

DI 2 DEC. 1986

Virgil Eastling, 87

EUREKA — Virgil Eastling, 87, Eureka, died Tuesday at North Valley Hospital.

She was born Jan. 29, 1899, in Menomonie, Wis., to William and Emma Quilling. She was reared and educated in Menomonie and moved to Lambert in 1916.

On May 6, 1919, she married Lester Eastling in Lambert. He preceded her in death in 1932.

Mrs. Eastling taught school in Lambert and the surrounding area and later was employed at the state Industrial School for Boys at Miles City. During World War II she worked in the shipyards at Vancouver, Wash.

She lived in Minneapolis for a time before returning to Wisconsin, where she was employed as a corrections officer at the Women's State Penitentiary. She then moved to Spokane and worked in home health care for the elderly until she retired in 1978 and moved to Eureka.

Mrs. Eastling was a member of the First Church of God in Eureka.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by three

brothers.

Survivors include a son, Donald Eastling of Merced, Calif.; two sisters, Ethel Kautzman of Eureka, and Idell Granger of Spokane; a granddaughter and two great-granddaughters.

Services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at First Church of God in Eureka with the Rev. Wade Butler officiating. Burial will be at Tobacco Valley Cemetery under the direction of Vial Funeral Home in Eureka.

X FEB. 1986

Leta Irene Edwards

Leta Irene Edwards, 76, died Thursday, February 6, at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital.

Funeral services were Monday, February 10, at Bell Chapel with Pastor Ira Robison officiating. Burial was in Highland Cemetery with Bell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were Jim Murphy, Howard Rasmussen, Gerald Rennick, Fritz Hoppe, Hank Paulson and John Kolstad.

She was born August 5, 1909 in Stella, Nebraska, the daughter of Ray and Ethel Marts. She moved with her family to Malta at an early age. She married Delmer Edwards on January 31, 1928 in Malta. They moved to Glasgow in 1948. She belonged to the Home Demonstration Club and enjoyed making flower arrangements.

Survivors include her husband Delmer of Glasgow, one son, Roy Edwards of Glasgow, four grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one son, Jerry, in 1957.

X 25 MARCH 1986

Delmer Edwards

Delmer Edwards died Tuesday, March 25, in Glasgow's Valley View Nursing Home.

He was 77.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 28, in Bell Chapel with Pastor Ira Robison officiating. Burial was in Highland Cemetery with Bell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were Gary and Mike Edwards, Todd Holemayer, Jimmy Howard Ereaux, Duane Simonton and Jim Doner.

Born March 30, 1908 in Winimak, Indiana, he was the son of Sylvester and Mary Jane Edwards.

He came to the Malta area at an early age where he was raised on the farm that he continued farming until 1946. At that time he operated the "Sweet-Shop" in Malta.

He married Leta Marts on January 31, 1928 in Whitefish, Mont. She died on Feb. 6, 1986.

They moved to Glasgow in 1948 where he worked for Glasgow Irrigation. He also owned the Corner Grocery Store for six years and worked for the Postal Service as a mail carrier until retiring in 1976.

Survivors include one son, Roy Edwards of Glasgow; four grandchildren, Gwen Hoppe of Colorado Springs, Colo., Debra Rang of Marietta, Ga., and Mike and Gary Edwards of Glasgow; nine great-grandchildren and one sister, Vi Kruger of Malta.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Leta, in 1986 and a son, Jerry, in 1957.

DI 10 OCT. 1986

'Buzz' Egge, 74

Fay "Buzz" Egge, 74, Lakeside, a longtime railroad worker and prominent Butte union official, died Friday evening at the Bigfork Convalescent Home.

He was born May 17, 1912, in Julian, Neb., to Henry and Ethel

Egge. When he was young, the family moved to Missoula, where he was raised and educated.

At age 15, he went to work as a farm hand in Arlee. He moved to Butte in the 1930s, working first in the mines before being hired by the Northern Pacific Railroad. For the next 35 years, until forced by ill health to retire in 1973, he worked as a switchman and then relief yardmaster at the Butte railroad yard.

A member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, he served as Montana's representative on the national union board.

He married Sheila Brown at Butte in 1946. The couple moved to Lakeside shortly after his retirement. He enjoyed hunting, fishing

and working in his garden.

A sister, Betty, preceded him in death. Surviving are his wife, at home; a brother, Robert, in Hilo, Hawaii; four sisters, Freda Reid in Flint, Mich., Avis McAllister in Great Falls, Darlene Borrego in San Bruno, Calif., and Shirley Crotty in Palm Springs, Calif.

Cremation has taken place, and no public services are planned. Arrangements were by the Weatherford Funeral Home.

The family suggests memorial contributions to either the Shodair Children's Hospital or the Our Lady of the Rockies Fund.

DI 10 APRIL 1986

James Eisenman, 35

James W. Eisenman, 35, Kalispell, died at home Friday morning of complications from advanced diabetes.

He was born Dec. 31, 1950, in Great Falls to Joe and Eileen Eisenman. He was educated in Fairfield, and married Janice Peterson there in December 1971. They moved to Kalispell in 1978.

He worked for a bronze foundry here.

He was a member of Calvary Lutheran Church, the Western Montana Dialysis Unit and the Montana Diabetes Association.

Surviving are his wife, Janice, and a son, Michael, at home; his mother in Fairfield; a brother, Jon, in Great Falls; two sisters, Barbara Stordahl of Great Falls and Carol Klinker of Hysham; and a grandmother, Anna Harris, Park City. His father preceded him in death.

Memorial services will be April 20 at 12:30 p.m. at Calvary Lutheran Church with the Rev. Thomas Walker and the Rev. Melvin Oehrtman officiating. Cremation is by the Johnson Mortuary.

The family suggests memorials to the Calvary Lutheran Church.

X 25 APRIL 1986

Ray Enders, 77

^{23 Apr 1986}
LIBBY Ray V. Enders, 77, Libby, died of natural causes Friday at Sacred Heart Hospital in Spokane, Wash.

He was born Aug. 20, 1908, in Marshfield, Wis. His family moved to Montana in 1910 and resided in the Bigfork-Swan Lake area for 10 years. They moved to Libby in 1920.

He was employed by the Forest Service, J. Neils Lumber Co. and Zonolite Co. before entering the armed forces during World War II. He served in the South Pacific. After the war, he resumed working for J. Neils Lumber Co., which later became St. Regis Lumber Co., retiring in 1973.

He married Esther Murphy on Dec. 12, 1945, in Libby. She survives him at the family home.

He is also survived by two sisters, Ethel McCoy, Tensed, Idaho, and Jennie Torres, Eureka; a brother, Jim Enders, Libby; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Libby with the Rev. John Hunthausen of Whitefish as celebrant.

Burial will be in the City of Libby Cemetery.

X 12 APRIL 1986

Leslee Ervin, 23

^{12 Apr 1986}
CHATTEROY, Wash. — Leslee Ervin, 23, Chatteroy, Wash., a former Kalispell resident, died Saturday in a car accident in Washington.

She was born Feb. 5, 1963, in Kalispell to Marjean Stead and Don LaVigne. She moved to California at an early age and lived there until 1982 when she moved to Spokane, Wash.

In August 1984, she married Rodd Ervin.

Survivors include her husband, Rodd, and a daughter, Amber, of Chatteroy, Wash.; her parents, two brothers, Greg LaVigne and Rod LaVigne, and a sister, Darcey LaVigne, all of California.

Memorial services were today in Spokane, Wash. Private graveside rites will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Glacier Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Edmund Smith of St. Matthew's Catholic Church officiating.

DI 16 MARCH 1986

C.E. Endicott, 66

^{16 March 1986}
Charles E. Endicott, 66, Kalispell, died Saturday morning in Kalispell Regional Hospital after a 9-year illness.

He was born Aug. 31, 1919, in Sheridan, Wyo., a son of Jacob L. and Maude Connor Endicott. He graduated from Sheridan High School in 1938.

On Oct. 3, 1938, he entered the U.S. Army. He earned the Asiatic Pacific Theatre Campaign medal; Eamet Campaign medal with two bronze service stars, and the American Defense Service medal. He was an expert rifleman and had the Combat Infantry Badge. He received his honorable discharge on Oct. 7, 1945, at Fort Bragg, N.C.

On Aug. 9, 1944, he married "Mae" Kathleen Page of Essex and Troy.

He worked as a track inspector for the Great Northern Railroad from 1948-1952 at Essex; a warehouseman for Mayflower Moving Co. from 1965-69; and as a bartender for the Vista Club, Kalispell Bar and the Pastime.

He was then a motor vehicle operator supply clerk and inventory warehouseman specialist at Glacier National Park.

He retired with a disability in 1977 after 17 years with the National Park Service.

Mr. Endicott had been active in sports in his earlier years, and was an avid hunter and fisherman. His hobby was working with different woods and he liked to make furniture.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Clinton and Ernie.

Survivors include his wife, Mae, at the family home; a daughter, Sandra Bailey of Las Vegas, Nev.; three sons, William Charles and Ernest LeRoy, both of Kalispell, and Michael John of Long Beach, Calif.; two sisters, Alice Wimer of Grand Junction, Colo., and Margie Miller of Parkman, Wyo.; a brother, Richard Endicott of Billings; and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Friday in Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Marvin Northcutt of Epworth United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery with military honors conducted by local veterans organizations.

DI 6 JAN. 1986

Abigail Erickson, 79

Abigail Erickson, 79, Somers, died Monday morning of natural causes at Bigfork Convalescent Center.

She was born June 17, 1906, in Burlington, Wyo., the daughter of William and Nancy Kelly. She was raised in Washington state and Montana.

In 1919, she married Arthur Brash in Washington state. They owned and operated a dude ranch in East Glacier. They were later divorced.

In 1943, she married Charles Erickson in Helena, where the couple made their home. He preceded her in death in January 1968.

Mrs. Erickson later came to Somers to be with a daughter.

Survivors include two daughters, Betty Jo Steele of Monrovia, Calif., and Mrs. Howard (Peggy) Redpath of Somers; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and a number of other relatives.

The casket will be closed to the public. Graveside funeral services will be 2 p.m. Friday at Forest Vale Cemetery in Helena with the Rev. Tim Hamilton of First Presbyterian Church of Helena officiating. Arrangements are by Weatherford Funeral Home.

DI 27 MAR. 1986

Norman Espeland

Norman Martin Espeland, 61, Bigfork, died Thursday afternoon at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

A resident of Bigfork since 1984, he had been operating the Bay Club at Marina Cay.

He was born Dec. 10, 1924, in Fort Dodge, Iowa, to Martin and Ann Marie Espeland. He grew up in Eagle Grove, Iowa, where he graduated from high school. Then he served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, and was awarded the Purple Heart.

Following his discharge from the Navy, he trained as a board-certified executive chef. He worked from then on at restaurants and resorts.

He married Carolee "Kerry" Witherspoon in Las Vegas in 1970, and she survives him at the family home. Also surviving are two sons, Michael in Missoula and Patrick in Bigfork; a sister, Mary Pickett of Los Angeles; and a granddaughter.

Memorial services will be April 7 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Catherine's Cath-

olic Church in Bigfork. Arrangements and cremation are by the Bigfork Funeral Home.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Bigfork High School Golf Fund.

DI 6 FEB. 1986

Lester Eveland, 73

Lester Merlin Eveland, 73, died Thursday morning at North Valley Extended Care Center in Whitefish.

He was born Sept. 15, 1912, in Waverly, Iowa, a son of Arthur E. and Leona Eveland.

He received his early schooling in Waverly and Wisconsin and as a young man moved to Arcata, Calif.

He married Hazel Norenberg on June 2, 1941, in Reno, Nev. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy during World War II and was honorably discharged in California. He and his

wife then made their home in various places in the West and in Montana.

In April 1977, they moved to Eureka, where they lived until 1984 when they moved to Whitefish.

Mr. Eveland was employed in logging and saw mill work until he retired.

He was a Baptist, a member of VFW Post No. 276 of Whitefish, and a life member of Disabled Veterans of America.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Bonnie Ambrogini, in 1977; a brother and a sister.

He is survived by his wife, Hazel, at the family home; one son, Thomas Eveland, Spokane, Wash.; one daughter, Merlinna Bell, Washington state; 11 grandchildren; one great-grandson; three brothers and six sisters, all living out-of-state.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Austin Funeral Chapel Monday at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Robert Ivers of North Valley Alliance Church officiating. Burial with military honors will be in Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

X SEPT. 1986

Ernest Evans
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Funeral services were to be held Tuesday at the Squire Simmons and & Carr Funeral Home, followed by interment at Missoula Cemetery, for Ernest Eudell Evans, 78, who died Friday of a liver disorder at his Missoula home.

He was born Sept. 19, 1908, to Mary and Evan Evans, one of five boys. The family moved to a farm at Turtle Lake, N.D. during the winter of 1914.

Mr. Evans moved to Baker in 1927, where he married O'Tillie Huether in January, 1934. He farmed from 1934 until moving from the farm in 1947.

Evans and his wife, O'Tillie, operated a grocery store near Thompson Falls in 1948 and 1949, when they moved to Missoula where they operated the Paxson Grocery until 1957.

Mr. Evans' career included ranching with Sam Barkley near Baker for four years, operating the two grocery stores, working on the railroad and operating a garage in Plevna. He was catcher for the Ismay baseball team. In 1962, he coached PeeWee Little League and Babe Ruth baseball, while his son was a catcher. He coached Little League baseball at Tiburon, Calif. for two years, where his grandson, Kevin Eudell Evans Hecht, played. He was an avid fisherman, bowler and golfer.

Besides his wife, O'Tillie Evans, of Missoula, survivors include a son, Ernie Evans, a contractor who works across the United States; three daughters, Iris Dahmen, Seattle; Helen Hecht, San Francisco and Marcella Lindgren, Superior; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to Hospice of Missoula, Box 8273, Missoula, Mont. 59807.

X 2 FEB. 1986

Ernest Everett, 89

ELLENSBURG, Wash. — Ernest B. Everett, 89, a former Kalispell resident, died Feb. 2 at his home in Ellensburg.

He was born in Ganado, Texas, on Dec. 26, 1896, and moved to Kalispell as a child.

On Jan. 15, 1926, he married Rena Cottrell and they lived in Kalispell until 1950, when they moved to the Kittitas Valley in Washington.

He was employed by Boise Cascade as an equipment operator until retirement at age 66. He was a member of the Eagles Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Rena, of Ellensburg, Wash.; a son, Irving, of Kalispell; four daughters, Rosetta Carpenter of Kalispell, Irene Butterfield of Ellensburg, Ardath Brown of Canyonville, Ore., and Alene Williams of Yakima, Wash.; a sister, Eunice Millsap of Moses Lake, Wash.; 13 grandchildren and

25 great-grandchildren. A daughter, Erna Mae, preceded him in death in 1952.

Funeral services were held in Washington.