

Margaret Anne 'Peg' Yaeck, 94

Margaret Anne "Peg" Yaeck, 94, passed away in Kalispell, on Thursday, May 25, 2006.

Margaret was born on Sept. 14, 1911, in Bottineau, N.D., the daughter of Thomas and Margaret Hamilton. She was soon affectionately known as "Peg." She was the eldest and proud "big sister" of Thomas and John. In 1928, the family moved to Kalispell, where Peg graduated from Flathead County High School in 1930.

Peg married Elliot Chester and had two daughters, Jean and Helen. Peg worked as an obstetrical nurse at Kalispell General Hospital and later worked as an office nurse for Dr. Bruce Allison.

Peg also enjoyed making and decorating cakes and made beautiful wedding cakes for many Kalispell residents.

On Sept. 19, 1952, Peg married Frederick Yaeck. They shared 54



beautiful years together. Peg and Fred had a daughter, Mary. Peg's greatest love was her family.

She and Fred visited England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, along with several locales in the United States.

Peg is survived by her loving husband, Fred; three daughters, Jean Sonju of Libby, Helen and husband, Lee Mullen, of Spokane, and Mary and husband, Harold Malloy, of Kalispell; 13 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews and many beloved friends.

Peg was preceded in death by her parents, Tom and Margaret Hamilton; brothers, John and Tom Hamilton; an infant son; and an infant granddaughter.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 30, at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home. Pastor Glenn Burfeind will officiate. Interment will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Peg was a very special and loving wife, mother and grandmother. She will forever be missed by her loving family and friends.

Kenneth William 'Ted' Young, 88

Kenneth William "Ted" Young, 88, passed away at his home Dec. 12, 2006. He was born June 3, 1918, to Hollis and Ethel Young in Chinook.

As a young man, Kenneth was active in the Boy Scouts and attained the rank of Eagle. He attended college in Havre and received his degree from the University of Illinois.

He took an engineering position with Delco Remy in Anderson, Ind., and it was there that he met his future wife, Ruth Harriet. Kenneth was a veteran of World War II, having served with the U.S. Navy.

While living in Anderson, Kenneth was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church. He generously volunteered his time to various organizations, including Community Hospital and The Harter House. In 1964, he and his family opened their home to Inga (Sigurdardottir) Sandberg, their church-sponsored foreign exchange student from Iceland.

Kenneth retired from Delco Remy in 1975. In 1991, he and

Ruth Harriet moved permanently to Bigfork. Their church family became the members of the First Baptist Church in Bigfork.

Kenneth was preceded in death by his parents in 1971, his wife in 2005, and his brother in 2001.

He is survived by two daughters, Katherine Fluegel and husband, Michael, of Zion, Ill., and Barbara Presley and husband, Russell, of Bigfork; five grandchildren, Kim Mitchell and husband, Jorge Ucan, Brian Presley and wife, Becca, Eric Fluegel and fiancée, Jessica Stebbins, Andrew Fluegel and Melissa Winters; eight great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law; five nieces and nephews; and numerous special friends.

A memorial service to celebrate the lives of Kenneth and Ruth Harriet Young will be held at a later date.

The family suggests that memorial gifts in Kenneth's name be sent to the charity of the donor's choice.

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

Mabel C. Young, 92

Mabel C. Young, 92, peacefully passed away Monday, May 22, 2006 at Heritage Place in Kalispell.



She was born June 5, 1913, in Dunkirk, to Oscar and Mary (Halen) Ekholt from Norway and Sweden. Mabel grew up on the family farm, the eldest of five sisters and one brother. Her parents did not speak English, and as she attended school and learned English, she would come home and teach her parents and siblings. She attended school in Galada and Shelby and graduated from Havre High School in 1932.

Mabel married Merlin Young in 1937. They made their home in Lakeside, Butte, Seattle and Polson before retiring to Kalispell in 1950.

Mabel enjoyed sewing and knitting, crafts and gardening. She taught Sunday school and was a Girl Scout leader as well as working at JC Penney for a number of years. She was an active member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Mabel was an avid reader, enjoyed cards and crossword puzzles. Mabel became legally blind with macular degeneration but enjoyed many years of "talking books" from the Library of Congress for the Blind.

Mabel will be dearly missed,

"but now is in a place of peace, reunited with her husband and daughter and her eyes can see and her ears can hear again."

Mabel was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Merlin; one daughter, Beverly; and one sister, Gladys Clark.

She is survived by two daughters, Marilyn McDannald of Atlanta, and Barbara Schlabs and husband, Gordon, of Lakeside; three sisters, Martha Bantin of Seattle, and Nell Pritchett and Lil Rosenberger, both of Butte; one brother, Clarence Ekholt, of Kalispell; and numerous nieces and nephews. Mabel has eight grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren, all of whom she loved and enjoyed, always remembering to keep in touch and send birthday cards.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. today, May 24, in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel. Burial will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, May 25, at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. the next day, Friday, May 26, in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel, with Pastor Lindean Barnett of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating.

The family suggests memorial gifts be given to Bethlehem Lutheran Church, or to the Montana Talking Book Library, 1515 East Sixth Ave., or P.O. Box 201800, Helena, MT 59620-1800.

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

Harley A. Youmans, 85

Harley A. Youmans, 85, a longtime Libby-area resident, died Monday, Sept. 25, 2006, at the Libby Care Center.

He had worked for MK Construction on the Libby Dam Project, and retired upon completion of the dam.

Survivors include his sons,

Larry Youmans of Columbia Falls, and Lynn Youmans of McKinney, Texas.

Services will be at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 1, at the Nelson and Vial Funeral Home chapel in Libby. Interment will be at a later date in Northwood, Iowa.