

1998 Rollin Quinn, 92

Rollin Quinn, 92, died Friday, April 17, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

He was born Aug. 14, 1905, in Waterville, Kansas, to James and Annie Quinn. He was fourth of six children born to this farming family.

When he was 10, his mother died. He left school after the eighth grade to work on the farm.

When he was 17, his family moved to Corning, Kansas, where he attended high school. He taught for four years at a country school before enrolling at the Emporia, Kansas, Teacher's College. He completed a BA with majors in math, science, history, and psychology in only 2 1/2 years. He went on immediately to complete a master's degree in mathematics in 1938.

On August 2, 1935, he married Velma Quinn

He served as principal of a grade school in Oxford, Kansas, for six years. During World War II, he worked for Beach Aircraft in Wichita. After the war, the family moved to Leavenworth, where he taught high school math and physics. After retiring there, he taught five more years

at the Catholic high school.

He taught continuing education for six years at Leavenworth Federal Prison.

He and his wife, Velma, owned and operated a drive-in movie theater. They were active in the Methodist Church. In 1981, they moved to Kalispell to be close to their children, Lil Laidlaw, who taught nursing at the University of Kansas, and Buzz Quinn, an FVCC mathematics instructor. He taught and tutored at Flathead Valley Community College until he was 88.

He moved to Immanuel Lutheran home in April.

He was preceded in death by two sisters and a brother.

He is survived by his wife, Velma Quinn, of Kalispell; daughter Lil and her husband, Dr. James T. Laidlaw, of Kalispell, and son Buzz Quinn, of Kalispell. He has three grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Urn burial will be 11 a.m., Tuesday, at Fairview Cemetery, Rev. Marvin Northcutt, of Epworth Methodist Church, officiating. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Ila Margaret Quirt, 94

Ila Margaret Quirt, 94, died Saturday, Oct. 31, 1998, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born on Nov. 24, 1903 in Evans, near Great Falls, to Glynes and Mary Jane Rice Tucker.

She went with her family at age three to Canada, where she was raised and educated.

On January 11, 1922, she married William A. Quirt in Vancouver, B.C. They moved to Kalispell in 1947, where she lived until the time of her death.

She was a homemaker and helped her husband in various businesses, the last being Aluminum Products, Inc. at 32 First Ave. West in Kalispell. They sold the business in 1964 and retired. They enjoyed the outdoors and gardening.

She liked working with the RSVP program and enjoyed driving for

Meals-on-wheels and meeting the shut-in people. She was a member of the F.O.E. Ladies Auxiliary, the A.A.R.P., the Kalispell Senior Citizens Center and the Presbyterian Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband in 1973, four brothers, three sisters and a grandson.

She is survived by her daughter, Wilma Stewart of San Francisco; her son, William "Bill" Quirt and his wife Janet of Bellingham, Wash.; five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

At her request no services will be held. Cremation has taken place and burial will be at the Conrad Memorial Cemetery next to her husband. Cremation and arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.