

## Louise G. Ratterman, 88

24 Apr 1979

Louis G. Ratterman, 88, formerly of East Lake Shore, Bigfork, died Tuesday in Polson.

Ratterman was born March 10, 1891, in St. Paul, Minn., the son of John and Krezenzia Ratterman. He attended schools there. During World War I, he served in the Army. He was a florist for many years in the St. Paul area. In 1935 he married Florence DePron. They bought a cherry orchard near Yellow Bay, where they used to spend their summers. They moved to the East Lake Shore in 1957.

Ratterman was a member of AF&AM in St. Paul and also a member of several veterans organizations.

Surviving are his wife, Florence, Polson; one son, Roy E. Mendenhall, Fairfax, Calif.; a daughter, Mrs. Erwin (Elizabeth) Cooper, Bigfork; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services were held Friday in the Weatherford Funeral Home. Burial followed in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Casket bearers were Tom Cahill, Erwin Cooper, Stan St. Sauver, and Charles White.

## Henry Rauthe, 57

27 Oct. 1979

Henry Earl Rauthe, 57, of 473 Sixth Ave. W.N., died Saturday of a heart attack in Billings while attending the Flathead Braves football game.

He was born Aug. 16, 1922, in Somers and attended schools there.

On March 18, 1943, he married Jennie Voorhies in Orchard, Neb. They made their home in Kalispell since that time.

Rauthe worked as a logger and truck driver until his retirement in 1969 due to ill health.

His primary interests were sports. He coached baseball in Kalispell for more than 20 years and was an ardent fan of high school football and legion baseball.

He is survived by his wife, Jennie; son, Michael, and daughter, Sandra, at the family home; son, Douglas; daughters, Mrs. Kurt (Janice) Skyba and Mrs. Don

(Marilyn) Young, all of Kalispell three brothers, Frank of Deer Park, Wash., Carl of Kalispell and Oliver Aurand Jr. of Spokane, Wash.; three sisters, Agnes Newell of Renton, Wash., Elsie Sundberg of Redmond, Wash., and Genevieve Meyers of Kalispell; step-father, Oliver Aurand Sr.; seven grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Frank John Henry Rauthe, in 1947 and his mother, Leone Lininger Rauthe Aurand in 1973.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Johnson Funeral Home with Father Gary Reller officiating. Graveside rites will follow at Conrad Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be sent to the Kalispell American Legion baseball program.

## Lois Raymond, 78

24 July 1979

Lois Bailey Raymond, 78, of the Immanuel Lutheran Home, died Tuesday in the Kalispell Regional Hospital. She had moved recently from Great Falls where she was a businesswoman.

Mrs. Raymond was born Feb. 23, 1901, in Great Falls, daughter of Benjamin and Nellie Bailey. She graduated from Great Falls High School and later attended Montana State College in Bozeman.

Mrs. Raymond became associated with the Montana Oil Journal in 1925. From 1930 to 1941 she served as circulation manager, a business manager from 1941 to 1943, after which she became secretary, a position she held until 1976. She was also co-owner of the publication.

Mrs. Raymond was the operator of producing oil wells in the Kevin-Sunburst

Field from 1943 until the field was sold in 1947. She was registered as a broker-dealer for 25 years with the Securities and Exchange Commission and a partner in Landowners Royalties Co. engaged in the interstate sale of oil royalties.

In 1975 she married her partner of 30 years, A.H. Raymond in Great Falls. He died in March of this year. She moved to Kalispell to be near her brother.

She was a member of the Episcopal Church in Great Falls, and of Rotana.

Surviving are her brother, Kenneth Bailey of Lakeside and Somers; and nieces and nephews.

Her body was cremated in the Weatherford Crematory. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Christ Church (Episcopal) with the Rev. Paul Taylor officiating.

# Alice Liza Redalen died in Whitefish Wednesday

9 May 1979

Alice Liza Redalen, age 77, a resident of Whitefish died in Whitefish Wednesday.

Mrs. Redalen was born April 29, 1902 in Saskatchewan, Canada, a daughter of Telesphore and Mary Lauzon. In 1910 she moved with her parents to Scobey, Montana and attended school at Madoc. She was married to William Potts in 1920 in Madoc, where they resided until coming to Whitefish in 1942, where Mr. Potts preceded her in death that same year.

She was married to Oscar Radalen February 9, 1944 in Whitefish and he died December 27, 1972.

She made her home at the Colonial Manor and was among the first residents there after it was constructed. She was a member of St. Charles Catholic Church.

Mrs. Redalen is survived by one son, William Potts of Los Angeles, Calif.; three grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; three brothers, Aurelle Lauzon, B.C., Canada, Pete Lauzon, Alberta Canada, and Damian Lauzon in California; four sisters, Adeline Paradis, Whitefish; Varilda Lauzon, Saskatchewan, Canada, Aureore Francis, Helena, Leontine Vermette, B.C., Canada, and nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by three brothers Amede, Aime and Emil Lauzon.

Rosary was recited from the Austin Funeral Home 8 p.m. Sunday. Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated Monday at 10 a.m. with Rev. Father John F. Cronin as celebrant. Interment was made in Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell.

# James Reithmeier, 64

5 Jan 1978

James Fredrick John Reithmeier, 64, Condon, died in Kalispell Friday. He was born May 22, 1914, in Syracuse, N.Y., a son of Fred A. and Anna Reidman Krobowski. The family later changed their name to Reithmeier.

Mr. Reithmeier had been a technical computer representative with the

Burroughs Corporation both in Detroit, Mich. and Los Angeles, Calif. for 27 years prior to his retirement in 1972. He then moved to Coram and later to Condon where he resided at the time of his death.

He is survived by his widow W. Jean Garrett Reithmeier, at home; two sons, Leonard and Gary Reithmeier both of Havre; three stepchildren, Stephen Roy, Mrs. Jamie Glenn and Kathryn Roy; two sisters and six grandchildren.

Memorial services for Mr. Reithmeier will be at 11 a.m. Monday in the Faith Lutheran Church of Condon with the Rev. Ron Pierce of the Swan Chapel officiating.

# 29 July 1979 Edward L. Rhodes, 24

Edward Lynn Rhodes, 24, a resident of Whitefish, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital as a result of an automobile accident south of Whitefish Sunday morning.

Rhodes was born Oct. 22, 1954, in Kalispell, a son of Frank and Laura Rhodes. He received his schooling in Whitefish and then enlisted in the U.S. Army and upon his honorable dis-

charge returned to Whitefish where he worked for the Factory Lumber Co. and Walter Tree Yard in Bigfork.

He is survived by his wife, Nakay, one son, Jerimia, 2, and one daughter, Tia, 6 months; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhodes, all of Whitefish; six brothers, Jacob, Priest River, Idaho, Virgil, High River,

Alberta, Don, Albert, Wesley, and Calvin all of Whitefish; and three sisters, Anita Fortine, Delta, Utah, Teresa Paycey, Blackie, Alberta, Brenda Rhodes, Whitefish. He was preceded in death by one brother.

He was cremated and memorial services will be conducted from the Austin Chapel 3:30 p.m. Wednesday.

22 July 1979

## Lester Rhodes, 80

Lester C. Rhodes, 80, of 286 Fifth Ave. E.N. died Sunday in the Flathead County Nursing Home.

He was a retired boiler operator.

Rhodes was born August 25, 1898, in New Virginia, Iowa, the son of John W. and Sarah Rhodes. He moved with his family to Kalispell in 1900 and settled northwest of town. The Rhodes Draw area is named for the family.

Rhodes attended Sparks and Bald Rock schools. He worked in sawmills until he went to work for the

Anaconda Aluminum Co. in Columbia Falls. He retired as a boiler operator in 1962. The family made their home in Kalispell the past 11 years.

On Sept. 8, 1918, Rhodes married Pearl Basye in Kalispell. The couple celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last year.

He was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church; and the Odd Fellows and Eagles lodges in Kalispell.

Surviving, besides his widow Pearl at home, are one son, George, and a daughter, Mrs. Homer (Mildred) Berner, both of Kalispell; sister, Mrs. Clara Chenoweth of

Kalispell; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and several cousins, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with Pastor Charles Allaway of the Seventh-day Adventist Church officiating. Members of the Odd Fellows lodge will conduct graveside rites in Glacier Memorial Gardens. The family suggests memorials to the Yellowstone Boy's Ranch, P.O. Box 2549, Billings, Mont. 59101.

## Richard Ricketts, 93

24 Sept. 1979

Richard R. Ricketts, 93, died Monday morning in the Colonial Manor in Whitefish where he has resided for the past several years.

He was born July 15, 1886, in Cisne, Ill., a son of Otha and Anna Ricketts.

He later moved to the Flathead Valley. On April 28, 1909, he married Evelyn Reed in Kalispell. They made their home in Kalispell for a short time and moved to Somers.

In 1919, they moved to Worland where they made their home until moving to Seattle, Wash., in 1920. Three years later they returned to Somers and moved to Kalispell in January 1935.

Ricketts had been a barber and saw mill worker until retirement.

Ricketts was preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn, on Oct. 1, 1967. On Aug. 26, 1968, he married Twila Melton in Kalispell and was preceded in death by her in December 1978 in Hot Springs.

He was a member of the Central Christian Church.

He is survived by two sons, Raymond Ricketts of Tempe, Ariz., and Kenneth Ricketts of Gold Beach, Ore.; one daughter, Eleanor Willeck of Heron; five grandchildren, including Wilbur and Dale Walter of Kalispell; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Ricketts will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev. Paul Dean Hill officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

1 Nov. 1979

## Leonard Riebe, 80

Leonard E. Riebe, 80, of 396 Three Mile Drive, died Thursday at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He was born April 25,

1899, in Bayfield, Wis., a son of William and Anna Riebe: In 1905, the family moved to Missoula where Riebe received his education. In 1914, he moved to Kalispell where he has since resided. On June 1, 1916, he entered the U.S. Army and had served in France, participating in seven major battles and being wounded. He received his honorable discharge April 9, 1919, at Fort D.A. Russell, Wyo. He then returned to the Flathead and was employed with the Park Services; Forest Service; the Customs Service; and the Flathead Sheriff's Department. From 1929 to 1945 he was employed with Montgomery Wards. He was then manager for the American Legion and held several other positions prior to his retirement.

He was a member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church; the American

Legion of which he was a past commander; the 40 and 8 Club; World War I Barracks.

June 9, 1928, he married Lida Johnson in Kalispell and is survived by her at the family home. He also is survived by two sons, Arnold of Kowloon, Hong Kong and Allen Riebe of Kalispell; one sister, Gladys Melinger of Honey Grove, Texas; seven grandchildren; a niece, Dorothy Marshall of Honey Grove; a niece in Seattle, Wash., and a nephew, Leon Melinger of LaFayette, La.

Funeral services for Riebe will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday in the Johnson Chapel with a pastor of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery where military graveside rites will be conducted by the local veterans organizations.

24 Dec. 1979

## Walter Ritter, 92

Walter Carl Ritter, 92, 1035 Seventh Ave. W.,

Kalispell, died at Kalispell Regional Hospital Dec. 24.

Ritter was born Nov. 29, 1887, to William and Lena Ritter, at Saginaw, Mich., moving with his parents to Kalispell at age 5. Later he moved to Trego. He attended a small school northeast of Eureka before Eureka became a town, and in later years worked as a rancher and for the U.S. Forest Service. He was a well-known musician

in the Trego and Eureka area.

In 1943, Ritter married Leola Ingram in Spokane, Wash., and is survived by her at the family home. Other survivors include a son, Wilbur Ritter of Missoula; a daughter, Mrs. Clark (Lenore) Hamor of Libby; a stepson, Leroy Dalager of Kalispell; a stepdaughter, Mrs. John (Phyllis Lee) Savka of Kalispell; and a grandson, Walter Clark Hamor of Bend, Ore.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. John Rieth of Faith Free Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will follow in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

1 Sept. 1979

## Walter C. Robbin, 75

Walter C. Robbin, 75, of Bigfork died Saturday in Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born March 1, 1904, at Clitheral, Minn., the son of K.H. and Augusta Olsen Robbin.

He moved to Kalispell in 1915, graduated from Flathead County High School in 1923. He attended the University of Montana, where he majored in art and was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity and also was a charter member of the Kalispell Order of DeMolay.

He and his wife owned and operated the Bigfork Mercantile for several years, then purchased farms in the Creston and Bigfork areas where they have since resided. They are believed to be the first in the valley to breed purebred Arabian horses and operate a registered Hereford ranch.

On January 1, 1934, he

married Nita Zumwalt in Kalispell.

He is survived by his wife; two children, daughter Alexandra Robbin and son Rand Robbin; a daughter-in-law, Linda Robbin; two granddaughters, Marca and Tia Robbin; sisters, Amanda Edmiston, Selma Dodge, Elinor Robbin and Hulda Hough and, a brother, Ray

Robbin, all of Kalispell.

Services tentatively are scheduled for 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Friends will gather at the Weatherford Funeral Home and proceed to Conrad Memorial Cemetery for graveside services.

Memorials are suggested to the ALERT foundation in care of the Kalispell Regional Hospital.

## Leah Nicole Roberts, 4

14 July 1979

Leah Nicole Roberts, 4, 94 Meadow Manor, died suddenly Saturday while visiting in Pullman, Wash.

Leah was born Feb. 19, 1975, in Kalispell, the daughter of Ron and Brenda Roberts.

Surviving besides her parents are her sister, Lindsey; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Roberts, Kalispell; maternal grandfather, Earl Gowan, Zachary, La.; maternal grandmother, Mrs. William (Donna) Vessie, Bigfork; great grandfather, Richard Davis, Kalispell; and great grandparents, Orville and Nina Roberts, Columbia Falls.

Graveside services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Memorial services Wednesday at 7 p.m. Kingdom Hall, 85 Woodland Drive with Harvey Hawkins officiating.

Weatherford Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Dr. Milo Roberts, 94

9 Sept. 1979

Dr. Milo C. Roberts, 94, State Board of Dental Examiners. While in Butte he served on the school board and with the Butte Rotary Club as well as other civic and community activities.

Dr. and Mrs. Roberts celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary Oct. 14, 1978.

Graveside services will take place Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Herbert A. Cies of the Epworth Methodist Church officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Weatherford Funeral Home.



DR. MILO ROBERTS

Dr. Milo C. Roberts, 94, State Board of Dental Examiners. While in Butte he served on the school board and with the Butte Rotary Club as well as other civic and community activities. He was born Nov. 21, 1884, at Mount Pleasant, Iowa, the son of William and Margaret Roberts. He attended the public schools in Mount Pleasant and later graduated from Northwestern Dental School in Chicago Ill., in 1905. He started his practice in Des Moines, Iowa, and there married Edith Zaiser on Oct. 14, 1908. They moved to Butte in 1912 where he established and maintained his practice until moving to Kalispell in 1945 where he maintained his practice until his retirement in 1968.

Dr. Roberts is survived by his wife, Edith, at the family home; one son, Milo C. (Bud) Roberts Jr. of Kalispell; two daughters, Mrs. Dwight (Mary Jane) Kindschy, of Moscow, Idaho, and Mrs. John (Margaret) Hull, LaSelva Beach, Calif.; seven grandchildren; five nieces, and one nephew. He was preceded in death by his parents, four sisters and five brothers.

Dr. Roberts was a charter member of the Flathead Symphony, a life member of the American Dental Association, past president of the Montana Dental Association and a member of the Montana

## Richard Roberts, 42

*18 Jan 1979*  
Richard (Rick) Roberts, 42, 130 Lore Lake Road, Kalispell, died Thursday in St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula.

Mr. Roberts was born Oct. 3, 1936 in Kalispell, the son of Orville and Nina Roberts. He attended schools in Kalispell and most of his adult life he worked in the woods. He was employed by the S and S Logging Co. as a sawyer. He was an Army veteran.

He married Gloria Mae Lindsey, July 25, 1959 in Saratoga, Idaho, and is now survived by her at home.

Other survivors include

five sons, Melvin, Richard, Billy, Ray and Herb, all at home; four daughters, Mrs. Randy (Thelma) Brandt, Kalispell, Connie, Helen and Lyda all at home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Roberts, Columbia Falls; five brothers, Vernon, Erwin and Ernest, all of Columbia Falls, and Raymond and Henry of Kalispell; three sisters, Mrs. Mearl (Judith) Kirkland and Mrs. James (Gloria) Pearse, both of Kalispell, and Mrs. Herb (Vivian) Knottingham, Livingston; and one grandson, Casey Brandt of Kalispell. He was preceded in death by a sister, Lyda Baukman, six years ago in Washington state.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Weatherford Funeral Home, with Leo Palmer of Jehovah Witnesses officiating. Burial will follow in Lone Pine Cemetery at Bigfork.

## Gordon Robertson, 58

*15 July 1979*  
Gordon Keith Robertson, 58, passed away at his home in Nyack Sunday morning. He had been in ill health for the past several years.

Robertson was born Aug. 29, 1920, in Kalispell, a son of John and Margaret Robertson. Most of his younger years were spent at Nyack with his family.

He graduated from the Whitefish High School with the class of 1938. He was employed by Douglas Aircraft at Santa Monica, Calif., before joining the Navy Air Force in 1943. In June of 1946 he received his honorable discharge from the service.

He married Lorraine Mintz, June 9, 1947, at Conway, S.C. They returned to Montana that same year to make their home. He was employed by the Burlington Northern for the past 32 years as

agent-telegrapher. His last assignment was at Columbia Falls.

He is survived by his wife, Loraine, at the family home in Nyack; a son, John, of Kalispell; two brothers, John of Missoula and Donald of Eldridge, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Virginia Graf of Los Angeles, Calif. and Mrs. Betty Funseth of Whitefish; and a nephew and several nieces. Both parents preceded him in death.

Robertson was a member of the Masonic Lodge AF and AM of Columbia Falls.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m., at the Austin Funeral Home with the Rev. Torrance Harvey and the Maxonic Lodge officiating. Burial will follow in Conrad Memorial Cemetery under the direction of the Austin Funeral Home.

## Frank J. Robischon, 90

*8 June 1979*  
GREAT FALLS — Frank J. Robischon, 90, died Friday evening at a Great Falls nursing home, where he had resided for the past three years.

He was born June 11, 1888, at Sauk Center, Minn., and graduated from high school there. He worked for the Northern Pacific Railroad in Minnesota before moving to Kalispell. He was

employed by Nash Finch Co. for 26 years in Kalispell. He then served as Kalispell city clerk for seven years.

In 1941 he was appointed court reporter of the 11th Judicial District, a position he held until retiring in 1966. He also operated an abstract office and was affiliated with the Flathead County Title Insurance Co. He married Eugenia

Remillard in Staples, Minn., in 1915. She died in 1970.

He was a member of St. Matthew's Church in Kalispell, a fourth degree member of Knights of Columbus and was a life member of the Kalispell Elks Lodge, serving as lodge organist for 40 years. He also was an officer of the Flathead County Red Cross chapter.

Services will be held at St. Matthew's Church at 10 a.m. Wednesday. Rosary will be at Johnson Funeral Home at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. M.F. (Mary) Keller and Mrs. Joel (Jean) Koppang, both of Great Falls and Gertrude Robischon of Seattle; three sons, Thomas of Los Angeles, James of Butte and John of Olympia, Wash.; 27 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

## Lillian H. Rognlie, 73

28 Nov 1979

Mrs. Lillian Hazel Rognlie, 73, of 427 Eighth Ave. W., died Wednesday, 1935, they moved to Kalispell where they have made their home since.

She was born Dec. 4, 1905, in Wisconsin, a daughter of Peter and Mattie Grorud. As a child, she moved with her family to Williston, N.D., where she received her education.

On Feb. 23, 1930, she was married to Donaven Rognlie in Williston. In

Fargo, N.D., Ione Smith of Williston, N.D., and Eleanor Victor of Klamath Falls, Ore., and several nieces and nephews.

Services will be in the Johnson Chapel at 11 a.m. Saturday with the Rev. H. Peder Waldum, pastor of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

## Claud Herman Root, 78

1 Sept 1979

Claud Herman Root, 78, 333 Liberty St., Kalispell, died Thursday at Kalispell Regional Hospital. He was a retired rancher.

Root was born May 28, 1901, at Fort Shaw, the son of George and Emma Root. He later moved to the Birch Grove District near Kalispell, where he attended school at LaSalle and Birch Grove. Following his schooling, Root worked in various saw mills in the Flathead area

and later in the oil fields in the Kevin and Cut Bank areas in the late 1920s.

He married Beulah Roberts in Cut Bank April 14, 1927, and they made their home there until 1931 when they returned to the ranch at Birch Grove near Kalispell, staying there until 1941 when they moved to Bremerton Wash., where he worked on housing construction.

In 1944 they returned to the Birch Grove area and

farmed there until his retirement in 1974, when they moved to 333 Liberty St. in Kalispell where they made their home since that time. Root was a long-time member of the Montana Stockgrowers Association.

He is survived by his wife, Beulah, at the family home; one daughter Mrs. Vern (Dorothy) Haverfield, and one granddaughter, Claudette, both of Apache Junction, Ariz. He was preceded in

death by his parents, two brothers and two sisters.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at the Weatherford Funeral Home with the Rev. Ralph M. Werner of the First Baptist Church of Columbia Falls officiating. Burial will follow in the Glacier Memorial Gardens. The family suggests memorials to The Flathead County 4-H Foundation, P.O. Box 638, Kalispell, Mont., 59901.

### GLADYS I. ROOT

9 May 1979 - KWN

Mrs. Gladys I. Root, 81, who had resided at the Glacier Manor, died in Kalispell April 3rd. She was born Sept. 8, 1897, in Medford, WI, a daughter of Willis and Arma Cleveland. She later moved to Kalispell where on March 31, 1915, she was married to James N. Root. The couple had farmed in the Birch Grove area for many years. Mrs. Root was preceded in death by her husband, James, on Sept. 2, 1956. She is now survived by several

cousins including Robert Clinton of Seattle, WA, Ruth Pachek of Bremerton, WA, and Beulah Caffrey of Polson; one niece and several nephews. Services for Mrs. Root were Monday, with the Rev. Chauncey Biffle, associate pastor of the Epworth United Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials be made to the charity of donor's choice.

## Benjamin Rover, 88

17 Dec 1979

Benjamin Rover, 88, died Monday morning at the Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls where he had resided since April 1978.

He was born Aug. 2, 1891, in Kelso, N.D., a son of Halvor B. and Theresa K. Rover. He later moved to Montana. On Sept. 20, 1917, he entered the U.S. Army in Kalispell and had served as a corporal until receiving his honorable discharge April 20, 1919, at Fort D.A. Russell, Wyo.

He then returned to the Flathead Valley where he

was employed as a mechanic and carpenter working in Glacier Park. He also operated the Polebridge Mercantile store for a number of years until retiring in 1955 and moving to Kalispell. In 1927, he married Annette O'Connell who preceded him in death Aug. 5, 1955.

May 9, 1970, he married Marian Opalka who preceded him in death May 31, 1976.

He is survived by one brother, Dr. Arnold Rover and three sisters, Hilma Knight, Elvira Stewart and Eleanor Manning, all in California.

Funeral services for Rover will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Johnson Chapel with the Rev. John Allen, pastor of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery where military graveside rites will be conducted by the local veterans organization.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Montana Veterans Home.

## George Ryan, 65

3 Apr 1979

COLUMBIA FALLS — George Ryan, 65, a former Helena resident, died Tuesday evening at the Montana Veterans' Home in Columbia Falls.

He was born April 12, 1913. Ryan served with the U.S. Army during World War II and lived a number of years in Helena.

For the past seven years he has been a resident of the Montana Veterans' Home.

Ryan has no known survivors.

Graveside services will be 2:30 p.m. Friday at the

Veterans' Home cemetery in Columbia Falls with military graveside rites.

The Rev. Charles Strom of St. Richard's Catholic Church will officiate. Services are under the direction of Van Leuven Funeral Home.

## Charlotte Rutherford, 89

2 July 1979

Charlotte Rutherford, 89, a former resident of Whitefish died Monday at the Northshore Manor in Bothell, Wash., where she resided since August 1976.

She was born Oct. 24, 1889, in Sweden, a daughter of John and Anna Bergman. At the age of 6 she came to America with her parents, settling in Minnesota, where she received her education.

On Dec. 23, 1914, she married Glenn O. Rutherford in Minneapolis, Minn. The couple homesteaded southeast of Malta for a number of years, then moved to the Whitefish area in 1925 where they engaged in farming. Mr. Rutherford also worked for the Great Northern Railroad.

She was a member of Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish and also the Lady Trainmen of Whitefish.

She was preceded in death by her husband in February 1951, one son, Lee, in 1916, one daughter, Dixie, in 1923.

She is now survived by one son, Lyle of Whitefish; three daughters, Mrs. Raymond (Katherine) Schwenske of Edmonds, Wash.; Mrs. Craig (Helen) Milton of El Cajon, Calif. and Mrs. Tom (Charlotte) Sloan of Lynwood, Wash.; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Services for Mrs. Rutherford will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the Christ Lutheran Church with burial to follow in the Whitefish Cemetery. Austin Funeral Home in charge of local arrangements.

## Drew Rye, 3 days

21 July 1979

COLUMBIA FALLS — Drew Wallace Rye, 3 days, infant son of Wallace and Vicki Rye, died Saturday morning in Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born July 18 in North Valley Hospital in Whitefish.

He is survived by his parents of Columbia Falls; two brothers, Neil and Jason, at family home in Columbia Falls; his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Dolan of Shelby and his paternal grandmother Emma Rye of Missoula.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Woodlawn Cemetery with the Rev. Ron Paulson of Our Saviour Lutheran Church officiating. Friends can meet at the Woodlawn Cemetery. Services are under the direction of the Van Leuven Cemetery.