20, 1946, to Elston and Violet Rasmussen in Whitefish.

He received his education in Kalispell. He worked at several farms and ranches in the Kalispell area, and was also involved in various rodeo circuits.

In 1968, he moved to California, where he was a deputy sheriff. In 1970 he returned to Kalispell and became a deputy sheriff.

On Jan. 16, 1971, he married Lucy Watson in Kalispell. The couple moved to Wyoming in 1974, where he was employed with Beckton Stock Farm in Ranchester. In 1977, he moved to Gillette, Wyo., and worked as an oil field investigator.

In 1981, he moved to Missoula, where he attended the University of Montana majoring in pre-law. In August 1985 he moved to Garrison and managed the Saddletramp Campground.

Survivors include his wife, Lucy; a son, Timothy Tyrre of Arizona; three daughters, Patricia Turk of Buffalo, Wyo., Sheila Tyrre of Missoula, and Debbie Tyrre of Lander,

Wyo.; a brother, Arlee Rasmussen of Pebble, Colo.; three sisters, Sharon McGee of Soda Springs, Idaho, Mary Lou O'Hare of Dayton, Wyo., and Ardis Anderson of El Cajon, Calif.; and five grandchildren.

A brother, Arlen Rasmussen, preceded him in death.

Cremation has taken place. A joint memorial service for Mr. Rasmussen and his daughter, Sharel, will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Jewell Funeral Home in Deer Lodge with the Rev. Bob Richardson officiating. Private burial of ashes will be in Kalispell.

The family suggests memorials to a charity of the donor's choice.

Gerald Ray, 69

Gerald Ray, 69, Libby, died of cancer Monday at St. John's Lutheran Hospital. *D 21 Nov 1988*

He moved to Libby in 1971 and was a serviceman and repairman for Cal Gas Co. until retiring in 1983.

Survivors include his wife, Bernice, Libby; four daughters, including Diana Marquez, Libby, and Roxanne Doherty, Kalispell; and a sister.

Services will be Friday at 2 p.m. at Vial Funeral Home. Burial will be at City of Libby Cemetery.

Memorials to the American Cancer Society are suggested.

Carl Denzel Rawlings, 86

Carl Denzel Rawlings, 86, of Bigfork, died of natural causes Sunday, Dec. 25, at Kalispell Regional Hospital. *1988*

He was born March 6, 1902, in Siam, Iowa, the son of Luke and Gertrude Rawlings. Mr. Rawlings was raised in Siam until the age of 10 when his family moved to Yuma, Colo., for a few years and then to Libby where he graduated from Libby High School in 1919.

Mr. Rawlings worked on a ranch in Oregon and later in Bellingham, Wash. He also worked as a guide in Glacier National Park. His work career then was predominately in the Libby area with the U.S. Forest Service, and then with the J. Neils Lumber Company where he retired in 1953.

On June 12, 1928, he married Margaret Hunter in Libby and the couple made their home there until his retirement, when they moved to Bigfork.

Mr. Rawlings was a member of the

Libby and Bigfork volunteer fire departments. He was a member of the Oddfellows and Masonic Lodge No. 85 in Libby.

Mr. Rawlings was known for his shop and carpentry work and kept busy in his garden and orchard at Bigfork.

He is preceded in death by a daughter, Barbara Jean Powell in 1972. He is survived by his wife, Margaret, at the family home in Bigfork; a son, Carl Donn Rawlings, Prescott, Ariz.; two daughters, Sue Hunter Hotzch, Havre, and Peggy Ann Hamann, Sheridan, Wyo.; a brother, Wallace Rawlings, Orland, Calif.; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

No public services will be held. Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of the Bigfork Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Bigfork QRU or the Bigfork Volunteer Fire Department.

28 Dec 1988

Sharel Rasmussen

Sharel L. Rasmussen, 15, of Garrison, formerly of Kalispell, died Sunday when a pickup truck in which she was riding collided with a train near Garrison. *31 Nov 1988*

She was born July 19, 1972, in Kalispell to Rowdy and Lucy Rasmussen.

She attended Powell County High School and was a member of the school band.

Survivors include her mother; a brother, Timothy Tyrre of Arizona; three sisters, Patricia Turk of Buf-

falo, Wyo., Sheila Tyrre of Missoula, and Debbie Tyrre of Lander, Wyo.; her grandmother, Edith Forcier of Columbia Falls; and other relatives.

Cremation has taken place. A joint memorial service for Miss Rasmussen and her father will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Jewell Funeral Home in Deer Lodge with the Rev. Bob Richardson officiating. Private burial of ashes will be in Kalispell.

Sif J. Ratto, 97

Sif J. Ratto, 97, of Hamilton, died of natural causes Monday at Mountain View Manor in Eureka. *25 Jul 1988*

She was born Jan. 7, 1891, in Sauk County, Wis., to Frank and Catherine Roll. In 1897, she moved with her family to Santa Clara, Calif., where she was raised and attended schools. She graduated from San Diego State Normal School in 1911.

She taught school in the Santa Cruz area and in South San Francisco.

In 1919, she married David W. Ratto in South San Francisco.

Mrs. Ratto was active in PTA and later in the Hospitality House program during World War II. She also was a member of the Catholic Daughters of America and Infant of Prague Court.

She was preceded in death by her

husband. Following his death, she moved to Trego where she lived until entering Mountain View Manor.

She was a member of Our Lady of Mercy Parish in Eureka.

Survivors include a daughter, Trudy Skrable, Trego; a son, David Ratto, Millbrae, Calif.; four grandsons and eight great-grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited at 7:30 tonight at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Eureka. Mass of the Resurrection will be 10 a.m. Thursday at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church, with the Rev. Michael Chilton as celebrant. Entombment will be at Holy Cross Mausoleum, Holy Cross Cemetery, in Colma, Calif. Arrangements are under the direction of Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

Alma H. Read, 73

1988

Alma H. Read, 73, of KallsPELL, died Friday afternoon of natural causes at her KallsPELL home.

She was born August 28, 1915, at Carpio, N.D., the ninth child of Jacob and Johannah Rugland. Her father was a Lutheran minister.

She attended schools in Belfield, N.D., and Moorhead, Minn., and then received her nursing degree from the Kahler School of Nursing in Rochester, Minn. She later became a registered nurse at Cook County Hospital in Chicago, and also earned a nurse anesthetist certificate. Her practical training was received at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

After working at the hospital in Glendive, Mont., she went to Missoula in about 1940. She was employed at the Northern Pacific Beneficiary Hospital, which later became Missoula General Hospital.

On March, 29, 1942, she married Julian C. Read in Missoula. They owned and operated Chico Hot Springs Resort near Livingston from 1958 to 1968, when they settled in KallsPELL.

Mrs. Read was a volunteer for the KallsPELL chapter of the American Cancer Society for many years, and had served as the KallsPELL A.C.S. services and rehabilitation chairman.

She was also active in the Council on Aging and Lutheran Church Women in KallsPELL. She was vice president of the Montana Synod of Lutheran Church Women.

Mrs. Read is survived by her husband Julian at the family home; two sons, Tom and his wife Yvonne in KallsPELL, and Don and his wife Helen in South Korea; two granddaughters, Erin and Katie Read; five sisters, Gilma Mather of Columbus, Ohio, Clara Rugland and Trudy Malone, both of Bigfork, Ruth Bakke of Yreka, Calif., and Esther Brekke of Big Timber; one brother, Walter Rugland of Appleton, Wis., and numerous other relatives.

Private graveside services will be at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery on Tuesday. The casket will not be open to the public.

Memorial services will be Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church with the Rev. H. Peder Waldum and the Rev. Howard Mars officiating. Arrangements are by the Weatherford Funeral Home.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1002, KallsPELL, 59903-1002, or to the Lutheran World Relief, care of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 603 Main, KallsPELL.

Megan Alma Read, infant

Sept 1, 1989

Megan Alma Read was born and died Sept. 1 in Seoul, South Korea.

She was the daughter of Donald and Helen Read of KallsPELL, who are missionaries in Seoul.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandmother, Alma Read.

Survivors include her grandfather,

J.C. Read of KallsPELL; maternal grandparents, Jack and Marian Wilpers of Rockville, Md.; three uncles, two aunts, and several cousins.

Services were held Sept. 4 in Seoul at Maryknoll Mission with the Rev. Father Dugan officiating.

Claude 'Bus' Rea, 75

Claude "Bus" Rea, 75, died in Whitefish on April 28, 1988.

He was born in Bellefontaine, Ohio, and worked in the Springfield area. For 33 years he was employed as an engineer by the New York Central-Penn Central Railroad after which he retired to Pensicola, Fla.

He was a combat veteran of World War II having served with distinction in the Pacific Theater.

Mr. Rea's interests and associations included a 50-year membership in the BPOE and a life membership for the VFW.

Always an avid outdoorsman, he pursued sport fishing in northern Florida.

During the summer of 1987, Mr. Rea moved to Whitefish in order to be near his son, daughter-in-law, and grandson.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Martha Gene (Igou) Rea of Springfield, Ohio in 1971, and his brother, Max, of Bellefontaine.

He is survived by his only child, Robert Dennis "Denny" Rea of Whitefish, and one grandson, Taylor Kenny Rea.

Memorial services for Mr. Rea are scheduled for Saturday at 11 a.m. at Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish.

Arrangements are by Austin Funeral Home of Whitefish.

WALL, S.D.—Word has been received of the death of Gust Regas, 97, of Wall, S.D. He was born in Greece and at the age of 21, moved to St. Louis, Mo. and later to Montana where he worked for the railroad. He worked for Mike Shannon at East Glacier in 1923 and at Many Glacier in 1924. Later he purchased and operated restaurants in Montana, Wyoming, Nebraska and South Dakota. He married Imogene Brose in 1926 in Sidney. Surviving are his wife at home; one son, Donald, of Essex, who with his wife, Phyllis, are former owners of Denny's on Highway 2; two daughters, 11 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren. Services were June 23, in Kadoka, S.D. 1988

Laura Reynolds, 87

HELENA — Laura Reynolds, 87, died May 27 in Helena, 1988.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Lincoln (Dorothea) Harris of Marion; two sons and a daughter.

She was a former resident of Sidney and had moved to Helena in 1987.

Services were May 31 in Helena. Burial will be in Sidney Cemetery.

Walter Fredrick Rexford, 86

Died 19 OCT 1988
Walter Fredrick Rexford, 86, of Kalispell, died in the Kalispell Regional Hospital on Wednesday.

He was born April 26, 1902, in Bozeman, a son of Willis and Lena Rexford. When he was 6 months old, the family moved to Cashmere, Wash., where they lived until he was 11 years old, at which time they moved to Myers. Later they moved to Laramie, Wyo., and Hastings, Neb.

In 1923, he was married to Laura Shelley. Two children were born to this union.

Mr. Rexford moved to Kalispell in 1929, and on June 3, 1931, he married Edna Lukenbill. To this union seven daughters were born.

Mr. Rexford worked in the woods for several years, and in 1936 he was employed with the Montana States Power Company.

During World War II the family moved to the west coast where he worked for the Bonneville Power Administration. Later he worked at the Kaiser Shipyard in Vancouver, Wash.

In 1944, the family returned to the Flathead and Mr. Rexford was employed with Mountain States Power

Company. In 1967 he retired from Pacific Power and Light as a telephone construction foreman.

He has been a member of the Church of the Nazarene for the past 40 years and served as treasurer for 18 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers; one sister and three daughters.

He is now survived by his wife, Edna, at the family home; one son, Philip Rexford of Camp Verde, Ariz.; five daughters, Grace Miller of LaPine, Ore., LaVon Eastman, Joanne Rexford and Glenda Kerzman, all of Kalispell, and Agnes McNally of Spokane, Wash.; one sister, Mrs. Harvey (Gladys) Stoll of Newport, Wash.; 14 grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren and a host of friends.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday in the Church of the Nazarene with burial to follow in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family suggests donations to a memorial fund at the Church of the Nazarene in lieu of flowers. Friends may call at the Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 8 tonight.

Esther E. Resch, 90

Esther E. Resch, 90, formerly of Kalispell, died in Spokane, Wash., Sunday. *31 Jan 1988*

She was born July 27, 1897, in Oelwein, Iowa, to Mathias and Elizabeth Michels.

On Nov. 27, 1917, she married Jacob Resch in Park Rapids, Minn. They continued to live there until 1934, when they moved to Glasgow. In 1938, they moved to Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jacob, on April 29, 1956. In 1962, she moved to Spokane.

She was a member of Cathedral of Lady of Lourdes and St. Theresa's Guild at the Cathedral Plaza in Spokane.

Survivors include a son, James Resch of Otis Orchards, Wash.; two daughters, Florence Potts of McConnelville, Ohio, and Theresa Robka of Spokane; eight grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated in Cathedral of Lady of Lourdes in Spokane today. The body is being forwarded to Kalispell where graveside services will be held 11 a.m. Monday in Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Michael Britton of St. Matthew's Catholic Church officiating. Local arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

5 Feb 1988

Deaths

June Richey, 49

Died 27 Nov 1988
June Richey, 49, Kalispell, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital on Sunday.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later. *25 Nov 1988*

Funeral services for June Richey, 49, will be Friday at 11 a.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Cremation will follow the services.

Mrs. Richey, a former K mart employee, died Monday.

She is survived by three sons including Steve Croy of Kalispell; and her mother. *1 Dec 1988*

George W. Rhoades, 62

George W. Rhoades, 62, of Libby, died Friday at a Libby hospital.

Services will be Monday at 1 p.m. at Vial Funeral Home in Libby. Burial will be at the City of Libby Cemetery. *Died 28 Oct 1988*

Joe Ridgley, 80

Joe Ridgley, 80, former Kalispell resident and owner of Homelite Chainsaw, died recently in Iowa.

He moved away from the Kalispell area in the 1970s.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred, in Irwin, Iowa, and other family members. *30 Oct 1988*

MARIE M. RIGBY 1988

Maria M. Rigby, age 74, of Rollins, died in the St. Patrick's Hospital in Missoula on Thursday, May 26 following a brief illness. She was born August 16, 1913, in Elrosa, Minnesota, a daughter of Joseph and Mary Nickols. She married Willis Rigby. She was preceded in death by her husband, Willis, on February 1, 1984, and she remained at her home in Rollins until her death. She is now survived by a son, Willis Rigby, Jr. of Conrad, Montana; a daughter, Frances Betteridge of Grand Coulee, Washington; a brother, Aloys Nickols of Powers Lake, North Dakota; a sister, Rose Sullivan of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Mass of the resurrection for Mrs. Rigby was celebrated at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Kalispell. Burial was in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Edward P. Rinke, 78

20 April 1989

Mr. Edward Phillip Rinke, 78, died at his home in Kalispell late Thursday evening.

He was born Sept. 22, 1910, in Sleepy Eye, Minn., a son of Edward and Elsie Rinke. As a small boy, he moved with his family to Great Falls, where he received his education. When he was 16, he entered the U.S. Navy, where he served for four years. He then returned to Great Falls and did various jobs.

In 1930, he married Lucille Mouton in Great Falls, and was preceded in death by her in 1952. In 1939, he moved to West Los Angeles, Calif., where he owned and operated a building material business known as City Plywood. He had served in the Merchant Marines during World War II.

In 1974, he moved to Kalispell, where he has since resided. He had been a member of the Elks Lodge and the Eagles Lodge.

In 1978, he was married to Lois Miller in Kalispell, and is now survived by her at the family home. He is also survived by one son, Robert Rinke of Kalispell; a daughter, Donna DeMar of Lakeside; a stepsister, Katherine Murphy of Great Falls; five grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Donald Rinke, during World War II, and a grandchild. Funeral services for Mr. Rinke will be at 2 p.m. Monday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Paul Taylor, Kalispell Regional Hospital chaplain, officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Visitation will be from 1-5 p.m. today and until 1 p.m. Monday with military graveside rites by the local veterans organization.

Margie Ella Rinehart, 68

Died 4 June 1988

Margie Ella Rinehart, 68, Kalispell, died of natural causes Saturday evening at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

She was born July 11, 1919, in Portland, Ore., the daughter of Thomas and Hazel Miller. She was raised on the family farm at Hazeldale, Ore., along with her three sisters.

She was married to Buster Rinehart on Valentine's Day in 1937, at Hillsboro, Ore.

As a young woman, she was badly injured in a car accident which took the life of her first-born child, Tommy.

In 1941, the family moved to the Territory of Alaska, and helped settle the Anchorage area. Their main mode of transportation was dogsled, and the main food supply was from hunting and fishing.

In 1957, she left Alaska with her children, and lived in Washington and Oregon until moving to Montana in 1981. She had resided in Kalispell for the past six months.

Her main focus in life was the love

she had for her children, grandchildren and church. She was a talented seamstress, and enjoyed making clothing, quilts, and fancy pillows for family and friends. The love she had for her children was also reflected in her drawings.

Surviving are four daughters, Margiella Talley of Ridgecrest, Calif., Nita Jacobson of Hudson, N.H., and Ada Rinehart and Linda Brelin, both of Portland, Ore.; one son, Dan Rinehart of East Glacier; three sisters, Ginger Davis of Manning, Ore., Ruth Todd of Placerville, Calif., and Jean Jones of Santa Ana, Calif.; 17 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is Thursday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Weatherford Funeral Home, after which time the casket will remain closed. Funeral services will be Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Victory Chapel, 351 Fourth Ave. E.N., with Rev. Steve Romine officiating. Burial will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Earl P. Roe, 64

DILLON — Earl P. Roe, 64, of Dillon, a former Kalispell resident, died Friday morning at Barrett Memorial Hospital after a long illness with cancer. *5 Feb 1988*

He was born May 4, 1923, in Noma, N.D., to Theodore and Millie Roe.

He worked for the Forest Service in Beaverhead County and as a truck driver, retiring in 1986.

He was a member of the American Legion Post 20 and the Sons of Norway.

He was preceded in death by a younger brother.

He married Bellie Parker in Kalispell on Aug. 20, 1977, and she now survives him.

He is also survived by two daughters in North Dakota; two sons in Minnesota; two stepdaughters, Sharon Huxtable and Mary Ingles, both of Dillon; a stepson, Don Smith of Portland Ore.; 15 grandchildren; two brothers, Burger Roe of Sacramento, Calif., and James Roe of Kindred, N.D.; four sisters, Avis Hanson, Lois Standly and Dottie Larson, all of Minneapolis, Minn., and Bernice Mayers of Danberry, Wis.; and several aunts and uncles.

Memorial services will be at 9 a.m. Tuesday at Brundage Funeral Home in Dillon. Burial will be 4 p.m. Tuesday at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell. *8 Feb 1988*

Tomas R. Roe

Tomas R. Roe, stillborn son of Richard and DeeAnn Roe of Libby, died Sunday at St. John's Hospital in Libby.

Services will be Monday at 3 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Libby. Burial will be in the City of Libby Cemetery. *30 Oct 1988*

DeWayne Robertson

1988

DeWayne Robertson, 42, died May 23 at his home near Columbia Falls.

He was born March 4, 1946, in Boise, Idaho, to Ernest and Katherine Robertson. He was raised and educated in Ovando and Kalispell.

He worked as a welder on movie studios in California. He served in the Navy from 1965 until 1968, and following his discharge, he returned to Montana.

He married Paulette Brown on March 6, 1987, in Kalispell, and she now survives him at home. Also surviving are four brothers, four sisters and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services were Saturday at Woodlawn Cemetery with military graveside honors with Lt. Bill Hawthorn of the Salvation Army officiating.

Alice M Robins, 79

LIBBY — Alice M. Robins, 79, Libby, died at Libby Care Center March 14, *1988*

She had lived in Libby since 1979. Survivors include a son, Gerald, Libby; and a brother.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at City of Libby Cemetery.

Warren Anton Rogers, 76

26 April 1988

Died 25 Apr 1988

Warren Anton Rogers, age 76, of Whitefish, passed away early Monday morning at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

He was born May 9, 1911, in Cable, Wis., a son of Steven and Anna F. Rogers. He was raised and educated in Cable and joined the U.S. Navy during World War II and served in the South Pacific. After the war he joined the Merchant Marines, worked in logging, the oil fields, and construction retiring in Whitefish in 1971.

He was married to Sally Powell June 5, 1937, in Carston, Alberta, and she survives him at the family home. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother and one sister.



He is survived by his wife, Sally, at the family home in Whitefish; a son, Jimmie Rogers of Libby; three daughters, Jeanne Ross of Jacksonville, Ark., Beatrice DePratu of Whitefish, and Deanna Proffitt of Libby; three sisters, Charlott of Milwaukee, Wis., Allieanna of Los Angeles, Calif., and Roberta of Bremerton, Wash.; 15 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Whitefish with Bishop Gary Watterud officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell with military graveside rites provided by the local veterans organizations. Visitation will be at the Austin Funeral Home today until 8 p.m.

Memorials have been suggested to the Flathead County Hospice, Box 1532, Kalispell, 59901.

Ben Rohrer, 71

25 Oct 1988

Died 21 OCT 1988

Mr. Ben Rohrer, 71, died at his home in Kalispell on Friday evening of natural causes.

He was born May 15, 1917, in Pierre, S.D., a son of Jacob J. and Emelia Rohrer. As a young boy he moved with his family to the Billings area.

In 1937, he was married to Mabel Johnson, and to this union two children were born. At this time they moved to the Flathead.

Mr. Rohrer had worked in the logging industry for a time. He then built homes in the east north area of Kalispell. In 1947, he, along with Jim Davey, opened a used car lot on First Avenue West. Later he started the Kalispell Motors and also Ben's Trailer Sales and Rentals.

He was a member of the Moose Lodge of Kalispell and was also an avid hunter and loved being outdoors. On Aug. 20, 1969, he was married

to Betty Kramer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother and one grandson.

He is now survived by his wife, Betty, at the family home; one son, Jim Rohrer of Renton, Wash.; one daughter, Dolores Stanley of Poison; a stepdaughter, Tammy Mitchell of Los Gatos, Calif.; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. He is also survived by four sisters and one brother.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Howard Mars, pastor of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, officiating. Cremation will follow the services.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Flathead Animal Shelter.

Friends may call at the Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

Preceding her in death were her parents, two daughters, Rose Marie and Nancy, and one brother.

Surviving are four sons, Dick and Ron Role, Columbia Falls, Howard and Jack, Spokane, Wash.; one daughter, Barbara Hennessey, Whitefish; one brother, Jerry Barnes, Whitefish; 19 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are 11 a.m. Saturday at Van Leuven Funeral Home with the Rev. Howard Hunter of United Methodist Church officiating. Burial follows at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Visitation is noon to 8 p.m. Friday at Van Leuven Funeral Home. Memorials are suggested to Hospice, Box 1532, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Ethel Marie Role

Oct. 12, 1988 H.H. News

Ethel Marie Role, 73, of Columbia Falls, died Monday at her home in Columbia Falls.

She was born Sept. 2, 1915, in Whitefish, a daughter of Wesley and Elsie Barnes. She was raised by Dean Beller of Kalispell and graduated from Whitefish High School.

She married Howard Role on Feb. 20, 1934, in Whitefish and he died Aug. 1, 1973. She worked at Mittqn's Grocery and Jack's Pharmacy for many years. She was known by friends as Grams.

Hans C. Roffler

Hans Christian Roffler, Lakeside, died Jan. 30 in Mesa, Ariz., his winter residence, of medical complications following a stroke suffered in December.

He was born in 1910, in Hebron, N.D., to North Dakota pioneers Christian Roffler from Switzerland and Katherine Oes Roffler from Germany. He spent his early life on the homestead near Hebron. He was educated in Hebron and at the Dickinson Normal School where he excelled as a student and an athlete. He moved west to attend the University of Montana in Missoula, graduating with a degree in forestry in 1936.

After graduation he embarked on a long career with the U.S. Forest Service. He was a ranger on the Lochsa and Red River districts in northern Idaho and worked on the Clearwater, Nez Perce and Coeur d'Alene national forests in Idaho and at the regional office in Missoula.

After retirement, he pursued many new interests in travel, teaching and business. He and his wife built a home on the shore of Flathead Lake.

He was active in the Coast Guard Auxillary, as a volunteer at Lone Pine State Park, and as a member of St. Ann's Church in Somers.

Survivors include his wife, Antoinette; two daughters, Suzanne Tarlov of Boston, Mass., and Sheila Hardy of Sequim, Wash.; a son, Stephen Roffler of Madison, Wis.; three grandchildren; his sister, Elsie Rehm of Hebron, N.D.; and several nieces and nephews.

Cremation and a memorial service were conducted in Mesa, Ariz. A memorial mass will be at Somers in the spring.

A memorial fund will be established at Lone Pine State Park.

Pearl Marion Root, 84 *31 July 1988*
Died 28 July 1988

Mrs. Pearl Marion Root, 84, died at her home in Kalispell on Thursday morning.

She was born Dec. 22, 1903 in Bigfork, a daughter of Carey L. and Constance Fine. She had attended Bigfork schools.

On April 14, 1934, she was married to Albert Root, and they were later divorced. Mrs. Root had lived most of her life in Kalispell and Great Falls. She had been a rural mail carrier for the Pleasant Valley Route for many years.

She is survived by three children,

Carol Marten of Great Falls, Stan Root of Libby and Ron Root of Kalispell; one sister, Genevieve Tachney of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; two brothers, Ed Fine of Columbia Falls and Louis Green of Great Falls; fourteen grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Randall Nicolai, pastor of the Northridge Lutheran Church officiating. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

Robert John Ross, 51 *5 Oct 1988*
Died 2 Oct 1988

Robert John Ross, 51, beloved husband, father and son, passed away in Kalispell on Sunday, Oct. 2.

He was born in Hardin on Oct. 8, 1936, a son of Robert and Irene Ross. He graduated from Great Falls Central High School. His family moved to Billings in 1954, where he served in the Air National Guard and Army Reserves.

On Feb. 8, 1958, he and Sandra Wilson were married. They resided in Billings where their four children were born. They then moved on to Hamilton, Polson, and have been in Kalispell for the past 3 1/2 years.

He is survived by his loving wife, Sandra, his children including Scott of Kalispell, Jeff, Mark, and Tammy Ross of Denver, Colo.; his parents, Robert and Irene Ross of Billings; sisters, Joyce Enslow, Billings, and Kris White,

Portland, Ore.; three grandchildren, Jeremy and Donny Ross of Kalispell, and Jason Ross of Denver, Colo. Other survivors include nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles.

Rosary services will be at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 5, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Memorial Mass at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6. Honorary pallbearers are Scott Ross, Jeff Ross, Mark Ross, Robert Wilson, Dave Tone, Dave Bauer and Chet Zimmer. There will be no graveside services. Cremation is planned under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

He was well-known throughout the community and will be missed by all.

Memorials may be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Association, c/o First Interstate Bank, P.O. Box 30918, Billings, MT 59116.

Charles Lee Rowsey, 54 *12 June 1988*

Mr. Charles Lee Rowsey, age 54, of Bigfork, died of cancer in Kalispell Regional Hospital on Friday morning.

He was born Oct. 7, 1933, in Miles City, a son of Charles Lee Sr. and Crystal Rowsey. He married June Heuscher on May 28, 1951, in Libby. The couple resided in the Libby and Lakeside areas before moving to Swan Lake in 1958, where they had made their home since that time.

Mr. Rowsey had been employed by the Plum Creek Lumber Company for the past 23 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife, June, on Feb. 21, 1986; a daughter, Penny; and his father, Charles Lee Rowsey Sr. He is now survived by one daughter, Pamela Rowsey of Swan

Lake; three sons, Ronald Rowsey of Auburn, Wash., Barry Rowsey of Anchorage, and Curtis Rowsey of Swan Lake; his mother, Crystal Rowsey of Kalispell; one sister, Rosie, in California; one grandson, Shannon of Forsyth; a granddaughter, Colleen of Anchorage.

Memorial services for Mr. Rowsey will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Ron Pierce, pastor of the Swan Chapel, officiating.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Swan Chapel or to the charity of the donor's choice. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction

Deaths

Dr. Alfred Rossomando, 76 *1988*

Dr. Alfred Rossomando, 76, died of cancer at Boise, Idaho, on Oct. 9.

He married the former Jean Marcure of Kalispell in 1977.

Dr. Rossomando was chief of staff at a Boise hospital and practiced urology in Boise, Nampa and Caldwell, Idaho, until retiring in 1975.

He is survived by his wife, Jean, at their home in Green Valley, Ariz., and three stepchildren.

Delores Duval Roush, 56

Delores Lillian Duval Roush, 56, of Hurdland Mo., died July 8 at Kirksville (Mo.) Osteopathic Medical Center of cancer. *1988*

She attended schools in Kalispell. After her marriage, she and her husband, Robert Junior Roush Sr., lived in several states before moving Missouri in 1960.

Survivors include her husband; four sons, including Rodney Everett Roush of Kalispell; a daughter, Shelia Ray Russell of Whitefish; her mother and stepfather, Lillian and Zen Lyonais of Kalispell; her father, Henry J. Duval, of Fargo, N.D.; a sister and a brother.

Funeral services were in Edina, Mo., on July 12. Burial was at Park View Memorial Gardens in Kirksville.

Louis B. Ruiz, 88

Louis B. Ruiz, 88, died Oct. 29 at his home in Malta.

Survivors include his son, Louis B. Ruiz Jr., Kalispell; two daughters; two stepdaughters; and his wife, Arlene, Malta.

Services and burial were today at Malta. *20th 1988*

Deaths

Albert Rumsey Jr., 64

Albert "Bud" Rumsey Jr., 64, died Oct. 26 at Jasper Memorial Hospital in Jasper, Texas.

He was a longtime resident of the Flathead Valley and president of Rumsey Distributing in Lakeside. He moved to Jasper seven years ago.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday at Lake Rayburn United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley, Sam Rayburn, Texas; a son, Scott Stewart Rumsey, Lakeside; two daughters; and a brother.

The family suggests memorials to Lake Rayburn United Methodist Church or the American Cancer Society. *31 Oct. 1988*



'Si' Rugland, 87

Died 9 Jan 1988
Sigvart L. 'Si' Rugland, 87, East Shore, died Saturday morning at Immanuel Lutheran Home.

He taught and was a school administrator in North Dakota and Iowa. In 1929, he received a master's degree in history at the University of Iowa, and became dean of the junior college in Mason City, Iowa.

In 1937, he married Barbara Ott, a teacher at the college. During World War II, he was an American Red Cross field director in Europe. While he was in Europe, his wife and infant son, Thomas, died.

He later worked for the U.S. Civil Service as superintendent of schools, and served in Scofield Base, Hawaii, Yokohama, Japan, Morocco, and Mountain Home, Idaho.

He retired in 1971 and had been living on the East Shore of Flathead Lake with two of his sisters.

He was born Oct. 28, 1900, in Barnsville, Minn., the second of nine children of Jacob and Johannah Rugland. The family moved to Iowa several years later, and to North Dakota when he was 8. He graduated from high school in Carpio, N.D., in 1918, and from Lutheran College in Decorah, Iowa, in 1922.

He was a member of Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork, and was a past secretary of both the

Flathead Cherry Growers Association, and the Flathead Retired Teachers Association.

Survivors include six sisters, Gilma Mather of Columbus, Ohio; Clara Rugland and Trudy Malone, both of Bigfork; Ruth Bakke of Yreka, Calif.; Esther Brekke of Big Timber; and Alma Read of Kalispell; two brothers, Gerhard Rugland of Minneapolis, Minn., and Walter Rugland of Appleton, Wis.; and a number of other relatives.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Friday at Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork with the Rev. Herb Knutsen officiating. Arrangements and cremation are by Weatherford Funeral Home & Crematory. The urn will be interred at Clear Lake, Iowa.

The family suggests memorials contributions to Immanuel Lutheran Home, or Bethany Lutheran Church. *11 Jan 1988*

Bess Ruby, 85

Bess Ruby, 85, of Somers, died in Immanuel Lutheran Home Friday morning. *26 Oct 1989*

She was born July 23, 1904, in Trimbelle, Wis., a daughter of Howard and Anna Cummings. She was raised with four sisters and two brothers. She graduated from high school in 1921, in Prescott, Wis.

She worked for seven years in the news dealer and circulation department of the Dispatch and Pioneer Press in St. Paul, Minn. On June 26, 1928, she was married to George W. Ruby in St. Paul. On their honeymoon, they went to Yellowstone Park, and then settled on the west shore of Flathead Lake near Somers in 1929. They lived in the same cabin for 57 years, where they raised three sons.

She enjoyed the outdoors and picnicking with her family. She was a member of the Methodist Church and served as secretary for the church board, president of the Women's Society, and as a Sunday school teacher. She was active in the Welfare Club, which raised money for worthy causes and helped needy families. She was also a member of the Lakeside Chapel. She enjoyed quilting and reading.

Mrs. Ruby worked as a salesperson in several Kalispell



firms from 1950 until her retirement from the Coast to Coast store in 1966.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George, on Jan. 6, 1972, and continued living in Somers, traveling with friends through Canada and the Southwestern national parks.

She was a resident of Immanuel Lutheran Home since April 23, 1985.

She was also preceded in death by two brothers, Leslie and Howard; and a sister, Myrtle.

She is survived by her three sons, Howard Ruby of Somers, Gene Ruby of Whitefish, and Bruce Ruby of Arlington, Wash.; three sisters, Stella Witzel of St. Paul, Minn., Carol McIntosh of Seattle, Wash., and Ida Loveland of Inverness, Fla.; six grandchildren, Randall, David, Jerry, Cheryl, Darrell and J.J. Ruby; five great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Monday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey, pastor of Lakeside Chapel, officiating.

Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens. Friends may call at Johnson Mortuary from 1-4 p.m. today for visitation.

The family suggests memorials be made to Immanuel Lutheran Home or the Lakeside Chapel.



Photo By Rick Hull

A DIVER POINTS OUT the location of Larry Running Crane's submerged car, as sheriff's deputies

and search and rescue volunteers ponder the best route for winching the vehicle out of the depths.

Car found; Running Crane's death presumed accidental

Died - 14 May 1988

Flathead County authorities said Tuesday evidence now indicates Larry Running Crane of Browning "most likely drove in the river and drowned," rather than having met death by foul play as was suspected earlier.

Monday evening the 1971 white Dodge Dart Running Crane was driving when he disappeared May 14 was pulled from the Flathead River near the Old Steel Bridge just east of Kalispell. The vehicle, on its side in about 20 feet of water, was spotted by Jim Phillips, a local resident who was on the bridge looking for fish.

An autopsy conducted earlier on Running Crane reported cause of death was inconclusive and evidence could not determine whether he drowned but did indicate he was not shot or beaten. His blood-alcohol level was .20 percent; by law, a driver is presumed intoxicated at .10.

Five divers from Flathead

Search and Rescue Association helped retrieve the vehicle, with assistance from Ferron and Sons Wrecking. The car, about 20 yards off the shore, was on the south side of the bridge.

Running Crane, 21, was reported missing by his family after leaving his girlfriend at a Kalispell area motel. He was last seen early May 14 at the Blue Moon bar near Columbia Falls.

Area law enforcement agencies and his family spent many hours searching for clues as to his whereabouts. The family contacted two psychics, one in Canada and another, Bertie Catchings, in Dallas. She maintained from the beginning that Running Crane was dead, saying foul play was a possibility.

Catchings also said that the car and victim were in the water, with Running Crane possibly under a log. On June 6, Jim and Penny Keller found Running Crane's body under a log jam near Foy's Bend in the river

in the Lower Valley area.

Catchings said she saw some boulders and a sign pointing out a route. Flathead County Sheriff Chuck Rhodes said detectives were able to locate the path taken by Running Crane's vehicle as it left the road and entered the river. It went over some large rocks in an area signed as a fishing access site.

Divers said the window on the driver's side was down, the windshield had popped out, the key was in the ignition and the vehicle was in "drive." The sheriff said the damage to the vehicle and its position in the river were consistent with what would happen in an accident.

County Attorney Ted Lympus said today, "It appears from all the evidence that Larry Running Crane did drown. The evidence of the path of the car, the facts from the autopsy and the other evidence indicates, he probably had been drinking and drove off the road into the river. There is nothing to indicate foul play was involved."