

William D. Merritt, 86

William D. Merritt, 86, of Troy, died Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2005, at the Libby Care Center.

He was a retired logger. He is survived by his sons, William "Bill" Merritt of Troy and James Lee of Glen-

dale, Calif.

Services will be 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, at the Troy Senior Center.

Local arrangements are by the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

Irene M. Mertel, 92

Irene M. Mertel, 92, of Libby, died Saturday, May 21, 2005, at the Libby Care Center from natural causes.

Survivors include a son, Victor Mertel of Seattle; and daughter, Donna Jean Scow of

Port Aransas, Texas.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 25, at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home in Libby. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. today, May 24.

Fred H. Meyer, 64

Fred H. Meyer, 64, passed away on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2005, at St. Luke's Hospital in Ronan.

He was born on Sept. 27, 1940, at Chadron, Neb., the son of Roy Irvin and Caroline Margaret (Knutzen) Meyer. The family moved to Echo Lake, in 1949. He attended Echo Lake School and graduated from Bigfork High School in 1958.

Following graduation he went to work at C&C Plywood Company (now Evergreen Plum Creek).

On Sept. 12, 1972, he married Nancy McWhorter at the Hitching Post in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. In 1972, he went to work for McElroy and Wilken as a batch plant operator where he worked until his retirement in 2001.

Following his retirement he worked with Nancy running cars for Western Car Rental. He loved cars, driving them or working on them. He was a very loving and compassionate man, a wonderful father and grandfather and enjoyed spending time with his family.

He never had a negative thought about anyone. He had a great sense of humor and was



always there for anyone and everyone to lend a helping hand. He was concerned about everyone but himself. He also gave great hugs. He was respected by his colleagues and the people of the community.

He also loved John Wayne movies, the outdoors, whether it be hunting, fishing, shooting or cutting wood.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy of Kalispell; five sons, Brian Meyer and wife, GiGi, of Kalispell, Jeff Meyer of Spokane, Kelley Meyer and wife, Dinah, of Colorado Springs, Colo., Loren Dugan and wife, Candi, of Boise, Idaho, and Sean Dugan and wife, Sherri, of Helena; 14 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; one sister, La Vaughn Bernau of Kalispell; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services for Fred will be held 3 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 6, in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with Pastor Ron Pierce officiating. There will be no visitation.

The family suggests that memorial contributions be sent to the American Red Cross, 17 First Avenue East, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Fred's family.

Klaus G. Meyer, 60

Klaus G. Meyer, 60, died Friday, March 18, 2005, at his Kalispell home.

He is survived by his mother.

Private services have been held.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Ralph A. Micone, 82

Ralph A. Micone, 82, passed on Sunday, Sept. 4, 2005, at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls. He was born June 23, 1923, in Susanville, Calif., the son of Patrick and Mary Louise (Laurella) Micone.

Ralph attended schools in Susanville and graduated from Susanville High School. In 1943, he entered the U.S. Army Air Corps, where he served as an airplane mechanic until his discharge in 1946.

On Feb. 27, 1944, he was united in marriage to Betty Loucks in Reno, Nev. For many years, he worked at the Tahoe Timber Lumber Company in Reno. He later went to work for the city of Reno, working on the street crew, repairing the streets as well as concrete work. After their retirement, Ralph and Betty relocated to Hot Springs, Mont., where he enjoyed doing the things he loved most: hunting, fishing and camping. Later, they returned to Nevada, moving to Winnemucca. They moved back to Montana

in November of 2004, moving to Kalispell. Family was a big part of his life, mostly spending time with his children and grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Micone, of Kalispell; two sons, David Micone and wife, Judy, of Kalispell, and Ralph D. Micone and wife, Heidi, of Reno; two sisters, Violet Sella and husband, Harry, of Susanville, Calif.; and Violet Pearl and husband, Mel, of Reno; a brother, Albert Micone and wife, Falba, of Susanville, Calif.; eight grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services for Ralph will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9, 2005, at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be from 12 to 6 p.m. Thursday at Johnson Mortuary.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for the family.

Robert Milam Jr., 36

Robert Milam, Jr., 36, passed away May 7, 2005. He was born Sept. 22, 1968, in Philadelphia. His childhood was spent in California, Montana and Wyoming.



softball.

He will be missed by his wife, Tara; daughter, Alyssa; mother-in-law, Karen Ann Reynolds; sons, Gage and Jagr of Bothell, Wash.; his parents, Robert Milam and Rosalyn Milam; grandmother, Margaret Lauman of Kalispell; sisters, Victoria, Tamala and Laura; as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles.

"We wish him well on his journey, free from addiction at last."

A celebration of Robert's life will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, June 17, at Ballard First Lutheran Church, 2006 NW 65th, Seattle.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Robert Milam Children's Fund, c/o Bank of America.

Ruth Maxine (Honey) Mildren, 85

Ruth Maxine (Honey) Mildren, 85, of Ukiah, Calif., passed away on Monday, April 11, 2005, at the Ukiah Regional Medical Center. She was born in Sandpoint, Idaho.

Ruth was preceded in death by her husband, Fred, and her son, Steve. She is survived by her daughter, Linda, and her son, Steve. She was a member of the Ukiah United Methodist Church.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 16, at the Ukiah United Methodist Church. Burial will be in the Ukiah Cemetery.

Memorials may be sent to the Ukiah United Methodist Church, 1000 E. Main St., Ukiah, Calif. 95568.

For more information, call (707) 438-2222.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 16, at the Ukiah United Methodist Church. Burial will be in the Ukiah Cemetery.

Franklin A. 'Mick' Mills, 81

Franklin A. "Mick" Mills, 81, of Sandpoint, Idaho, died Feb. 9, 2005, at Sandpoint, Idaho.

He worked on logging and lumber operations. He was a volunteer emergency medical technician with the ALERT flight crew at Kalispell Regional Hospital in the 1960s-1990s.

He is survived by children, Mark Mills of Sierra Vista, Ariz., Kim Mills of Powell,

Wyo., Kirk Mills of Arvada, Colo., Mary Wisdom of Spokane, Kelly Mills of Ashburn, Va., and Eric "Sam" Mills of Sandpoint, Idaho.

Services will be held in Lobby at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at Christ Lutheran Church.

Arrangements are by Lakewood Funeral Home of Sandpoint, and Nelson and Van der Laby.

Virginia Millspaugh, 67

Virginia (Cyr) Millspaugh, 67, of Rathdrum, Idaho, passed away March 7, 2005, at Life Care Center of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, surrounded by family and friends, after a battle with lung cancer.

She was born June 11, 1937, in Kalispell to Charles and Lonelva (Lebert) Cyr. Virginia graduated from Flathead County High School in 1955 and resided in the Flathead Valley until 1964, when she moved to the Spokane area.

After getting married to Nels Millspaugh in May 1973, they moved to Missoula, where they lived until returning in 1975 to Post Falls, Idaho, where they lived until 1991. After a 16-year stay in Kalispell, they returned to Idaho to live in Rathdrum.

Virginia will be remembered by her love of family and especially the grandchildren. Her flower gardening skills during the summer resulted in the adornment of homes of relatives and close

friends.

Virginia is survived by her husband, Nels Millspaugh, of Rathdrum; daughters, Kathy McKinley-Lewis, Post Falls, and Yvonne Millspaugh, Spokane; sons and daughters-in-law, Mike and Shari McKinley, Coeur d'Alene, and Larry and Vicki Millspaugh, Seattle; brother and sister-in-law, Bill and Beth Cyr, Joppa, Md.; grandchildren, Kyle and Dyland, Seattle, Trevor, Coeur d'Alene, Tyler and Alysha, Spokane, and Marcus and Jackie, Seattle; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

A celebration of her life was held March 11 by family and close friends at the family home.

The family would like to thank the staff of Hospice and Life Care Center for their loving and compassionate care.

Memorials may be sent to Hospice of North Idaho, 9493 N. Government Way, Hayden ID 83835.

Janice 'Candi' Miller, 56

Janice "Candi" Miller, 56, passed "into the loving arms of her Savior the Lord Jesus Christ" early Monday morning the 23rd of May 2005. Candi was laying next to her "Bestest Friend in the whole wide world" her husband, E. Wayne Miller.

Candi was born Oct. 1, 1948, in Ukiah, Calif., to Peter and Patricia Welch.

Though the last few years having been more challenging than most could withstand, Candi kept her sense of humor and let her love of life shine deep from her soul.

In 2002, Candi lost her beloved son Matthew in a tragic motorcycle accident. Candi mourned in the way only a truly strong person could — she reached out to other parents who had lost children and became an active participant in the Compassionate Friends group.

Through times of illness and heartache, Candi kept her flair and style honed to perfection. Having been a sales person for Gentlemen's Fine clothing and fine furniture, Candi learned early on how to treat cherished items. This was clearly evident in her home and heart. Two of her

most cherished items were her children, Abi and Matthew.

Candi loved to care for Wayne, Abi, Matthew and anyone who came within reach, and Candi had awfully long arms and a very loving heart.

Candi was preceded in death by her father, Pete Welch, and her son, Matthew James Asbra.

Candi is survived by her husband, E. Wayne Miller, of Kalispell; her mother, Pat Welch, of Ukiah, Calif.; her daughter, Abi, and husband, Donald Brown, of Windsor, Calif.; two sisters, Shannon and husband, George Johnson, of Ukiah, and Molly and husband, Bob Shulte of Ukiah; one brother, Steve and wife, Dawn Welch, of Grants Pass, Ore.; and one grandson, "Her Pride and Joy" Colton Matthew Brown of Windsor.

A memorial service will be held 4 p.m. at Buffalo Hills Funeral Home Thursday, May 26, with Rev. Riner officiating. A reception will follow at the home of Shawn and Michelle Baker. Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. at Daniel Chapel of the Roses Funeral Home in Santa Rosa, on Saturday, May 28.

Edward Wayne Miller, 58

Edward Wayne Miller, 58, passed away on Thursday, July 28, 2005, at Brendan House in Kalispell.

Wayne was born Dec. 9, 1946, in Santa Rosa, Calif.

Wayne operated Miller Construction for several years before moving to Montana in 1991. He worked for Swank Enterprises as a carpenter, then ran Miller Construction in Whitefish for a couple of years, returning to Swank Enterprises as a project superintendent. Wayne built the Montana Logging Association's offices, Coaches Corner in Whitefish, the Whitefish United Methodist Health Center campus, the Rocky Mountain Bank in Plains, and the Pope John II Cathedral in Bigfork.

Wayne married his summer camp sweetheart, Janice "Candi" Asbra in September of 2000. They were seldom apart and loved to explore the great outdoors in Montana, hunting big game and cooking gourmet food. Candi never tired of ideas to fix up their farmhouse and Wayne never tired of building and remodeling their home.

Their past few years together held many challenges and Wayne cared for Candi with utter devotion. "Wayne was one of the kindest, most generous men we've ever known." He was always ready to lend a tool or a hand often before you'd ever ask. Wayne sustained a close bond with "Our Lord" and his spiritual attitude carried over into his friendships and business relationships.

Wayne was preceded in death by his "bestest friend in the whole world," his wife Candi; his son, Matthew; and a sister, Charlotte.

He is survived by his parents; his daughter, Abi Brown, and her husband, Donald; a grandson, Colton; a son and daughter in California; two brothers; numerous close in-laws; and family friends.

Memorial services will be 3 p.m. Monday, Aug. 1, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home with the Rev. Darold Reiner officiating. Urn burial will take place in Santa Rosa.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

RUTH MAXINE (HONEY) MILDREN, 85

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Ruth Maxine (Honey) Mildren, 85, of Kalispell, passed away on Monday, April 18, 2005, after battling a terminal illness for several months.

Ruth was born Feb. 28, 1920, in Olympia, Wash., to Favi and Clara Honey. She attended Olympia High School in Washington and graduated from Simpson Bible School in Seattle. Ruth went on to attend Nyack Missionary College in Nyack, N.Y., where she graduated from there in 1945.

After graduating from Nyack College, she moved to the Ozark Mountains of Arkansas to do missionary work. This is where she met her husband Ora Mildren. They were married in 1946, in Olympia.

In 1953 the Mildrens moved to Kalispell to take care of Ora's parents.

She was a charter member of Evergreen Alliance Church where she was involved with many different ministries as well as committees of the church.

Ruth's vibrant personality attracted all ages of people who came in contact with her. She loved people. Along with her love for people, she enjoyed baking, making crafts and spending time outdoors, especially camping and hiking in Glacier Park. She was a great woman of both spiritual and physical strength.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ora; her parents; four sisters; three brothers; her infant son and daughter; and her daughter-in-law, Jan Mildren.

She is survived by her son, Steven Mildren, residing in Rapid City, S.D.; and two grandchildren, Philip Mildren of Colorado and Alycia Mildren of New York.

A celebration of her life will commence with a viewing on Friday, April 22, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Family members will be present at that time. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 23, at Faith Alliance Church, 348 Second Ave. West, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Erica A. Miller, 16

Erica A. Miller, 16, passed away on Saturday, May 21, 2005 at HealthCenter Northwest in Kalispell from complications of Retts Syndrome. She was born on June 17, 1988, in Peoria, Ill.



Erica moved to Kalispell in the early 1990s with her mother, Jamie Christensen. She began school at age 2 in Peoria at Rolling Acres Elementary School. She attended special education class at Evergreen School in 1993-94. She then attended the special education class at Edgerton School from 1994-2001. She was in her second year at Flathead High School until her passing.

Erica was an "Angel in disguise here on earth." She taught her family, teachers and friends a huge lesson ... "She carried us all through some huge times here on earth and will forever more."

She traveled extensively as a small child with her mom. They flew many places, rode the train, and drove all over the United States together.

Erica's mother married Jody Christensen in 1995 and together with sisters Sara and Katie she family enjoyed many camping trips and outdoor outings.

Erica loved horse therapy, music and movies, and her dog, Molly, who would sit on her lap and would eat with her and lick her hand - she would giggle at her sisters and her giggle is one thing we will all dearly miss.

Her mother Jamie loved caring

for her. It was an honor to have Erica as a daughter. She will be forever deeply missed. "Love you, Erica - fly on in peace."

Even though she couldn't communicate verbally, her beautiful brown eyes - sparkling - told us all her feelings.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Bud Nelson and Carol Cabbage; maternal great-grandparents, Walter and Dorothy Nelson; and paternal great-grandfather, Jim Hutchens.

She is survived by her parents, Jamie and Jody Christensen, of Kalispell; her sisters, Sara and Katie Christensen, of Kalispell; grandparents, Frank and Mary Cabbage of Kalispell, and Keith and Sally Christensen of Whitefish; and great-grandparents, Joe and Ruth Derrick of Clarkdale, Ariz., and Myrtle Hutchens of Whitefish; and paternal grandmother, Joy Elgin Mikelson, of Kalispell; her special great-aunt, Barbara Fish, of Clarkdale; her aunt, Robin Grainger, and uncle, Kurt, of Tempe, Ariz.; uncle, Derek Nelson, of Kalispell; uncle, Jamie G. Christensen, of Whitefish; uncle, Rick Christensen, of Kalispell; and numerous other relatives and friends.

Funeral services for Erica will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, May 25, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be from noon until 6 p.m. today at Johnson Mortuary.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to the Child Development Center, 945 Fourth Ave. E., Kalispell, MT 59901.

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by himself), old-time Western movies, and getting hugs.

He was preceded in death by both his parents, and two brothers, Virgil and Melvin.

He is survived by his wife, Annette; daughter, Theresa; son, James; granddaughter, Amanda; six brothers, Alvin and Vernon "Bud" of Fairview, Fredrick of Columbia Falls, Roland of Baker, Robert Ernster of Savage, and Larry Ernster of Billings; two sisters, Ruby Yadon and Rose Yadon of Sidney; and many nephews and nieces.

He will be cremated and a memorial service and military salute will be held at the Woodland Cemetery in Columbia Falls on Saturday, August 6, 2005 at 2 p.m. There will be gathering for friends and family to follow at the Moose Lodge in Kalispell.

There will also be a memorial service and burial in Fairview. The date and time of this service will be determined at a later date.

Evelyn Mitchell, 74

Evelyn Mitchell, 74, of Kalispell, passed away peacefully at home Nov. 8, 2005, after a brief battle with cancer.

She was born in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, on March 25, 1931, to Adrian and Mollie (Eckhardt) Thompson. In 1948, she graduated from Coeur d'Alene High School after which she attended cosmetology school in Spokane.

In 1950, she married Curtis Hugh Mitchell, and they moved to Kalispell in 1953, where Evelyn raised their three children and ran her own beauty shop until her retirement in 1993.

Evelyn enjoyed spending time at her cabin on Echo Lake with her family, field trips across the state with her botany group, water aerobics with her swim group, tending to her flowers, playing bridge, constructing puzzles, reading and outings with friends.

The family will miss her meal-planning skills for get-togethers and her homemade pie that was the Number One request by all



the grandchildren.

She was also involved with many activities in her church, which included Stephen Ministries and the women's association. She was previously in Eastern Star and Daughters of the Nile.

Evelyn is survived by daughter, Karen Heuscher, and her husband, Denny; daughter, Cindy Burr, and her husband, Mike, and son, Roger Mitchell, all of Kalispell. She is also survived by grandchildren, Brian Heuscher, Brandon Heuscher, Mandy Barrow, Meghan Schuman, Emily Strawderman and Jason Mitchell; as well as great-grandchildren, Echo Strawderman, Gabriel Carmona and Ava Barrow. She has an aunt, Ruth Clukey, of Spokane; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Her husband Curtis, in 1977; her mother and father; and both of her sisters preceded her in death.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home, with a memorial service planned for 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 12, at First Presbyterian Church in Kalispell.

The family suggest memorials to the First Presbyterian Church or Flathead Valley Community College.

Floyd "Bud" Mitchell, 87

Floyd "Bud" Mitchell, 87, passed away Saturday, June 18, 2005, at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

He was born March 29, 1918, in Bigfork to Everett and Uiva Mitchell. He was raised and educated in Bigfork.

Bud worked for the Forest Service for one year, and in 1938, he worked for the Civilian Conservation Corps in Glacier National Park. He then worked as a machinist in Washington.

He joined the Royal Air Force and served in England until he returned in 1942. He then served in the U.S. Army as a prison guard during World War II. After his discharge, he worked in Washington for the Forest Service, then transferred to the South Fork of the Flathead River in Montana until 1949, and then to the Libby area until his retirement in 1973.

After his retirement, he was self-employed as a log scaler in the Libby area until 1979. He moved to El Centro, Calif., in 1981. He spent several years with his daughter in Oregon before moving back to Montana and

entered the Montana Veterans Home in 2003.

He was married to his wife, Betty, on June 2, 1946, in Hingham.

He was a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge, Blue Lodge No. 85 in Libby, the Consistory and Algeria Shrine.

Bud loved to play golf and was a member of the Cabinet View Country Club in Libby and the Barbara Worth Country Club in El Centro.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Betty in 1996, and two grandchildren, Tracy and Matthew.

Bud is survived by his daughter, Charlene Paramo, of Roseburg, Ore.; four grandchildren, Michelle Snyder of Roseburg, William Watt of Philadelphia, Pa., Daniel Watt of Reno, Nev., and Nicole Pegg of Nampa, Idaho; eight grandchildren; a brother, Dwayne Mitchell, of Kalispell; a nephew, Daniel Mitchell; and a niece, Donna Doda.

A private family memorial service will be held at a later date.

Arrangements are by the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

Henry W. 'Bill' Miller, 74

Henry W. "Bill" Miller died at the age of 74 at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center after an extended illness.

He was born to Gustav and Sara (Vanderhoof) Miller in Sidney, on Jan. 18, 1931. He served in the Navy for 20 years from 1948 to 1968 including the Korean and Vietnam wars.

He moved back to Kalispell, where he worked for Rocky Mountain Lumber Co., who later changed its name to Louisiana Pacific. He worked there until they shut down. He then worked odd jobs until going to work for Yellowstone Park where he then retired after nine years.

He was very active in the community, including being a member of Loyal Order of Moose, Legion of Moose, VFW, Cooties, Eagles, and American Legion.

One of his favorite pastimes was socializing with family and friends. He also enjoyed camping and fishing, playing cards (even if it meant

Aidan Daniel Moberg, 5

Aidan Daniel Moberg, 5, passed away May 17, 2005, in Oceanside, Calif., of cardio respiratory failure, secondary to late infantile neuronal ceroid lipofuscinoses (NCL or Batten disease.)



Aidan was born Aug. 24, 1999, in Moses Lake, Wash. He was raised in Spokane and Whitefish.

He attended school at Head Start in Columbia Falls, and at a special program at Muldown elementary School in Whitefish.

Aidan has a small obsession with cars and trucks. If it had wheels; he loved it.

He loved spending time with his family. He especially loved when the family was altogether, when he would name each of us, one by one.

Aidan loved taking rides in "Papa's" truck. He enjoyed frequent trips with his family to Whitefish City Beach where he would play with his cars in the water. He was "our Water Baby."

He really liked going to school and being with his teacher, Faith, and his classmates.

He loved Scooby-Doo.

Aidan has a powerful impact on everyone who met him. He will be missed but will always be with us in spirit.

Batten disease is an inherited, degenerative, neurological disease which may affect a person of any age, but primarily strikes infants, toddlers and school-age children. There is no treatment, and the disease is always fatal. It is often mistaken for epilepsy, mental retardation, even psychosis. Onset

is characterized by beginning vision loss, seizures, clumsiness, personality and behavior changes. It is a recessive inherited disease, meaning both parents must carry the defective gene.

He was preceded in death by his great-grandmother, Fran Boyle.

Aidan is survived by his mother, Jenny Moberg, of Whitefish; father and stepmother, Mathew and Tammy Moberg of Oceanside; grandparents, Daron Lime of Whitefish, Jim Casto of Whitefish, Gail Jones of Minnesota, Mike and Janet Moberg of Moses Lake, Wash., Koleen Boyle and Don Davis of Spokane, Lynn Newbigging of Idaho, Rod and Dixie Newbigging of Spokane, MaryAnn and Tim Naldrett of Kalispell, and Nancy and Paul Watson of Columbia Falls.

He is also survived by his step-sister, Brie; stepbrother, Gaylan; and sister, Katie; maternal uncles, Calvin Lime, Mark Lime, Daron Lime and Vick Lime; maternal aunts, Amber Lime and Elisa McMahon; paternal aunts and uncles, Jamie Moberg, Kassie Davis, Shaun Moberg and Lisa Harrington; and numerous cousins and other relatives.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. today, May 25, at Kaiser's Chapel of Memories in Moses Lake.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 28, at Whitefish City Beach.

Donations may be made to the Batten Disease Support and Research Association (BDSRA) 120 Humphries Dr., Suite 2, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068, or online at www.bdsra.org; or to the Doug Betters Foundation: For the Children Inc., P.O. Box 21, Whitefish, MT 59937.

Charles Randolph Moddrell, 54

Charles Randolph Moddrell "Randy," "Mo" passed away Aug. 9, 2005, as a result of a motorcycle accident in Northwestern Montana. Randy was born July 20, 1951, in Wichita, Kan., to Joe and Jeanne (Peterson) Moddrell.

He graduated from Kansas University and was a proud Jayhawks fan. His teaching degree in special education was the springboard to the rest of his vocational life, which was dedicated to the service of people who have a disability.

He moved to the Flathead Valley of Montana in 1977, and among his employers were Flathead Industries, Lamplighter and Summit Independent Living Center.

His passion for working with people was recognized by the many people and consumers who knew him. He was awarded the original Dan George Award by United Way for his innovative social-service activities. This, he felt, was one of his biggest professional accomplishments. His volunteer work followed his never-ending quest to help people with disabilities, as noted by his various activities with area agencies and programs. He was one of the original founders of the Special Friends Advocacy Program in Kalispell.

During the past year, he reduced his workload to spend more of his time with his family,



his home, tractor, power tools, grandchildren and motor cycle. An avid motorcyclist for many years, he loved to ride. On a recent adventure with some friends, he motorcycled across Australia.

Besides motorcycles, he loved to play various sports, including tennis, squash, wheelchair basketball and, as of late, he maintained a love-hate relationship with golf.

He is survived by wife, Gay; his children, Marie and Rusty Weber, Mike and Margie Henderson, Terry and Marisa Henderson, of Kalispell, Bill and Teri Henderson, and Tim and Lori Henderson of Reno, Nev.; his 10 grandchildren; his sister, Kathy, and Rod DePrey, and nephew, Peter, of Atlanta; father, Joe, and stepmother, Jean Moddrell, and nephew, James, of Wichita, Kan.; and numerous extended family members.

Known as "Papa Mo" to his grandchildren, he was all that any child could ever hope for in a grandfather. His dedication and passion for his family was exemplified by the various family activities in which he took great pride and delight. His greatest life accomplishment was his family and friends.

In keeping with his wishes, a potluck celebration of his life will be held at the family home Sunday, Aug. 21, beginning at 4 p.m. Car-pooling would be appreciated.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to Special Friends Advocacy Program, or the charity of your choice.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Randy's family

Alice Lucille Moen, 84

Alice Lucille Moen was born July 17, 1921, in Pullman to Irvin and Lois Sturm. She died April 26, 2005, at her home at Kalispell. The Sturm family lived in Yakima, Arizone and Allouez early years. Alice's father operated construction equipment for the railroad building bridges in Montana and Washington and the family farmed that summer. Irvin first in eastern Montana and then Washington state. Alice graduated with a B.S. from St. Luke's at their alma mater, Kittlingham, in 1941.



and her first in law, Wes Beamer, of Auburn, Wash., and sister Gladys and brother in law, Dick Mooney, of Wenatchee, Wash., sister in law and brother in law, Ruth and Harold Kolden, of Missoula, and sister in law, Helen Moen, of Missoula, and sister in law, Norma Braaten, of Everett. She is also survived by 12 nephews and nieces and their families, and many many friends.

Alice was preceded in death by her son, Irvin Moen, on March 16, 2000; her parents, Irvin and Lois Sturm; her parents in law, Ole and Olga Moen, and her brother in law, Arnold Braaten.

Alice's deep faith was a constant. She devoted her life to serving the Lord. For many years as an altar's wife, she ministered to the workers and the faithful by preparing countless meals, changing many beds and washing loads of clothes. Alice's house was always spacious in Saturday evenings in preparation for Sunday morning meetings.

Alice volunteered her time and spiritual expertise to youth organizations that her children were involved with, first to the Boy and Girl Scouts, then to the local Parent Teachers Association. For several years, she was secretary, treasurer for the local PTA and for two years she served on the board of the Montana State PTA.

Music was a joy to Alice. She was self-taught on both the guitar and piano and delighted in teaching guitar basics to her son and piano fundamentals to her daughter. Alice often sang as she worked, usually hymns, but also popular tunes from her youth.

Alice passed away peacefully in her home at Prestige Assisted Living, surrounded by the love of her family and her Prestige caregivers.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. today, April 29, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 30, at the Salvation Army Community Center. Burial will follow at Cooper Memorial Gardens.

Paula Cornelius Mohns, 50

Paula Cornelius Mohns, 50, formerly of Bigfork, died July 27, 2005, at the University Medical Center in Seattle after battling leukemia.

Survivors include her husband, David Mohns, and son,

R.J. Mohns, of Buffalo, Wyo.; mother, June Bloomer, of Columbia Falls, and father, Calvin Cornelius, of Spokane.

No services are planned at this time.

Gwenith L. Moen, 81

Gwenith L. Moen passed away on April 26, 2005, at her home in Kalispell after a short battle with pancreatic cancer. Gwenith was born



October 14, 1923, in the Ross, on Sept. 14, 1930. She was the sixth of seven children. In 1940 she moved with her family to Foxford and graduated from Lincoln County High School in Lameck in 1941.

Gwenith moved to Kalispell and there she married her accounting skills. She lived with her son-in-law, Gary, and daughter, Kathy, in Kalispell. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Kalispell. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Kalispell and the First Presbyterian Church in Kalispell.

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Her niece, Bobby, was collector of antiques. The antique shops were always the first destinations on her travels. She enjoyed the antiques and their stories.

She and Harold enjoyed traveling, especially to Florida and Hawaii with their family.

Preceding her in death were her parents, her husband, Harold, sister, Juanita, who died in infancy, sister, Louise, and brother, Ed.

She is survived by her sons, Gary Moen of Lakeside with Helen Braaten of Yakima, Wash., and Steve Moen with Margaret Ewert of Kalispell. Also surviving are her grandsons, Michael Moen and wife, Andrea, of Winter Haven, Fla., and Richard Stuart and wife, Kathy, of Columbia Falls, and a grandnephew, Kevin, and two granddaughters, Holly and Leah. She is also survived by her sisters, Helen Koller and her husband, Paul, of Missoula, Colette Wickham and husband, Floyd, of Missoula, and Marie Martine of Revere, N.D., along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be today, April 29, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Valley Funeral Home in Whitefish. Memorial services will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 30, at the First Presbyterian Church in Kalispell. Interment will follow at Cooper Memorial Gardens. The Rev. Hal Hyde will conduct the services. A short reception will follow at the Moose Lodge in Parkgreen.

Irvin Moen, 52

Irvin Moen, 52, passed away in his sleep early Wednesday, March 16, 2005, with his wife sleeping beside him.

Irvin fought severe mental illness most of his life but was victorious because he died of natural causes.

He was born in Kalispell on Jan. 18, 1953, to Harold and Alice (Sturm) Moen.

He married Wren Wallis on July 2, 1976. They resided in Kalispell.

Irvin is survived by his wife, Wren Moen of Kalispell; his parents, Harold and Alice (Sturm)

Moen, of Kalispell; his sister, Joann Perrett and Dave Wilson, and niece, Annette Perry and Rick and family, of Washington; many loved relatives residing outside the Flathead Valley; sister-in-law, Wilene Bridger, and Jim, and their children, Joel and Paula of Kalispell; and a host of friends.

Visitation for Irvin will be from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 19, at the Easthaven Baptist Church with memorial services to follow at 1 p.m. with Pastor Daniel Lambert officiating.

Johnson Mortuary & Crematory is caring for Irvin's family.

ALICE LUCILLE MOEN, 84

April 29, 2005 at 5:00 am |

Alice Lucille Moen, 84, was born July 11, 1920, in Polson to Irvin and Lois Sturm. She died April 26, 2005, in her home at Kalispell. The Sturm family lived in Valley View during Alice's early years. Alice's father operated construction equipment for the large dam building projects in Montana and Washington and the family followed that job trail; living first in eastern Montana and then Washington state. Alice graduated from high school in Spokane and then attended Kinman Business College.

During World War II, she worked as an executive secretary at various military bases, first in Spokane and later at Auburn, Wash.

Alice was engaged to Harold Moen prior to his military deployment to England in 1943. The engaged couple would not see each other for two and a half years but numerous letters and telegrams kept the romance thriving. Harold's release from the Army in December 1945 again united the couple and Alice married her sweetheart on March 1, 1946. Alice's wedding day marked the beginning of what she considered her real career; a wife to Harold and later, a mother to her children.

The newlyweds lived in several Northwest cities, including Portland and

Edmonds, Wash, until 1949 when they moved to Devon, Mont. Kalispell has been home to Alice since 1950.

Alice is survived by her husband, Harold, at the family apartment; daughter, Joann Perrett and son-in-law, Dave Wilson, of Bellevue, Wash.; daughter-in-law, Wren Moen of Kalispell; granddaughter, Annette and husband, Rick Perry, of Puyallup, Wash.; and three great-grandsons, Jackson, Dylan and Luke. She is also survived by her sister, Dorothy and brother-in-law, Wes Benjamin, of Auburn Wash., and sister Gladys and brother-in-law, Dick Mooney, of Wenatchee, Wash.; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Ruth and Harold Kolden, of Missoula; sister-in-law, Helen Moen, of Missoula; and sister-in-law, Norma Braaten, of Everett. She is also survived by 12 nephews and nieces and their families; and many, many friends.

Alice was preceded in death by her son, Irvin Moen, on March 16, 2005; her parents, Irvin and Lois Sturm; her parents-in-law, Ole and Gina Moan; and her brother-in-law, Arnold Braaten.

Alice's deep faith was a constant; she dedicated her life to serving the Lord. For many years, as an elder's wife, she ministered to the workers and the faithful by preparing countless meals, changing many beds and washing loads of clothes. Alice's house was always spotless on Saturday evenings in preparation for Sunday morning meeting.

Alice volunteered her time and secretarial expertise to youth organizations that her children were involved with; first to the Boy and Girl Scouts, then to the local Parent Teachers Association. For several years, she was secretary/treasurer for the local PTA and for two years she served on the board of the Montana State PTA.

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Music was a joy to Alice. She was self-taught on both the guitar and piano and delighted in teaching guitar basics to her son and piano fundamentals to her daughter. Alice often sang as she worked, usually hymns, but also popular tunes from her youth.

Alice passed away peacefully in her home at Prestige Assisted Living; surrounded by the love of her family and her Prestige care givers.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. today, April 29, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 30, at the Salvation Army Community Center. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

GWENITH L. MOEN, 81

April 29, 2005 at 5:00 am |

Gwenith L. Moen, 81, passed away on April 26, 2005, at Brendan House in Kalispell after a short battle with lung cancer. Gwen was born in Chester to George and Martha Ross on Sept. 14, 1923. She was the sixth of seven children. In 1936 she moved with her family to Rexford, and graduated from Lincoln County High School in Eureka in 1941.

Gwen moved to Kalispell and there she learned her accounting skills. She lived with her sister Helen in Kalispell and it is there that she met her future husband, Harold B. Moen. They were married on July 31, 1945, in Kalispell and enjoyed 55 years together.

She worked at various bookkeeping jobs over the years. Later she worked in the business office of School District 5 for many years; then worked for Dr. Al Swanberg and also Dr. Little at the Kalispell Medical Arts Center, from which she retired.

She always enjoyed learning. Over the last several years she learned how to use a computer and was able to develop skills in digital photography and e-mail, which she used to send many of her favorite pictures to friends and family.

Among her many interests were following Flathead High School sports and joining the Moose Lodge, where she developed many new friendships. Gwen enjoyed playing cards and many special meals there.

Her lifelong hobby was collecting antiques. The antique shops were always the first destinations on her travels. She enjoyed the antiques and their stories.

She and Harold enjoyed traveling, especially to Florida and Hawaii with their family.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband, Harold; sister, Juanita (who died in infancy); sister, Louise; and brother, Ed.

She is survived by her sons, Gary Moen, of Lakeside with Helen Bradley of Yakima, Wash.; and Steve Moen, with Margaret Ewert of Kalispell. Also surviving are her grandsons, Michael Moen and wife, Andrea, of Winter Haven, Fla., and Richard Strand and wife, Kathy, of Columbia Falls; great-grandchildren, Kayla and Troy Moen of Winter Haven, and Tasha Strand of Columbia Falls; sisters, Helen Kidder and husband, Dan, of Missoula, Georgie Wickburg and husband, Floyd, of Missoula and Margie Martin of Regent, N.D., along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be today, April 29, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish. Memorial services will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 30, at Glacier Church, 690 Grandview Drive in Kalispell. Interment will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The Rev. Hal Irvine will conduct the services. A short reception will follow at the Moose Lodge in Evergreen.

IRVIN MOEN, 52

March 18, 2005 at 5:00 am |

Irvin Moen, 52, passed away in his sleep early Wednesday, March 16, 2005, with his wife sleeping beside him.

Irvin fought severe mental illness most of his life but was victorious because he died of natural causes.

He was born in Kalispell on Jan. 18, 1953, to Harold and Alice (Sturm) Moen.

He married Wren Wallis on July 2, 1976. They resided in Kalispell.

Irvin is survived by his wife, Wren Moen of Kalispell; his parents, Harold and Alice (Sturm) Moen, of Kalispell; his sister, Joann Perrett and Dave Wilson, and niece, Annette Perry and Rick and family, of Washington; many loved relatives residing outside the Flathead Valley; sister-in-law, Wilene Bridger, and Jim, and their children, Joel and Paula of Kalispell; and a host of friends.

Visitation for Irvin will be from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 19, at the Easthaven Baptist Church with memorial services to follow at 1 p.m. with Pastor Daniel Lambert officiating.

Johnson Mortuary & Crematory is caring for Irvin's family.

Austin Monk, 91

Austin Monk, 91, passed away June 3, 2005, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell after a long and hard fought battle with age.

He was born John Austin Monk on July 16, 1913, to Wallace and Grace (Haines) Monk in Kalispell. He attended local schools and grew up with the Valley. He married Mildred Knutson in 1938 and was preceded in death by her in 1996.

He began his younger years ranching and also in the timber industry, first cutting ties in his sawmill and later as a logger, back in the days when the timber was big. He later was a tie broker for the Burlington Northern Railroad. He raised cattle in Pleasant Valley for most of his life at the ranch he built from scratch.

He and Mildred blasted a canal with dynamite to drain the meadows, and then cleared the willows and trees to make his hay land. The ranch at Pleasant Valley is where he liked being the most.

He also did stints in the oil fields, as a road builder and a heavy equipment operator.

He owned and operated the Raven Mine in Thompson Falls for many years. Austin did a lot of prospecting, even searching for the Lost Dutchman Mine in Arizona several times. He had several mining claims in northern Montana and was a past president of the Montana Mining Association.

Many people will remember

when he and Mildred owned and operated Boisverts Resort on McGregor Lake in the 1970s.

He had a lifelong fondness of guns, especially the Sharps Rifle, and was well known as a marksman at the black powder shoots. He was most recently known for his love and knowledge of steam traction engines. He had quite a collection that he assembled over the years and was at many of the plowing and steam shows both here and also in Pennsylvania, Ohio and Oklahoma.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Edward; his sisters, Doris Daley and Louise Monk; and his sons, Wallace "Wally" Monk and Jim Wehr.

He is survived by his daughter, Janet Monk, of Kalispell; and his brother, Bob Monk, of Pleasant Valley. He is also survived by 12 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren; and nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, at Johnson Mortuary.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 9, at the First Presbyterian Church of Kalispell, 540 S. Main St., followed by interment at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery, with a short memorial for his sister, Louise Monk, who passed away March 28.

Memorials may be made to Hospice, 175 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, or a charity of your choice.

David Milton Monroe, 85

David Milton Monroe was born in Nelsonville, N.Y., on Nov. 13, 1919, to David Y. and Alice H. Monroe. He passed away in Whitefish on Aug. 4, 2005.



He attended elementary school in Nelsonville and high school in Cold Spring, N.Y.

As a young man, he chose to go west. In 1943, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and served throughout the Pacific area and China. He received the Purple Heart and an honorable discharge in 1945.

He married Bertha R. Casper on Sept. 15, 1947, and they have been constant companions ever since. His work required extensive travel throughout the United States, and Bertha accompanied him. Dave and Bertha retired Nov. 1, 1979, and have resided in Whitefish since.

Dave was survived by his wife

of 57 years, Bertha, who passed away Oct. 15.

He is now survived by grandchildren, Calvin Scott and his wife, Laurale, of Marion, Darrell Jensen and his wife, Mei Mei, of San Jose, Calif., Cathy Huff and her husband, Rick, of Naches, Wash., and Christine Miskin of Auburn, Wash.; great-grandchildren, Cade Scott and his wife, Kristine, of Spanaway, Wash., Cord L. David Scott and his wife, Marlayna, of Kalispell, Cara Scott of Auburn, Daniel and Shaunli Jensen of San Jose, and Michael and Andrew Huff of Naches; great-great grandchildren, Kiana, Jeremy and Taylor Scott of Spanaway, and Bryan Caffrey Scott of Kalispell; and many loved nieces and nephews.

Dave had requested to be cremated with no services given, as he preferred family and friends to remember him as he was while alive.

Cremation has taken place.

This paid obituary is being run again at the request of the family.

Louise Monk, 89

Louise Monk, 89, passed away March 28, 2005, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born Anna Louise Monk on June 6, 1915, to Wallace and Grace Haines Monk in Kalispell. She attended local schools and graduated from Flathead High School in 1932.

After graduation she attended the University of Montana in Missoula. She then went on to work in San Francisco, Havre, and Great Falls, as a secretary for Social Security and the Army Corps of Engineers.

She returned to Kalispell in the 1950s, working as an executive secretary for the Bonneville Power Administration and later at the Columbia Falls Aluminum Plant.

In the early 1960s she ran the Trading Post and Pawn Shop for many years. She then earned her real estate license and sold real estate for several years. Her last

enterprise was the Heritage Antiques, which she ran until her retirement in 1996. Antiques were her lifelong passion and she was considered the local expert on glassware.

Her favorite place to be was on the family ranches in Pleasant Valley, where she said the sun was always shining.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Edward, and sister, Doris Daley.

She is survived by her brothers, Austin Monk and Bob Monk, of Pleasant Valley, and many cherished nieces and nephews.

At Louise's request cremation has taken place and there will be no services. Interment will take place in the family plot at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery on June 6.

Memorials can be made to Home Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901, or a charity of choice.

Bertha R. Monroe, 100



Bertha Rein Monroe, 100, passed away quietly at her home in Whitefish with her family at her side Oct. 15, 2005.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 58 years, Dave Monroe, this past August.

Bertha was born in Dash Township, N.D., on April 8, 1905, to Frederick and Mary Rein. She was one of eight children. The Rein family farmed in North Dakota and Canada before settling in Montana in 1910. The family homesteaded near the Pablo Reservoir until her father was killed in an automobile crash near Hot Springs in 1918. Bertha's mother later married Will Seifert and remained in the Polson area.

Bertha worked on the family farm, attended school and worked as a housekeeper. In 192, she married and gave birth to a daughter, Betty Jane. By the 1940s, Bertha and her daughter had moved to Reno, Nev., where she worked as a seamstress.

While working at an awning shop in Reno, Bertha met the love of her life, David Monroe. Dave and Bertha were married Sept. 15, 1947, and shortly thereafter moved to Phoenix. There they both worked in the blind and awning business. At one point they did several jobs for famous architect Frank Lloyd Wright.

In 1954, they moved back to home to Montana and opened their own awning shop, Monroe's Awning and Canvas, which stood on the corner of Second Avenue West and Third Street East in Kalispell (which is where the post office parking lot is now).

Dave went to work for the new aluminum plant in 1955, and they closed the shop and moved to Columbia Falls the next year.

In January 1962, Dave was selected to work for the International Union as a representative. Together they traveled the United States in union business, visiting every continental state but Maine. During this time, Bertha was a homemaker and bowled in several leagues. On annual vacations, the couple always came home to Montana to visit family and friends. In the 1970s, they bought property on Little Bitterroot Lake, where they loved fishing and gathering with friends and family for reunions. Dave and Bertha finally retired Nov. 1, 1979, to Whitefish.

Bertha's passions in life included visits with family and friends, dancing, fishing, huckleberry picking, bowling, gardening and needlework. She actively bowled in two leagues until age 95. At one time she was the Grand Duchess (oldest active member) of the Montana State Bowling League. She loved life, her husband Dave, family and dear friends. She will definitely be missed.

Bertha outlived most of her immediately family but is survived by two brothers, Harold and Eddie Seifert. She is also survived by three grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, five great-great-grandchildren; and many very close nieces, nephews and friends.

Dave and Bertha's grandsons, Calvin and David, would like to sincerely thank all the family, friends and care givers who helped Grandma and Grandpa during the past few years to keep their independence and stay together at home during their final years. At Bertha's request, there will be no services and cremation has already taken place.

LOUISE MONK, 89

March 31, 2005 at 5:00 am | Daily Inter Lake

Louise Monk, 89, passed away March 28, 2005, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born Anna Louise Monk on June 6, 1915, to Wallace and Grace Haines Monk in Kalispell. She attended local schools and graduated from Flathead High School in 1932.

After graduation she attended the University of Montana in Missoula. She then went on to work in San Francisco, Havre, and Great Falls, as a secretary for Social Security and the Army Corps of Engineers.

She returned to Kalispell in the 1950s, working as an executive secretary for the Bonneville Power Administration and later at the Columbia Falls Aluminum Plant.

In the early 1960s she ran the Trading Post and Pawn Shop for many years. She then earned her real estate license and sold real estate for several years. Her last enterprise was the Heritage Antiques, which she ran until her retirement in 1996. Antiques were her lifelong passion and she was considered the local expert on glassware.

Her favorite place to be was on the family ranches in Pleasant Valley, where she said the sun was always shining.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Edward, and sister, Doris Daley.

She is survived by her brothers, Austin Monk and Bob Monk, of Pleasant Valley, and many cherished nieces and nephews.

At Louise's request cremation has taken place and there will be no services. Interment will take place in the family plot at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery on June 6.

Memorials can be made to Home Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901; or a charity of choice.

Leslie 'Les' Moody, 46

Leslie (Les) Gordon Moody, of Ellensburg, Wash., (formerly of Swan Valley, Mont.) died on Monday, Aug. 12, 2005, as a result of an automobile accident near Ellensburg.

Les was born on March 18, 1959, in San Jose, Calif., to James L. and Barbara I. Moody. He moved to the Swan Valley as a child and attended Seeley-Swan High School, graduating in 1977. He worked in the log home industry for a few years during and after high school. He went on to obtain a degree as a building inspector and worked in several locations in Washington. For the past 11 years, he has lived in Ellensburg and worked for the City of Yakima as a building inspector.

Les liked cruising and taking road trips in his convertible. He enjoyed the outdoors and loved hiking in the Bob Marshall Wilderness.

He is preceded in death by his father, James L. Moody.

Jeffrey Rawlings Moore, 46

Jeffrey Rawlings Moore, 46, passed away Sunday, June 26, 2005, at his residence in Kalispell.

He was born April 3, 1959, in Helena, Mont., to Bill and Mary Ann (Rawlings) Moore. He lived in Oklahoma until the age of 2, when the family relocated to California. He attended schools in California and graduated from Enterprise High School in Redding, Calif. He lived in California until 1983, when he relocated to the Flathead Valley.

He was a specialist in fine art and bronze casting. He had worked for the past 19 years at Kalispell Art Casting. He loved to hunt and fish.

He loved his granddaughter, Jada, and was loved and cherished by many.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Ray and Tina Rawlings; and his pater-

nal grandparents, Kenneth and Birdie Moore.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy Bronakowski, of Kalispell; parents, Bill and Mary Ann Moore of Bartlesville, Okla.; brothers, Paul Moore and Dwight Moore, both of Norman, Okla.; and a stepdaughter, Nikki Witts and husband, Frank, of Kalispell; and five grandchildren.

He is also survived by his siblings, Ben (Enda) Moody of Eureka, Calif., J. Dean (Annette) Moody of Hardin, Mont. & Barbara (Paul) Grinde of Polson. He is also survived by nieces, Shelby Moody of Missoula, Jessica (Gregg) Bertelsen of Dickinson, N.D., Kimberly Moody of San Diego, Calif., Erica (BJ) Mazurek of Missoula; and nephew, Christopher Moody of Eureka, Calif., and great nephews Joshua and Jordan Moody of Eureka, Calif. and Trenton Bertelsen of Dickinson, N.D.

A private family memorial service will be held in Turlock, Calif. and a memorial service will be held in Condon at a later date and time to be announced.

Arrangements are by Grogan Funeral Home & Crematory of Polson.

He is survived by his parents, Barbara I. Roach and her husband, Lee, of Turlock, Calif. and stepmother, Christine Moody of Arnold, Calif. and step-father, Bill Logue of Condon.

He is also survived by his siblings, Ben (Enda) Moody of Eureka, Calif., J. Dean (Annette) Moody of Hardin, Mont. & Barbara (Paul) Grinde of Polson. He is also survived by nieces, Shelby Moody of Missoula, Jessica (Gregg) Bertelsen of Dickinson, N.D., Kimberly Moody of San Diego, Calif., Erica (BJ) Mazurek of Missoula; and nephew, Christopher Moody of Eureka, Calif., and great nephews Joshua and Jordan Moody of Eureka, Calif. and Trenton Bertelsen of Dickinson, N.D.

A private family memorial service will be held in Turlock, Calif. and a memorial service will be held in Condon at a later date and time to be announced.

Arrangements are by Grogan Funeral Home & Crematory of Polson.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Jeffrey's family.

Ila Mae (Butler) Moore, 70

Our beautiful wife and mother, Ila Mae (Butler) Moore passed away at the young age of 70 on Sept. 28, 2005, at her home in Helena surrounded by her family. Truly

our miracle lady, she had beaten ovarian and breast cancer 20 years ago. She was an inspiration to all who knew her. Ila filled each and every day with family, fun and travel.

Ila was born the third child to Florence (Forester) and Jay Butler on Oct. 10, 1934, in Lewistown. Her father died when Ila was only 3, and shortly thereafter Florence moved the family to the Flathead Valley, where she was raised.

Ila met the love of her life at the age of 15, and at 17 she and Glen E. Moore were married in Kalispell on April 22, 1952, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

Ila was a full-time wife, homemaker and mother extraordinaire. Only after all of the kids were through school did Ila take a job outside of the home. Initially starting in the nursing department at Carroll College in 1976, Ila worked at Westmont in the medical records department where she retired in 1993.

An avid sports fan, she and Glen followed all of their kids' sports activities and later the grandkids' as well. Upon retirement, Ila and Glen became "snowbirds," traveling across the South in the winter and spending many long, happy summers at their beloved place in Rollins Bay on Flathead Lake. Eventually, they made Yuma, Ariz., their official second home.

To our surprise, Glen and Ila took up square dancing, which



brought them many years of enjoyment. Ila loved to travel, visiting Mexico, Hawaii, England and western Europe. Their last trip was to New England in the fall of 2003.

Ila is survived by Glen, her loving husband of 53 years; sons, Rod and Kari Moore of Portland, and Rick and Kathryn Moore of Twin Falls, Idaho; daughters, Kathy and Scott Smith, and Kris and Bob Schmitz, both of Helena; 10 grandchildren, Michelle, Erik and Craig Moore, Megan and Julie Moore, Nicole, Andrea and Daniel Smith, and Shayla and Shanna Schmitz; and three great-grandchildren. Her devoted siblings also survive — sister, Dolly Moeller, and twin brothers, Jim and Marsha, and Gerry and Ellie Burnett, all of Tucson, Ariz.; and many more close friends and family.

Her parents and one brother preceded her in death.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. today, Friday, Sept. 30, at Retz Funeral Home in Helena. A funeral Mass will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Helena, with a reception immediately afterward. Burial services will be at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery in Kalispell at 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 3, with a reception to be held at the WestCoast Kalispell Center after the graveside service. All friends are invited.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to Hospice of St. Peter's or the Cancer Treatment Center, C/O St. Peter's Hospital, 2475 Broadway St. Helena, MT 59601.

It is not how she died, although she did so with incredible strength and courage, but how she lived that we will always remember. "Until we meet again, we will miss you, Mom."

Millicent Fox Moore, 93

Millicent Fox Moore, of Kalispell, "went to heaven" at the age of 93, on Aug. 23, 2005, at Immanuel Lutheran Home.



She began her life Feb. 20, 1912, by being welcomed into the loving family of Charles and Nellie Fox in St. Paul, Minn., joining her older brother, Warren. She often recalled many fond memories of the time spent with her friends and family throughout her childhood years in St. Paul and summers spent on Lake Winnebago in Oshkosh, Wis. Sadly, her beloved mother passed away when Millicent was just 14 years old, leaving her to assume responsibility for the household in addition to her studies. She graduated from Central High School in St. Paul and went on to study business administration at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis.

Millicent began her extensive employment history in retail at The Golden Rule Department Store in St. Paul, quickly working her way up the corporate ladder. She decided to relocate on her own to Los Angeles in 1941 and worked for Bullock's Department Store in downtown Los Angeles, where she again quickly excelled and was often promoted.

It was in Los Angeles that Millicent met her future husband, Alvin E. Moore, and where they were married on Thanksgiving Day, 1942. Alvin was in the Navy, and the newlyweds were immediately stationed in San Francisco followed by Kansas City, Mo.

The couple was blessed with a daughter, Cheryl, and then a son, Terry. The family eventually returned to the Los Angeles area and settled in the suburb of La Crescenta, where Alvin became a mortician and funeral director at Forest Lawn.

While raising her children and being a homemaker, Millicent served as a Brownie Scout leader, a Cub Scout den mother, president of the Mother's Club in Job's Daughters, and was an active member and president of her P.E.O. Sisterhood chapter. She ultimately was a member of the P.E.O. Sisterhood for 66 years and was a charter member of her chapter in La Canada, Calif.

Once her children were grown, Millicent decided to once again work outside the home. She first returned to college to earn a

certificate in medical office assistance, which enabled her to work in a doctor's office and then as an admitting administrator for Huntington Memorial Hospital in Pasadena, Calif. She worked for the hospital for 20 1/2 years and eventually retired in 1989 at the age of 78 1/2. In 1997, Millicent relocated to Kalispell to be closer to her daughter where she became an active resident of Buffalo Hill Terrace.

While still living in St. Paul as a young woman, Millicent began her lifelong pursuit of her passion for travel. In 1938, she took her first major trip to the Black Hills and Yellowstone National Park, and then in 1939 she traveled to Alaska. While raising her children the family often took many road trips throughout the United States. After her husband passed away in 1973, Millicent once again decided to travel extensively, and during a period of 20-plus years visited most parts of North America, Europe and the Orient. Of all her trips, she felt that seeing the "Passion Play" in Oberammergau, Germany, and her visits to Spain and Portugal were her most memorable.

Millicent also enjoyed listening to the symphonies, sewing, quilting, politics, Bible study and scrapbooking of her travel memorabilia. Shortly before her 90th birthday, Millicent finally finished a beautiful quilt, which she had started when she was 18 years old. She also completed her memoirs by hand and presented them with love to her family at Christmas 2003.

Millicent was a gracious, vital and loving lady who was well ahead of her time and was an inspiration to all who knew her. She was deeply loved and will be missed terribly by her family.

She is survived by daughter and son-in-law, Cheryl and Charles Harber, of Bigfork; son, Terry Moore, of Corvallis, Ore.; niece, Karen Fox, of Plymouth, Minn.; grandchildren, Steven Harris and Jennifer Harris of Bigfork, Thaddeus and Emily Moore and Shasta Kearns-Moore of Eugene, Ore.; stepgranddaughter, Julia Harber, and stepgreat-grandson, Dirk Harber, of San Diego.

A celebration of Millicent's life will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27, in the Buffalo Room of Buffalo Hill Terrace, 40 Claremont St., in Kalispell, with Peter Ramseth officiating.

The family suggests donations be made in her name to Hospice, Home Health Options, 175 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Ralph A. Moore passed away Sunday, May 29, 2005.

He was born to John T. and Phillis L. Moore on Nov. 15, 1957, in Havre.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Moore; sister and brother-in-law Minde and Jan Connelly; sister and brother-in-law Heidi and John Brady; sister Holly Moore; nieces Lara Jan, Karmen and Rachelle; nephews Jeff and Josh; and grandnieces Analise and Ila.

He was preceded in death by

his father, John T. Moore, and brother, John E. Moore.

He loved his family, fishing, cribbage, football and his many friends.

He loved the outdoors and all animals, especially his pets, Sabby and Taz.

His baby blue eyes will forever sparkle in the hearts of all that loved him.

A memorial service will be held 1 p.m. on Friday at the VFW club in Whitefish.

Violet 'Vi' Morris, 87

Longtime Kalispell resident Violet "Vi" Morris passed away of natural causes Friday, April 22, 2005, in Spokane.

Vi was born March 28, 1918, in Wildrose, N.D., to Otto and Maggie Scherer. She was employed for nearly 30 years as a nurse at the Kalispell General Hospital, then later the Kalispell Regional Hospital.

Vi was a member and former ladies' auxiliary president of the Kalispell Eagles Club.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Arvid Cox; son, Richard Cox; and daughter, Judy

Kinshella; and her second husband, Edwin Morris.

Vi is survived by her sons, Jack Cox of Seattle, Gary Cox of Anchorage, Alaska, and Jay Morris, currently deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan; daughters, Barbara Namen of Polson, Kathy Johnson of Spokane, and Debra Hudson of Spokane. She is also survived by her sister, Ruth Gilkison, of Wildrose, N.D.; 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The family plans to return Vi's ashes home to Kalispell in the spring of 2006 to be interred in the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Darlene Ruth Morrison, 54

Darlene Ruth Morrison, 54, of Kalispell, passed away on Friday, March 11, 2005, at her home in Kalispell.

She was born on March 11, 1951, in Kalispell, Mont., to Alvin and Phyllis Morrison.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Kalispell.

She is survived by her son, Alvin Morrison, of Kalispell; daughter, Phyllis Morrison, of Kalispell; and daughter, Darlene Morrison, of Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her father, Alvin Morrison, and her mother, Phyllis Morrison.

She is survived by her son, Alvin Morrison, of Kalispell; daughter, Phyllis Morrison, of Kalispell; and daughter, Darlene Morrison, of Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her father, Alvin Morrison, and her mother, Phyllis Morrison.

She is survived by her son, Alvin Morrison, of Kalispell; daughter, Phyllis Morrison, of Kalispell; and daughter, Darlene Morrison, of Kalispell.

Tony Scott Morrisette, 36

Tony Scott Morrisette, 36, passed away on Friday, March 11, 2005, at his home in Kalispell.

Local survivors include a brother, Terry Morrisette, of

Kalispell. Visitation will be held at Johnson Mortuary and Crematory on Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. Services are pending.

DARLENE RUTH MORRISON, 54

January 25, 2005 at 5:00 am | Daily Inter Lake

Darlene Ruth Morrison, 54, died Saturday, Jan. 1, 2005, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center. She was born Sept. 9, 1950, in Whitefish, to Jay "Shorty" and Alice Leona (St. Germain) Gould. She was raised in Warden, Wash., where she graduated in 1968.

On May 9, 1978, she married Ken Morrison Jr., in Columbia Falls.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Alice; her niece, Lynnette Gould; and her nephew, Tommy Gould.

Survivors include her husband, Ken, of Columbia Falls; father, Jay, of Kalispell; daughters, Alice and Jeanette, of Columbia Falls; son, Kenny, of Columbia Falls; sister, Germaine Bennett, of Kalispell; brother, Tom Gould of Warden, Wash.; sister, Myrene Arneson, of Lynnwood, Wash.; brother, Dale Gould, of Columbia Falls; granddaughters, Rebecca Lynn Lanterman and Kassidi Morrison; grandson, Hunter Morrison; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was an artist, mother, prankster, loving wife, sister, grandmother, and a friend to many.

She loved animals -- cats, dogs ... and mustangs (especially a green 1969 coupe!)

Funeral services were held on Friday, Jan. 7, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home.



Fern Edna Morrison, 96

Fern Edna Morrison, 96, passed away Monday, Sept. 19, 2005, at the Brendan House in Kalispell. She was born June 27, 1909, in Avon, S.D., to Walter and Elizabeth (Ellison) Snowden.

She moved with her family to Buffalo Gap, S.D., where she received her education, attending high school both in Buffalo Gap and in Rapid City, S.D.

She married Charles Samuel Morrison on Dec. 6, 1928, in Sturgis, S.D., and in 1936 they moved to Custer, S.D., where they farmed until 1970, when they retired.

In retirement, they moved to Kalispell.

Fern was a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and the Kalispell Eagles. She enjoyed reading, cooking and her family.

Fern was preceded in death by her husband in 1973; her parents; one daughter, Marjory; one brother, Arthur; a sister, Dorothy; and three grandchildren.

She is survived by two daughters, Lois McClaren and husband, Bill, of Kalispell, and Marilyn Harboite and husband, Duane, of Rifle, Colo.; two sons, Bill Morrison and wife, Ramona, of Quartzsite, Ariz., and Jim Morrison and wife, Leone, of Congress, Ariz.; two sisters, Myrle Harkness and Jean Dreany both of Edmonton, Alberta; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; along with many nieces and nephews.

Private family memorial services will be held at a later date.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Fern's family.

Kenneth E. 'Kenny' Morrison, 84

Kenneth E. "Kenny" Morrison, 84, of Forsyth, passed away because of an aortic aneurysm June 28, 2005, surrounded by family in the Deaconess Billings Clinic.

He was born May 12, 1921, in Pawnee County, Kansas, the son of Shannon and Edith (Hullett) Morrison. Kenny was raised and educated in Kansas and New Mexico.

After his education, he began a career in carpentry and construction, living in several states and settling in Forsyth, in 1943.

On Dec. 6, 1946, Kenny was united in marriage to Helen Ennis in Forsyth. Together they made their home and raised their children in Forsyth. Kenny and Helen later divorced.

Kenny built and remodeled several homes in Forsyth and was also an intricate part of the construction of the Forsyth County Club as it is seen today. Kenny continued to work until his retirement in 1983.

On Nov. 18, 1987, Kenny was united in marriage to Lois "Dolly" Critelli in Forsyth.

He enjoyed woodworking, golfing, morning coffee with the crew and playing cards on stag night at the country club.

Kenny especially loved and enjoyed his children and grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife,

Dolly, of Forsyth; his daughter, Linda and Allen Himsl of Kalispell; stepchildren, Colette Beierle of Grand Junction, Colo., Tim Critelli, Dennis and Charlene Critelli, James and Ginger Critelli, and René Critelli, all of Billings; daughter-in-law, Roma Byerly, of Bozeman; three brothers, Robert, Cecil and Chester Morrison; and two sisters, Ina Mae Zeiders and Margaret Potter. He also is survived by 14 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren; as well as several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Helen; two children, Larry Morrison and Gordon Byerly; and two brothers, Marvin and Eldon Morrison.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. today, July 2, at Immaculate Conception Church in Forsyth.

Burial will be in the family lot of the Forsyth Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Deaconess Classic Foundation, Box 37000, Billings, MT 59103; or the Rosebud Foundation, Box 410, Forsyth, MT 59327.

Condolences may be sent to www.stevensonandsons.com.

Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home of Forsyth is in charge of the arrangements.

Robert B. 'Bob' Morse, 67

Robert B. Morse, 67, passed away Friday, Nov. 4, 2005, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center, after a two-week illness. He was born July 12, 1938, in Minneapolis, the son of Warren W. and Clara (Kroschel) Morse Jr.



He moved with his parents to California at an early age, where he attended Whittier High School.

After high school, Bob served with the U.S. Air Force during which time he met and married his first wife. They later divorced.

In 1983, Bob met Dorothy Simmons at a Parents Without Partners gathering, and in 1986 they married and made Huntington Beach, Calif., their home.

After a motorcycle vacation to the Flathead Valley in 1992, Bob and Dottie decided to make Montana their home and moved to Kalispell in 1994, where Bob worked as a machinist at Semitool until his retirement in 2003. Their move to the Big Sky State led to many travel adventures near and far, most recently a 7,000-mile journey by motor home along the Alaska Highway and Canada.

An avid outdoorsman, Bob also enjoyed hunting, fishing, hiking and, since his retirement, had taken up gardening. When not

pursuing outdoor activities Bob took great pleasure in listening to music; his favorites included traditional jazz, bluegrass and classic rock 'n' roll. His love of music took him to many jazz and bluegrass festivals, and he also volunteered several years for the Glacier Jazz Stampede.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Bob will be mourned by his wife, Dorothy Morse, of Kalispell; his children, Karin Sutter, Joseph Morse, and Michael Morse, all of Shelton, Wash., Neil Morse of Olympia, Wash., and Georgianna Alcazar of Maple Valley, Wash.; his stepdaughters, Margaret Simmons of Redlands, Calif., and Katherine Heim of Antelope, Calif.; 14 grandchildren and two stepgrandsons, and four great-grandchildren, as well as extended family and friends.

Funeral services for Bob will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel, with Pastor Jack Shannon officiating. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. Wednesday at Johnson Mortuary. Urn burial will be afterward at a later date.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be sent to the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation, 12650 Riverside Drive, Suite 206, North Hollywood, CA 91607-3421.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Robert's family.

Matilda M. Matkovich Moussalli, 82

Matilda M. Matkovich Moussalli, 82, of East Park, passed away Monday, June 27, 2005, at St. Michael's Hospital in East Park.

She was born in Bulgaria and came to the United States in 1954. She was a member of the Holy Family Church in East Park.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Sunday at Holy Family Church in East Park.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Sunday at Holy Family Church in East Park.

Burial will be in the Holy Family Cemetery in East Park.

Thomas Joseph 'Tom' Moylan, 69

Thomas Joseph "Tom" Moylan, M.D., was born Nov. 4, 1935, in Omaha, Neb., the oldest of four children of John and Violet Moylan, died at home July 14, 2005, in Missoula. He attended Creighton University, Bachelor of Science in English (cum laude), Master of Science in physiology, and M.D. (Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society.)

With Frontier College, Tom did railroad labor and taught English to displaced persons in Canada. He spent 18 months working as a merchant seaman out of the port of New Orleans, traveled the world and earned enough to pay for medical school.

He met Mary Frances Grabowsky in French class at Creighton University and they were married Aug. 20, 1960. The year 1961 saw the completion of a USPHS Post-Sophomore Research Fellowship and the birth of Thomas Joseph Jr. His internship at Sacred Heart Hospital took the young family to Spokane, where Dennis John was born just in time to move to Alaska.

Tom was USPHS surgeon at Kakanak Hospital in Dillingham, Alaska, and traveled to the remote villages of Bristol Bay and the Aleutian Peninsula. In 1964 (via his ham radio), Fr. William Dibb S.J., of Holy Rosary Mission reassured our Midwest families through the Good Friday earthquake in our area. Fr. Norm Donahue S.J., baptized Anne Mary before the trip down the Alcan Highway to Browning, where Tom was the service unit director for the USPHS hospital.

He then practiced general medicine with Dr. Dave Advise in Roundup, where Bridge Ellen was born. During the late '60s, Tom chaired the Committee on Environmental Health, Montana Medical Association, which drafted the Clean Air legislation that would become law in 1973.

He published "Environmental Health: Urgent Challenge of the '70s," Rocky Mountain Medical Journal and made the presentation Health Aspects of City Design to the Colorado Medical Association when the family moved to Littleton, Colo. He was among the first physicians certified in the American Board of Family Practice before entering a University of Colorado pathology residency.

While living in Colorado, Tom and Mary Fran became active in Trout Unlimited and conservation efforts to preserve the Kettering Park Natural Area and to realize the Littleton Plan for the South Fork River Valley Flood Plain Park.

After practicing pathology at the West Nebraska General Hospital in Scottsbluff, the family

returned to Montana in 1977. Tom joined Dr. Bernie McLaverty in an independent pathology practice, serving the outlying hospital labs in Polson, Ronan, St. Ignatius, Superior, Plains, Thompson Falls and Hamilton. During the next 25 years, Tom worked in various medical areas, including associate medical director, American Red Cross blood services and associate medical examiner Division of Forensic Science and president, Montana Pathology Society.

Retirement allowed Tom to pursue his interests in languages and other cultures with classes in German, Russian, Arabic and Gaelic along with Russian literature and Spanish art history at the University of Montana.

Tom was active in his church community at Saint Francis Xavier and with the Knights of Columbus. He volunteered in the greater community serving on the Missoula Water Quality Board, the Rattlesnake Neighborhood Association, the Missoula Preservation Alliance and the Missoula International Friendship Program.

Dr. Moylan's most recent endeavors were concentrated in the Xavier Foundation, the efforts of which are ongoing and detailed at www.xavierfoundation.net.

Tom was awarded the International and Multicultural Award "in recognition and with deep appreciation for years of devoted service and dedication toward making foreign visitors feel at home in Montana and promoting global awareness and friendship between international students and scholars at the University of Montana and the greater Missoula community" by the Missoula International Friendship Program.

Dr. Thomas Joseph Moylan is survived by his loving family including his wife, Mary Frances; son, Tom, and Nikki of Los Osos, Calif.; son, Dennis, and Jean of Bozeman; daughter, Anne Douglas and Bob of Bellevue, Wash.; daughter, Bridget McMillion and Geoff of Boise, Idaho; 10 grandchildren; sister, Maureen Rathfon, and Barry of Ketchum, Idaho; sister, Kathy Brown, and Larry of Denver; brother, John, and Susie of Omaha, Neb.; and 17 nephews and nieces.

The rosary is at 7:30 p.m. today, July 20, at Garden City Funeral Home and the funeral Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 21, at Saint Francis Xavier Church.

Memorials can be directed to Missoula Catholic Schools, St. Francis Xavier Church Restoration Foundation, Missoula International Friendship Program, Montana Cancer Center or Partners in Home Care Inc.

Katherine Mueller, 86

Katherine Mueller, 86, died on Wednesday, March 23, 2005, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She is survived by her daughters, Marie Mitchell of Bigfork, Joan Brown of Lyons,

Ore., and Dorothy Mueller of Sturgis, Mich.

There are no services planned at this time.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for her family.

Melissa 'Missy' Ann Mueller, 35

Melissa "Missy" Ann Mueller, 35, a Whitefish resident passed away Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2005, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell of natural causes.

She was born April 4, 1970, in Whitefish, the daughter of John "Jack" and Florence Barnes. Missy married Fred Mueller on February of 2003 in Whitefish.

She is survived by her husband, Fred, in Whitefish; a daughter, Melissa Lime; her parents; all of Whitefish; a brother Chuck and Tina Barnes in Gig Harbor, Wash.; her very special in-laws, John and Audrey Mueller in Kalispell; her grandmother, Irma Smithers in Eureka; and by several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Ray and Irene Barnes; maternal grandparents, Elmer and Ina Billsborough; and infant brother, Del Ray James Barnes "who will get his first hug from her in Heaven."

Melvin Marcellus Mumbower, 86

Melvin Marcellus Mumbower, 86, passed away on Tuesday, May 10, 2005, in Spokane.

He was born on May 30, 1918, in Milo Ward, Idaho, to Renzo and Mary Ann (Goldman) Mumbower. Melvin was raised in Idaho and Montana. Montana was the state he dearly loved and always enjoyed returning to it.

On Dec. 16, 1941, Mel entered the U.S. Army Air Corps and was discharged on Sept. 29, 1945. During that period he was chief crew mechanic for Clark's Little Pill and for which he was credited for keeping the plane in the air for 155 missions. He landed on Normandy Beach and then moved with the troops and Clark's Little Pill into northern France, Rhineland, the Ardennes and central Europe. He earned the European African Middle Eastern Theater Service Medal, five Silver Stars, Good conduct medal Distinguished Unit Badge and the Bronze Star.

After discharge from the service, Mel met and married Inga Carlson and they raised twin daughters, living in Kalispell their entire marriage. Mel retired from the State of Montana Highway Department as a mechanic in 1975 and after that he and Inga traveled a lot until ill health

required a move to Spokane to be close to the girls.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his wife, Inga.

He is survived by twin daughters, Caren Cox of Post Falls, Idaho, and Carole Anderson and husband, Allen, of Spokane; five grandchildren, Shane Cox and wife, Kerri, of West Yellowstone, Lisa Cox of Post Falls, Idaho, Annie Bordenkircher and husband, Eugene, of Moscow, Idaho, Michael Anderson and wife, Julie, of Walla Walla, Wash., and Justin Anderson of Spokane; also two nephews, Fred and Claude Mumbower; and two nieces, Freda Crane and Beverly Clasen.

Visitation is 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, May 20, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

Funeral services for Melvin will be held 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 21, in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with Pastor Tim Bartholomew of Stillwater Free Lutheran Church officiating.

The family suggests memorial gifts be given to the Stillwater Grange in Kalispell, MT 59901; or to the 451st Bomb Squadron in care of Carole Anderson, 7134 N. Fleming, Spokane, WA 99208.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Melvin's family.

Mercedes Stotts Munro, 96,



E. Stiles, and Deva Jean Buttram of Raleigh, N.C., and her husband, E. Lloyd Buttram; sister, Starling Stotts Hay, of Marshall, Texas; and her brother, Charles Emmons, of Albuquerque, N.M.; six grandchildren, Roy Thomas Stiles, Jay Munro Stiles, Morgan Edward Stiles, Ford William Stiles, Christine Buttram Miller and Thomas August Buttram; and seven great-grandchildren.

The family would like to acknowledge with deepest gratitude the staff of Rex Nursing Care Center of Apex for their excellent care over the past five years and a special thanks to Hospice of Wake County.

A private inurnment will take place in Florida at a later date.

Arrangements are by Mitchell Funeral Home at Raleigh Memorial Park, Raleigh, N.C., 919-783-7128.

Mercedes Stotts Munro, 96, of Rex Nursing Care Center of Apex, N.C., died Sunday, Nov. 20, 2005. Formally of Kalispell, she was born Dec. 18, 1908, in Hoisington, Kan., to the late William Arthur Stotts and Artybell Johnston Stotts.

Mercedes was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend to those who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas McIlraith Munro; and her brother, Morgan Stotts.

Mrs. Munro is survived by two daughters, Mary Esther Stiles of Dallas, and her husband, William

Margaret Annette (DesRosier) Munson, 69

Margaret Annette (DesRosier) Munson, 69, of Columbia Falls died of cancer Monday, March 21, 2005, at the family home.

Rosary and wake service is at 7 p.m. today, March 27, at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, March 28, at St. Richard's. Cremation has taken place under the auspices of Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

She is survived by her husband of 43 years, Jerry, of Columbia Falls; a daughter, Jill Munson, of Fort Benton; sons, Joe of Missoula, Erik of Albuquerque, N.M., Keith and Kelly of Yuma, Ariz., and Kurt and Sylvie of Menominee, Mich.; grandchildren, Alex Wigger of Fort Benton, Matsy and Mallory Munson of Yuma, and Gisele Munson of Menominee; sisters, Jane Shook of Albany, Ore., and Mary Lou and Mitchell Babcock of Whitefish; brothers, Peter and Karen DesRosier of Drummond and David and Cindy DesRosier of Big Sandy; sisters-in-law, Joy DesRosier of Whitehall, JoAnn Glenn of Great Falls, and Zella and John Smoak of Grass Valley, Calif.; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Jim DesRosier; her sisters, Sr. Frances DesRosier and Patricia Bergman;

and a niece and a nephew.

Annette was born Sept. 24, 1935, in Browning, to Helen King (McCourt) and Joseph Stuart DesRosier. She attended schools in Browning, graduating in 1953. She also attended Holy Names Academy in Spokane and the University of Montana in Missoula.

She worked in the banking field in Browning, Great Falls, Denver and San Diego.

She married Jerry Albert Munson on June 17, 1961, at the Little Flower Parish Church in Browning. They lived in Browning, Scobey and Cut Bank before moving to Columbia Falls in 1972.

She worked for School District 6 in special education until retiring in 1996.

She was also a homemaker who enjoyed bowling, reading, traveling, crafts, dancing, crossword puzzles, music and attending all her children's meets, matches, games and performances.

Time spent with her good friends was one of her favorite things.

Memorials may be made to Sisters of The Holy Name, 2911 W. Fort Wright Drive, Spokane, WA 99224; St. Richard's Catholic Church, 1210 Ninth St. W., Columbia Falls, MT 59912, or Hospice/Home Options, 175 Commons Loop, Suite 100, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Dallas M. Munter, 79



Dallas M. Munter, 79, passed away on Saturday, April 9, 2005, at his home in Kalispell.

He was born on Nov. 16, 1925, in Kalispell, the son of Allan J. and Eleanor (Fenner) Munter. They lived in the Flathead Valley and he graduated from Flathead County High School in 1941.

Following graduation he enlisted in the Navy and served in World War II. After his discharge, he attended Multnomah School of the Bible in Portland.

On Aug. 29, 1949, he married Edna McNeil in Kalispell. They returned to Kalispell after graduating from Multnomah, and Dallas took up farming. While they were on the farm, Dallas and Edna started the Christian Book Supply. After building a few homes, Dallas moved his young family and the growing store to town and became a contractor. He eventually turned his focus to plumbing, which he continued until his retirement.

Dallas was an active member of Central Bible Church from its very beginning. He and Edna went on short-term mission trips to Africa to help his sister Elsie in laboria and the family went to Alaska to help with a building project. For 10 years they went to there every Sunday and led the Sunday School there. He actively supported Big Sky Bible Camp and helped with various building projects.

An avid reader, Dallas had many interests and enjoyed hours of study. His favorite place to be was the family property at Echo Lake and he made it a haven for his family and friends.

Dallas was a godly and faithful man. He was excited to go and be with the Lord. The impact of his life will continue and those he touched will never be the same.

Dallas was preceded in death by his parents, Allen and Eleanor, and his sister, Elle.

Dallas is now survived by his wife, Edna Munter, at the family home in Kalispell; five daughters, Beth Brown and husband, Dave, Naomi

Stutzman and husband, Tim, Lois Shawback and husband, Dave, Mary Loden and husband, Ray, and Martha Tannehill and husband, Scott, all of Kalispell. He also survived by his "adopted by heart" extended families, Dave and Linda Creighton of Kalispell, Marty and Cindy Cole of Ocean Park, Wash., Julie and Rick Staley of Kalispell, and Kerry Price Ader of Panama City, Fla.; 24 grandchildren, Jeremy Brown, Eleanor Quick, Esther Hughes, Emily and Jesse Brown, Landis Stutzman, Tim Stutzman, Ruth Platt, Casey Stutzman, Dallas Shawback, Logan Shawback, Philip and Brandon Loden, Holly and Megha Tannehill, Michael, Jonathan, Jason, and Nicole Creighton, Jonathan Cole, Joseph, Amy and Andrew Talarrico and Dekoda Price, and 11 great-grandchildren, Malli, Jamin, Isaac, Christopher, Olivia, Sean, Jakob, Mikah, Deseree, Cora and Daniel.

Funeral services for Dallas M. Munter will be at 2 p.m. Friday, April 15, at the Central Bible Church. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be on Thursday from 1 until 6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

The family suggests memorials be given to Central Bible Church, 902 First Ave. East, Kalispell, MT 59901, or Big Sky Bible Camp, 501 McCaffrey Road, Bigfork, MT 59911.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Dallas' family.

MARGARET ANNETTE (DESROSIER) MUNSON, 69

March 27, 2005 at 5:00 am |

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She was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Jim DesRosier; her sisters, Sr. Frances DesRosier and Patricia Bergman; and a niece and a nephew.

Annette was born Sept. 24, 1935, in Browning, to Helen King (McCourt) and Joseph Stuart DesRosier. She attended schools in Browning, graduating in 1953. She also attended Holy Names Academy in Spokane and the University of Montana in Missoula.

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HILDUR JENNY HANSON MUNSON, 89

July 13, 2005 at 5:00 am | Daily Inter Lake

Hildur Jenny Hanson Munson "went to be with her Savior, Lord Jesus Christ, and her Heavenly family" on the 11th of July 2005, at the age of 89. "She is now at rest in her Heavenly home, with her husband, Clifford Munson," who preceded her in death in 2003 at the age of 91.

Hildur was born Feb. 11, 1916, one of twin daughters born unto Hilmer and Marie Hanson, in Bigfork, Minn. She joined two sisters and three brothers in their life at the Norwegian family farm.

At age 18, Hildur moved to Seattle, where she received her formal education at Northwest Bible Institute of Kirkland, Wash., graduating as a founding member of the pioneer class.

It was there that she met Clifford Munson, and agreed to marry. Together, this faith-bound couple was to have eight children, all surviving except an infant son, Loren Munson. They are Richard and Winona Munson, of Fairfax, Calif.; Hildur Marie and Philip Meador, of Glendale, Calif.; Doris and Craig Leverault, of Mountain View, Calif.; Florence and Alan Jones, of Missoula; Helen Munson-Kley and Victor Kley of Berkeley, Calif.; Virginia and Phil Clark, of Kalispell; and David and Sybil Munson, of Kalispell. She also leaves 16 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren, all of whom will miss her dearly.

Hildur also leaves behind wonderful memories with many friends, students, and simply those that her gentle nature touched.

As an entrepreneur, Momma, with her home full of children, realized many dreams -- while working as a nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital in Polson, she also delivered her prized recipe, greaseless donuts, cooked in her home bakery, to many grocery stores along the same newspaper route that she traveled daily, covering the entire Flathead Lake, enduring all types of Montana weather. She was the epitome of a multi-tasking woman!

She delivered her beloved knowledge and encouragement to others; helping them to learn, to grow, to be all they could be. Her compassion and love of life and learning encouraged others to strive for more, as she had done. Her joy grew stronger with every person she held out her heart and her hand to.

She strongly believed in education for all, and was involved in the nursing educational program in Polson, including development of fundraising ventures that led to the establishment of the nursing library of the Mission Mountain College.

"The spirit of Momma cannot be summated easily, nor in few words. She embodied faith, love, compassion, joy and life -- completely and selflessly. Her Norwegian heritage became a part of all of us -- we all learned to eat with a 'guufal and shay,' and began asking for 'schmers' on our breakfast muffins. As these terms wound their way into our daily language, Momma's love and joy wound themselves into our daily lives. She taught all those whose lives she touched, and even at Immanuel Lutheran -- Norwegian counting, language and traditions; she taught love and joy; she taught compassion; she taught patience and tenacity -- her very-blue Norwegian eyes twinkling, as we all struggled to remember her words and pronunciations of a language most of us didn't know. Let us never forget these lessons -- lessons of love and faith and life and joy."

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Hildur has left this message to all: "Love God; love your family; love people. Make a difference in your corner of the world." We send this message to you, Mom: "Until we meet again, Mother, we love you. Well done, good and faithful servant."

"Enter ye unto the rest that God has prepared for you."

Funeral services will be held at the New Life Christian Center in Polson on 1 p.m. Thursday, July 14. Graveside services to follow at Lake View Cemetery, in Polson.

A remembrance of a life well lived will also be held at Immanuel Lutheran Home, in Kalispell on Wednesday, July 13 at 3 p.m.

Johnson Mortuary & Crematory is caring for Hildur's family.

DALLAS M. MUNTER, 79

April 13, 2005 at 5:00 am | Daily Inter Lake

Dallas M. Munter, 79, passed away on Saturday, April 9, 2005, at his home in Kalispell.

He was born on Nov. 15, 1925, in Kalispell, the son of Allan J. and Eleanor (Fenner) Munter. They lived in the Flathead Valley and he graduated from Flathead County High School in 1943.

Following graduation he enlisted in the Navy and served in World War II. After his discharge, he attended Multnomah School of the Bible in Portland.

On Aug. 29, 1949, he married Edna McNeil in Kalispell. They returned to Kalispell after graduating from Multnomah, and Dallas took up farming. While they were on the farm, Dallas and Edna started the Christian Book Supply. After building a few houses, Dallas moved his young family and the growing store to town and became a contractor. He eventually turned his focus to plumbing which he continued until his retirement.

Dallas was an active member of Central Bible Church from its very beginning. He and Edna went on short-term mission trips to Africa to help his sister Ellie in Liberia and the family went to Alaska to help with a building project. For 10 years they went to Olney every Sunday and led the Sunday School there. He actively supported Big Sky Bible Camp and helped with various building projects.

An avid reader, Dallas had many interests and enjoyed hours of study. His favorite place to be was the family property at Echo Lake and he made it a haven for his family and friends.

Dallas was a godly and faithful man. He was excited to go and be with the Lord. The impact of his life will continue and those he touched will never be the same.

Dallas was preceded in death by his parents, Allen and Eleanor; and his sister, Ellie.

Dallas is now survived by his wife, Edna Munter, at the family home in Kalispell; five daughters, Beth Brown and husband, Dave, Naomi Stutzman and husband, Tim, Lois Shawback and husband, Dave, Mary Lodien and husband, Ray, and Martha Tannehill and husband, Scott, all of Kalispell. He also survived by his "adopted by heart" extended families, Dave and Linda Creighton of Kalispell, Marty and Cindy Cole of Ocean Park, Wash., Julie and Rick Staley of Kalispell, and Kerry Price Ader of Panama City, Fla.; 24 grandchildren, Jeremy Brown, Eleanor Quick, Esther Hughes, Emily and Jesse Brown, Landis Stutzman, Tim Stutzman, Ruth Plitt, Casey Stutzman, Dallas Shawback, Logan Shawback, Philip and Brandon Lodien, Holly and Megha Tannehill, Michael, Jonathan, Jason, and Nicole Creighton, Jonathan Cole, Joseph, Amy and Andrew Talarico and Dekoda Price; and 11 great-grandchildren, Mailli, Jamin, Isaak, Christopher, Olivia, Sean, Jakob, Mikah, Deseree, Cora and Daniel.

Funeral services for Dallas M. Munter will be at 2 p.m. Friday, April 15, at the Central Bible Church. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be on Thursday from 1 until 6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

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The family suggests memorials be given to Central Bible Church, 902 First Ave. East, Kalispell, MT 59901; or Big Sky Bible Camp, 501 McCaffrey Road, Bigfork, MT 59911.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Dallas' family.

Earl Lewis Munter, 88

A gentle and kind man, Earl Lewis Munter, 88, formally of Kalispell, passed away on Saturday, Sept. 31, 2005, in Glendive.



Earl was born in Kalispell on Dec. 16, 1916, the son of Victor and Clara (Christopherson) Munter.

He had been a lifelong resident of Kalispell, until failing health brought him to live in Glendive to be closer to family.

He resided at the extended care facility for four years.

He graduated from Flathead County High School and went to work as a mechanic, later a partner/owner at Kalispell Wrecking Company. He worked there for 45 years. He married Marilyn Winters, was divorced and later married Mary Lou Caveny. He retired from the wrecking company in 1977.

Earl and Mary Lou had 22 years of retirement which they spent doing the things they enjoyed.

Earl was an avid garage sale shopper, buying and fixing up bicycles for grandchildren and to sell.

He loved to garden, take care of the yard, and visit around town with old acquaintances. He enjoyed nearly 50 years together before Mary Lou's death in 1999.

He was a member of the Central Christian Church.

The family wishes to thank all who were a special part of Earl's life.

Thank you to the untiring staff of the Glendive Extended Care facility for their loving care.

Earl was happy and felt at home - the family appreciated all that was done for him.

Earl was preceded in death by his parents; an infant brother Elmer; sister Doris (Bud) Dukleth; and wife, Mary Lou.

He is survived by two sons, Michael Munter of Spokane, and Roger Munter of Kalispell; and two daughters, Lynn (Lou) Billèdeaux of Glendive, and Marie (Ali) Rami of Hawthorne, Calif.; 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Maybelle Stillman of Sugar City, Idaho.

Special to Earl and Mary Lou were their adopted family, Marshall and Susan Payne of Cheyenne, Wyo. The Payne children, Charley and Scott became as their own and held a special place in their lives.

Graveside services and internment will be held 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell, when at that time Earl and Mary Lou will be laid to rest together.

All are invited to attend this service.

Visitation for friends and family will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

The family suggests memorials may be made to the Glendive Extended Care Unit in Glendive.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Earl's family here in Kalispell. Silvemale-Silha Funeral Home assisted the family in Glendive.

Rollin B. Murn, 68

Rollin B. Murn, 68, was born Sept. 13, 1937, in St. Cloud, Minn., to Basil and Blanche Murn. He "went to everlasting peace with the Lord" on Nov. 22, 2005. He was at home under the wonderful care of Hospice. He had a short fight with pancreatic cancer.



Rollin live in Minnesota until he was 10, when the family moved to Billings, where he went to school and graduated from Billings Senior.

He worked as a traveling hardware salesman. He loved wheeling and dealing and meeting people, and he always felt a deal should be a win-win situation.

In bits and spurts he went to college, with never enough time to graduate.

After moving to Kalispell Rollin worked in the gun department at Sportsman & Ski Haus.

He also worked at Flathead

Leasing in the automobile business. The last job he had was selling and programming point-of-sales systems.

Rollin loved to fish, hunt, camp and garden. He had some great stories.

He was one of the founders of the Kalispell Lions Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Rollin is survived by his wife, Sharis, and several cousins, and many good friends. He will be missed.

All funeral arrangements were accomplished by family and friends. Final disposition by cremation was done by Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

An informal memorial service will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. Dec. 3 at the Sons of Norway. A celebration of life will be held after the service.

Roger Earl Munter, 52

Roger Earl Munter, 52, died Saturday, Aug. 6, 2005, in Kalispell.

No services for Roger are

scheduled at this time.

Johnson Mortuary & Crematory is caring for Roger's family.

Barbara (Berry) Murciago, 65

Barbara (Berry) Murciago, 65, formerly of Kalispell, died Sept. 6, 2005, at home in Seattle.

Survivors include her husband, Jorge, and son, Ben.

A memorial service was held Sept. 11 in Seattle.

Arrangements were by Acacia Memorial Park and Funeral Home in Seattle.

Eileen A. Murphy, 54

Eileen A. Murphy died from cardiac arrest Sept. 7, 2005, while vacationing in Klamath Falls, Ore.

Eileen was born Sept. 24, 1950, in Anaconda, to Daniel Thomas Murphy and Bernadine Dillon Murphy.

She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from the College of Great Falls in 1972 and earned her master of arts in secondary education from California State University at Northridge in 1977. After teaching for six years, Eileen joined Senior Services of Seattle/King County in 1979 where she was vice-president of Information Services at the time of her death.

Family members surviving Eileen are her life-partner of 18 years, Debbie Crumb, of Seattle; brothers, Jim Murphy and wife, Adele, and their three sons,

Kelly, Kevin and Patrick, all of Kalispell, and Dan Murphy of Anaconda; sister, Patty Koheutek of Great Falls, and their families; Debbie's mother, Rose Crumb, of Port Angeles, Wash.; Debbie's nine siblings and their families.

Both of Eileen's parents preceded her in death.

A memorial service and party will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, at the Alki Congregational United Church of Christ (6115 S.W. Hinds in Seattle).

Remembrances may be sent to the American Red Cross for the victims of Hurricane Katrina; Senior Services of Seattle/King County or Findlay Street Christian Church in Seattle.

For more information, visit Eileen's memorial Web site at <http://eileen-murphy.memory-of.com/>.

Helen E. Murphy, 96

Memorial services for Helen E. Murphy, 96, who died Tuesday, Dec. 27, will be held at 2:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 2, at

Central Christian Church.

The Rev. Jan Van der Poll will officiate.

Steven James 'Pudge' Murphy, 54

Steven James "Pudge" Murphy, 54, of Helena passed away at his residence Oct. 13, 2005, from natural causes.

He was born Aug. 7, 1951, in Cut Bank, to James Edward Murphy and Elsie Lillian (Sewell) Walters.

Steven was raised in Cut Bank and had been employed by Buttery's Food Store throughout the Northwest for more than 30 years. He was also employed with Chuck Olson Real Estate of Flathead. He owned a Dairy Queen in Lakeside, and was later employed at the Stampede Packing Company in Somers.

Steven loved to hunt and fish, visit ghost towns, enjoyed reading about Blackfeet Indian history and the history of Montana.

His father, Jim Murphy, and a sister, Linda Theide, preceded

him in death.

Survivors include his sons, Travis Murphy of Houston, and Tony Murphy, a student of University of Montana in Missoula; sister, Barbara and Jack King of Helena; brothers, Buck and Teresa Murphy, and Pat and Sandy Murphy, all of Cut Bank; mother, Elsie Walters, of Helena; stepmother, Shirley Murphy, of Cut Bank; stepbrother, Steve Fellars, of Kalispell; good friend, Bryan Johnson; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Traditional Native American rites will be conducted at 11 a.m., Monday, Oct. 17, from Hagler-Anderson Chapel with Darren Bearshield-Melton will be officiating.

Preferred memorials may be sent in Steven's name to the Helena Indian Alliance, 436 N. Jackson St., Helena, MT 59601.

HELEN E. MURPHY, 96

December 29, 2005 at 5:00 am |

Helen E. Murphy, 96, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2005, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell. She was born in Holt County, near Mound City, Mo., to George W. and Anna E. (Buetzer) Nauman on May 21, 1909. She was the oldest of 11 children.

Helen graduated from high school in Mound City and attended college in Peru, Nebraska. She taught in the Mound City area.

In October 1935 she married Robert C. Weller and moved with him back to his family hometown of Whitefish. They moved to Lake McGregor where she taught school. They moved to Kalispell in 1944.

Helen taught school at the Lakeside school. In 1946 she went to work for Gambles in the office. She worked there as office manager for over 20 years. She left Gambles briefly to teach in Coram.

During her working years she was a member and a president of Business and Professional Woman and Soroptimists.

She had been a long-time member of Central Christian Church (DOC). She joined a congregation of the church when she was in Missouri and later became a member in Kalispell.

She was also a member of the Eagles auxiliary.

Helen and Mr. Weller divorced in 1955. In 1956 she married Homer Cady. Mr. Cady passed away suddenly in 1963. In 1966 she married William Murphy. Mr. Murphy passed away in 1995.

Besides two husbands, and a brother and a sister that died in infancy, Helen was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Evelyn Boreson and Inez Gilbert; and two brothers, Woodrow Nauman and Jack Nauman.

She is survived by her daughter, Roberta Weller Gould, and husband, Bill Gould, of Kalispell; grandsons, David Gilbertson of Bellingham, Wash., and Bryan Gilbertson and wife Anita of Kalispell; granddaughter, Danna Zahller, of Spokane; sisters, Georgia Frank of Tucson, Ariz., Mildred Estey of Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif., and Betty Iverson of Spokane; brother, Pete Nauman of Mound City, Mo.; six grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and many good and faithful friends who will all miss her greatly.

Family suggests donations be made to Immanuel Lutheran Home, 185 Crestline, Kalispell, MT 59901; or Flathead Valley Community College, Attn.: College Relations, 777 Grandview Dr., Kalispell, MT 59901; or Hospice Home Health Options, 175 Commons Loop, Ste. 100, Kalispell, MT 59901; or Central Christian Church, P.O. Box 955, Kalispell, MT 59903.

Services will be announced at a later date.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory is caring for Ralph's family.

WESLEY SCOTT 'WES' MURRAY, 74

July 20, 2005 at 5:00 am |

Wesley Scott was born to Charlotta Evangeline and Aaron Bain Murray on Oct. 8, 1930. He was born in Elkart, Kan., but grew up in La Junta, Colo. As one of seven children during those meager times, there was little to spare but love, and the entire family's love of music.

The Murrays were all musicians, and Wes had many fond memories of traveling throughout southern Colorado first to watch, then, when he was old enough, perform alongside.

After a two year Navy enlistment he moved to California's "happening" country music scene where he first played music with "Mr. Don Dale" and even backing up Freddie Hart and Buck Owens.

Wes came to the valley in the early '60s when he settled in Bigfork and opened "The Coffee Cup" cafe.

He tried his hand at various entrepreneurial occupations, eventually working for the city of Kalispell where he retired after 13 years.

During all that time two things never changed - his passion for the Denver Broncos and love of country music.

From The Don Dale Trio to Wes Murray and the Country Edition, he entertained many throughout western Montana, earning a reputation as one of the best-loved country musicians around.

Wes passed away at Kalispell Regional Medical Center on July 8, 2005, after a many years' long battle with heart disease.

He was surrounded by his family and those who loved him dearly.

He will be sorely missed.

Wes was preceded in death by his parents; as well as sisters, Alma and Beulah; and brother, Ralph.

Wes leaves behind wife DeeDee of Somers; children, Amy Bigley and Rob Morris of Kalispell; stepsons, Myk and Scott Wagers of Oregon; sisters, Alene Stewart and Lola Howell of La Junta, Colo.; and lifelong best "bud" and brother, Allen Murray and his wife, Bette, of Kalispell; as well as his three grandsons, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The Murray family would like to invite all who knew and loved Wes to join them in a celebration of his life.

This very special memorial/potluck/jam session will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 23, at the Moose Lodge in Evergreen. Musicians welcome.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation to the Kalispell Fire Department.

EDWIN O. "BUD" MYHRE, 86

April 14, 2005 at 5:00 am |

Edwin O. "Bud" Myhre died on April 12, 2005. □

Bud was born on Jan. 24, 1919, in Minot, N.D., to Melvin and Edna Myhre. Their home was in Rangely, N.D., just north of Balfour. The population of Rangely was nine - Bud's parents, Melvin and Edna, and five brothers and one sister. The family owned a general store and grain elevator along the rail line.

After graduating from high school, Bud went to Glasgow and worked at Lebert and Gallagher Meat Market before moving to Spokane where he studied bookkeeping and business at Kinman Business University. He worked at Greenough's Market while attending school.

About this time, Valley Motor Supply was looking for someone to train as a purchasing agent for their Havre store. Bud's brother Muryl was managing the Glasgow store and recommended his brother for the position in Havre. Bud accepted, and, it was there that he met Helen who was working in the office. Her brother, Walter Olson, was the president of the company at Havre. Helen and Bud got married on Sept. 20, 1941.

Bud joined the Air Force in January of 1944. He began his term in Fort Worth Texas, and was assigned to the 141st Armored. Signal Corps.

After the military Bud and Helen decided to head west from the eastern part of the state. They were traveling to Oregon to visit Bud's sister but made a stop in Kalispell on the way. At that time Bud and Helen met Ken McGuire, owner of Flathead Specialty, a food distributor in Kalispell. Ken offered Bud a job and he soon went to work selling Nalley's Potato Chips & Nuts by Heck and many other food products to various restaurants and food outlets. This business led him and Helen to the purchase of Bud's Fountain Lunch, located in the Kalispell Bus Depot. Bud ran the lunch counter and Helen made lunch specials and pies at their home.

During Bud's time as owner of the lunch counter, Valley Motor Supply had opened a store in Kalispell. In mid-'56 the Kalispell manager came in for lunch at Bud's restaurant and said to Bud, "You're going to work for Valley Motor Supply." Soon Bud sold the lunch counter and went to work for Valley as an outside salesman. For the 29 years he was with the company he covered Lakeside, Somers, Bigfork, Columbia Falls, West Glacier and Kalispell. He knew his customers so well that they trusted him to manage their inventories so they never ran out of what they needed.

One of the highlights of Bud's career was in 1963 when he was named one of the top four salesmen in the United States for the Thermoid Jobber salesman's contest and won an all-expense paid trip for him and Helen to the Indianapolis 500.

Bud and Helen spent their retirement years living along the beautiful Flathead Lake near Lakeside.

Bud and Helen had three children, Marilyn who passed away in 1961, Terry who resides in Helena, and Cheryl Kovacich, husband Bob, and their children, Anna, Amanda and Timothy, who reside in Lakeland, Fla.

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Bud was preceded in death by his brothers, Wallace and Muryl.

He is survived by wife Helen; his sister, Dorothy Jensen of Tigard, Ore.; and brothers, Duanne of Redmond, Ore., Laurice of Billings, and Lyle of Glasgow.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 16, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary.

Johnson Mortuary & Crematory is caring for Bud's family.

Memorials may be made to either the Lakeside QRU, P.O. Box 911, Lakeside, MT 59922, or to the First Church of Christ Scientist, 502 West Wyoming, Kalispell, MT 59901.