

1 Dec 1974 **Arthur Sawyer**

Arthur B. Sawyer, 53, formerly of Kalispell, died in Portland, Ore. Sunday. He was

**William Sands**

21 March 1974  
Funeral services for William Daniel Sands were conducted from the Austin Chapel Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. John Dutzer of Polson and Mack Johnston, worshipful master for lodge #89 A.F.&A.M. of Columbia Falls conducting the services. *P-16 Mar, 1974*

Musical selections were furnished by Jan Berteisen, soloist, and Ella Anderson, organist.

Military honors were in charge of Flathead County Veterans from Columbia Falls and Kalispell.

Interment was made in the Glacier Memorial Garden Cemetery at Kalispell.

Casketbearers were Richard Clark, Allan Greene, Duane Lind, Charles Maris, Earl Page and Gordon Robertson.

Mr. Sands was born October 20, 1926 at Ritzville, Washington, a son of William H. and Deana Sands. When a small child he moved with his parents to Ronan where he received his education. He then entered the U.S. Navy in World War II and upon his honorable discharge came to Glacier National Park where he was employed by the Park Service for a time. For the past 23 years he has been with the State Highway Department serving in Elmo, West Glacier and East Glacier where he was a maintenance man at the Summit. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge A.F.&A.M. #89 of Columbia Falls.

He died as a result of a snowmobile accident in the East Glacier area on March 16 at the age of 47.

He was married to Lois Wilson, who survives him at their home at East Glacier; two sons, William J. Sands of Anchorage, Alaska, and Thomas Sands of Kalispell; one daughter, Mrs. Gerald (Kay) McDonald of Billings; two grandsons; his mother, Mrs. Deana Sands, Columbia Falls; one twin sister, Mrs. Jeanne Gillies of Columbia Falls and other relatives.

born Sept. 1, 1921, at Malta, a son of John and Edith Sawyer.

When he was 2 years of age, he moved with his family to the Flathead Valley where he had attended Somers schools and was a graduate of the Flathead High School in the class of 1938.

He then served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He returned to Kalispell and was employed as a cement mason working for various firms locally.

In 1958 he moved to Boise, Idaho where he lived until 1963, when he moved to Portland, Ore. and has resided there since that time. Mr. Sawyer was a member of the Cement Masons Union.

On July 2, 1949, he was married to Iris Kelly in Kalispell and is now survived by her. He is also survived by his mother, Mrs. Edith Sawyer Kirgan of Columbia Falls; three children, Everett Lee Galyan of Auburn, Wash.; Sharon D. Ausderau of El Paso, Texas, and Charles Ray Sawyer of Portland; 13 grandchildren; one aunt; one uncle; several cousins, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Full military funeral services for Mr. Sawyer will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 11 a.m. Friday with George Darrow, chaplain, officiating. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery where military graveside rites will be conducted.

**Laura Sabin**

*D-11 Jan 1974*  
Laura Ben Sabin, age 84, died in Polson Friday, a long time resident of Whitefish.

Mrs. Sabin was born November 13, 1889 at Cottonwood, Idaho, a daughter of Ivan and Martha Lyons. She received her schooling at Cottonwood and in 1906 moved to Wallace, Idaho, where she was married to Russell A. Proudfit, to which union two children were born.

In 1916 she came to Whitefish where she was married to Walter Sabin in 1917. He preceded her in death on March 8, 1959.

Mrs. Sabin made her home in Whitefish until moving to Polson about two years ago. She was of the Methodist faith.

She is survived by one son, Harry E. Proudfit of Haywood, California; one daughter, Mrs. Earl (Mildred) Butterbaugh of Polson; a nephew Richard Satron in Seattle, Wa., and a niece, Grace Thomas in Spokane, Wa.

Funeral services were conducted from the Austin Funeral Home Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Dennis Hanson of Christ Lutheran Church officiating.

Music was furnished by Al Olson, soloist, and Mrs. George Lantz, organist.

Burial was made in Glacier Memorial Garden Cemetery at Kalispell.

**Millard Sager**

*D-26 Oct 1974*  
KALISPELL — Funeral services for Millard Sager, 95, will be in the Johnson Chapel at 2 p.m. Tuesday with burial in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. Sager, Kalispell died in Whitefish on Saturday. He was born in Sioux City, Iowa, on Aug. 27, 1879. On March 19, 1909, he married Leona Barres at Rollins. She died in February 1932. The following August he married Ellen Bachant.

Between 1912 and 1944, when he retired, Mr. Sager was a cattle buyer.

Survivors include his wife, Ellen, Spokane; one son, Edwin, Kalispell; two daughters, Mrs. Ralph Olson and Mrs. Ray Gibney, both of Kalispell; two stepchildren, Earl Methaug, Kellogg, Idaho, and Beulah Sorenson, Spokane; one brother, Elgie, Rollins; nine grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Nov 2, 1974

## Bertha J. Schmitz

Bertha J. Schmitz, 72, 646 E. Sussex, died Saturday in a local hospital. She was born April 25, 1902, in Mapleton, Minn., and moved from Havre to Missoula in 1936.

Mrs. Schmitz is survived by three sons, Peter and Richard, Missoula, and Gerald, Merritt Island, Fla.; 10 daughters, Mrs. Marie Clapper, Polson, Mrs. Helen Hoephner, San Bernardino, Calif.; Mrs. Mildred Ellis, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Marian Hudgens, Rialto, Calif.; Mrs. Carol Anderson, Riggins, Idaho; Mrs. Patricia Fisher, Clinton; Mrs. Kathryn Slater, Mrs. Donna Lauch, Mrs. Doris Beaver, Mrs. JoAnn Beavers, all of Missoula; two brothers, three sisters, 39 grandchildren and 20 great-

grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Sunday in the Geraghty Chapel. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated 10 a.m. Monday in St. Anthony Church. Burial will be in St.

Marv's Cemetery annex.

Wes Kratz, James Reagan, Ken Wickman, Gus Kallis, Steven Bradley and Alf Tronstad will serve as pallbearers.

D-11 Mar 1974  
Jane Shelton

Funeral services for Jane Bessie Shelton will be conducted from the Austin Chapel Thursday (today) at 2:30 p.m. with Rev. Dennis Hanson of Christ Lutheran Church officiating.

Olson, soloist and Mrs. George Lantz, organist.

Casketbearers were Bill Beller, Wilbur Burr, Roy Curry, Harold Dalen, William Hankins and Melvin Thompson.

Burial was made in the Glacier Memorial Garden cemetery at Kalispell.

Jane was born October 29, 1919 at Whitefish, a daughter of L. Harrison and Mary Howard. She received her education in the Whitefish schools graduating with the high school class of 1937.

In 1940 she started her career as a clerk with J.C. Penney Co. in Whitefish where she was employed until she retired due to disability in 1973.

She was married to Argil Shelton on August 10, 1942 at Whitefish and they made their home on West 4th St.

She was a member of the Christ Lutheran Church; Women of the Moose of Whitefish, and the Retail Clerks Union.

She died at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish, March 11 at the age of 54.

She is survived by her husband, Argil of Whitefish; one son Rudy Kaser of Portland, Oregon; one daughter, Mrs. Glenn (Judy) Brown of San Diego, California; 7 grandchildren; one brother, Ralph Jones of Whitefish and a number of nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Angeline Scott, 89, Bigfork, died May 15, 1974

Earl Scott

Funeral services for Earl M. (Scotty) Scott were conducted from the Austin Chapel, Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. with the Rev. Robert Laird of the First United Presbyterian Church of Whitefish officiating.

Moose Ritualist Honors were performed by Gib Burk, Ray Managhan, Mack Johnston, and Frank West.

Organist was Mrs. George Lantz. Soloist was Al Olson.

Honorary casketbearers were Roy Conat St., Earl Hunt, Fred Pfaff, I. O. Graff, Shirley Mackey and William Zimmer. Casketbearers were Gilbert Burk, Ronald Burk, John Curtis, Ernest Libby, John Marks and Vincent Marks.

Interment was made in the Whitefish Cemetery.

Earl M. "Scotty" Scott, 76, 11 Idaho Ave., died in Whitefish Friday evening.

He was born March 28, 1897 at Albany, Ore., a son of Charles E. and Celia Scott. He received his education in Oregon and in 1917 entered the U. S. Army where he served during World War I. He then moved to Fort Peck where he was employed in the construction of the Fort Peck Dam.

In 1940 he moved to Whitefish, and in March 1942 he was married to Maybelle Larson at Polson. The couple lived at Whitefish until 1953 when they moved to Olney where they owned and operated the Olney Mercantile.

Scott had served as Olney postmaster for 14 years, retiring from that position in 1967. In December of 1971, the couple sold the store, retired and moved back to Whitefish in 1972.

Scott was a member of the Whitefish Moose Lodge and the American Legion.

He is survived by his widow at the family home.

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Florence U. Shero

Mrs. Florence U. Shero, 80, who had resided at 316 3rd St. W., Kalispell, died Thursday morning in Whitefish. Mrs. Shero was born Dec. 14, 1893 in Hailey, Idaho, a daughter of William and Elizabeth Nelson.

In 1900 she moved to the Flathed Valley where she received her education in Kalispell schools.

On June 3, 1910 she was married to Ward Shero and was preceded in death by him in 1969. She was also preceded in death by two daughters and three sons, including Clifford Shero on Nov. 6, 1973.

During World War II Mrs. Shero worked in Portland, Ore. and later returned to Kalispell where she operated the Melrose Apartments for a number of years.

Mrs. Shero is now survived by one daughter, Mrs. Alta Lanfear of Kalispell, a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren; one step-brother, Mordy Johnson of Kalispell.

Funeral services will be Monday at 11 a.m. in the Johnson Chapel with Rev. John Lewis, pastor of the Epworth United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

## Mary Scott 4-3-74

Mrs. Mary Scott, 50, died Tuesday morning in a Missoula hospital. She was born November 18, 1923, in Kalispell.

She attended college in Hayre and taught elementary school in Pablo and Dayton, respectively. She married Douglas Scott in 1944, and had lived in Lake County.

She is survived by one daughter, Della Scott, of Missoula, her mother, Mrs. Agnes Tonkinson, a brother, Tom Tonkinson and a sister, Mrs. Ruth McDonald, all of Kalispell.

Funeral services will be in the Johnson Chapel at 11 a.m. on Thursday with the Rev. Father James Moe of St. Matthew's Catholic Church officiating. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

## Hammond Lloyd Schneider Sr. 5-15-74

EDMONDS, Wash. — Hammond Lloyd Schneider Sr., 75, Clinton, Wash., died Sunday in Edmonds, Wash.

He was born Aug. 5, 1898, in Auburn, Neb., but had lived in the Clinton area since 1964. He was a traveling vacuum cleaner repairman in the Kalispell area for 10 years.

He was a member of the Episcopal Church and a past member of the American Legion. He was a veteran of World War I.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Patricia Lee Clough of Brier, Wash., Mrs. Elizabeth Evans of Bethel, Ohio, and Mrs. Linda Kay Brecht of Daily City, Calif.; a son, Hammond Jr. of Hammersville, Ohio; stepmother, Mrs. Mary Schneider of Omaha, Neb.; a sister, Mrs. Vaux Wilson of Yardley, Pa., and nine grandchildren.

Services were today in Edmonds. Entombment was in Evergreen Mausoleum, Seattle, Wash.

## Hope E. Smith 5-20-74

Mrs. Hope E. Smith, 59, Bigfork, died in Kalispell this morning.

She was born Dec. 5, 1914, in Milton, Wash., a daughter of S.R. and Lola Kohler. She received her education in Washington and began nurses training in Tacoma, Wash., in 1943. She devoted much of her life to nursing.

In 1948, she moved to Columbia Falls and was employed at the Whitefish Memorial Hospital until 1955. She was in the first class of nurses to take the licensed practical nurse examination in the state of Montana. She received her specialty training at the Craig Rehabilitation Center in Denver, Colo., and later in psychiatric care in Hartford, Conn. She was also employed at the University of Oregon Medical School Hospital. Upon returning to the Flathead in 1971, she was employed at the Kalispell General Hospital and later at the Bigfork Convalescent Center.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the Bethany Lutheran Church of Bigfork. She is survived by two sons, Wallace L. Smith of Denver, Colo., and Dr. Douglas Smith of Bigfork; a brother, Richard M. Kohler of Sumner, Wash.; a sister, Ione Lewis of Puyallup, Wash., and five grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by the Johnson Funeral Home.

## Marie Sheldon 4-3-74

Mrs. Marie Sheldon, 68, 133 Park Avenue, died in Kalispell early Tuesday morning. She was born Aug. 4, 1905, in New Effington, S.D., a daughter of Peter and Annie Spethman. She received her education in Effington and in 1937 she moved to Montana. In 1945, she moved to South Dakota where the family farmed until 1956 when they returned to Kalispell.

She was married to Floyd Allen Sheldon on Jan. 8, 1925, in Claire City, S.D., and was preceded in death by him on Oct. 23, 1957.

She is survived by four sons, Allen, Darrell and Lester Sheldon, all of Kalispell and Curtis Sheldon of Brittan, S.D.; 14 grandchildren; one brother, Francis Spethman of El Cajon, Calif.; one sister, Mrs. Glen (Doris) Miller of Port Orchard, Wash., and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements for Mrs. Sheldon will be concluded in the Johnson Chapel at 2 p.m. Friday with the Rev. Bernard Colby, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene officiating. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

## Mrs. Angeline Scott

Mrs. Angeline Scott, 89, The Women's Benefit Association, Kalispell, died in Bigfork Wednesday evening.

She was born Jan. 25, 1885, in Norcatar, Kan. She later moved to Colorado, and on Dec. 2, 1910, she was married to Frank P. Scott at Billings.

In 1915, the couple moved to Kalispell where they resided since that time. Mrs. Scott was a member of the Epworth United Methodist Church, a 50-year member of the Adah Chapter, No. 17, Order of the Eastern Star and a member of

the Women's Benefit Association.

She was preceded in death by her husband on June 25, 1964, and is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Helen McAdams and Mrs. Ted (Florence) F. both of Kalispell; two grandsons, Dick McAdams and Phillip Hill; two great-grandchildren and two sisters and a brother, all in Kansas.

Funeral arrangements for Mrs. Scott are incomplete and will be announced later by the Johnson Funeral Home.

## Walter J. Smith

Walter J. Smith, 72, 815 11th St. E., a Kalispell insurance executive, died Sunday in Flathead Health Center.

Mr. Smith was born in Kalispell March 25, 1902 the son of Judge and Mrs. David F. Smith. He attended school in Kalispell, and then moved with his family to Massachusetts when he was 14 and attended Andover school there.

He graduated from Hackley School in Tarrytown, N. Y. He attended Harvard University and then began working for the Aetna Life Insurance Co. in New York in 1924. He married Elizabeth Moon in Eau Claire, Wis., June 24, 1925. They moved to New York City and lived there for 15 years. They moved to Houston, Texas and lived there for two years before moving to Kalispell in 1941 and lived here since.

He founded the Walter J. Smith Insurance Agency in 1941. The agency merged with

the Kilpatrick-Hanson Agency on Sept. 1, 1971. Mr. Smith was semi-retired at the time of his death and was working for the Kilpatrick-Hanson Agency.

Surviving besides his widow, are one daughter, Dr. Joan Van Rensselaer Smith, a professor at Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mich.; and one brother, Harold F. Smith, Kalispell. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother.

Mr. Smith was a member of St. Matthew's Catholic Church.

Rosary services will be Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Weatherford Funeral Home. Mass of the Resurrection will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in St. Matthew's Catholic Church with the Rev. James Moe as celebrant. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Mrs. Hope Smith, 59, Bigfork, died May 20, 1974

## Thomas Singleton

D 21 Oct 1974

Thomas King Singleton, 97, died in Kalispell Monday morning. He was born Sept. 15, 1877, in Strawn County, Texas, a son of John M. and Georgia Mae Singleton.

When he was 4 years of age, he moved with his family to Bentonville, Ark., where he had received his education and spent his early years. In 1901, he moved to Montana where he was employed as a cowboy.

In 1916, he was married to Emma Bruffey at Livingston. The couple then homesteaded near Ferdig, until 1919, when they moved to the Flathead Valley.

Mr. Singleton was preceded in death by his wife, Emma, in 1926, and in 1929, he married Margaret Meeds at Dillon. She preceded him in death in 1947. Mr. Singleton had been a cowboy and logger most of his life until his retirement.

He is now survived by two sons, George Singleton of Kalispell and Kenneth Singleton of Graham, Wash.; three daughters, Isabelle Everett and Dorothy Sundt both of Kalispell and Ione Dawson of Graham, Wash.; four stepsons, David Meeds of Monroe, Wash., Henry Meeds of Logan, Utah, Oliver Meeds of Dillon and Lee Meeds of Great Falls; one stepdaughter, Mamie Bays of Dillon; 24 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mr. Singleton will be in the Johnson Chapel at 11 a.m. Friday with the Rev. John Lewis, pastor of the Epworth United Methodist Church officiating. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials be made to the Kalispell Soroptimist Club or to the charity of choice.

## Johanna Bythia Skinner

1 June 1974  
Johanna Bythia Skinner, 101, died Saturday in the Flathead County Nursing Home.

Born in London, England, Dec. 1, 1872, the daughter of Scottish parents, Alexander and Isabella Andrew, Mrs. Skinner moved with them to the United States in 1878, first to New York City, then by train to Spokane, Wash., stage coach to Helena and settling in Townsend. She was educated in rural schools there. She moved to Great Falls in 1888 and was a dress maker there many years.

Mrs. Skinner married Robert P. Skinner Jan. 3, 1899, on the John Mainland Ranch 12 miles south of Great Falls. They lived in Great Falls, except for the years 1916 to 1918, when they lived in Spokane. Her husband, a building contractor, died in Great Falls in 1941, after which she moved to Buckley, Wash., to live with her daughter. She moved to Kalispell with her daughter in 1944 and has lived here since.

Mrs. Skinner was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and Olive Chapter No.

10, O.E.S., both in Great Falls, and was a long time member of the Women of Woodcraft.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Stanley (Marguerite) Best, Kalispell; three granddaughters, Mrs. Kenneth (Carolyn) Wilson, Gardiner, Mrs. Kenneth (Joy) Peterson, Chula Vista, Calif., and Mrs. Leonard (Ruth) Hamilton, Spokane; a grandson, Capt. Robert Best, Spangdalen Air Force Base, Germany, and 16 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and a son, Dr. Lawrence Skinner, in 1961.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Dr. Odin A. Baugh, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Kalispell, officiating.

Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the Highland Cemetery, Great Falls, with the Rev. Paul D. Strawn of the First Presbyterian Church, Great Falls, and members of Olive Chapter No. 10, Order of Eastern Star officiating.

20 Dec 1973  
**William Steury**

William Rudolph Steury, age 93, died in Spokane Saturday, a former resident of Whitefish. Steury was born March 10, 1880 at Springfield, Missouri, a son of Rudolph and Emma Steury. He received his schooling in Missouri and in 1900 moved to Spokane, and later in the early 1900's to Whitefish where he was employed on the Great Northern Railroad as a conductor until he retired in 1945. He has made his home in Spokane for the past 13 years.

He was married to Ida Black in 1929 at Fargo, North Dakota, and she preceded him in death in 1935.

Steury was a member of the Lutheran Church; B.P.O.E. #390 of Virginia City and the Order of Railroad Conductors and Brakemen.

He is survived by one son, William Robert Steury; two step-daughters, Mrs. Louis (Lina) Porter of Spokane; Mrs. Olive Hinchliffe of California; two brothers, Frank and Ed Steury both in Missouri; four grandchildren and six great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Steury will arrive at the Austin Funeral Home Wednesday morning and will lie in state until 12:30 when friends will meet and proceed to the Whitefish cemetery for graveside services at 1:00 p.m.

Rev. Dennis Hanson of Christ Lutheran Church will officiate.

### **Morris Earl Spears**

WHITEFISH — Mr. Morris Earl Spears, 92, died at his Whitefish home Thursday morning.

He was born June 30, 1882 in Crawford County, Iowa, and spent his childhood in Iowa and Nebraska before moving to Kalispell in 1902.

He moved to Whitefish in 1905 where he engaged in carpentry work until his retirement.

He and Leona Howke were married in Kalispell on May 4, 1929.

Survivors include his wife at the family home, a daughter, Gladys Spears in Whitefish and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Mr. Spears will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Austin Chapel with Rev. Robert Laird officiating. Burial will be in Whitefish Cemetery.

### **Atha L. Sleator**

20 Dec 1974

Mrs. Atha L. Sleator, 77, 925 3rd Ave. W., died in Kalispell Friday morning.

She was born Nov. 23, 1897, in Tacoma, Wash., a daughter of George and Mabel Littooy.

She had received her elementary education and graduated from high school at Tacoma.

On May 3, 1924, she was married to Ralph Sleator in Tacoma. The couple had lived at various places following the army career of Col. Sleator, and had lived in Germany, primarily at Strausburg for several years before moving to Kalispell in 1949, where they have since resided.

Mrs. Sleator was an active member of the Central Christian Church; Laurel Chapter 99 Order of the Eastern Star of Galata; White Shrine; Daughters of the Nile; Veteran of World War I Auxiliary and VFW Auxiliary.

She is now survived by her widower, Ralph, at home; two sons, Donald Ralph of Houston, Tex., and Kenneth Elvin Sleator of Missoula; two daughters, Winifred Volpe of Houston, Tex., and Toni Sculli of Cleveland, Ohio; 14 grandchildren; four great grandsons; one sister, Norma Eade of Seattle, Wash., and a number of nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services for Mrs. Sleator will be in the Johnson Chapel at 3 p.m. Monday with the Rev. Everett Cecil, pastor of the Central Christian Church officiating.

Following the services the body will be forwarded to Great Falls for cremation. The family suggest memorials be made to the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children at Spokane.

### **Carl Smithers**

29 Oct 1974

Carl William Smithers, 77, prior to his retirement in 1958, who had resided at 310A Harmony Road, died at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls Tuesday morning.

He was born March 19, 1897, in Harrisville, Mich., a son of William and Catherine Smithers. When he was 6 years of age, he moved with his family to Kalispell where he attended Kalispell schools having attended Flathead County High School.

On March 30, 1917, he entered the U.S. Army at Valier, and had served as a corporal, Co. G 168th Infantry until receiving his honorable discharge on March 22, 1919, at Camp Lewis, Wash.

On Oct. 25, 1919, he was married to Margaret Irene Mack in Kalispell and was preceded in death by her on Feb. 7, 1969. Mr. Smithers had been employed by the U.S. Postal Service in Kalispell for 30 years.

On Oct. 8, 1970, he was married to Violet Aker in Kalispell and is now survived by her at the family home. He is also survived by three sons, Edwin M. of Issaquah, Wash., Carl E. of Eureka and William E. Smithers of Kalispell; one daughter, Adeline Norman of Seattle, Wash.; one stepson, James Aker of Kalispell; nine grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Vera Rimel of Missoula. He was also preceded in death by his parents and four sisters.

Funeral services for Mr. Smithers will be in the Johnson Chapel at 2 p.m. Friday with the Rev. Dr. Odin Baugh, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church officiating. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery, where military graveside rites will be conducted by the local veterans organizations.



## Elsie D. Stem 8-14-74

Private graveside services were conducted Tuesday in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery for Elsie D. Stem with the Rev. John Lewis officiating. She died Saturday at her home, 930 Patrick Creek Road, at the age of 93.

Born July 6, 1881, in Carroll County, Md., she spent most of her early life in Maryland, Pennsylvania and Michigan. She moved to Northwest Montana in 1966 and had made her home in Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her husband and a daughter. She is now survived by her son Larry, two grandsons, a great-grandson and a number of nieces and nephews in Colorado and the East.

The Weatherford Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Dean Allen Stacy

Dean Allen Stacy, 6, died in Missoula Wednesday. He was born Jan. 22, 1963, and he and his parents moved to Missoula in 1973.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dean E. Stacy of Missoula, a brother, Anthony, his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Stacy of Eureka, maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John McMonagle

of Moeville, Ireland, and one great maternal grandparent.

Mass of the Angeles will be offered by Father Leonard Jensen at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Eureka at 2 p.m. Monday.

Interment will follow in the Tobacco Valley Cemetery. Arrangements are being conducted by the Vial Funeral Home.

## Minnie Struble

Minnie Struble, 74, Route 1A, Columbia Falls, died Thursday in Flathead Health Center.

Born in Pollock, S.D. Dec. 29, 1899, the daughter of Thomas and Hilda Vikse, she attended school in Donald, Alberta. She was married to R. S. Struble Oct. 25, 1921, in Forestburg, Alberta. They lived in Donald for a while and then moved to eastern Montana where he worked in the Sunburst Oil Fields. They moved to the Flathead Valley in 1929 and lived here since.

Mrs. Struble was a member of the Bible Presbyterian Church and Adah Chapter No. 17, Order of Eastern Star.

Surviving are her husband, R.

S. Struble, Columbia Falls, one daughter, Mrs. Glen (Yvonne) Kartheiser, Columbia Falls, two sons, John Struble, Columbia Falls, and Wayne Struble, Phoenix, Ariz.; two sisters, Mrs. Mollie Ohms, Chico, Calif., and Mrs. Verdon (Lillie) Strange, West Lafayette, Ind.; two brothers, Emil Vikse, Bowden, Alberta, and Ben Vikse, Calgary, Alberta; 13 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, eight step grandchildren and two step great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Harold Kellom of Missoula officiating. Burial will be in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

## Roy Sweeney

Roy Sweeney, 81, a long time resident of the Stillwater area, died Tuesday at home following a heart attack. He was a retired logger and rancher.

Born in Des Moines, Iowa, April 19, 1892, a son of Thomas and Laura Sweeney, Mr. Sweeney moved with his parents to the Stillwater community in 1900. He attended the old Sparks School there and Flathead High School after which he entered the U.S.

Army in WWI. He served in the 19th Military Police Detachment and was stationed at Camp Dodge, Iowa.

Mr. Sweeney married Merle M. Johnston July 6, 1921, in Kalispell. They lived in the Blanchard Lake area near Whitefish from 1924 to 1932 where he did contract logging. They returned to the Stillwater area in 1932 and he ranched since that time. He retired 16 years ago.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Badrock Local of the Farmer's Union, Barracks No. 362, WWI Veterans, of which he was commander in 1963-1964. For many years he was a member of the Sparks School Board.

Surviving, besides his widow at home are two sons, Robert R. Stillwater and Thomas L. Spokane, a daughter, Mrs. Burt (Katherine) Kucera, Laurel; Mr. 16 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, one brother, Walter Sweeney, who died during WWI.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Odin Baugh, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, and Gary Skramstad, pastor of the Stillwater Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial with military honors by local veterans will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

## Theodore Stockwell

Theodore (Neff) Stockwell, 70, of Kalispell, died at Fort Harrison Veterans Hospital Saturday. He was born Sept. 3, 1904, in Moorsville, Mo., a son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Newt Stockwell.

In 1908, he moved with his family to the Flathead Valley where he had attended Kalispell schools. He was then employed by the U.S. Forest Service for several years. On Aug. 8, 1942, he entered the U.S. Army at Butte and had served until

receiving his honorable discharge Sept. 20, 1943, at Chickishaw, Okla.

He then returned to the Flathead Valley where he worked on the Hungry Horse Dam construction for a time and was later employed as a pressman for The Daily Inter Lake until his retirement.

Mr. Stockwell was a single man and is survived by one brother, Glenn Stockwell of Temple City, Calif., three nieces and several cousins including Willard Stockwell, Howard Stockwell and Mrs. Patricia Nelson all of Kalispell.

Funeral services for Mr. Stockwell will be in the Johnson Chapel at 3 p.m. Thursday with the Rev. J. Torrance Harvey, pastor of the Lakeside Chapel officiating. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery where military graveside rites will be conducted by the local veterans organizations.

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## Gretchen Stimson

Mrs. Gretchen Houston Chase Stimson, 58, of Hamilton, died in Hamilton, Sunday. She was born Aug. 24, 1916, in Whitefish.

She had received her elementary education in Kalispell and was a graduate of the Annie Wright Seminary of Tacoma, Wash. She had also attended the Oregon State University at Corvallis.

In 1928 she was married to Herbert Chase in California. The couple had lived in several of the western states until the death of Mr. Chase in 1968.

Mrs. Chase then returned to Kalispell and in 1969, she was engaged as housemother of the Delta Gamma Sorority at the University of Montana. She was then assistant head resident at the Aber Hall in Missoula for three years.

On July 19, 1974, she was married to David G. Stimson at Salmon, Idaho, and since that time the couple have made their

home in Hamilton. Mrs. Stimson was a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma of Oregon State.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister and is now survived by her widower, David Stimson of Hamilton; two sisters, Mrs. George (Virginia) Gay of Kalispell and Mrs. Clyde (Patricia) Coddington of Petersburg, Ill.; a brother, Hugh Houston, Bigfork; her mother, Mrs. Loretta Houston of Kalispell and a niece, Mrs. James (Ginger) Lopez of Fort Eustis, Va.

Funeral services for Mrs. Stimson will be in the Johnson Chapel at 2 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. John Lewis, pastor of the Epworth United Methodist Church officiating. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Heart Fund or to the charity of choice.

## Gisela Stockwell

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Mrs. Gisela Crista Stockwell, 49, who had resided at 1700 8th Ave. E., died in Kalispell Monday afternoon following an extended illness. She was born March 11, 1925, in Keil, Germany, a daughter of Wilhelm and Minna Weebler.

She had received her education and spent her early life in Germany. On Dec. 16, 1950, she was married to Willard Stockwell at Frankfurt, Germany. In June 1951, the

couple came to Kalispell where they have since resided.

Mrs. Stockwell had been employed at the Conrad National Bank for a short time. In November 1956, she received her U.S. citizenship.

She was preceded in death by a stepbrother, Heintz and is now survived by her widower, Willard, at home; one son, Frank Stockwell of Kalispell; one grandson, John; her mother, Mrs. Minna Jacobson of Neumunster, Germany; two half-sisters, Ursela Lienke and Hanna Boldt both of Neumunster, Germany and several nephews.

Funeral services for Mrs. Stockwell will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 1:30 p.m. Thursday with the Rev. Harold Huber, pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church officiating. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

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### Betty Ann Strissel

STEVENSVILLE — Betty Ann Strissel, 43, Stevensville, died Thursday in her home following a lengthy illness. She was born July 1, 1931, in Kalispell.

Miss Strissel was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

She is survived by her father, Orien M. Strissel, East Missoula, and mother, Margaret Koenig, Kalispell; two sisters, Nancy Zimmerman, Kalispell, and Sally Cook, Kalispell, and several aunts and uncles.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 3 p.m. in Squire-Simmons-Carr Rose Chapel with the Rev. Donald Kindig officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

### Dale Swartzenberger

Dale Ray Swartzenberger, 16, Kalispell, was killed in a car-snowmobile accident near Kalispell Sunday evening. He was born Nov. 30, 1958, in Kalispell, a son of John and Isabel Swartzenberger.

He had attended Kalispell schools until he was injured in an automobile accident in June of this year.

He was preceded in death by his father, John Swartzenberger, Aug. 11, 1961, and is now survived by his mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence A. Meyer of Kalispell; five brothers, Daniel, John, Ronald and James all of Kalispell and Joseph of Marion; five sisters, Barbara Brensinger, Dana Toren, Dona Aemisegger, Debra and Lori Swartzenberger all of Kalispell; his grandmother, Mrs. Mabel L. Riggan of Great Falls and a number of nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services for Dale will be in the Johnson Chapel at 2 p.m. Wednesday with interment to follow in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

### William J. Streit

*28 Nov 1974*

William J. Streit, 70, who had resided at Rt. 2, Kalispell, died in Kalispell Thursday. He was born Oct. 24, 1904, in Kossuth County, Iowa, a son of Rudy and Emma Streit. In 1909, he moved with his family to Alabama, and in 1938, he moved to the Flathead Valley where he had engaged in farming in the lower valley since that time. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church.

Mr. Streit was a single man and is survived by three brothers, Rudy of Kalispell, Julius of Tacoma, Wash. and Paul Streit of Phoenix, Ariz.; four sisters, Mrs. Pat Taylor and

Mrs. Floyd Ridenour both of Kalispell, Minnie Thompson of Federal Way, Wash. and Mrs. George Nichols of Long Beach, Calif.; three aunts, Eleanor Lohr, Lena Domek and Minnie Wendt all of Kalispell; one uncle, Henry Isch of Kalispell and many nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services for Mr. Streit are tentatively being planned for Monday afternoon at the Trinity Lutheran Church with the Rev. Harold Huber officiating. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Johnson Funeral Home.

### Edna Hattie Sullivan

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Mrs. Edna Hattie Sullivan, age 88, Immanuel Lutheran Home, passed away in Kalispell Wednesday morning. Mrs. Sullivan was born at New Auburn, Minn., on April 29, 1886, the daughter of Robert and Susan Hamilton. She received her education in Minnesota and later moved to Montana, where she taught school at Bear Creek before moving to the Flathead Valley in 1911 and taught school at Bad Rock. On March 12, 1912, she married Tim Sullivan at the Sullivan residence in Bad Rock and had continued to make her home in the Bad Rock community until moving to the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

Mrs. Sullivan was a member of the Royal Neighbors and of the Bad Rock Busy Bees.

She was preceded in death by her husband on July 11, 1973, and is now survived by one son, Robert Sullivan of Houston, Texas; two daughters, Mrs. Phyllis Howe of Walnut Creek, Calif., and Mrs. Muriel Rich of Sand Springs, Mont.; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services for Mrs. Sullivan will be conducted Saturday morning at 11:00 from the Van Leuven Funeral Chapel in Columbia Falls with Rev. Ray Davis, pastor of the United Methodist Church, officiating. Following the services the body will be taken to Great Falls for cremation.

It has been suggested, those who wish may make memorials to the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

Oscar Sundahl, 82, Kalispell, died May 4. *1974*



## Marion Sullivan

Mrs. Marion Sullivan, 52, who had lived at 120 6th Avenue West, Kalispell, passed away Thursday morning in Bigfork. Mrs. Sullivan was born April 24, 1922 in Butte, a daughter of Achille and Mary Guay.

In 1948 she was married to John Michael Sullivan in Butte. They had lived for a time in Albuquerque, N.M. and in 1955 she moved to Kalispell where she had made her home since.

She was a member of the St. Matthew's Catholic Church, a

member of the Soroptomist Club and was a secretary for Dr. Herman Ross for 13 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, May 26, 1973 and is now survived by three sons: Michael D. Sullivan in Butte, John R. and Joseph E. Sullivan in Kalispell; one daughter, Patricia Mary Sullivan, Kalispell; three brothers, Lewis A. Guay in Butte, Richard J. and Norman A. also in Butte; one sister, Mrs. Delia Pearce in Billings, her parents, Mr. and

Mrs. Achille Guay in Butte.

Rosary will be recited for Mrs. Sullivan this evening at 7:30 p.m. in the Johnson Chapel. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated Saturday morning at 10 a.m. in St. Matthew's Catholic Church with the Rev. James C. Moe as celebrant. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Memorials to the Friendship Manor or the American Cancer Society have been suggested.

## Michael Henry Sullivan

8-6-74

Michael Henry Sullivan, 85, who had made his home on Rt. 1A, Columbia Falls, died in Kalispell last Friday. Mr. Sullivan was born at Butte Oct. 11, 1888, the son of John and Mary Sullivan. When about 2 years old he moved with his parents to Columbia Falls and had resided in the Deer Park area most of his life, where he had engaged in farming.

He was married on April 23, 1915, to Mary C. Nutter at Columbia Falls and is now survived by his wife at their home, by one daughter, Mrs. William (Vera) Good of Anchorage, Alaska; three grandchildren, Larry C. Myers of Columbia Falls, Michael

Myers of Miles City and Lee Myers of Butte; four great-grandchildren and five step-grandchildren. Also by many nieces and nephews.

Rosary for Mr. Sullivan will be recited Tuesday evening at 7:30 from the Van Leuven Funeral Chapel in Columbia Falls. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated Wednesday morning from St. Richard's Catholic Church at 10:30 with the Rev. Father Leonard Spraycar as celebrant. Interment will follow in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

## Oscar D. Sundahl

5-5-74

Oscar D. Sundahl, 82, 110 Second Ave. West, died Saturday morning in Kalispell. Mrs. Sundahl was born July 29, 1891, in Grand Forks, N.D., a son of Christian and Anna Sundahl. He received his education in North Dakota.

Mrs. Sundahl was preceded in death by a brother, John, Jan. 23, 1974, and is survived

by a daughter, Helen Weiss of Newberry, Ore.; three brothers, Tony of Santa Rosa, Calif.; Carl of Grand Forks, N.D.; Andrew of Eugene, Ore.; and a sister, Mrs. William (Lillian) Forrest in Helena.

Funeral arrangements are with the Johnson Funeral Home and will be announced later.

Stuart William Swenson, 72, who had resided at 476-4th Ave. E. N., died in Kalispell Monday. He was born Jan. 27, 1902, in Kalispell, a son of

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**Swan Swanson**

Funeral services for Swan Swanson were conducted from the Austin Chapel, Monday at 2:30 p.m. with Rev. Robert Laird of the First United Presbyterian Church and the Whitefish Masonic Lodge A.F. & A.M. #64, Mack Johnston, Worshipful Master officiating.

Music was furnished by Al Olson, soloist and Mrs. George Lantz, organist.

Casketbearers were, Art Engelter, Jack Joy, Alf Kastella, Homer Payne, Allan Phillips and Miner Stocking. Interment was made in the Whitefish cemetery.

Swanson was born March 24, 1890 at Jamtland, Sweden a son of Swan and Marta Swanson. At the age of 17 years in 1909, he came to Stockholm, Maine where he worked for a year before moving to Bemidji, Minnesota in 1908 where he worked in the woods and the rivers on log drives and one summer on steamboats on the Missouri river between Bismark & Cannonball, N. D. and Washburn and Berthold, N.D.

In 1912 he came to Trego where he worked in the woods until he hired out as fireman for the Great Northern Railroad and moved to Whitefish.

He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1917 and served in France and upon his honorable discharge returned to Whitefish and continued his railroad career being promoted to locomotive engineer in 1919, a position he held until he retired in 1959 with 46 years service.

He owned a cherry orchard on the east shore of Flathead Lake where he had planned to retire but sold the orchard and continued to make his home in Whitefish at 303 Somers Ave., until he moved to the Veterans Home at Columbia Falls in the late 1960s and later to Hawthorne

## Stuart Swenson

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Samuel W. and Sohia Swenson. He had attended local schools, and in 1940, he was married to Mary Dunlap at Tucson, Ariz. Mr. Swenson had owned and operated the Sportsman Bar and Grill for many years. He then managed the Elks Club until his retirement in 1968.

He was a lifetime member of the Elks Lodge and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his widow, Mary, at home; two sons, Richard of Helena and Robert of Stafford, Arizona; one daughter, Marlys Davis of

Missoula; two grandchildren; one brother, Everett Swenson of Kalispell; three sisters, Julia Hebert of Pasco, Washington, Ione Logan of Cut Bank and Wilma Peterson of Kalispell and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services for Mr. Swenson will be in the Johnson Chapel at 2 p.m. Wednesday with Rev. Dr. Odin Baugh, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church officiating. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials be made to the Heart Fund.

## Chet Sykes

Chester (Chet) C. Sykes, 77, who had resided at 115 S. Cedar Drive, died at the Immanuel Lutheran Home Monday evening. He was born June 25, 1897, in Columbia, N.C., a son of Walter and Martha Sykes.

When he was nine years of age, he moved with his parents to Kalispell and had resided in the Flathead since that time. Mr. Sykes was a well known merchant of Kalispell and Whitefish during his lifetime. He had established the Sykes Grocery. He later constructed and managed two motels.

He also raised Hereford cattle and had developed his own string of quarter and Appaloosa horses. He was of the Methodist faith and was a member of the Elks Lodge and the Appaloosa Association.

On May 30, 1916, he was married to Marie Adams in Kalispell and is now survived by her at the family home. He is also survived by one son, Judge Robert C. Sykes of Kalispell and one daughter, Billie Dunn of Kalispell, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mr. Sykes will be conducted in the Johnson Chapel at 2 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Everett Cecil, pastor of the Central Christian Church officiating. Interment will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials be made to the Shirley Louterback Home.

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## William J. Sweet

POLSON — William J. Sweet, 93, who homesteaded on an original land allotment on the Flathead Indian Reservation, died Thursday morning in a Polson rest home.

He was born Feb. 9, 1881, in Toulon, Ill. He married Llewellyn Hayden Sept. 30, 1906, in Wethersfield, Ill., and moved to the Big Arm area in 1911.

Mr. Sweet was a carpenter and helped build many of the original lookout towers for the Forest Service in the Northwest.

Mrs. Sweet died last November. He was a member of the Missoula Lodge 13, AF&AM, and Carpenters Local 28 of Missoula.

Services will be Saturday at 10 a.m. in Mosley Funeral Home with Rev. Deral Schrom officiating. Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

rest home at Spokane, Wa. where he died on April 4, 1974.

He was married to Serene Jepson on July 8, 1923 at Kalispell. She preceded him in death on May 19, 1966.