

Ellen Josephine Berlinger, 56

Ellen Josephine Berlinger, 56, died as a result of a car accident on Sept. 20, 1998, at Clearwater Junction on Montana 200.



She was born June 27, 1942, in Great Falls, to Melvin E. and Irene M. Ferguson. She was raised and received her early education in Billings, graduating from high school there. She married Frank Weikal in 1961 and they had two sons, Rick and Roy. She later divorced Frank. She moved to the Flathead Valley around 1980, where she attended Flathead Community College. She met Charles Berlinger and they were married on Feb. 19, 1983. He had four children: Bonnie, Colleen, Marleen and John.

She served with honors in the Woman of the Moose organization and was honored by receiving the

Senior Regent of the Year in 1997. She worked five years for Windward Place, helping the older people and the handicapped, whom she loved. Ellen will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

She was preceded in death by her father and husband and is now survived by three sons, Rick Weikal, Roy Weikal and Shane Berlinger, all of Kalispell; her mother, Irene Ferguson of Kalispell; a sister, Ruth M. Kohlenberger of Helena; a brother, Roy E. Ferguson of Billings; four step-children and seven grandchildren.

Memorial services for Ellen Josephine Berlinger were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, 1998, at the Little Brown Church in Bigfork. Burial was at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell. The family suggests memorials be given to Windward Place, 245 Windward Way, Kalispell, MT 59901. Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

1998 Leah Caroline Bertsch, 90

Leah Caroline Bertsch, 90, died Saturday, June 6, at Pioneer Nursing Home in Big Timber.

She and her late husband, Emanuel, were regular attendees of Evergreen Alliance Church in Kalispell, and lived at 1490 Highway 2 East, for several years.

She is survived by a daughter, Helen, and son-in-law Duane, of Big Timber; granddaughters Kimberly

Chavez, of Springdale, Vicki Stevenson, of Big Timber, and Audrey Pierson, of Brusett; great grandchildren Brooke, Douglas, Erica Chavez and Tori Stevenson.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Emanuel and by seven brothers.

A graveside service was Tuesday, June 9, at Glacier Memorial Garden in Kalispell.

30 June 1998 George I. Best, 72

George I. Best, 72, died Tuesday, June 30, in the evening at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He was born October 31, 1925 in Deer Park, Washington, to George and Lilly Best. He was raised and educated in Deer Park.

He worked as a laborer on the Grand Coulee Dam in Washington and later on a sheep ranch for two years. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1943 to 1946.

He worked as a iron worker for 20

years until he was disabled in 1976. He had worked at the Columbia Falls Aluminum Plant for nine years and had lived in Columbia Falls for about 11 years.

There are no known surviving members of his family.

A graveside service was held Monday at the Montana Veterans Home Cemetery in Columbia Falls with military graveside honors and services by the V.F.W. members.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls was in charge of arrangements.

Linda Betzman, 98

Linda Betzman, 98, died Wednesday morning, July 8, 1998, at the North Valley Extended Care in Whitefish.

She was born Sept. 13, 1899, in Coleman, Texas, to Henry and Augusta Kriegel. She attended Sweet Home School, a two-room school in Rowena, Texas, and later attended Sequim Junior College.

She was born and raised in Texas. She was very proud of her Texas roots. She worked on her family's cotton farm with her six siblings.

As a young woman, she moved to Whitefish, where she met and married William Hutchison in 1925. They later divorced. She was married to Hans Betzman in 1939, in Whitefish.

She was a true homemaker and loved to cook and bake and was well-known for her cinnamon rolls and cookies. She loved to play pinochle with friends and enjoyed baking for her grandchildren. She always greeted friends with a "howdy" and a big smile.

She was a member of Christ Lutheran Church and a Lady Fireman.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Hans, in 1982; three sisters; three brothers; a stepson, William Hutchison; and a great-grandson, Troy Robinson.

She is survived by a son, Allen Hutchison and his wife, Martha, of Reno, Nev.; a daughter, Ann Marie Allen and her husband, Mike, of Columbia Falls; a stepdaughter, Jean Wallman Coffee of Greenbrae, Calif.; a sister-in-law, Augusta Kriegel of San Angelo, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. The Rev. Darrell Newby will officiate. Burial will follow in Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

1998 Rose V. Binns, 76

Rose V. Binns, 76, of Columbia Falls, died Monday morning, Feb. 9, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

She was born Feb. 18, 1921, in Bismarck, N.D., to Anton and Caroline Hoerner. She contributed a lot of hard work to the family while growing up. She helped in the fields as well as in the house.

The family lived in the Bismarck area during her early childhood. They later moved to eastern Montana in search of better farming conditions.

When she was 16, the family relocated to the Flathead Valley and farmed near Columbia Falls.

On Nov. 22, 1939, she married Jim Binns, whom she had met at a community dance.

They lived in several places before settling in Alameda, Calif. They lived there for 27 years before she returned to Montana.

She always worked to help supplement the family income and had done many types of work through the years.

She worked at Van Aken Gardens, was a cook in the logging camps, and plucked turkeys for a local process-

ing plant. She was not a stranger to hard work.

Her hobbies were playing cards and flower gardening.

She was a member of St. Richard's Catholic Church and was a dedicated supporter of the Right-to-Life cause. Her most memorable event was meeting Mother Teresa, who greeted her with a big hug.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Jim in 1982; and 13 brothers and sisters.

She is survived by two daughters, Gloria J. Binns and Mary A. Binns of Columbia Falls; three sisters, Regina Weiland and Helen Weiland of Columbia Falls, and Ida Weiland of Whitefish; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A rosary will be recited today at 7 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. Mass of the Christian burial will be Friday at 11 a.m. at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Charles Strom will officiate.

Burial will follow in St. Richard's Catholic Cemetery in Columbia Falls. Visitation will be today until 7 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

Walter Vincent Black, 68

Walter Vincent Black, 68, died Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1998, at St. Patricks Hospital in Missoula.

He was born April 12, 1930, in East St. Louis, Mo., to Vincent James and Josephine Black. He was raised in East St. Louis, where he attended schools, graduating from Assumption High School in 1948. After high school he enlisted in the Army where he served for two years.

After serving in the Army, he moved to Los Angeles, where he attended college. He worked as a technical engineer for GTE of California until his retirement.

He moved to Montana in 1988. He was an avid photographer, hunter and loved fishing. One reason he moved to Montana was his great love of the wilderness and Montana's beauty. He had traveled extensively for many years throughout the Middle East and Europe.

He was a member of the National Rifle Association and Dance Montana.

He was preceded in death by his father, Vincent James Black, and his stepfather, John A. Morosky.

He is survived by his mother, Josephine Morosky, of St. Charles, Mo.; sister Dolores L. Stark of St. Charles; brother Ronald J. Morosky of Orlando, Fla.; sister Deanna J. Rickert of St. Louis, Mo.; brother Russell Black of Pleasanton, Calif.; sister Barbara Mendenhall of Palm-dale, Calif.; numerous nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grand-nephews and cousins.

Viewing will be from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, with burial to follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Norma D. Blades, 71

Norma D. Blades, 71, died Sunday evening, April 12, at her home in Columbia Falls.

She was born May 1, 1926, in Minnesota to Edward and Eva Hiltunen. She was raised and educated in Minnesota. She moved to Columbia Falls in 1955.

She was married to Don Blades on Sept. 21, 1957 in Columbia Falls. He died in 1986. They owned and operated the Canyon Hotel and Bar for several years.

She enjoyed high school sports, especially basketball and bowling. She also greatly enjoyed her grandchildren.

She was a member of the V.F.W. Auxiliary and the Eagles.



She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother and her husband, Don.

She is survived by her daughter and her husband, Lori and Les Grilley of Columbia Falls; a son and his wife, Kurt and Dawn Blades of Whitefish; five grandchildren, Heidi Grilley, Jesse Grilley, and Jeremy Grilley of Columbia Falls, Kyler Blades and Logan Blades of Whitefish; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be today from 1 to 8 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary. A funeral service will be held Thursday at 11:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Columbia Falls with the Rev. Ray Davis officiating. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery.

The family has suggested that memorials be made to the Columbia Falls High School Athletic Endowment Fund.

Elizabeth Ann Blake, 75

Elizabeth Ann Blake, 75, of Union, Maine, died on Aug. 11, 1998, while visiting her daughter, Nancy Blake, of Columbia Falls. A resident of Union, she made numerous visits to her home state of Montana to visit her daughter, extended family and friends.

She was born in Helena, on June 28, 1923, to Joseph Henry and Marion Bowman Fisher. She attended Helena schools graduating in 1942. After her nursing training at Montana State University in Bozeman, she did her practical nursing at Deaconess Hospital in Great Falls.

She then entered the Navy where she met and married Lawrence Blake of Union. Following their honorable discharge they moved to Union, where they raised six children.

She worked as a nurses aide in several convalescent homes, retiring after 20 years at the Rockland Convalescent Center. Since her retirement, she was active in the Thompson Memorial Volunteer Association, most recently as a driver for the sight impaired speaker.

She was a member of Easter Star

and the Methodist Church of Union. She recently celebrated her 75th birthday with a big birthday celebration hosted by her children and their families.

She was preceded in death by her parents; infant brother and sister, Leonard and Margaret; sister Joan Malicote of Kalispell; and her former husband, Lawrence Blake.

Survivors include her sons, James A. and wife, Josie, of Topsham, Maine, Edward J. and wife, Jean, of Union, John M. and wife, Dawna, of Union; and daughters, Marie and Robert Hurtig of Owls Head, Maine, Nancy Blake of Columbia Falls, and Ruth and Gene Kirkpatrick of Union; 10 grandchildren and one great-grandson. She is also survived by her sisters and their husbands, Mildred and C. Al Hadcock of Billings, Grace and Bill Wieferrich of Kalispell, as well as numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be Friday at Johnson Mortuary Chapel at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt of Epworth United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will take place at a later date in Union.

Jonathon Earl Blumer, 76

Jonathon Earl Blumer, 76, died of lung cancer Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1998.

He was born Sept. 14, 1921, in Terry to John and Frances Sterr Blumer. He started at a young age working to help the family during the depression.

At age 12, he was a farm hand. In 1936, the family moved to Kalispell and he helped his father on long hauls back to Wolf Point, with fruit and vegetables from the valley.

He graduated from Flathead High School and enlisted in the Army Air Corps. He was in the India Burma Raid in Word War II.

After his discharge, he drove logging trucks and then began his mechanic career. He married Mary Saska of Great Falls, and helped raise her two daughters, Betty and Phyllis. Mary preceded him in death.

Later he married Barbara Boetcher and moved to Kalispell. She passed away 1994. He started his own business, Jon's Electric, and also worked for Coca Cola, Fun Beverage and various loggers during his lifetime. Now he leaves his loving partner Helen.

He is survived by his loving part-

ner, Helen, of Kalispell; three step-daughters, Phyllis Hulquist of Spokane, Betty Chester of Great Falls, and Patricia Seamans of Helena; six brothers, Benjamin Blumer and wife, Peggy, of Yuma, Ariz., Clayton Blumer and wife, Jean, of Hayden Lake, Idaho, Eldon Blumer and wife, Ellen, of Lindsey, Calif., Larry Blumer and wife, Rose, of Columbia Falls, Harold Blumer and wife, Claudia, of Kalispell, and Richard Blumer and wife, Jennifer, of Visalia, Calif.; sister Blanche Garrett and husband, Monte, of Kalispell; also many nieces and nephews and friends.

Funeral services will be Monday at 2:30 p.m. at Gospel Light Baptist Church, with the Rev. Mark Watkins officiating. Burial will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery with military honors by United Veterans of the Flathead. Visitation will be Sunday from 1 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

The family suggests memorials go to Gospel Light Baptist Church, 1830 MT Hwy. 35, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

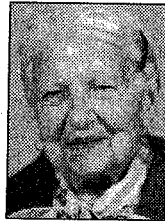
Maria Theresa Bock, 94

Maria Theresa Bock, 94, died Friday, Nov. 6, 1998, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born Jan. 18, 1904, in Rosenharz, Germany, to Georg and Marianne Kobach Bayer. She came to the United States in 1936 and married Joseph Bock. They farmed several places in the valley before purchasing a farm on Whitefish Stage in 1949.

In Germany, she cooked in a restaurant and was considered an excellent cook. Here she always had a large garden and preserved all of her fruits and vegetables. She always had beautiful flowers both inside and outside.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph, in 1974, a twin brother in infancy, four brothers and two sisters.



She is survived by a daughter, Juliana Hellman, and husband, Philip, of Kalispell; two granddaughters, Janet Hellman of Orange, Calif., and Lorraine Moulton and husband, Daniel, of Draper, Utah; one great-granddaughter and one great-grandson.

Visitation will be at Johnson Mortuary today until 6 p.m. with a vigil service at 7 p.m. in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel. A Mass of Christian burial will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Whitefish, with the Rev. Charles Roman as celebrant. A committal service will follow at the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial gifts be given to St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, P.O. Box 128, Whitefish, MT 59937.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

William W. Bodendick, 76

William W. Bodendick, 76, of Whitefish, died Thursday, Dec. 10, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He was born Oct. 11, 1922, in St. Louis, Mo., to Jim and Evila Cullett. He worked on the Libby Dam until his retirement in the 1970s.

He is survived by his wife Lucile of Whitefish; son David of Eureka; two daughters; stepchildren, Maxine Meyers of Whitefish, and Richard Berg of Columbia Falls; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

No services are planned at this time. Arrangements are by Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

William J. 'Bill' Bosley, 92

William J. "Bill" Bosley, 92, died on Tuesday, Oct. 13, 1998, at his home in Hot Springs.

He was born Jan. 6, 1906, to Jack and Fern Bosley in Stocket. He moved to Columbia Falls, when he was 12 years old.

As a youth he went to work for Henry Good taking care of the logging teams. When he became an adult he was the toploader for sleigh hauling. He remained in the logging industry all his life and worked for Lum Owens Logging and John Slack Logging until he retired at the age of 75 years old. He also had the privilege of riding the last log drive down the Stillwater River to Somers Lumber

Company. He spent his retirement years in Hot Springs.

He is survived by his wife of the family home, Lucille; three daughters, Arlene Lapp and Betty Norris, both of Portland, Ore., and Carol Ann Irby of Snohomish, Wash.; son Robert Bosley Sr. of Kalispell; brother, Lawrence Holden of Medicine Hat, Alberta; numerous grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Preceded in death by sons, Dean Corbett and Jerry Bosley; brothers, Glen Holden and Joe Bosley; sister, Nellie Taylor.

Graveside services will be held at Glacier Memorial Gardens, Saturday, at 2 p.m.

James J. Bottomly, 69

James J. Bottomly died Jan. 8, 1998. He was 69 years old.

He was born in Chinook in 1928, and grew up in a family of nine children. The family moved to Helena, where he attended high school. He was appointed to the Naval Academy and served in Korea. He later received his law degree from The University of Montana.

As well as running a ranch in the Gallatin valley, his law work took him all over the world and the United States.

He loved to travel and easily made friends wherever he went. He retired to the family cabin on Lake McDonald, where all were always welcome at "The House by the Side of the Road."

He is survived by his son, Ray-

mond Victor Bottomly III of Vashon Island, Wash.; daughters, Nikki Anne DeRelle of Seattle, and Jennifer Gene Bottomly of Helena, and her fiancé, Doug O'Looney, and his daughter, Kate; sister Elizabeth; and brothers, Gene, Richard, Forbes and Heath. In addition, he leaves behind an extended family of nieces and nephews; their children; and a multitude of friends that were considered part of his family.

His good humor, generosity, and intelligence will be greatly missed.

A memorial service will be held this summer at the family cabin on Lake McDonald. Cremation has taken place.

Memorials are requested to be sent to the Forever Wild Endowment, P.O. Box 83, Helena, MT 59624.

Fred V. Boulware, 69

Fred V. Boulware, 69, passed away Sunday, Jan. 25, 1998, at his home in Kalispell.

He was born June 8, 1928, in Ft. Lupton, Colo., to Fred and Maude Boulware. He graduated from North High School in Denver, Colo.

He married Lois Van Oosten in 1956, in Denver. They moved to Montana in 1979.

He is survived by his wife, Lois, of

Kalispell; two daughters, Carol Schulz of Kalispell, and Claudia Krall of California; brother Jim Boulware of California; sister Cheri La Chance of Kalispell; and three grandchildren.

Private family services will be held at a later date.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory in charge of arrangements.

Robert Paul Bowers, 42

Robert Paul Bowers, 42, of Polson, died April 11, 1998, as the result of an airplane crash in a remote area east of Kalispell.

He was born in Evanston, Ill., on Feb. 7, 1956, the son of Richard and Florence Bowers. He attended elementary and secondary schools in Evanston and DeKalb, Ill., before moving to Montana with his parents in 1974. He graduated with honors from The University of Montana in Missoula in 1979, earning degrees in business/finance and economics.

He then took a position in the financial reporting department of the Montana Power Company in Butte. On June 17, 1981, he married Jo Ann Marrinan in Missoula and continued residing in Butte until December 1982, when he accepted a position with Security State Bank and Trust Company in Polson.

He loved the Flathead Valley for its beauty and ideal environment for raising a family. He truly cared for the community and people of Polson. At the time of his death, he was vice president and cashier of Security State Bank. He also was a member of the bank's board of directors since 1993. In addition, he was active in the Montana Independent Bankers and served as a director of the Communi-

ty Bankers of Montana. He was treasurer for the Polson Community Development Association and a past member of the Polson Country Club Golf Board.

His favorite pastime was spending time with his family. The joys of his life were his wife, Jo Ann, and their children, Katherine, 15, and Jessica, 11. He enjoyed golfing, boating, camping, downhill skiing, and was an avid Montana Grizzlies and Chicago Bears fan.

His father preceded him in death in 1996.

Survivors include his wife, Jo Ann, and daughters, Katherine and Jessica, at the family home in Polson; his mother, Florence, of Lake Forest, Ill.; two sisters, Lesly of Columbia, S.C., and Janet Slater of Missoula; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and many special in-laws.

Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Polson with the Rev. Gary Reller officiating. Burial will be at a later date in Lake View Cemetery.

Grogan Funeral Home is handling arrangements. Memorials may be made in his name to the Polson City Library Memorial Fund or to a charity of choice.

Kelsey W. Bradley, 85

Kelsey W. Bradley, 85, died Monday, March 23, 1998, at his Kalispell home.

He was born in Glasgow on Aug. 8, 1912, to William I. and Hattie L. Somers Bradley. He moved with his family to Kalispell when he was 11 years old and attended school.

He served in the National Guard and was a veteran of the Navy Seabees during World War II, where he served in the South Pacific.

In 1948 he was married to Evelyn DeLong in Waite, Maine.

A skilled woodworker and carver, he was a carpenter by trade. He began building houses in the Kalispell area prior to World War II. He was a proud member of the Carpenter's Local 911 for over 50 years.

Besides his interest in woodworking, he was an avid hunter, fisherman, birdwatcher and all-around nature lover.

He spent countless hours along the banks of the many lakes and rivers of the Flathead Valley where his skills



were evident in the number of fish he caught, smoked and shared with family and friends.

We will always remember him as a kind and gentle man, large in stature and heart, yet modest and unassuming. His quiet friendliness and sense of humor was endearing to all who knew him, especially to his family who loved him so much.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Keith, Elmo and Phillip Bradley.

He is survived by his wife Evelyn; sister-in-law, Velma Bradley of Kalispell; and nieces and nephew, Diane Pelech of Kalispell, Joan Stahlberg of Lake Oswego, Ore., David Bradley of Billings, and Janis Vandelaar of Anchorage, Alaska, and their respective family members.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday at Johnson Mortuary & Crematory, with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt of Epworth United Methodist Church officiating.

The family suggests that memorials be made to Hospice or the Epworth Methodist Church Daycare Center.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Lois Brann, 78

Lois Brann, 78, died Friday, Feb. 13, 1998, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born Aug. 8, 1919, in Butte, to E.J. and Grace McCollum. She grew up in Great Falls, graduating from Great Falls High School in 1937.

After high school she attended the University of Montana for five years, becoming a registered dietitian. She interned in Cincinnati, Ohio, where she met her husband, Dr. Joe Brann. They were married on Jan. 4, 1943.

They moved to Kalispell in 1949. Dr. Brann opened an obstetrics practice along with general medicine. She received her teaching certificate and

taught home economics at Flathead High School. They moved to Helena in 1960, returning to the Flathead Valley in 1966.

She was a talented artist, enjoyed sewing and was an excellent cook. She was a lifetime member of the PEO.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

She is survived by four sons, Steve of Centerville, Ohio, Phil of Wilmington, Ohio, Doug and Joel, both of Kalispell.

Memorial services are planned for a later date. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of arrangements and cremation.

Donald Jerome Brannen, 60

Donald Jerome Brannen, 60, a Whitefish resident, died Tuesday, Sept. 22, 1998, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born Jan. 30, 1938, in Brooklyn, N.Y., to John and Margaret Brennan. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was self-employed as a window cleaner.

Visitation will be 1 to 6 p.m. Friday at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. Mass of the Christian burial will be 10 a.m. Saturday at the St. Charles Catholic Church in Whitefish, with the Rev. Charles Roman officiating. Burial will follow at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Larry Bresciani, 71

Larry Bresciani, 71, died at his home in Hungry Horse on Nov. 11, 1998.

He was born April 7, 1927, in Pittsburgh, Pa.

He was a veteran having served in the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Army.

He owned and operated a diesel repair shop and an excavating business in California.

He is survived by his wife, Marjeanne, of Hungry Horse, two daughters, a stepson, and one brother.

He was preceded in death by a brother.

Lester O. Brewer, 81

Lester O. Brewer, 81, died Friday, Feb. 27, 1998, at his home in Bigfork.

He was born March 6, 1916, in Mercer, Mo., to Frank and Adeline Snelling Brewer. He married Virginia Vaughn on Dec. 24, 1938, in King City, Mo.

He graduated from Princeton High School in Princeton, Mo. He attended Northwest Missouri State Teachers College in Marysville, Mo., and graduated with a bachelor's degree in education in 1938. He received a master's degree in education administration from the University of Wyoming in Laramie, Wyo., in 1948.

He worked as a school administrator and teacher for 40 years. He taught school in Missouri, South Dakota, Wyoming, Alaska, Idaho,

and Montana. He moved to the Bigfork area after his retirement in 1977.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Janice and Evalee; and his daughter, Janice Posnien.

He is survived by his wife Virginia; a son, Jim Brewer of Bigfork; daughter Judy Wilson and her husband, John, of Bigfork; grandsons John Wilson and his wife, Kimberlee, of Sacramento, Calif., James Wilson and his wife, Annette, of Columbia Falls; granddaughter Jennifer Cumming and her husband, Dennis, of Bigfork; and three great-grandchildren.

He requested to be cremated and no public services be held. Bigfork Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

George G. Brittingham, 83

George G. Brittingham, 83, died Monday, Dec. 7, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born May 27, 1915, in Summit, N.J., to Peter Taylor and Anna Hall Brittingham.

He graduated from school in New York City, then married Joy Hege-
nauer on April 16, 1939, in Long Island, N.Y.

He worked as a transit cop for the subway and then for the fire department until he was drafted in 1943. During the service, he was an aviation electrician in Alameda, Calif., receiving an honorable discharge in January 1945. After the service, he returned to the fire department in



New York until he retired in 1968.

After retirement, he traveled all over the U.S., settling in Kalispell in 1995.

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

He is now survived by his wife, Joy, at the family home in Kalispell; two sons, George Brittingham of Port Angeles, Wash., and Tom Brittingham of Bozeman; three daughters, Patricia Torres and husband, Lou, of Oxnard, Calif., Laureen Lennox and husband, Charles, of Ventura, Calif., and Joan Favre of Kalispell; also eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at the Montana Veterans Home Chapel in Columbia Falls, with the Rev. Chrysta Bourne officiating with burial to follow at Soldiers and Sailors Cemetery in Columbia Falls. Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory

Gary D. Brod, 47

Gary D. "Country" Brod, 47, died Sunday, Feb. 8, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

He was born April 3, 1950, in Nebraska City, Neb., to Dwight and Dorothy Mae Brod.

He moved to Montana in 1982, because he loved the outdoors so much. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He also loved to go backpacking and was a very accomplished gunsmith.

He was a very easygoing, likable person who made friends easily. He loved people and would do anything for you if you were his friend.

He was preceded in death by his

grandfather and his mother, Dorothy, who he adored.

He is survived by his father, Dwight, of Auburn, Neb.; a daughter, Jennifer Pinar of Castle Rock, Colo.; two brothers, Rand Brod of Evergreen, Colo., and Rex Brod of Maryville, Mo.; a grandmother, Anna Brod of Princeton, Mo.; and his companion, Helen Klemz of Kalispell.

Local services are pending. He has been sent back home to Auburn, to be buried next to his mother Dorothy at the Grant Evergreen Cemetery in Talmage, Neb. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.

1998 William M. Brodhead, 67

William M. "Bill" Brodhead, 67, of Hungry Horse, died Monday afternoon, Jan. 5, at his home in Hungry Horse.

He was born Nov. 25, 1930, in Fairview, to Marcus and Dorothy Brodhead. He married Darlene F. Yadon on Oct. 4, 1956, in Sidney.

He worked as a millwright for Plum Creek Lumber until his retirement.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; a son; one brother; and two sisters.

Survivors include his daughter; a brother; a sister; two grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A funeral will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Patrick Pierce of the Lion Hill Baptist Church will officiate. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Visitation will be today from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Columbia Mortuary.

Lee Alfred Bronson, 74

Lee Alfred Bronson, 74, died Tuesday, Sept. 8, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born Dec. 17, 1923, in Great Falls, to Fred and Ida Jacobson Bronson.

He was raised in Neihart, and graduated from Neihart High School in 1943. He joined the service and served in World War II in the Medical Detachment #126th Anti-aircraft Artillery Battalion. He fought in the Battle of the Bulge. When he returned home he worked in the mines.

In 1958, he moved to the Kalispell area. He married Ardean F. Nelson on Aug. 31, 1960, in the Central Christian Church in Kalispell. He helped build Hungry Horse Dam, and the ARCO aluminum plant. He worked in the local saw mills and finally owned his own cleaning business.

He was a member of the Eagles and the Veterans.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, his cabin, planting trees and watching them



grow.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Jim and Eral Bronson.

He is now survived by his loving wife, Deanie Bronson, at their family home in Kalispell; two daughters, Tina Malkuch and husband, Steve, of Kalispell, and Connie Gabriel and husband, Rod, of Missoula; two sons, Jon Bronson and wife, Rose, of Columbia Falls, and Randy Bronson and wife, Charlotte, of Antioch, Calif.; two sisters, Eddie Kaps of Kalispell, and Betty Nebel and husband, Red, of Condon; three brothers, John Bronson of Kalispell, Vern Bronson and wife, Jessie, of Condon, and Ron Bronson and wife, Judy, of Kalispell; one granddaughter, Tia Capps; five grandsons, Chad Dukeshier, Ramon Capps, Jacob Gabriel, Stefan Malkuch, Chase Bronson and numerous nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Memorial services will be Friday at 10 a.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt officiating. A reception will follow the services at the Eagles in Kalispell at 11 a.m.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Colburn H. 'Cub' Brooke, 77

Colburn H. "Cub" Brooke, 77, died July 18, 1998, at Lake View Care Center in Bigfork.

He was born July 26, 1920, to Marie and Arthur Brooke. He grew up in Spring Valley, Wis. He received a bachelor's degree at the University of Wisconsin and a master's degree at the University of Iowa.

On April 9, 1946, he married Eileen M. Volk. The couple lived throughout Montana, with Cub serving as a school administrator and Eileen as a teacher in a number of Montana communities. They also lived and worked at Wellpinit, Wash.

He was awarded the Purple Heart and a Bronze star for service and valor during World War II. He served as

a staff sergeant in the 276th Army Infantry 70th Division.

He was preceded in death by his wife and one brother.

He is survived by a son, Chuck Brooke, of Scottsdale, Ariz.; a daughter, Shirley Best, of Bigfork; five brothers, four sisters and four grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held for the family at 11 a.m. Saturday at Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Missoula, with military honors by the Missoula veterans organizations.

The family request memorials to the Alzheimer's foundation, or charity of donor's choice.

Bigfork Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Betty Ann Brown, 68

Betty Ann Brown, 68, died Thursday, Nov. 12, 1998, at her home in Kalispell.

She was born Oct. 3, 1930, in Kalispell, to John Peter and Lena Catherine Kalwait Hansen. She was raised and educated in Kalispell, graduating from Flathead County High School in 1948.

She married Don Brown Feb. 14, 1986, in Idaho. She worked for the Forest Service for 16 years doing various jobs, her last being in timber sales.

She and her husband enjoyed traveling together within the country. She enjoyed spending time with her children and family gatherings and



her time at their cabin at the lake.

Some of her interests were gardening, being outdoors, fishing, boating, riding horses, RVing and doing needlework. She was a member of the Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by her parents and is now survived by her husband, Don, at the family home in Kalispell; three stepdaughters, Penny Scott, Gail Decker and Linda Blankenship; one stepson, Jim Brown; and one adopted son, Sam Schneider; one brother, James Hanson and wife, Jan, of Stayton, Ore.; one grandchild; and special friends, Bob and Maxine Domgard

No services were planned at this time. Cremation has taken place. Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

DONALD L. BROWN

On Tuesday, December 1, 1998 I witnessed the end of an era. At 5:05 A.M. I watched as my Dad gently slipped away into the arms of our Heavenly Father. He was seventy-eight years old and I wasn't ready to let him go.

Dad grew up during the depression, joined the Navy at sixteen. He came home from WWII as a decorated Navy Commando, met his three year old daughter for the first time, and met me nine months later. From my first breath we were not just father and son, we were friends.

My Father was the best friend I ever had, he raised me from the time I was a month old until he slipped away in my fifty-second year. From my earliest memories I can hear him telling me that he would be my best friend, but would first be my Father, and he always was, Father first, friend second.

When I was very young, he would work all day and walk the floors with me at night. He would tell me stories, sing to me, or just hum until I would fall asleep, then he would get what sleep he could until he would have to get up to go to work, then the cycle would start all over again. As I grew, we began hunting and fishing, working on cars, anything that would allow us to be together. We had a relationship that my other friends could only hope to have with their Dads. Not a day went by that my Dad didn't tell me he loved me. It wasn't until I was six or seven that I realized not all Fathers were like mine. I couldn't understand why every kid in town called him Dad, he was truly one of a kind.

I was nine when I contracted polio, it paralyzed my right side. My weight dropped, and the doctor said if I ever came out of it, I would always be smaller on that side, I remember Dad coming into my room every night to massage my right arm and leg to stimulate the muscles. Then he worked with me to exercise those same muscles as they came out of the paralyses so they would grow and become as strong as the left side. At fifty-two years old I still have no effects of the polio.

The last few months it was hard for him to get around, his body weakened by years of degenerative heart failure, but even then he was the strongest man I ever met. He was able to express his love and to show his love for his son. He left me a legacy to pass on to my two sons, a legacy of love born of strength. My Dad was always there when I needed him. I never wondered if he loved me. He showed me every day. I could talk to him about anything and knew it would never go any further. By his example, he taught me what my Heavenly Father is like. His last words were, "I Love you son, God Bless...". His life ended as my life had begun, letting me know he loved me.

He is survived by my Mother, my wife, two grandsons, and myself, but more than us he is survived by a legacy of love born out of strength. Goodbye Dad, I Love you, God Bless....

His Son

Tawnya Lynn Brown, 23

Tawnya Lynn Brown, 23, died Friday, Dec. 4, 1998, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home.

She is survived locally by her mother, Tina Brown of Kalispell.

A service is pending final

arrangements with Brundage Funeral Home in Dillon. Burial will follow in Lima. Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

George Herbert Bruce, 78

George Herbert Bruce, 78, of Columbia Falls, died Friday afternoon, Feb. 13, 1998, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

He was born July 1, 1919, in Great Falls, to George and Esther Bruce. He was raised and educated in Great Falls.

In 1941, he married Dorothy Olson in Stanford. They moved to Cut Bank in 1960, where he worked for the Cut Bank Gas Company.

After retiring in 1981, they moved to Hungry Horse, and in 1994, to Columbia Falls.

He served a Exalted Ruler of the Elks Lodge, No. 1632 in Cut Bank from 1972 to 1973.

He was avid bowler and loved to hunt and fish.

He is survived by his wife Dorothy at the family home in Columbia Falls; a daughter, Donna Samson of Whitefish; sons, Richard

Bruce and his wife, Sharon, of Missoula, and William Bruce and his wife, Rose, of Columbia Falls; sister Lois Cooper and her husband, Don, of Great Falls; brother Solon Bruce and his wife, Dora, of Oxnard, Calif.; grandchildren, Tammy Lennox of Billings, Bruce Samson of Peterson, Calif., Shelly Hobbs of Columbia Falls, Lorrie Jones of Spokane, Yancy Wyatt and Kathy Bruce of Missoula; and six great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Assembly of God Church, 738 3rd Ave. W. in Columbia Falls. The Rev. Darrell Newby will officiate.

The family has requested memorials be made to the America Lung Association or to the American Cancer Association.

1998 Gail Violet Bruch, 73

Gail Violet Bruch, 73, died Wednesday, Feb. 11, at Immanuel Lutheran Home.

She was born Oct. 17, 1924, in Kalispell, to Albert and Iola Chapman Loveless. Her parents were among the first settlers in Kila. They were in the timber and farming business.

Her father had a small sawmill and also was a blacksmith. Gail was fascinated with blacksmithing and enjoyed watching her father at work. She was youngest of four brothers and a sister.

She attended elementary school in Kila. That is where she met her husband — long before either of them were thinking of being grown-up and married. She completed her education at Flathead County High School.

She met Charles "Bud" Bruch at a Kila community gathering, years after they were classmates in school. They were married Aug. 2, 1941. They raised two girls, Vonnice and Janet. The family moved to Kalispell in 1963, residing in their West side home for over 30 years.

She worked at Woolworth's, waited tables at a restaurant in Libby and was cook at the Kalispell Mine. (Bud was a cook's flunky during this period.) She was treasurer for the city of Kalispell for 15 years. They traveled throughout Montana, enjoyed the hot springs of Canada and visited the Pacific Ocean.

Her hobbies included embroidery, knitting and crocheting. She loved a



good romance novel and enjoyed cooking her family big meals. She was a member of Central Bible Church. She taught third grade Sunday School and helped in the

church kitchen. She and Bud were active leaders in the Jet Cadets.

She was preceded in death by brothers Firman Loveless and Howard Loveless and sister, Alberta Freeman.

Survivors include her husband, in Kalispell; daughters Janet Elsass, of Kalispell, and Yvonne Perry, of Havre; brothers Lawrence Loveless, of Polson, and William Loveless, of Kalispell; four grandchildren, Debbie Miller, Cindy Willcut, Becky and Joseph Elsass and two great grandchildren, D. J. and Jake Willcut and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be 1-4 p.m., today, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel. A funeral will be 11 a.m., Monday, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel, Rev. Ronald J. Youde, of Central Bible Church officiating. Burial will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to the American Diabetes Foundation, PO Box 2411, Great Falls, 59403 or Immanuel Lutheran Home, 185 Crestline, Kalispell, or to the donor's choice. Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

Freda Evelyn Buck, 83

Freda Evelyn Buck, 83, died Thursday, Dec. 24, 1998, at the Heritage Place in Kalispell.

She was born June 10, 1915, in Alma, to Syver N. and Bertha Steen Fladmark. At the age of nine, she traveled to the Flathead Valley with her family, where they settled in the Kalispell area. During her childhood years, many summers were spent in Glacier National Park. She became very familiar with the mountains, lakes and valleys in the Park. Skiing on Buffalo Hill was also a great past-time in the winter, which was her favorite season of the year.

On June 8, 1935, Berl Buck swept her away to Polson, where they were wed. To this union, three children were born. The family spent a lot of time camping and fishing. Picking huckleberries was a passion for them, preserving many quarts every summer.

She spent all of her life living in various places in the Flathead Valley, enjoying life to the fullest. One of her greatest joys in life was the great outdoors. She will be remembered for her delicious homemade bread and buns, which were always made with lots of love and no recipe. The grandkids will always remember and miss her wonderful Norwegian lefse and



chocolate chip cookies.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, two brothers, her twin sister in infancy and an infant grandson.

She is survived by her three children, a daughter Marie Carda and husband, Chuck, of Kalispell, and two sons, Berl E. Buck and wife, Nyla, of Columbia Falls, and Clinton Buck and wife, Thora, of Sandpoint, Idaho; and a sister, Borgie Buck of Kalispell; seven grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, three step grandchildren, 12 step great-grandchildren and numerous other friends and relatives.

She was dedicated to her family and church as a devout member of the Seventh Day Adventist faith. She will be sorely missed by all of her friends and family.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 1 p.m. in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Fred Beavon officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family suggest memorial gifts be given to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1002, Kalispell, MT 59903 or to WINGS, c/o Radiation Therapy, Kalispell Regional Medical Center, 310 Sunnyview Rd. Kalispell, MT 59901 or to Camp Make A Dream, P.O. Box 1450, Missoula, MT 59806.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

1999 Clarinda Armanda Bryant, 82

Clarinda Armanda Bryant, 82, died Sunday, Feb. 15, at the Brendan House where she received excellent care for the past 7 1/2 years.

She was born Nov. 16, 1915, to Albert and Lena Poritz Kober at Ledger, where she received her education.

As a young woman, she moved to Conrad, where she worked at various restaurants. It was there she met and married Virgil Bryant on Aug. 10, 1940. They had three children. The family moved to the Flathead area in 1951.

She worked as domestic help throughout the valley until her retirement.

She was an avid music lover and dancer. She enjoyed playing cards and games with her friends and fami-

ly. Her fondest hobby was collecting red glassware.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Dora Moritz; and three brothers, Harold Kober, Walter Kober and Albert Kober.

Survivors include two sons, Richard and wife, Jean Bryant, of Oak Harbor, Wash., Kenneth and wife, Harriet Bryant; her daughter, Linda and husband, Gene Tredway, of Kalispell; two grandsons, James and Steven Bryant and two great-granddaughters, Tara and Laura, all of the western Washington region; two brothers, William and Harvy Kober of Conrad; and many nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place. At her request no public services are planned.

Jennie M. Bullock, 88

Jennie M. Bullock, age 88, died at the Immanuel Lutheran Home Aug. 2. She was born Aug. 6, 1909 in Monroe, Utah, the daughter of Carl A. and Eda Larsen Peterson.

Jennie's mother died when she was two years old and her father died when she was six. She was then raised by older sisters who kept the family together. She was the last survivor of 12 other siblings.

Jennie's family moved to Montana when she was 12, settling around Corvallis. She married Clarence Bullock May 11, 1935. Jennie worked at the Seed Co. in Hamilton several years and was active in the Relief Society of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. She moved to Kalispell in March of 1998 to be near her daughter.

Jennie was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence on Oct. 6, 1997. She is survived by her only daughter, Carol Curry and husband Chuck of

Lakeside; two grandsons, Chuck Curry and wife Chris of Kalispell and Scott Curry and wife Alyse of Ghana, West Africa; one great granddaughter, Jessica Curry of Whitefish; a devoted niece, Jean White, and a nephew, Dean Hyatt and wife Florence all of Hamilton; and numerous other nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Jennie M. Bullock will be at 2 p.m. Aug. 6 at the Hamilton Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints with Bishop Russell Hughes Officiating. Interment will follow at Riverview Cemetery in Hamilton. Visitation will be at 1 p.m. Aug. 6 at the Hamilton LDS Church until service time.

The family suggests donations be sent to the Home Options Hospice at 1280 Burns Way, Kalispell, Mont., 59901 or to the charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements are under the direction of Daly-Leach Funeral Home, Hamilton.

Dana J. Bunnell, 54

Dana J. Bunnell, 54, died unexpectedly at her home in Boise, Idaho, on Saturday, Jan. 24, 1998.

She was born on March 11, 1943, in Springfield, Ohio, the daughter of Jeane Elmira Browne Carter and David Wark Carter. She attended Jefferson and Snowhill Schools, Roosevelt Junior High and Springfield South High before graduating in the first class at the new North High School. In each school she was involved in many extracurricular activities, including musicals, choir, dance, cheerleading and highly organized pranks with Janie Hill.

By the time she was 7, she knew dance would be her career. She studied ballet, tap and modern dance in Springfield, Dayton and Columbus, Ohio, and, later, New York. She majored in dance at Butler University of Indianapolis, Ind., graduating in 1965. While at Butler she was a member of Delta Gamma Sorority. She accepted a position as instructor of dance at The University of Montana, and over the next nine years she turned a few classes into a full department division, offering dance as a degree major for the first time.

For several summers she choreographed productions at the Bigfork Summer Theater. She also earned her master's degree in theater at the University of Montana and was promoted to assistant professor.

Her high school sweetheart also happened to be a student at UM. David Lee Bunnell and Dana were married Sept. 10, 1966, in Springfield, Ohio. Throughout their marriage they loved and respected each other, were best friends and supported each other's professional and recreational pursuits. Their proudest achievement lives was their three children, Derek, Douglas and Andrea Jeane.

In 1974, she and her husband opened Dana's Dance and Sportswear. When her husband's promotion moved them to Kalispell in 1985, she worked as a job developer and market researcher with Flathead Industries.

Later, she was employed at Vocational Resources, Inc., as a rehabilitation counselor.

In 1995, her husband's transfer took them to Boise, Idaho, where she worked for Boise State University as program coordinator for the Women in Transition Program and, independently, as a vocational expert witness



for Social Security hearings until her death. Throughout her career she had been a contributing member of numerous local and statewide professional associations in the fields of dance, education, business and rehabilitation counseling.

Dear to her heart were the Flathead Booster activities and the Unclub in Kalispell, a group of friends who met for togetherness, laughter and great food.

Her family and friends enjoyed her zest for living, her strength of character, her generosity, her perseverance and her reputation as a stand-up friend. We also knew and loved her for her wonderful laugh, gracious entertaining, cheering her children in all of their activities and always looking great when no one else would even try.

She was preceded in death by her parents, David Wark and Jane Browne Carter, and both maternal and paternal grandparents.

She is survived by her husband, David; a daughter and son-in-law, Andre Jeane and Christopher LePiane; two sons, Derek Lee and Douglas Bitner; and a granddaughter, Madison Jeane, all of Missoula, and two sisters, Jennifer Ann Carter, Missoula, and Kathleen Leslie Bundy and her husband, Bill, of Heath, Ohio; an uncle, Bitner Browne and his wife, Dorothy, of Springfield, Ohio; cousins, Franklin Gilbert Browne, M.D. and his wife, Linda, and Dale Ann Browne Compton, all of Spokane; and numerous other cousins, her beloved parents-in-law, Richard and Betty Bunnell of Springfield, Ohio; sisters-in-law and their husbands, Suzie and Joe Leffel and Pamela and Jack Amundson; nieces and nephews, Kelly Bundy Hart, David Spencer Bundy, Michael Jason Bundy, Beth Ann Ployhar, Michelle Rakish and Zachary and Rachel Amundson.

A memorial celebration will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 300 E. Main St., Missoula, with the Rev. Steve Garnaas-Holmes officiating. There will be a reception at the church immediately following the services.

Local arrangements under the direction of Summers Funeral Homes, Boise Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial may be made to the Missoula Children's Theater, 200 Adams, Missoula MT. 59802.

There are no words to express how greatly her family and friends will miss her love.

Mary Angyal Bunyak, 72

Mary Angyal Bunyak, 72, of Kalispell, died on Dec. 31, 1998, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center after a long and courageous fight with renal cell carcinoma.



She was born to Mike and Mary Angyal on July 21, 1926, at the family homestead west of Milk River, Alberta. She spent her childhood on the family farm and attended John Joe's School in District 1-17.

On Jan. 28, 1946, she married Woodrow Bunyak in Sunburst. They farmed north of Cut Bank until their retirement in 1982. In 1988, they moved from Cut Bank to Echo Lake. Her illness forced them to move to Kalispell in 1997.

She will be remembered for her culinary expertise, her passion for bowling, and her love of bridge. She loved her extended family, and above all else, she loved and took care of her husband and all her girls.

She was preceded in death by her

father in 1981, and mother in 1986.

Surviving family includes her husband, Woody, at the family home; her daughters, Sandi and husband, Ted Harke, of Columbia Falls, Marlene and husband, Bill Doyle, of Great Falls, Rita and husband, Rod Graham, of Kalispell; granddaughters are Tawnia Harke and husband, Bill Hedge, of Columbia Falls, Sonja Harke and husband, Shane Steele, of Spokane, and Lisa and Jill Graham of Kalispell; three great-granddaughters, Ariel and Olivia Hedge and Shelby Steele; two brothers, Steve Angyal and his wife, Helen, and Mike Angyal and his wife, Marion, of Milk River, Alberta, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork on Monday at 1:30 p.m. Private graveside services have taken place.

Donations may be made to Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork, or The Kidney Cancer Association, Suite 203, 1234 Sherman Avenue, Evanston, IL 60202-1375.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

E. LeRoy Bunyea, 60

E. LeRoy Bunyea, 60, of Kalispell, died from a heart condition Saturday, July 25, 1998, while working at his home.



He was born Oct. 9, 1937, to Vernon C. and Grace Buck Bunyea in Kalispell. He attended school in the Flathead Valley. He was raised in the Flathead and continued to live in the valley until his passing. He was married to Delores J. Pilon Bunyea on Jan. 19, 1963, in Idaho.

He was an avid fisherman and hunter. He also enjoyed camping. He and his wife always enjoyed doing things together.

He worked in the woods for about

nine years and then with the Flathead County bridge crew until his retirement in 1993.

He was preceded in death by his father, Vernon Bunyea, and his stepson, Michael.

He is survived by his wife, Delores in Kalispell; son Reed McFadin of Escondido, Calif.; mother Grace Hellen of Bigfork; brothers, Vern of Kalispell, Eugene of Bigfork, and Melvin Bunyea of Santa Maria, Calif.; sister Nancy Fryer of Kalispell; along with numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Glacier Memorial Gardens. The Rev. Ron Pierce will officiate. At the request of the deceased there will be no public viewing.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Verna B. Burgess

June 16, 1932 - October 9, 1998

In celebration of the life of our mother:

"My mother's best advice to me was: "Whatever you decide to do in life, be sure that the joy of doing it does not depend upon the applause of others, because in the long run we are, all of us, alone."

.....A. MacGraw

Your presence shall remain in our hearts, as we think of you often and with love.

The children of Verna Burgess:

John and Sharon Burgess, Kalispell, MT
Donna and Steven Worden, Fairbanks, AK
Kathy Crawley, Eldon, MO

Verna was a long time resident of Kalispell and passed away after a lengthy illness in Jefferson City, MO where she had resided for the past two years. She was preceded in death by her husband, Sheridan Burgess, in 1995. Verna is survived by her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren; a brother Harold Maxwell of Lathrop, CA, a sister Ruth Waldon of Tacoma, WA, and many nieces and nephews.

Blanche Elizabeth McNulty Burgher, 89

Blanche Elizabeth McNulty Burgher, 89, died Thursday, Sept. 3, 1998, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born Jan. 14, 1909, in Coulterville, Ill., to Arthur and Carrie McNulty. She graduated from Marissa High School in 1927.

She married Mark N. Burgher on Jan. 28, 1933, in Hematite, Mo. They lived in Coulterville, until 1936, when they moved to Oak Park, Ill. In 1940, they moved to Villa Park, Ill.

In 1950, she went to work at the parent offices of Sears and Roebuck Co. as an auditor. She retired in 1969. She and her husband moved to Ocala, Fla., in 1969, and over the next 15 years they visited all 48 contiguous states and Canadian provinces.

In 1990, they moved to Whitefish, where they lived with their daughter, Ann. In 1995, she moved to Buffalo Hills Terrace and in 1997, she moved into Immanuel Lutheran Home.

She joined the United Presbyterian Church of Coulterville, as a young woman. She was a 70-year member of the Royal Neighbors.

She and her husband spent many happy hours in their extensive flow-

er gardens. She excelled in many kinds of needlework and was an avid quilter. One of her quilts "Depression Prints" was chosen to be included in a book compiled by the Florida Quilt Heritage.

She was preceded in death by her parents; son Mark Arthur in 1934; daughter Cary Rose in 1937; her only sister, Thelma Rednour in 1997; and her beloved Mark in 1990.

She is survived by daughters Ann Tarr and her husband, Bill, of Whitefish, June Whyte and her husband, George, of Naperville, Ill.; a son, John N. Burgher and his wife, Pam, of Posen, Ill.; grandchildren, Mark Tarr and his wife, Yvonne, of Columbia Falls, Warren Tarr and his wife, Leslee, of Melbourne, Fla., Bob Krenzel and his wife, Veronica, of Schaumburg, Ill., Charles Burgher and his wife, Debbie, Joe Burgher and his wife, Gayle, Cary and Susan Burgher, all of Illinois; great-grandchildren, Allyson and Aric Tarr, Katarina and Connor Tarr and Kyle and Joshua Burgher.

Private family services will be held. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory in charge of arrangements.

Gerald Francis 'Jerry' Burrell, 83

Gerald Francis "Jerry" Burrell, 83, of Kalispell, died in the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls on Sunday, Feb. 22, 1998.

He was born May 23, 1914, in Dunkirk, Mont., to Gabriel and Fern Burrell. When he was 10 years old his family moved to Kalispell, where he attended elementary school and high school. He then spent some time in the CCCs.

He spent three years in the U.S. Navy and was then in the National Guard for two years and three months, when their unit was deployed to active duty in World War II. He served with the 163rd Infantry in the Asiatic-Pacific theatre. He was honorably discharged from the Army as a First Sergeant in 1944.

On Oct. 3, 1945, he married Lois Gleason. He worked for the U.S. Postal Service until his retirement in 1977. He attended the First Church of the Nazarene of Kalispell.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Marshall; and a daughter, Kathleen Wendland.



He is survived by his wife Lois at home; son Daniel Burrell of Billings; two daughters, Sharen Weaver of Columbia Falls and Nancy Snook of Coram; four sisters, Doris Williams of Kalispell, Elva Ulrich of Dongola, Ill., Marjorie Taylor of Bellingham, Wash., and Maxine Wesp of Anoka, Minn.; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He had many good qualities, including his sense of humor, his love for animals, his compassion and generosity and his love for his family. He loved fishing and growing a big garden and going to horse races. He will be greatly missed by us all.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. L. Guy Nees officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery with military honors being conducted by the Flathead United Veterans Organization. Friends may call at the Johnson Mortuary for visitation from noon until 6 p.m. on Wednesday and from 9 a.m. until noon on Thursday.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

Arthur E. Bundrock, 80

Arthur E. Bundrock, 80, of Libby, died Tuesday, July 14, 1998, at his home in Libby from natural causes.

He was born Sept. 14, 1917, at Britton, S.D., to William and Sara Hall Bundrock. He attended school at Lake City, S.D.

He enlisted in the U.S. Army on March 14, 1942, and was honorably discharged on Oct. 5, 1945. He married Helen Denton on June 12, 1948, at Boisvert Camp on McGregor Lake. They lived in Kalispell for 10 years before moving to Libby in 1957.

He worked for W.R. Grace for 20 years retiring in 1977. During their retirement they spent the winters in Yuma, Ariz. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last month.

He enjoyed cards, working in the yard, making movies, watching the grandkids play sports, traveling and watching the Cubs play ball.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers; one sister;

and one granddaughter.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Bundrock, of Libby; son Bill and his wife, Kathy, of Battle Mountain, Nev.; four daughters, Donna Greenup and her husband, Jim, of Spokane, Mary Righter and her husband, John, of Troy, Robbin Redman and her husband, Dave, of Troy, Cindy Bundrock of Chandler, Ariz.; two sisters, Florence Tisher of Olympia, Wash., Iris Hindman of Kalispell; 10 grandchildren, Connie and Dustin Greenup of Spokane, Shawn, Rod, Heidi, and Holly Righter, Stacy Bundrock of Billings, Ryan and Bob Bundrock of Battle Mountain, Denton Redman of Troy; nine great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be Friday at 11 a.m. at the Christian Church in Libby. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 today at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Libby. Local arrangements are by the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Eleanor Laurretta Butt, 82

Eleanor Laurretta Butt, 82, of Hungry Horse, died Thursday, May 14, 1998.

She was born March 28, 1916, in Berkeley, Calif., to Charles and Chloe Straube.

She married John K. Butt on April 8, 1937. They lived in Whitefish before making their home in Hungry Horse.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her husband, John, in Hungry Horse; daughters, Laurretta Werner of Columbia Falls, and Lana Winegar of Denton, Texas; sons-in-law, Bill Werner and Skip Winegar; grandchildren John and

Dawn Werner, Lisa Constenius, Betty and Tony Salminen, all of Columbia Falls, Barbara Branthoover, Thomas Winegar and Diane Winegar, all of Denton, Texas; great grandchildren Justin and Zachary Davis, Jonna Werner, T. J. Pajnich, Kelly Ray, and Timmothy Constenius, and Nichole and Melissa Branthoover.

The funeral service was held Monday.

The family suggests memorials be made to Our Saviors Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 2770, Columbia Falls 59912.

Arrangements are by Columbia Mortuary.

Irene Eloise Stinson Butterfield, 74

Irene Eloise Stinson Butterfield, 74, passed away Saturday, Jan. 10, 1998, at her home in Kalispell.

She was born Dec. 6, 1923, in Brady, to Ernest and Nettie Stinson. She attended schools in the Brady area, graduating from Brady High School in 1941.

She enlisted in the Navy in 1943 and served for four years. After being discharged, she attended secretarial school in Great Falls for two years.

She married Fred E. Butterfield on Oct. 15, 1946, in Kalispell.

They made their home in Ferndale ever since, except for five years they lived in Seattle, in the early 1950s.

She worked as a secretary for Marshal Murray for several years, then for the Conrad National Bank. They wintered in the Needles, Calif., area for about a dozen years before her husband passed away.

She loved her trips to Las Vegas and especially to Laughlin, Nev.



When she was younger, she skied, and she refused to be a golf widow so she took up the sport of golf and loved it. She also loved to play cards and was an avid fisherman.

One thing she will always be well-known for was her independence, right up until her passing away.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Fred; and two brothers, Clifford and Louis Stinson.

She is survived by four daughters, Judy Young of Tallahassee, Fla., Bernice Mellem of Kalispell, Linda Cole of Bigfork, and Susan Butterfield of Kalispell; son Gary Butterfield of Bigfork; brother James Stinson of Conrad; and six grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at 3 p.m. Friday at the Little Brown Church in Bigfork, with the Rev. Ron Pierce officiating.

The family request in lieu of flowers donations be made to the Dialysis Unit at Kalispell Regional Medical Center or Home Options Hospice in Kalispell, MT. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of arrangements and cremation.

George 'Corky' Buzzard, 63

George "Corky" Buzzard, 63, died on Saturday, June 27, 1998, at his home in the Foothills of Yuma, Ariz.

He was born on June 1, 1935, in Saco, to Marion and Esther Buzzard. He was raised and received his education in Polson.

He married Helen Haser on Dec. 4, 1970, and they made their home in Kalispell for 27 years. They have resided in Yuma for one year.

He is survived by his wife, Helen, of Yuma; his mother, Esther Pinkerman, of Polson; his brother, Mick Buzzard, and sister-in-law, Nona, of Yuma; a son, Mike, of Las Vegas; and a daughter, Linda, of Phoenix; and three grandchildren. There are also four stepchildren, Pat of Cataldo, Ida-



ho, Teresa of Locust Grove, Ga., Al of Kent, Wash., Mike of Missoula; and nine stepgrandchildren.

He had worked four years at a sawmill in Missoula and then managed an exterminating company in Las Vegas for four years. He then returned to Kalispell, where he worked for Eddy's Bread Co. as a driver/vendor until his retirement in 1988. He also worked in carpentry and enjoyed working with wood in his shop.

He accepted Christ as his savior in 1980 while living in Kalispell. He has been a member of Foothills Assembly of God since moving to Yuma.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, at Foothills Assembly of God located at Foothills Blvd. and 41st Street. The Rev. Rick Sailors will officiate. Arrangements are by Sunset Vista Funeral Home of Yuma.

Rodney Joe Bybee, 40

Rodney Joe Bybee, 40, died on Saturday Jan. 3, 1998, as the result of an automobile accident.

He was born on July 31, 1957, the son of Joseph M. and Myrna



Pritzkau Bybee in Sandpoint, Idaho. He received his education in Thompson Falls, graduating from high school there. During his high school years, he was a member of the state championship football team and was the first state champion wrestler at Thompson Falls. He later attended junior college on a wrestling scholarship.

After college he worked odd jobs and joined his father and brother in the logging business. In 1988, he moved to Kalispell, where he met his wife. On January 20, 1989, he married Tamah Ann Butchart in Kalispell.

He enjoyed chess, golf, water skiing and billiards.

He excelled in and met any challenge with enthusiasm. He expressed himself with actions, not words. He will be remembered by his family for his devotion to his family and unselfish attitude in work, family

and play.

He is survived by his wife, Tamah Bybee, and two children, Ryan and Whitney Bybee, all of the family home in Kalispell; his parents Joseph and Myrna Bybee of Kalispell; two brothers, Ron and his wife, Barb Bybee, of Missoula, and Roger and wife, Tammy Bybee of Kalispell; sister Joanne and husband, Jack Eggensperger, of Darby; maternal grandparents, R J. "Red" and Henrietta "Toots" Pritzkau of Seattle, Wash., and paternal grandmother, June Randall of Hot Springs; two nephews, B.J. Bybee of Missoula, and Curtis Eggensperger of Darby; four nieces, Sarah Bybee of Missoula, and Heather and Heidi Bybee of Kalispell, and Christina Eggensperger of Darby; and numerous other relatives.

Friends may call at the Johnson Mortuary for visitation from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday at the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Kevin O'Neil of St. Matthew's Catholic Church officiating. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to any organization that benefits children's charities.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.