

Grace Gladys Hellen, 86

Grace Gladys Hellen, 86, died Monday, Oct. 19, 1998, at the Heritage Place in Kalispell.

She was born Nov. 8, 1911, in Kalispell, to Stephen Walkley and Jennie Welch Buck. She was one of 15 children.

She lived most of her life in the Flathead Valley. She spent a period of time as a fire spotter at a lookout in Big Prairie and was a cook at Hennesseys for many years and also at the Hacienda and Frenchy's.

In 1929, she married Vernon Bunyea. They had five children. They lived in the Swan River area until 1944, when they moved the family to Creston. They were divorced in 1960.

In 1963, she married Daniel Hellen and they remained in Creston, where she continued to enjoy fishing, sewing and working with her flowers and crafts. She remained at her home



in Creston until 1992, when she suffered a stroke. After her rehabilitation in the Kalispell Hospital she moved to Lakeview Care Center in Bigfork. She lived there until Oct. 1 of this year when she moved to Heritage Place in Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two husbands, one son, 10 brothers, and one sister.

She is survived by three sons; Vernon Bunyea and Eugene Bunyea of Kalispell, and Mel Bunyea of Miami, Fla; one daughter, Nancy Fryer of Kalispell; three sisters, Ardeth Hanson and Ethel Wagner of Kalispell, and Ruby Shaw of Auburn, Wash.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. Friday at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Ron Pierce officiating. Burial will follow at the Creston Cemetery in Creston. There will be viewing from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Wednesday at Johnson Mortuary.

The family suggests memorials be sent to the charity of the giver's choice.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Ernest Helseth, 77

Ernest I. Helseth, 77, of Kalispell, died in the Kalispell Regional Medical Center on Saturday, Jan. 31, 1998.

He was born Sept. 11, 1920, in Creston, to Ivar and Esther Helseth. He had attended Smith Valley Elementary School and was a graduate of the Flathead County High School. On April 6, 1940, he married Doris Brumbaugh.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the South Pacific. He returned to Kalispell and was a real estate salesman for Harry Hoiland. He built the Jet Oil Company and worked there for several years.

He was manager at Stockton Motors for a time before returning to real estate sales. He continued to remain semi-active in the real estate sales business.

He was preceded in death by his

parents; one daughter; two brothers; two sisters and one half brother.

He is now survived by his wife, Doris, at home; two daughters, Dolores Ivers of Kalispell and Judy Schleining of Puyallup, Wash.; four grandchildren, James Ivers in Florida, Julie Evers of Columbia Falls, Theron Langel of Puyallup, Washington and Tara Langel of Cornelius, Ore.; two great-grandchildren, Jessica Ivers of Columbia Falls and Brianna Ivers in Florida as well as many nieces, nephews and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday in the Stagecoach room at the Outlaw Inn.

Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Irene R. Henricksen, 81

Irene R. Henricksen, a resident of Kalispell, died Saturday, Feb. 28, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center of natural causes.

She was born Sept. 21, 1916, in Drake, N.D., the daughter of Hans and Nellie Moen. As a young girl she moved with her parents to the Flathead Valley where she was raised and educated.

After graduating from Flathead County High School she was employed as a retail sales clerk for Montgomery Ward's and Woolworth's. In 1939, she married Lawrence Kositzky in Kalispell. They lived and worked in both Helena and Laramie, Wyo., and then moved back to the Flathead Valley after the war.

Early in 1947, they purchased Worminger's Variety Store (later known as Torberts) in Whitefish. They ran the store until her husband's death in 1972.

She moved to Kalispell in 1974, and was employed in the women's apparel department of the Kalispell Mercantile and married Carl Jacobson, who preceded her in death in 1986.

In 1989, she married Howard Henricksen. Their love of travel took

them overseas to Norway, France and several trips to Canada. They made many trips to Arizona and California for family visits. They had just returned from California and Arizona at the time of her death.

She is survived by her husband Howard at the family home in Kalispell; son Larry Kositzky and wife, Joey, of Whitefish; daughter Lorraine Bickerstaff of Thousand Oaks, Calif.; brother Burton Moen and wife, Gwen, of Kalispell; sister Alice Ford and her husband, Robert, of Kalispell; two granddaughters, Beckie Berenger and her son, Brendan, of Thousand Oaks, and Bree Martin of Whitefish; four nephews.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Norman and Orville Moen.

Visitation will be 4-8 p.m. Tuesday at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. Funeral services will be 4 p.m. Wednesday at the Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish with the Rev. John Bent officiating. Burial will follow at the Whitefish Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to the Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish.

Jennifer Cherish Henderson, 26

Jennifer Cherish Henderson, 26, died Tuesday, May 5, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

She was born March 24, 1972, in Great Falls, to Kenneth and Marlys Ridley Henderson. She received her early education in Great Falls and graduated from high school in the Flathead Valley. She attended the University of Montana graduating in 1995, with a degree in psychology and sociology.

She married Todd Cardin Aug. 15, 1993. They were later divorced in 1996.

She had a long term history of working with the underprivileged, at Westmont, with the Big Brother and Sisters, at the Sinopoh Home for emotionally disturbed children and co-director of the childrens' program at the Violence Free Crises line.



She loved animals, photography, music, crafts and also had a love for children. By her request her organs were donated to help others.

She was preceded in death by her father, Kenneth Henderson in April 1976 and is now survived by her mother, Marlys Henderson of Kalispell; one sister, Tara Sherman of Whitefish; one brother, Joel Henderson of Great Falls; her grandmother, Connie Matthews of Great Falls; and was loved by her aunts; Donna, Michelle, Debi, Cherise, Kara, Sharla and her uncles, Jack, Mike, and Richard.

Memorial services will be at 5 p.m. on Thursday at the First Presbyterian Church in Kalispell with the Rev. Noe Gomez officiating. Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Memorials may be made to the Violence Free Crisis Line, Childrens' Program.

Mary Mina Henderson, 77

Mary Mina Henderson, 77, died Saturday, July 25, 1998, at her home in Kalispell.

She was born May 13, 1921, in Cortez, Colo., to John and Ann Elliot Tibbets. She lived her early years in Cortez.

She later moved with her husband to Texas, where they raised their family. She then moved to Alaska where she lived for 20 years; she also owned and operated a convenience store in the Palmer area for numerous years. She later moved to Vale, Ore., for three years to be close to her family. In 1986, she moved to the Flathead Valley.

She enjoyed ceramics, bowling and square dancing. She truly thought the world of her family, along with being a very loving mother and



grandmother.

She also belonged to St. Matthew's, Moose, Eagles, and Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Ann Tibbets; three sons, Roy Wayne, Ronald, and Donald Smith; three brothers; and a sister.

She is survived by two daughters, Mary Lou Roofe of Payson, Ariz., and Darlene Michlig and her husband, Jim, of Kalispell; three sons, Jim Smith and wife, Linda, of Vale, Ore., Terry Henderson and his wife, Lorie, of Vale, and Tony Henderson and his wife, Jean, of Kalispell; also 13 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

A mass of the Christian burial will be held on Thursday at 10 a.m. at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. The Rev. Kevin O'Neill of St. Matthew's will celebrate the Mass.

A committal with inurnment will be held at Heart Cemetery in Booker, Texas, later. Arrangements and cremation are by Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Roger F. Hendrickson, 58

Roger Ford Hendrickson, 58, a Lake Helen, Fla., and Whitefish resident, died Thursday, Aug. 13, 1998, at North Valley Hospital.

He was born in Danville, Ken., to William and Lucille Hendrickson. He married Carol E. Barcosky on May 20, 1988, in Florida.

He was a licensed medical technologist ASCP.

Survivors include his wife Carol, three sons, a daughter, and a granddaughter.

Funeral services will be in Florida later. Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish is in charge of local arrangements.

The family has suggested that in lieu of flowers memorials be made to the National Rifle Association.

1998 Russell Dean Hendron, 43

Russell Dean Hendron, 43, died Friday, April 17, at his home in Ferndale.

He was born July 1, 1954, in Santa Barbara, Calif., to Charles and Gladys Hendron. He worked for 12 years as a fire-fighter for the Forest Service.

Local survivors include his wife, Debra Hendron, of Ferndale, and stepson Brice Tidrick, of Ferndale.

Cremation has taken place. Ashes will be buried in Oregon. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Joel Duane Heuscher, 16

Joel Duane Heuscher died on Tuesday, May 5, 1998. He suffered a fatal head injury in a pole vaulting accident.

He was born at Kalispell Regional Hospital in Kalispell on Jan. 29, 1982, to Larry and Sandy Heuscher. He attended Kalispell schools, beginning with Kathy Wilson's preschool, followed by Edgerton Elementary School and Linderman in the seventh grade. He was presently a ninth grader at the Kalispell Junior High School. He attended Sunday School and was confirmed at Northridge Lutheran Church.

He was a very well known and well liked teenager in the Flathead Valley. He was a gifted athlete and very active in sports.

His healthy competitive spirit was an asset to every team he played on — it was always a bonus for his friends to be on Joel's team.

When he was younger he was involved in the soccer program and played PeeWee baseball. After graduating to Babe Ruth baseball, one of his accomplishments included a state championship on the All Star team. As a quarterback for his football team last fall he led them to many victories.

He loved basketball and often could be found shooting and dunking in his driveway — or during the season, playing on a freshman basketball team. Most recently he excelled at track by taking first place in the pole vault at the freshman meet in Missoula.

He also loved outdoor activities, including hunting and fishing with his mom and dad, and brothers Lance and Michael.

He had a special place in his heart for his parents, his aunt Cindy and his brothers, Lance and Michael, who all shared in his life to the fullest.



Many were touched by his smile and pleasant nature and enjoyed his company. He will be missed by countless individuals, young and old, but he will not be forgotten.

He will continue to live on for many years to come in the hearts of those who knew and admired him and the ones who received his donated organs. The world is a better place for having Joel Heuscher be with us for his 16 years.

He is survived by his parents, Larry and Sandy Heuscher; his beloved brothers, Lance and Michael; grandparents Betty and Duane Bitney, and Stan and Evie Heuscher; and great-grandmother Lula Claridge, all of Kalispell; and many uncles, aunts and cousins.

The public is invited to share in a Celebration of Life at Flathead High School on Friday at 4 p.m.

Memorials can be sent to Kid's Sports at P.O. Box 1205, or dropped off at Glacier Bank in the name of Kid's Sports.

Frederick Louis Henkel, 87

Frederick Louis Henkel, 87, died Tuesday, Oct. 20, 1998, at the Lost Dutchman Adult Care home in Apache Junction, Ariz.

He was born in April 4, 1911, to Edward and Clara Henkel in Colby, Wis.

He worked as a glass glazier and was a veteran of World War II. He married Julia Mahneke on Aug. 9, 1949, in Vancouver, Wash. They lived in Salt Lake City and moved to Montana in 1950. In 1982, they moved to Apache Junction.

He was a member of Epiphany Lutheran Church.

He is survived by his wife, Julie, of Apache Junction; nieces Eleanor Yaranon and her husband, Galo, of Seattle, Carol Schrade and her husband, Karl, of Kalispell, Nadine Kepler and her husband, Gerald, of Arizona; nephews, Henry and Omar Henkel, also of Arizona; and many great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister and three brothers.

Graveside services will be held Saturday at 10:15 a.m. at the Conrad Cemetery, with the Rev. Darold Reiner officiating.

Leonard Hiebert, 59

Leonard Hiebert, 59, died on May 14, 1998, at his home in Whitefish.

He was born Jan. 4, 1939, in Dresden, N.D., to Abraham and Margaret Hiebert. He retired from Stoltze Lumber Company in Columbia Falls.

He was preceded in death by two brothers.

Survivors include a daughter, Tracey Hiebert of Whitefish;

three sons including Mike and his wife, Rene, and Roger and his wife, Michelle, all of Whitefish; seven grandchildren; three brothers, Jack and wife, Iva, Glenn and Jim Hiebert, all of Whitefish; two sisters including Delores and husband, Jack Fish, of Whitefish; and several nieces and nephews.

Private memorial services will be held at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell.

Michael David Mundy Hicklin, 42

Michael David Mundy Hicklin, 42, died Friday, May 1, 1998, in Kalispell.

He was born Jan. 30, 1956, in Hamilton, to John Grant Mundy and Marilyn Warburton Mundy Hicklin. He received his early education throughout Montana. In his early years he had a natural athletic ability and he loved baseball and basketball.

His love for nature and the mountains took him into the forestry service, until an injury changed his direction. He enjoyed working on vehicles, woodworking and making jewelry.

His gentle manner, kindness and generosity will be forever remembered by his loving family and close friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, John Grant Mundy and stepson Earl Pritchett.

He is survived by his estranged wife, Merisha; his three children, Josephine Hicklin and Daniel Hicklin of Browning; and stepson Joshua Pritchett of Kalispell; his mother, Marilyn Hicklin and husband, Theo, of Fairmont, Alberta; brothers and sisters, Patricia Omsberg and husband, Norm, of Texas, Doug Hicklin and wife, Lynette, of Phoenix, Ariz., Karla Erickson and husband, Tim, of Rosebud, Alberta, Holly Hicklin and husband, David Drexler, of Nanaimo, British Columbia, AJ Hicklin of Calgary, Alberta; and numerous nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

Services will be held Friday at 1 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt of Epworth United Methodist Church officiating.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

1946 Fred F. Hill, 87

Fred F. Hill, 87, died Sat., Feb. 7, in Greenfield Hospital in La Jolla, Calif., several hours after surgery.

He was born Aug. 8, 1911, in Garfield County, Mont. In 1936, he married Grace Trimble.

He worked for Exxon Oil Company for 35 years. He worked in various areas, including Cut Bank, Colorado, and Wyoming. They retired to Woodsbay in 1978, where they spent six months each year and six months in Hemet, Calif., where they had a home.

They had 42 years of good companionship, enjoying life to the fullest. They enjoyed dancing, traveling, entertaining, and visiting their many friends.

His son and daughter were his joy. He was always so proud of them and

he had a good relationship with them.

He is survived by his wife Grace; a son, Jim of Wyoming; a daughter of California; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; brother Floyd of Roundup; sister in Olympia, Wash.; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by three brothers; and one sister.

He will be missed so very much by his family and many friends.

Cremation has taken place.

Memorials may be sent to the charity of one's choice.

Cards and letters may be sent to Grace Hill at 800 W. Community College Dr., No. 59, San Jacinto, CA 92583.

Merle L. Hill, 86

Merle L. Hill, lifetime resident of Kalispell, died Feb. 15, 1998, at the Heritage Place.

She was born June 11, 1911. She was the wife of the late Harry E. Hill.

She was a homemaker and worked for several years at the Vacationer Motel.

She is survived by her son, Gary R. Hill of Tallahassee, Fla.; one sister, Pat Brenna of Seattle, Wash.; one granddaughter, Heather Floyd of Norcross, Ga.; one grandson, Gary A. Hill of Tallahassee; and one great-granddaughter, Sommer Floyd.

Private family services were held.

Lillian Hines, 85

Lillian Hines, 85, died Saturday July 25, 1998, at the Lake View Care Center in Bigfork.

She was born April 15, 1913, in Peoria, Ill., to Mr. and Mrs. John Biunkele.

No services are planned here. Burial will be at Golden Cemetery in Golden, Colo., next week.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Roger E. Hjelseth, 63

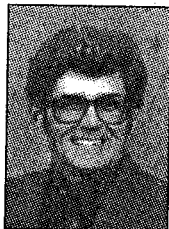
Roger E. Hjelseth, 63, died April 4, 1998, at his home in Kalispell.

He was born July 6, 1934, in Carrington, N.D., to Martin and Olga Johnson Hjelseth. He attended school in Devil's

Lake, N.D., and graduated from high school in Carrington, N.D. It was also in Carrington that he met and married Rose E. Nysted on June 6, 1954.

He worked in Carrington for Everson Auto Supply as a partsman and spent 23 years as an outside salesman for Palmer Brothers Auto Supply.

He was preceded in death by his



parents and wife, Rose.

He is now survived by three daughters, Meg Wallace of San Luis Obispo, Calif., Becci Conforti of Elverson, Pa., and Jennifer Dewitz of Post Falls, Idaho; three grandchildren, Shaun, Shayna, and Johl Wallace all of San Luis Obispo.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 12:30 p.m. at Faith Free Lutheran Church with the Rev. Stephen Snipstead officiating. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

The family suggests memorial be given to Faith Free Lutheran Church.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

1998 Cora Ann 'Cookie' Hoerner, 49

Cora Ann "Cookie" Hoerner, 49, of Columbia Falls, died Thursday, Feb. 5, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center, after a courageous three-year battle with cancer.

A rosary will be recited 7 p.m., today, at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls. Mass of Christian Burial will be 10 a.m., Monday, at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls, Rev. Charles Strom officiating. Burial will follow at St. Richard's Catholic Cemetery.

Viewing will be 1-7 p.m., today, at Columbia Mortuary.

The pallbearers will be sons Mark and Tony, Chris and Brett Parmenter, Vic and Art Schroeder. Honorary pallbearers will be all her relatives and friends.

She was born Aug. 29, 1948, to Arthur and Delia (LeClaire) Smith at Belcourt, N. D. She was raised and educated in Belcourt.

She moved to Columbia Falls in 1975, where she met Gerald Hoerner. They were married on July 24, 1976. They raised a combined family of six children.

She worked as a clerk-manager of a local convenience store for several years. She finished her working career as a transporter in the purchasing department of Kalispell Regional Medical Center from 1987 to 1995. She was a member of St. Richard's Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a step-brother, Paul Smith.

She is survived by her husband, Gerald, of Columbia Falls; son Tony Hoerner, of Kalispell; daughter Rene' Hoerner, of Columbia Falls; stepsons Mark Hoerner, of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Gerry Hoerner of Columbia Falls; step-daughters Theresa Coleman, of Colorado Springs, and Sherri Dunnington, of La Mesa, Calif.; six grandchildren; sisters Theresa Thomas, of Rolla, N. D., Sharon Allard, of Belcourt, N. D., and Jeannette Azure, of Valley City, N. D.; brothers Melvin and Vincent Smith, of Belcourt, N. D., and Arthur Smith, of Puyallup, Wash. and a step-brother Frank Smith, of Lacey, Wash.

Alice L. Hoiland, 98

Alice L. Hoiland, 98, died Monday, Jan. 26, 1998, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born May 3, 1899 in Milford, Iowa to A. Howard and Myrtle Cross Layton. The family moved from Milford to Kenmare, N.D., when she was an infant and later lived in Joplin, Havre, and Rochelle, Ill. She graduated from Havre High School in 1916, and moved to Kalispell, where she became interested in business as a career.

She worked at Imperial Dry Cleaners and then the First National Bank before attending the University of Washington. Trained as a legal secretary, she was employed for 12 years at the law firm of Cooper, Stephenson & Hoover in Great Falls.

On Sept. 29, 1929, she married Ernie Hoiland of Kalispell. The couple continued to live in Great Falls until March 1938, when they moved back to Kalispell and purchased a farm in the LaSalle area. They had two children who died in infancy before they adopted a son, Bill.

In Kalispell, she was employed by the Montana Soldier's Home until 1947. Later she worked at the law

firms of Rockwood Sykes; Rockwook & Murray; and at Ken's Realty.

She was a member of the Soroptimist and Toastmistress Club and also the Kalispell Golf Association for many years. She was very active in the Assembly of God Church, where she played the piano and arranged flowers for services regularly. She loved to play bridge.

She lived at Heritage Place for two years before moving to Immanuel Lutheran Home on Feb. 27, 1995, where she lived until the time of her passing.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Ernie, on June 13, 1970; a son and a daughter in infancy; one son Bill on Aug. 13, 1978, and is now survived by five nieces and nephews and a daughter-in-law, Nadine Hoiland of Wilsonville, Ore.

Graveside services will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell, with the Rev. R. D. Ross officiating. Visitation will be Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

31 Jan 1998 **Edward 'Boone' Holt, 84**

Edward "Boone" Holt, 84, died Saturday at Heritage Place in Kalispell after a long illness.

He leaves his wife of 56 years, Lorraine.

He was born Feb. 4, 1913, in Chicago, to Charles and Marie

Mons Holt.

Other survivors include his son Mark; daughter Lisa; and four grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place and no services are planned. Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Dennis Holden, 55

Dennis Holden, 55, died Tuesday, Sept. 8, 1998, at his home in Kalispell, following a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born Nov. 7, 1942, in Kalispell, where he resided most of his life. He graduated from Flathead County High in 1960. He loved the game of baseball and spent much time playing during his childhood, through adolescence and into his college years.

In 1964, he received his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Montana, where he also completed graduate school in 1966. He then spent four years serving in the United States Navy before returning to U of M for one more year, earning a teaching certificate.

One of his greatest passions in life was Glacier National Park where he worked on the road crew for most of his adult career. He loved the Park. He had great interest in and profound knowledge of the history of the Going-to-the-Sun Highway.

Other interests that characterized



him were his love of books, gardening, cooking, Grand Prix auto racing, and music. He enjoyed many kinds of music, but was particularly fond of bluegrass and folk. He was known to strum a few songs from time to time on his banjo and though his audiences were usually small, they were always pleased as he was quite an accomplished player.

Above all was the joy he found in spending time with his four children, Erin, Sean, J.C., and Jennie, of Martin City, who survive him along with his parents, Alfred "Bud" and Dorothy Holden, and his brother, Ronald, all of Kalispell, and former wife, Marion Foley, of Martin City, and many friends.

There will be an informal gathering of family and friends to celebrate his life and remember our experiences with him at the outdoor pavilion in Lone Pine State Park (located Southwest of Kalispell) on Saturday at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, an account has been established to benefit his children. Donations may be made at the Columbia Falls branch of Glacier Bank.

Cremation and arrangements are by Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory.

Robert W. 'J.R.' Holder, 74

Robert W. "J.R." Holder, 74, of Eureka, died Thursday July 16 at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

Survivors include two sons, Michael and his wife Jan of Wenatchee, Wash., and Robert Wayne and his wife Colleen of Duvall, Wash.; two daughters, Lin-

da Sue of Burien, Wash., and Barbara May of south Seattle; a sister, Lucille Payne of Eureka; and several grandchildren.

Services will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Eureka. Arrangements are by Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

Gertrude A. Holman, 90

Gertrude A. Holman, 90, died Sunday, March 1, 1998, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born March 11, 1907, in West Plains, Mo., to Joseph and Rosa Lee Downing. When she was 5 years old she moved with her family to Hanford, Calif. She married Frank Eugene Holman on Nov. 11, 1923, in Armona, Calif.

She was the first professional seamstress for J.C. Penney in California at the age of 17. She loved people and ran a rest home for 20 years in Hanford. She loved quilting and had made many, many beautiful quilts for her family over the years.

She will be remembered most for her wonderful wit and lovely sense of humor. She had a very big heart and would much rather have given than received. She loved and adored her grandchildren and all of her

nieces and nephews and the rest of her family. She will be missed by not only her family but everyone that knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Frank Eugene Holman; two minor children; three brothers; and one sister.

She is survived by a daughter, Betty "Lois" Brown of Bigfork; a son, Douglas Holman of Shalamar, Fla.; a sister, Wanda Willbanks of Soquel, Calif.; a granddaughter, Linda and her husband, Jay Bottin, of Bigfork; a grandson, William Brown and his wife, Sue, of Lynchburg, Va.; four great-grandchildren; and 14 nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Lonepine Cemetery with the Rev. Gary Morton of Swan Chapel officiating. Bigfork Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Charles Holly Jr., 85

Charles Holly Jr., 85, of Fortine, passed away Tuesday morning, Feb. 3, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls, where he had resided since 1996.

He was born Oct. 20, 1912, at Mud Creek near Fortine, to Charles and Ana Stacia Holly. He attended school at Grave Creek and Eureka, and graduated from Lincoln County High School in Eureka. He farmed until entering the Army in 1941. He served in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater until

his discharge in 1945. He returned to the Fortine area where he farmed near Fortine until his retirement.

He was active in the V.F.W. and marched in their parades even during his later years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Ana Stacia Holly; two sisters, Annie Hughs and Mary McDonald; and a niece, Fay Clark.

He is survived by his nephews, Roy Hughes of Snohomish, Wash., and Leo McDonald of Kalispell; nieces, Lily

Todd of San Diego, Calif., and Julia Wilson of Auburn, Wash.; and numerous great-nieces and nephews.

Viewing will be from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday at the First Church of God in Eureka. A funeral service will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at the First Church of God. Burial will follow in the Tobacco Valley Cemetery near Eureka with military graveside honors provided by the V.F.W.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is in charge of arrangements.

Joyce E. Holmquist, 60

Joyce E. Holmquist, 60, died April 30, 1998, in Spokane.

Survivors include her husband, Robert "Bob" Holmquist, of Spokane; sons and daughters-in-law Robert and Arolene Holmquist, of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Darrell and Linda Holmquist, of Nye, Darrick and Connie Holmquist, of Silverton, Idaho; daughter and son-in-law Kathryn and Bill Braid, of Spokane; stepmother Verna Baucke, of Downey, Idaho; sisters and brothers-in-law Arlene "Kathy" and Marty Martin, of Spokane and Jackie and Butch Prescott, of Glendive; grandchildren Justin, Nathan, Darren, Anthony, Kenneth, Tina, William, Felecia, and Darrick, along with many nieces and nephews.

She was a lifetime resident of Spokane, but spent eight years in Kalispell. She was a member of I.O.F. in Spokane and was active in Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, at Hennessey Funeral Home, 1315 N. Pines Road, Spokane. Rev. Clark Peterson will officiate.

The family prefers memorials be made to the American Cancer Society, 900 N. Maple, Spokane, Wash.

Mildred M. Holliday, 87

Mildred M. Holliday, 87, a Whitefish resident, died at her home on March 2, 1998.

She was born May 8, 1910, in Yakima, Wash., to Isaac and Billie Prue.

No services are planned at this time.

Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish.

Alexander James Holyk, 35

Alexander James Holyk, 35, died Sunday, Jan. 18, 1998, in Denver, Colo.

He was born on Feb. 11, 1962 in Great Falls, the son of Alex E. Holyk and Karen Howke. He attended Whitefish and Hot Springs elementaries and graduated from Hot Springs High School in 1980. He then attended Montana State College from 1981-82. He joined the Coast Guard in 1982, and was discharged in 1986.

He was able to work on some components for the Hubbell Air Space Center which gave him a great sense of achievement.

He married Karen Abene in April 1984, in Chalmette, La., and they later divorced in 1997.

At the time of his death he was employed by the Lockheed Martin Co. He had just received his bachelor of arts degree in electrical engineering from Denver University.

He was an avid runner and loved the Denver Broncos.

He is survived by two sons, Alexander John, age 12, and Jonathan Ryan, age 9; his father, Alex E. Holyk; his mother, Karen Howke; sister Lisa Alexander and her family; two brothers, Jeffrey Joseph and David Michael in Colorado; his brother-cousin, Michael and Margaret Leichtnam and family in Hot Springs; sister-cousin Bernadette and Denis Hall of Palisades, Idaho; aunts, Rose Marie Stoffer and Barbara Holyk of Hot Springs; paternal grandmother Stella Holyk of Hot Springs; several other aunts, uncles, cousins and many, many friends.

He will be missed so very much by all of us that loved him.

Graveside services with military rites will be today at 1 p.m. at the Whitefish Cemetery with the Rev. Charles Roman of the St. Charles Catholic Church officiating. Military honors will be provided by the United Veterans of the Flathead Valley.

Edward Holstein, 81

Edward Holstein, 81, died Wednesday evening, April 22, 1998, at his home in Ferndale, after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

He was born Dec. 27, 1916, in Rexburg, Idaho. He married Anna Kerbs in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

They had just celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Feb. 23, 1998.

He moved to Conrad in 1939; they moved to the Flathead Valley in 1969; and finally moved into their present home in Ferndale in 1972.

He loved fishing, camping, gardening and playing cribbage with his friends.

He is survived by his wife, Anna,

at the family home; a daughter and son-in-law, Mary Anne and Richard Ullom of Kalispell; a son, Tony Holstein of Glasgow; four grandsons; five great-grandsons; three brothers, Fred of Lincoln, Henry of Midland, Texas, and Leland of Meridian, Idaho.

At his request, no services are being planned. Cremation has already taken place.

To anyone wishing to give a memorial in his name, please give them to Home Options Hospice of Kalispell, or The American Cancer Society.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home in charge of arrangements and cremation.

1998 William Wesley Hotzel, 68

William Wesley Hotzel, 68, died Wednesday, Nov. 11, at his home in Libby following an extended illness.

He was born at Three Forks, on Dec. 22, 1929, the son of George and Lillian Hotzel.

He proudly served his country, serving in the U.S. Navy from 1951 to 1955, including the Korean Conflict. He served aboard the USS Lenawee APA 195, earning the Navy good conduct medal, China Service medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign medal, Navy Occupation Service medal, National Defense medal, Korean Service medal and United Nations Service medal.

On Dec. 31, 1955, he married Roberta Thomas. They were later divorced in 1976.

He worked for the Northern Pacific Railroad at Logan, Manhattan, Silver Bow and Butte. He worked for the Burlington Northern Railroad at Butte, Helena and Havre. He finished a 42-year career as the maintenance department general foreman in Havre, retiring in 1989.

He married Sue Hunter Rawlings Dolman in May of 1978. Following retirement they moved to Libby,

where new acquaintances soon learned he loved to trade and would always ask "what have you got to trade today?" He never met a stranger that he didn't make a friend.

He was preceded in death by a son, Michael L. Hotzel; a sister, Betty Doyle; and his first wife, Roberta.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Rawlings Hunter Dolman Hotzel of Libby; his children, Cherie and John Four Bears of Wapakala, S.D., Joseph and Linda Hotzel of Apple Valley, Calif., William and Arsenia Hotzel of Bremerton, Wash., Patty and Chip Hurin of Power, Everett and Denise Dolman Glen of Carbon, Ill., Debi and Gary Sudan and Steve and Rosella Lienhart of Havre, Roberta and David Potter of Kalispell; a sister, Jeannette Smith and a brother, James Hotzel of Three Forks; 17 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; and many friends throughout his life, especially his friend Bear.

Private arrangements are by Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Libby. Memorials may be made to St. John Lutheran Hospital Foundation 350 Louisiana Ave., Libby, MT 59923 or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Donna Marie Cooper Houston, 37

Donna Marie Cooper Houston, 37, died Friday, Sept. 11, 1998, at her home in Columbia Falls, after battling cancer for a year.

She was born March 5, 1961, in New Orleans, La., to Mae and Earl Cooper. She was raised in Brazoria, Texas.

She had six children and loved them all very much. She enjoyed being with her family and friends and cooking for them. She loved to share what she had with others even when she couldn't really afford to give so much.

She is survived by her husband, Brett Houston, of Columbia Falls; three daughters, Mandy Cooper Heinzen of Kalispell, Tina Lackey and Sheila Cooper of Columbia Falls;

three sons, Jason, Jonathan and Joshua Hogan, all of Los Angeles; parents Mae and Earl Cooper; three brothers, Jim, Vance, Ernest Cooper; sister Angela Cooper; and grandmother Louisa Shonert, all of Brazoria; three grandchildren, Skyla, Tai, and Alexis; and by numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

She will be extremely missed by her family and friends.

Visitation will be from 2 to 3 p.m. Monday at the Columbia Falls Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Relief Society Room. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Monday in the Columbia Falls L.D.S. Chapel. Burial will follow at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

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Anna C. Howell, 96

Anna "Ann" C. Howell, 96, a former resident of Kalispell, died Friday, April 17, in Enumclaw, Wash.

She was born Aug. 5, 1901, in Kalispell, to Henrie and Kate Nichol and was one of six children. She attended school and lived most of her life in Kalispell. She also lived for short periods in Spokane and Seeley Lake.

During her working years she was employed in sales and accounting at J. C. Penny Co. and Coast-to-Coast stores in Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ray Howell; sons Raymond and Wallace Boetcher; brothers Harry Nichol, Garhardt Nichol and Henrie "Nick" Nichol and an infant sister, Violet.

She is survived by two of her four



children, son Harold Boetcher, of the Veterans Home in Columbia Falls and daughter, Kay Gordon, of Newcastle, Wash.; four grandchildren Karren Nilsen and husband, Lou, of Idaho, Malcolm Cordon and wife, Joan Ready, of Washington, Michael Boetcher, of Kalispell and Linda Taylor and husband, Bill, also of Kalispell. She is also survived by four great grandchildren, Kirk Nilsen, of Idaho, Lauren Gordon, of Washington, Shawn Farnum, of Kalispell, and Josh Taylor, of Kalispell; great grandchild who carries her name, Siera "Ann" Nilsen, of Idaho. She also has one surviving sister, Katie Bell and her husband, Otis, of Fresno, Calif., and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday. A funeral will be 7 p.m. Monday, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel, Rev. Rick Nelson of Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. A

Delbert 'Ross' Howell, 85

Delbert "Ross" Howell died at the age of 85 at the home of a longtime friend Monday, June 13.

Ross was born June 21, 1913 in Columbia Falls, to Elmer and Minnie (Johnston) Howell, one of 11 children. He attended Deer Park School and farmed in that area until he enlisted in the service.

Ross was a World War II veteran, serving in the Army Air Corps, in the 410th Bomb Group, based in England, Africa and France.

After returning from the war, he and Ern Hoyt opened a grocery/butcher shop in Coram, later moving to the Big Arm area to farm, staying with his sister and brother-in-law, Blanche and Ed Hoyt.

Ross married Amy V. Chrest on Feb. 5, 1955 in Polson. They had one daughter, Una Rose.

In 1951, he purchased a ranch in Irvine Flats, where he raised cattle, sheep and horses. He was one of the foundation breeders of the Early Tennessee Walking Horse breed in Montana in the 1960-70s. He and his family traveled throughout the Northwest and Canada showing their horses. In the early '70s, Ross began raising thoroughbred race horses and in 1976 he sold his Irvine Flats ranch and moved to Prosser, Wash. He continued his thoroughbred breeding program there until 1993 when he retired and moved back to Polson.

His experience and interest with horses was lifelong. He was a 4H leader and belonged to the Polson Saddle Club for many years.

For years he was an avid hunter and packed many times into the South Fork of the Flathead and the Bob Marshall to hunt and fish. He had many great stories and happy memories of those times.

In his retirement years, he enjoyed going to yard sales and taking his special grandson, Derek, to the park to swing.

He is survived by his wife, Amy; daughter and son-in-law Una Rose and David Graham; grandsons Dever, Dillon and Derek Graham, all of Polson; brothers Walter of Garden Grove, Calif., and Leonard of Columbia Falls; sisters Ruby Howard, Della Stalcup and Blanche Hoyt of Kalispell, Iva Mae Stryker of Columbia Falls, and Jesse Wunderlich of Valier; best friend, Dan Montpetit of Creston and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Shirley Howell and Jean Johns, brother Mern, and grandson Casey Graham.

Cremation will take place. Military graveside services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. at Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the donor's choice. Arrangements are by Grogan Funeral Home of Polson.

1999 Mildred E. Horsman, 97

Mildred E. Horsman, 97, died at Immanuel Lutheran Home, March 13.

She was born July 21, 1900, in Barron, Wisc., the only daughter of Wallace Cranston and Dora Belle Lewis Cranston Mutch. As a young child, she and her mother moved to Whitefish, where her mother worked at the Cadillac Hotel. She attended Flathead County High School.

In 1918, she moved to Somers. While she worked at the State Bank of Somers she met Thomas Allen Horsman. They were married Aug. 2, 1920.

She graduated from Moler Beauty School in Spokane in 1935. In 1936, they moved to Valdez, Alaska. In 1940, they moved to Kodiak, Alaska, where they had their own barber and beauty shop. They returned to Kalispell in 1946 and later retired.

They spent their retirement years tending large plots of dahlias and gladiolus. Besides gardening, embroidery, crocheting, hiking, traveling and picnics were favorite pastimes.

In August, 1993, she moved to Immanuel Lutheran Home.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Louise Aileen Horsman, in 1921, and by her husband, Thomas, in 1974.

She is survived by a niece and two nephews, cousins, and her special friends Lori Angus, of Kalispell, and James Angus, of Los Angeles, Calif.

Graveside services were Monday at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials be made to the Shodair Children's Hospital, PO Box 5539, Helena, 59604, or the charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

Margaret J. Howke, 82

Margaret J. Howke passed away Jan. 7, 1998, in Kalispell, after a long illness.

She was born to Joseph and Margaret Wilson at Bemidji, Minn., Feb. 22, 1915, one of five children. She attended schools in Bemidji and Whitefish.

She married Dale Howke on Feb. 26, 1933. To the union were born three sons.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters, Agnes and Anna; her husband Dale; a son, Daniel; and an infant grandson.

She is survived by one sister, May Hines of Whitefish; a brother, Joe Wilson of Hot Springs; sons, Dale "Punk" Howke and his wife, Arlene, of Whitefish, Dennis Howke and his wife, Roxanne, of Spokane; a loving, caring niece, Donna Bastrom; 11 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; numerous nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Memorial services will be 11 a.m. Saturday at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish, with the Rev. David V. Kauffman officiating.

Bryon G. Hoylman, 76

Byron G. Hoylman, 76, died March 8, 1998, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born May 20, 1921, in Shelton, Neb., a son of Walter and Anna Hein Hoylman. He attended grade school in Nebraska, moving to the Flathead Valley with his family in 1935. He graduated from Flathead High School in 1938.

Following graduation, he worked in the defense industry in California. He enlisted in the United States Army Air Force in October 1942 and served until December 1945.

Following his discharge, he returned to Kalispell and worked in the heating and sheet metal business. In 1971, along with Andy Mills, he purchased General Sheet Metal, operating it until selling and retiring in

1985.

He married Nona Velten Sept. 6, 1942, in Yuma, Ariz. He was a life member of Kalispell Elks, Lodge #725. He enjoyed fishing and hunting, and was experienced in lapidary work. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and a sister.

He is survived by his wife, Nona, at the family home; two sons, Douglas Hoylman of Chevy Chase, Md., and Rick Hoylman of Columbia Falls; a sister, Elsie Greuter of Lincoln, Neb.; and several nieces and nephews.

Private memorial services are to be held by the family later in the summer. Cremation and arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Ruby Stevens Hruby, 84

Ruby Stevens Hruby, 84, a long-time Eureka resident and educator, died Friday, Aug. 21, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

She was born in Eureka, to early-day Tobacco Valley residents, Charles Rhodes and Myrtle Nellis Rhodes on May 7, 1914. She attended grade school and high school in Eureka, graduating from Lincoln County High School in 1931. She attended Dillon Normal College and later received a degree in education from Northern Montana College as well as doing graduate work at Whitworth College in Spokane.

She married Jack Stevens on Oct. 6, 1934, in Kalispell. She taught grade school in the Tobacco Valley for many years, at Black Lake, Iowa Flats, Pinkham, and Tooley Lake, and taught third and fourth grades in Eureka public schools before her retirement in 1979. She taught in families into the second and third generation.

Her husband, Jack, preceded her in death in 1979.

She married Louis Hruby on March 10, 1980. They continued to

make their home in the Tobacco Valley during her retirement. She was a long-time member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, participating in many church activities. She was a member of Tobacco Valley Senior Citizens.

Her husband, Louis, preceded her in death in 1990; also two sons, Willie in 1956 and Jackie in 1998.

Survivors include two daughters, Iva Lee Diezinger, and her husband, Gary, of Eureka, Anita Rossing and her husband, Orman, of Libby; two sons, Bill Stevens and his wife, Liz, of Polson, and Roy Stevens of Eureka; two daughters-in-law, Rita Stevens and Patty Stevens, both of Eureka; sister, Opal Baker Stevens, of Whitefish; 19 grandchildren; and 30 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 2-8 p.m. today and until 11 a.m. Monday at Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Eureka. Services will be Monday at 1 p.m. at First Baptist Church with the Rev. Chris Tabbert of Holy Cross Lutheran Church officiating. Interment services will follow at Tobacco Valley Cemetery.

Ellen K. Huggins, 86

Ellen K. Huggins, 86, died Thursday, July 9, 1998, at Immanuel Lutheran Home, where she had resided for the past three and a half years.

She was born Nov. 12, 1911, to Martin and Julia Swenson in Wisconsin. At the age of 2, she moved with her family to Turner, where she grew up. She was the youngest of 11 children.

She married W.M. "Bill" Huggins on Nov. 5, 1928, and they resided in several different areas in Montana, mostly around Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bill, in March of 1980.

She is survived by four children, W.M. "Bill" Huggins of Kalispell, Iona C. Stidolph of Hillsboro, Ore., Don Huggins of Phoenix, Ariz., and Sharon Nyquist of Fairbanks, Alaska; a sister, Ida Lundberg, of Helena; a brother, Harvey Swenson, of Eureka; nine grandchildren, 16 great-

grandchildren, five great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was a long-time member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

She always had a smile for everyone and saw the good in everyone and everything. She will be greatly missed by her family and everyone who knew and loved her.

The family suggests donations in her name to Immanuel Lutheran Home. The family wants to extend their heartfelt thanks to the caregivers at the Lutheran home who have taken such good care of their mother while she was there.

Services will be at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home at 1 p.m. on Monday. The Rev. Richard Nelson of Bethlehem Lutheran Church will preside. Interment will be at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Jean Marie Hughes, 71

Jean Marie Hughes, 71, died Jan. 12, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center after a long illness.

She was born Oct. 1, 1926, in Butte, to John G. and Doris Shaw Hughes. She was educated in Lewistown, Billings, Great Falls, and Dillon.

She worked as a school teacher, a retail clerk and an insurance company clerk.

While living in Missoula, she was active in Beta Sigma Phi and the Holy Spirit Episcopal Church.

She leaves behind many friends and relatives, who will miss her very

much.

She is survived by her aunt, Mary Boyd of Kalispell; three sisters, Pat M. Nagel of Salem, Ore., Nancy Portoczny of Ferndale, Mary Janet Skaar of West Fir, Ore.; 10 nieces and nephews also 12 grandnieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Christ Church Episcopal, with the Rev. Russell E. Peck officiating.

Cremation and arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Thelma F. Hundley, 81

Thelma F. Hundley, 81, died Monday, July 27, 1998, at Lake View Care Center in Bigfork.

She was born Jan. 17, 1917, in Ennis, Okla., to Carl and Linnett Dittmore. At a very young age, she moved with her family to Safford, Ariz., where she attended schools, graduating from Safford High School in 1935.

She was a very active member of the LDS Church. She was the type of person who loved helping others. She was extremely active as a volunteer, and participated in many community activities. She loved to golf, play bridge, do all types of handiwork, and garden.

She was preceded in death by three husbands, Smith Craig, Allen B. Rhoades and Ernest E. Hundley; and two sons, James Farrell and Thadius Steven.

She is survived by two daughters, Sue Hanson of Bigfork, and Nina Stone of Flagstaff, Ariz.; one sister, Helen Butler of Yuma, Ariz.; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held later in Arizona.

The family request memorials in her name be made to the Bigfork Quick Response Unit.

Bigfork Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

1998 Edna Huntington, 85

Edna Huntington, 85, died Thursday, Sept. 17, at her home in Trego.

She was born Dec. 1, 1912, in Eckley, Ore., to Abel and Imalia Steph. Her parents immigrated from Finland. She was one of nine children and was raised and educated in Woodland, Wash.

Edna married Lester Huntington in Las Vegas, Nev., on Feb. 21, 1933. Lester worked for Walsh Construction and Guy F. Arkinson Construction and traveled throughout the world.

They had three children and two survive her.

She is survived by a daughter, Patricia Jensen of Denver, Colo.; a son, Floyd Huntington of Whitefish; five grandchildren, Stacey Smith, Erin Jensen, Lisa Miller, Eric Jensen and Carter Jensen; three great-grandchildren; and a brother, Carl Steph of Woodland, Wash.

A viewing will be held Sunday, Sept. 20, from 1-5 p.m. at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. Graveside services will be held at Packwood Evergreen Cemetery in Packwood, Wash., on Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 11 a.m.

Edward Hurd

Edward L. Hurd died Feb. 13 at Yuma Regional Medical Center in Yuma, Ariz. 1498

He was born in Polson on July 22, 1937, to Donald and Wilma Hurd. He moved to Iowa with his parents where he lived through his childhood. After graduating in 1956, he married his wife Margaret and they had one daughter, Jeanine.

In 1967, he and his family bought a fishing resort on Nest Lake near Spicer, Minn. They lived there until 1983 and then moved to Montana to be close to their daughter and began spending the winters in Yuma, Ariz.

Surviving are his wife Margaret J. Hurd; his daughter, Jean Sandven; granddaughter Jessica and grandson Joshua, all of

Columbia Falls; his mother, Wilma Hurd; two sisters, Frances Jondall and Fonda Hickethier of Alden, Iowa; two brothers, Lloyd Hurd



also of Alden, and **Edward Hurd Robert Hurd** of Carlisle, Iowa; and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father Donald Hurd of Alden, Iowa.

A memorial service was held in Yuma, Ariz. His remains were taken back to his beloved Montana. HHA

Robert 'Robbie' Hurly Jr.

Following a lengthy illness, Robert "Robbie" Hurly Jr., died Sept. 30, 1998, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center. His family was privileged to be at his bedside.



He loved to travel and meet new cultures. Fluent in Spanish, he trekked the Galapagos Islands, Ecuador, the Bahamas, Spain and London, as well as traveling extensively within the United States and Canada.

He was raised in Glasgow, attended Whiteman School in Steamboat Springs, Colo., Rocky Mountain College in Billings, and the University of Montana in Missoula. He graduated with a master's in public administration from the University. He aspired to working in foreign relations with the Pacific Rim nations.

He loved people, coordinating special events, weddings for friends, political campaigns, hunting trips, political fundraisers, school reunions, large family events — all were memorable for his unique touch. He was a gourmet cook, wine connoisseur, downhill ski racer, fisherman, avid gardener, backpacker, hunter and photographer. He was

actively involved in Western activities and art work, Montana geology and fossil collecting.

In illness, he returned to Northeastern Montana directing the Montana Governor's Cup Walleye Tournament, served on the "Watchable Wildlife" program development board, the Two Rivers Trade Commission, and worked to get navigation lights at Ft. Peck Lake. He also served as state committee person for the Republican Party, was a delegate to the National Republican Party Convention, and served on several state Republican committees.

He was a founding partner in DiamondBack Computer Systems with his sister Candy, served as public relations manager as his health allowed, and did computer consulting.

Survivors are his parents, Robert and Dorothy Hurly of Glasgow; devoted companion Phillip Bowling; brothers, Dirk Hurly and Gary Hutchinson; sisters Irene Jones and Candy Krewer; grandmother Mildred Ellison; and his beloved nieces and nephews, as well as numerous aunts and uncles.

A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date. Memorials to "Rob Hurly Landscaping Fund" may be sent c/o Philip Bowling, 1336 6th Ave. East; Kalispell, MT 59901.

Helen Joan Huso, 71

Helen Joan Huso, 71, died Monday, June 29, 1998, at her home in Columbia Falls.

She was born April 24, 1927, in Bismarck, N.D. to Clarence Ward and Chellog Otnes Bieloh.

She was trained as a laboratory technician in Minneapolis. In 1951, she married Fred J. Huso. She has lived in the Flathead Valley for 46 years. She was a member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls.

She is survived by her husband, Fredrick "Fred" James Huso of Kalispell; two daughters, Pam Huso

of Vancouver, Wash., and Nancy Smythe of Gallup, N.M.; a brother, Bill Bieloh, of Walla Walla, Wash.; and a sister, Fern Zeiszler, of Stockton, Calif.

Graveside services were held at Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Tom Gopp of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls officiating.

The family suggests memorials be given to Home Options Hospice, 1280 Burns Way, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Gene Edward Hunter, 49

Gene Edward Hunter, 49, died April 2, 1998, at his home on Emmons Canyon Road in Kila.

He was born on Jan. 8, 1949, in West Plains, Mo., to Tommy Gene Hunter and Beverly Drabandt Hunter. He graduated from high school in Granite City, Ill., in 1967. On Nov. 7, 1968, he married Ruth Ellen Faugher in Granite City. He served in the Army from February of 1969 to 1972. He received an Army Accommodation Medal for his service. He attended VTI in Carterville, Ill., to become a dental technician.

Wanting a better life for his wife and children, in August of 1986 he moved his family from Granite City to the Flathead Valley. He continued his business, Hunter Dental Lab, in which he took great pride in making crowns and bridges for not only newly acquired customers in the Montana area but also his old customers in the Midwest, who thought enough of his work to continue using his lab on a long distance basis.

His greatest love in life was his wife Ruth. Together they enjoyed raising and riding horses, hunting and packing in the Bob Marshall Wilderness. He loved the mountains and the outdoor sportsman life. He was an avid gun collector and reloader.

He was a member of the National Bow Hunters Association and the National Rifle Association.

His love was also for his children and grandchildren whom he enjoyed teaching the Western way of life.

He enjoyed spending time pickin' and grinnin', playing guitar and singing Smokey Mountain music with his Truman Creek family. The neighborhood kids would come to his house and ask to climb his mountain and he would say it was not his mountain but they were welcome to climb it.

He had a wonderful sense of humor and enjoyed playing practical jokes on his family and friends and anyone else that he met. Every person that had the privilege to meet him liked him, and he never met a person that he didn't like.

He was preceded in death by his father, Tom Hunter; grandfather Roy Stone Hunter; and an uncle, Richard Hunter.

He is survived by his wife Ruth at the family home; two daughters, Tonya Passwater and husband, Brent, of Kalispell, and Regina Bradford and husband, Gary, of Colorado Springs, Colo.; one son, Jason Hunter of Granite City; five grandchildren, Joshua, Isaac, Gary Jr., Jeremy, Rebecca, and one that was due this month; his mother, Beverly Thompson of Granite City; grandmother Zella Rose Hunter of West Plains, Mo.; two sisters, Norma Hunter of California, and Donna Earhart of Granite City; four brothers, Roy Hunter and wife, Rhonda, of Granite City, Bob Hunter and wife, Betty, of Nixa, Mo., Gary Thompson and wife, Patty, of Granite City, and Don Thompson and wife, Tina, of Fort Worth, Texas; along with numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews; his brother-in-law and best friend, Henry Flaugher of Granite City. He is also survived by the family of friends on Truman Creek in Kila.

Memorial services are being planned at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Riverside Alliance Church, with Gordy McDonald officiating. Following the services there will be a small gathering at the family home. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Bonnie Gean Huston, 66

Bonnie Gean Huston, 66, died Feb. 7, 1998, at her home in Kalispell, due to the long effects of multiple sclerosis.

She was born Sept. 25, 1931, in Covina, Calif., to Leo and Florence Grant Harding. She spent her early years in Covina, beginning her education there before moving with her family to Mesa, Ariz., where she graduated from high school. She then attended Bob Jones University for two years.

In 1953, she moved to Prescott, Ariz., where she worked for the Prescott School District as an accountant.

She met Joseph E. Huston in 1956 at the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, and they were married on June 24, 1961. They then moved to Thompson Falls, Whitefish, and settled in Kalispell in 1973, where they have resided since.

She was preceded in death by her father, Leo Harding; and is now survived by her husband Joseph E. Huston at the family home; two daughters, Gay Huston of Tucson, Ariz., Beth Kindopp and husband, Rodney, of Kalispell; her mother, Florence Harding of Scottsdale, Ariz.; one brother, Lloyd Harding and wife, Gean, of Mesa; and one grandson, Shay Kindopp of Kalispell.

Funeral Services will be held at the Johnson Mortuary Chapel today at 2 p.m. with the Rev. David Pestel of the Bethel Baptist Church officiating. The burial will follow at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

The family suggests memorials be sent to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society at 1601 2nd Ave. N., Great Falls, MT 59401

Sam W. Hutchinson, 90

Sam W. Hutchinson, 90, died at Immanuel Lutheran Home on Friday, Sept. 4, 1998.

He was born in Harrisonville, Mo., on Oct. 16, 1907, to Jasper Francis Hutchinson and Anna Wellburn Hutchinson. He was named after his great uncle, Sam Houston. He attended school in Harrisonville and Lee's Summit, Mo.

He came to Billings, in the early 1930s, and worked in many and various jobs as truck driver, carpenter, plumber and repairman.

He married Leila Farmer Glasgow on May 1, 1938. They moved to the Flathead Valley after his retirement in June of 1973.

He was an avid hunter, fisherman and gardener.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Leila, in 1983, and his stepson, Bill, in 1985.

He is survived by a sister, Ida Mae Parris of Harrisonville; two stepgrandchildren of Kalispell, and two step great-grandchildren of Billings.

Cremation has taken place and his remains will be sent to Missouri for burial. At his request there will be no public services.

Donations may be made in his memory to the charity of one's choice.

Jack P. Hutton, 76

Jack P. Hutton, 76, died Sunday, Dec. 13, 1998, at the Heritage Place in Kalispell.

He was born Feb. 16, 1922, in Turner, to John and Ethel House Hutton. Growing up on the family farm, he attended 10 years at the Turner schools.

After schooling, he started working construction in the surrounding communities. He met and married Evelyn Bley, of Big Sandy, on Nov. 24, 1943, in Havre. After their wedding, they moved to Kalispell, where his parents had moved and begun farming. Shortly thereafter they purchased their own farm just north of Kalispell, where they remained. They raised beef cattle and farmed, and with a love for animals, had many different ones on the farm. He retired



from farming a few years ago but continued his hobbies of hunting and fishing.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Velma and Sarah.

He is survived by his wife Evelyn at the family farm; a brother, Lester Hutton and wife, Ruth, and a sister, Florence Hader, all of Kalispell; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at Bethlehem Lutheran Church at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Richard Nelson officiating. Burial will follow in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be at Johnson Mortuary until 6 p.m. today.

The family suggests memorial gifts be given to the Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.