

Chris Ramlo, 85

Chris Ramlo, 85, formerly of Libby, died of natural causes Friday at Kalispell Regional Hospital. *7 Dec 1990*

Survivors include his wife, Zella Ramlo, of Kalispell.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church in Libby. Burial will follow at City of Libby Cemetery. Vial Funeral Home of Libby is in charge of arrangements.

WILLIAM A. RANDONO

William A. "Bill" Randon, 41, died February 12 at his home near Lake Blaine following a lengthy illness with cancer. *1990*

He was born June 22, 1948 at Great Falls, the son of Eugene C. and Carrol Randon. He was raised in Great Falls and Las Vegas, graduating from C.M. Russell High School in 1966. He then attended the University of Montana at Missoula.

In 1974, he married Harriet Johnson at Lake Tahoe. The couple made their home in Missoula until coming to the Kalispell area in 1981. Bill enjoyed his work renovating and reselling residential properties.

Surviving are his wife Harriet and son Eugene "Geno" Randon, both at the family home; his mother, Carroll Randon of Las Vegas; a grandmother, Ethel Randon of Great Falls; two brothers, Tony and Jim Randon, both of Las Vegas; one sister, Susan Fogarty of Great Falls; an uncle, Ralph Randon of Great Falls; and a number of other relatives.

Funeral services were held Friday at the Weatherford Chapel, with Rev. Marvin Northcutt, Pastor of Epworth United Methodist Church, officiating. Cremation followed the services.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1002, Kalispell 59903-1002; Flathead Hospice, 1280 Burns Way, Kalispell, 59901; or a charity of the donor's choice.

John Redekop, 93 *1990*

John Redekop, 93, died at his home in Bigfork on Thursday morning. No public services are planned.

Oliver U. Redick, 72

19 June 1982
Oliver Ulysses Redick, 72, Columbia Falls, died early Monday at the Montana Veterans Home.

Graveside services with military honors were at 11 a.m. today at Montana Veterans Home Cemetery

Anna A. Ratz 1990

Anna Altenburg Ratz, 93, died on Nov. 30 at the Immanuel Lutheran Home where she has resided since 1979.

She was born Jan. 27, 1897, in Fredricksburg, Texas, a daughter of William and Lena Ottmers. She was the last survivor of a family of 12 children.

In 1924, she came to Kalispell and worked as a cook at the Kalispell General Hospital. In 1928, she was married to Fred Altenburg. They made their home in Somers for 24 years. Mr. Altenburg died Nov. 1, 1951.

Mrs. Ratz then moved to Kalispell and was employed at Gambles Restaurant and later at the Flathead High School cafeteria.

On March 12, 1960, she was married to William Ratz, Whitefish. He preceded her in death in December 1983.

Mrs. Ratz was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her son, Arthur Kienas, and is survived by her daughter, Elsie Rohrer, Dublin, Ohio; three step-children; seven grandchildren, and several other relatives.

Services were held Dec. 4 in Trinity Lutheran Church with Rev. Dorald Reiner officiating. Burial was in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Trinity Lutheran Church, Flathead Association for Retarded Citizens, Flathead Industries for the Handicapped, or the Immanuel Lutheran Home.

Arrangements were under the direction of Johnson Mortuary.

Robert C. Rawson, 70

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TROY — Robert C. Rawson, 70, died of a stroke Friday at Montana Veterans Home in Columbia Falls.

He followed construction as a heavy equipment operator until he moved to Libby in 1978 where he operated the Bob's Superette for three years. He moved to Troy in 1981.

Survivors include his wife, Claryce Rawson of Troy; one daughter; one son, Richard Rawson of Troy; one brother; one sister; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Robert.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Troy Church of God with the Rev. Gene Bushnell officiating.

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Edna L. Redmond, 80

Edna L. Redmond, 80, died on Wednesday, Sept. 19, in the Immanuel Lutheran Home of cancer. 1990

She was born Jan. 25, 1910, in Kalispell, a daughter of George and Maude Drew. Her father worked for the Great Northern Railroad and her mother owned a millinery and dry goods store in Kalispell.

She attended Kalispell schools and was a graduate of Flathead County High School.

She was courted by Rusty Redmond and they eloped and were married on Nov. 28, 1927.

Mr Redmond was a station agent for the Great Northern Railroad.

Mrs. Redmond enjoyed golfing with her husband, handwork and playing bridge with her friends.

She had been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Daughters of the Nile, Pythian Sisters and many other social organizations.

She was affiliated with the Presbyteri-

an Church.

The Redmonds had traveled to New Zealand, Hawaii, Australia, Europe and the Caribbean. For the past several years, they had spent their winters in Mesa, Ariz.

Mrs. Redmond is survived by her husband, Rusty, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home; a son, Bill Redmond of Kalispell; a daughter, Barbara Syrington of Neche, N.D.; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Albert Drew, in 1950.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Marshall Moen, chaplain of the Immanuel Lutheran Home, officiating. Private family burial of urn will be in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be made to Immanuel Lutheran Home.

Arrangements are by Johnson Mortuary.

LESTER JOHN REGAN

Lester John Regan, age 81, a summer time resident of Lakeside, Montana passed away Wednesday (March 7, 1990) at the Valley Lutheran Hospital in Mesa, Arizona of natural causes.

He was born October 12, 1908 in Drake, North Dakota, a son of John and Lena Regan. As a young child he moved with his parents to Antelope, Montana, and completed his education in Plentywood, Montana, graduating with the Plentywood High School Class of 1925.

He was married to Iris Foster on August 8, 1940 in Reno, Nevada and they moved to Whitefish in 1943 where Lester was employed with the Great Northern Railway and retired from Burlington Northern Railway in 1975.

For the past twelve years he has resided in Lakeside, Montana and the Winter months in Mesa, Arizona.

He was a member of the St. Ann Catholic Church in Somers and his main hobby was woodworking.

He is now survived by his wife Iris in Mesa, Arizona. One son Gary Regan of Tacoma, Washington and one daughter Lonna Poling of Missoula, Montana. Nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren. One sister Beulah Johnson of Portland, Oregon. Other relatives and many friends.

BERTHA REICH

Bertha Reich, 96, a long-time Whitefish area resident, died Feb. 5, 1990 at the North Valley Hospital of natural causes.

She was born Jan. 16, 1894 to Bernard & Wilhelmina Stief at Aurelia, Iowa.

At the age of sixteen, she moved to Montana with her brother Charles Stief who homesteaded at what is now Winifred.

There she met and married Hugo Reich and in 1921 they moved to Whitefish where he was employed as a Great Northern Ry. Brakeman and Conductor.

Bertha was preceded in death by her husband Hugo in 1957, a son Charles in 1958.

She is now survived by one sister Alvina Mendel of Kalispell. A daughter Margaret Murdock of Whitefish. Five grandchildren, Sharlot Battin of New York City and Whitefish; Charlene Webber of Kalispell; Carolyn Reich, Lorena Reich, Jimmy Doyle all of Belgrade, Montana. Three great grandchildren Dana, Kama, Rana Webber all of Kalispell and other relatives and friends.

Funeral Services were Feb. 8, 1990 at the Christ Lutheran in Whitefish with the Rev. Harold Petersen officiating. Burial was in the Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery under the direction of the Austin Funeral Home of Whitefish.

Velma Jane Reeves, 83

Velma Jane Reeves, 83, of Kalispell, died in the Kalispell Regional Hospital on Tuesday morning, Oct. 9, of natural causes. 1990

She was born April 6, 1907, in Creston, to John M. and Rose K. Parker. She attended grade school at Echo School, and in 1921 she moved from the family farm to Kalispell, where she has since resided.

Velma graduated from Flathead High School with the class of 1925.

On Dec. 18, 1948, she married Fred H. Reeves.

Velma was a member of Central Christian Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Fred, in October 1973, and also by her parents.

Survivors include two sons, James W. and Donald E. Wagner, both of

Kalispell; two step-daughters, Selma M. Skillman of Lincoln, and Fadelma M. Zakro of Grand Junction, Mich.; one sister, Mrs. T.A. (Irma) Wagener of Kalispell; one brother, John E. Parker of Great Falls; several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday at Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Jim Simpson of Central Christian Church officiating.

Friends and family may call at the Johnson Mortuary for visitation until 8 p.m. on Wednesday.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Diabetes Association, Montana Affiliate, Box 2411, Great Falls, 59403, or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements by Johnson Mortuary.

Stanley "Stu" Reedy, 78

Stanley "Stu" Reedy, 78, of Libby, died Saturday at Libby Care Center. 3 Feb 1990

He was a lifelong resident of Libby and worked as a locomotive engineer for J. Neils Lumber Co. for many years.

Survivors include his wife, Angeline; three daughters including Joan Kershner and Myrna Pilney, all of Libby; and two sons, including Jim Reedy of Kalispell.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at Vial Funeral Home in Libby.

HERBERT M. REICH

Herbert M. Reich, 91, of Missoula, died of natural causes Oct. 4 at Community Medical Center in Missoula. 1990

He was born March 5, 1899, at Howard Lake, Minn., to Frank and Wilhemina Reich.

June 6, 1938, he married Eudora Anderson in Bergen, N.D. The couple farmed near Princeton, Minn. for several years before moving to Missoula in 1947.

Mr. Reich was employed by the Anaconda Co. at its Bonner mill until retiring in 1967. He was a member of First Lutheran Church.

Among the survivors is a daughter, Carole Kohl, Kalispell.

LARRY P. REID

Larry Peter Reid, 56, Kalispell, died in Kalispell Regional Hospital Oct. 1 of a heart attack. 1990

He was born May 23, 1934, at Red Lodge, son of Sollie and Mary Reid. He graduated from Carbon County High School in Red Lodge in the Class of 1952. He had been master councilor of DeMolay, Red Lodge Chapter, with the Chevalier degree.

March 9, 1954, he married Gloria Minne at the Methodist Church in Red Lodge. They moved to Kalispell in 1963, returning to Red Lodge in 1968, and to Kalispell in 1970. In 1976 he was divorced. In 1978 he married Latana Searight in Red Lodge and was later divorced.

Mr. Reid had been employed with Culligan Water Conditioning for 25 years.

Survivors include his children, Claude (C.J.) Reid of Virginia Beach, VA., Kim Just of Kalispell, Tracy Olson of Las Vegas, and Mendie Reid in Texas; his parents, Sollie and Mary Reid of Red Lodge; brother, Richard Reid of Hulett, WY.; sisters, Michelle Edgell of Powell, WY., and Marilyn Otero of Concord, CA., and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were Oct. 4 in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Darold Reiner, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial was in Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials to the Alert Foundation, care of Kalispell Regional Hospital, 310 Sunnyview Lane, Kalispell, 59901, or Flathead Search and Rescue.

OLGA J. REIMER

Olga J. Reimer, 82, Kalispell, died May 10th at Kalispell Regional Hospital following a lengthy illness with cancer. 1990

She was born January 16, 1908 at Washburn, North Dakota, the daughter of John and Elizabeth Schlichenmayer. She was raised in Turtle Lake, North Dakota, graduating from Turtle Lake High School in 1928. She then went to St. Alexius School of Nursing in Bismarck, North Dakota, and graduated in 1932. She was a Public Health Nurse at Center, North Dakota, until moving to Kalispell in 1936.

On May 21, 1937, she married Ben C. Reimer at Hamilton, Montana, and they made their home in Kalispell. Mrs. Reimer was employed at Kalispell General Hospital, Flathead County High School, and Immanuel Lutheran Home, retiring in 1971.

Surviving are three sons, John of Petaluma, Calif., Harrison "Harry" of Kalispell, and Arron of Ketchikan, Alaska; two daughters, Irene Gentry of Pinon Hills, Calif., and Judy McWhorter of Kalispell; four brothers, Richard of Redding, Calif., Charles of Turtle Lake, n.D., Ruben of Bismarck, N.D., and Marvin of Riverdale, Wyoming; four sisters, Ann Kubler of Streeter, N.D., Esther Herr of Bismarck, Marion Kirschman of McClusky, N.D., and Betty Anderson of Gackle, ND.; seven granddaughters, Colleen Smith, Tracey Reimer, Kellianne Cohenour, Kori Malone, and Desirae McWhorter, all of California, and Dawndi Wilkerson and Rondi Reimer, both of Alaska; two grandsons, John Cohenour III and Chet McWhorter, both of Kalispell; two great granddaughters, Courtney and Ashley Smith, both of California; and a great grandson, John Cohenour IV of Kalispell.

Memorial services were May 18th at the Weatherford Funeral Home, with Rev. Jack McWhorter officiating. Private urn burial will take place at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

Allen W. Ramsey, 44

10 Sept 1990
Allen W. Ramsey, 44, Libby, died Monday in a Spokane hospital of injuries received in a single car accident on the Yaak highway Aug. 25

He and his wife, Connie, moved to Libby in 1972. She survives him as do three daughters, including Susan and Lori Ramsey of Libby; seven sisters; and two brothers, including Morris Ramsey of Libby.

Services will be 2 p.m. Friday at Vial Funeral Home. Burial with military graveside honors will be at City of Libby Cemetery.

LUCY I. REITEN

Lucy I. Reiten, age 97, Whitefish, passed away Feb. 13 at the North Valley Hospital in Whitefish. 1990

She was born August 10, 1892 in Buffalo Lake, Minnesota to Frank and Estella Warner. She moved to Minneapolis at age 8 and attended grade school and graduated from South High School in Minneapolis. She worked for the New England Furniture Co. in the Photo Dept. in Minneapolis. In 1924, she moved to Glacier National Park and worked at Sun Camp where she met Hans Reiten. They were married October 30, 1925 in Shelby, Montana. They lived in Great Falls, MT until 1927 when they returned to Shelby. They operated a sand and gravel plant in Shelby until 1946. When construction began on the Hungry Horse Dam, Hans moved his plant to Columbia Falls in 1946.

After Hans retired in 1953, they spent the winters in Parker, Arizona for 10 years. Hans passed away in 1973.

For the past two years, Lucy had lived at the Mountain View Manor in Whitefish.

She is survived by one daughter and son-in-law, Shirley and A.P. (Joe) Spencer of Columbia Falls; three grandsons, David Spencer of Billings, Steve and wife, Peggy Spencer of Whitefish, Bob and wife Cathy of Colstrip; four great grandchildren, Carinne, Jessica, and Ross Spencer of Whitefish, and Callie Jeanne Spencer in Colstrip; one sister, Estella Helmbrecht of Minneapolis, Minn.; two nieces, Grace Pinnow of Sun City, Arizona and Margaret Mullen of Minneapolis, Minn.; and numerous great nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held Friday at the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls. Rev. Katherine Cooper of St. Matthews Episcopal Church officiated. Burial followed in Glacier Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Kalispell.

The family has suggested that memorials be made to the American Cancer Assoc.

13 Nov 1990

Larry Reynolds, 75

Larry Reynolds, 75, Troy, died Tuesday at his home.

Survivors include his wife, Mary, Troy; three sons; two daughters, including Sue Lampton of Kalispell; a brother; and two grandchildren.

Services will be Friday at 10 a.m. at Troy United Methodist Church. Arrangements are by Vial Funeral Home.

Donald 'Butch' L. Renken, 69

25 Nov 1990
Donald "Butch" L. Renken, 69, a Hungry Horse resident, passed away at North Valley Extended Care Unit Sunday after a lengthy illness with cancer.

He was born Aug. 23, 1921, in Chester, S.D., the son of Jack and Gladys (Baker) Renken.

He graduated from Chester High School in 1939 and entered the Navy. He retired with a chief's rating in 1959.

He moved to Kalispell where he served a short time on the police force. He then worked for the Bureau of Reclamation as a mechanical engineer on the Hungry Horse Dam. Butch served as a consulting engineer on several dams throughout the U.S. He retired in 1976.

He married Shirley Weber-Kohlman in Kalispell on Aug. 17, 1973. They made their home in Hungry Horse and then in 1983 purchased a home in the Kenai River, near Kenai, Alaska.

The Renkens returned to Hungry Horse in 1989 due to ill health.

Butch was active in the Christ Lutheran Church in Soldotna, Alaska, where he taught Bible classes. He was a member of the VFW, American Legion and also

taught hunter safety courses.

He is presently a member of the Our Savior Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley, at the family home in Hungry Horse; three stepdaughters, Karen Berggen in West Glacier, Brenda Haider in Hungry Horse, and Peggy Witt in Fairbanks, Alaska; four sons, Cmdr. Del Renken in Rhode Island, Don Renken in Breerton, Wash., Duane Renken in Kalispell, and Dan Renken in Santa Rosa, Calif.; two daughters, Dawn Graham in Klamath Falls, Ore., and Dixie Renken in Escondido, Calif.; one brother, Dan D. Renken in Scottsdale, Ariz.; a sister, Virginia Pedigo in Sioux Falls, S.D.; and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 3 p.m. Thursday at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Columbia Falls.

Burial with military honors will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Visitation will be 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. today at the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls.

PATRICK M. REYNOLDS

Patrick M. Reynolds Sr. died Sept. 23 in Portland after a lengthy illness. 1990

Funeral services were Sept. 27 in Portland and burial was in Willamette National Cemetery.

Born Aug. 29, 1941, in Portsmouth, Va., he grew up in Kalispell and in 1958 married Wanda Savage. He worked for the Flathead County Assessor's Office from 1962 to 1966. He moved to Portland in 1968. He attended Portland State University.

Mr. Reynolds worked for First National Bank of Oregon, now First Interstate Bank, for a number of years. He was then employed as a plant maintenance repairman for Oregon Health Sciences University until his retirement because of a disability in 1988.

Survivors include his wife, Connie Jo; sons, Patrick M. Reynolds, Jr. of Kalispell, Richard D. Reynolds of Anchorage, Alaska; daughter, Rhonda R. Heston of Kalispell, Tony L. Reynolds of Portland, father; and step-mother, Dorothy Reynolds of 29 Palms, CA., brothers, Merle W. of Everett, WA., Lanis of Montrose, CO. and Donald of Portland; sisters, Carleen Francis of Council, Idaho, Bonnie Walker of Idaho Falls and four grandchildren, all of Kalispell.

ORRINE RHODES

Orrine Ellene Rhodes, 63, died June 10 of natural causes at Kalispell Regional Hospital. 1996

She was born Jan. 18, 1927, at Upton, Wy., the daughter of Jesse and Margaret Lunch. At a very young age, she came with her family to the Flathead Valley. She attended Demersville School, Batavia School and Flathead County High School.

Dec. 1, 1945, she married L. George Rhodes in Kalispell, where the couple made their home.

Mrs. Rhodes belonged to Rebekah Lodge No. 25 in Kalispell and was a member of Bible Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by her husband, L. George Rhodes; two sons, Ray and Larry Rhodes; mother, Margaret Lynch; four sisters, Rose Hollopeter, Geraldine Mitton, Maude Bauska, and Donna Lerew; three brothers, Warren, Jesse and Dan Lynch; mother-in-law Pearl Rhodes and sister-in-law Mildred Berner, all of whom reside in the Kalispell area. There are also a great many nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Rhodes was preceded in death by her daughter, Joyce Pearl Rhodes; her father, Jesse Lynch, a brother, Neal Lynch, and father-in-law, Lester Rhodes, Sr.

Funeral services were June 13 at the Weatherford Chapel with the Rev. James Huff and the Rev. Ron Pierce officiating. Ritualistic Honors were conducted by Rebekah Lodge No. 25. Burial followed at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

RON RICHARDS

Ron Richards, one of Montana's best-known political figures for two decades, died at his home in Helena, Aug. 16, after a four-month struggle against cancer. He was 56. 1990

He was administrative assistant and chief of staff for Democratic U.S. Sen. John Melcher from 1982 until Melcher was defeated by Republican Conrad Burns in 1988. He had since worked as a private political consultant.

Richards was generally regarded as one of the most astute political operatives in Montana. He served as chairman of the state Democratic Party until he joined Melcher's staff in 1982.

Richards managed Tom Judge's 1976 campaign for governor and served as director of the state Highways Department under Judge.

He also had served as the top aide to Gov. Forrest Anderson from 1969 to 1971.

Richards was a congressional intern in Washington for Sen. Lee Metcalf in 1964-65, leaving the faculty of the University of Montana Journalism School to take the post. He had a master's degree from the UM Journalism School.

Richards was born Aug. 1, 1934, in Mobridge, S.D. He and Annabelle Rolczynski were married in Missoula May 5, 1965, and have two sons, Kent, of Yakima, Wash., and Brent of Helena; and a daughter, Lisa Richards of Kent, Wash.

Retz Funeral Home in Helena said Christian vigil will be at 7 p.m. Aug. 19 and mass of the resurrection will be at 10 a.m. Aug. 20, both in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Helena.

Forrest E. Rieben, 77

Forrest E. Rieben, 77, died of natural causes Sunday, June 10, at his home near Eureka. 1990

Born Jan. 21, 1913, in Great Falls to Charles and Leota Rieben, he was raised and educated there.

He worked as a mail carrier and later as a brakeman for the Great Northern Railroad.

On April 11, 1932, he married Mina Blossom in Choteau.

In 1947, the couple moved to Ronan, where Mr. Rieben operated City Transfer Freight for more than 30 years. They later operated a health food store in Ronan before retiring to their

home on Flathead Lake.

In 1983, they moved to the Graves Creek area near Eureka.

Mr. Rieben was preceded in death by a daughter, Louise Rieben DeWald, and two brothers.

Survivors include his wife, Eureka; three sons, Forrest Jr., San Jose, Calif., Ron, Clallam Bay, Wash., and Bob, Eureka; a brother, Charles, Modesto, Calif.; 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. today at the Tobacco Valley Cemetery. Friends are asked to meet at the cemetery at 1:45 p.m.

'Pete' Remp, 82

Halstead C. "Pete" Remp, 82, a lifetime resident of the Kootenai Valley, died April 29 at Libby Care Center. 1990

He was a dairyman and later raised cattle and ran a Christmas tree business.

Survivors include his wife, Verma, and son, Raymond, both of Libby; and a daughter.

Services are 2 p.m. Wednesday in Vial Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will be at City of Libby Cemetery.

Memorials to Alzheimer's Research Fund are suggested.

Raymond Thomas Ridenour, 65

Long-time Lake Five resident, Raymond Thomas Ridenour, always known as Tom, died Tuesday in Kalispell as a result of cardiac arrest and complications brought on by diabetes. He was 65. *4-20-1998*

He was born June 10, 1925, at Lake Five in the homestead house of his parents, Oni Maudie and James H. Ridenour. He attended elementary school at Lake Five and went through his second year of high school in Columbia Falls.

On Aug. 19, 1950, he was married in Whitefish to Doris "Dodie" Lewis of Coram, who had a 2-year-old daughter, Mariys. All four Ridenour children were raised at Lake Five.

Mr. Ridenour started a life of hard work at an early age. He assisted his parents and family with the operation of the homestead and strawberry garden at Lake Five. When he got older, he worked winters for the Western Fruit Express, harvesting ice on Lake Five, and worked at Greene's sawmill in Coram through the summers. He quit high school following the football season in his junior year to work on a steady basis in the mill, and later, for the Greenup Trucking Co., hauling out of the Cut Bank oilfields. During the final years of World War II, he went with his parents to Seattle, where he became a welder in the shipyard.

He returned to Montana, and in 1943, went to work for the signal department on Great Northern Railroad. Mr. Ridenour's railroad career was interrupted while he served as a stock clerk in the Army, from 1950 through April, 1952, at Camp Cooke, Calif.

In 1960, Mr. Ridenour, his wife, and young family began operating Retiro Cabins, a camp resort on Lake Five first

established by his parents. He and his wife eventually renamed the business the Lake Five Resort.

His purchase of a backhoe and dumptruck provided Mr. Ridenour handy tools, additional income, and a hobby he enjoyed. He retired as the Belton signal maintainer with Burlington Northern Railroad in 1984, after 41 years of service, and continued to assist his wife in the operation of the resort, along with helping friends with his talents and equipment.

He will be remembered as a good father and loved by his family. His friends, fellow workers, and his family will remember him as a conscientious craftsman who never gave up before a job was done.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Rachel Howell.

He is survived by his wife, Dodie, at the family home; two sons, Ron of Whitefish and Mike of Columbia Falls; two daughters, Mariys Payne of Honolulu, Hawaii and Karen Ellingson of Kalispell; five grandchildren, Justin Payne of Salt Lake City, Lindsay Bennett and Leif Ellingson, both of Kalispell, and Oni Meghann Ridenour and Levi Thomas Ridenour, both of Columbia Falls; and a brother, Harold, of Lake Five.

In his memory, friends are welcome to attend a memorial service and open house at the family home Dec. 15, from 1-5 p.m. Arrangements were by Weatherford Funeral Home & Crematory in Kalispell.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the American Diabetes Association, Montana Affiliate, P.O. Box 2411, Great Falls, 59403.

Vera Smithers Rimel, 96

Vera Smithers Rimel, 96, a long-time housemother at the University of Montana, died of natural causes Friday, March 16, at her home in Missoula. *1990*

She was born Dec. 18, 1893, in Au Sable, Mich., to William and Catherine McGillis Smithers. She moved with her family to Kalispell in 1906 and graduated from Flathead High School in 1912.

She attended a teachers college and taught at rural schools in the Flathead Lake area for three years before marrying H.E. "Jack" Rimel in 1915.

The couple lived in Shonkin, Valier and Whitefish before moving to Missoula in 1927, where Mr. Rimel was associated with Bankers Life Insurance Co.

Following her husband's death in 1942, Mrs. Rimel began a 22-year career as housemother at UM Sigma Nu fraternity, Corbin Hall, Turner Hall

and Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

Mrs. Rimel was a member of Electa Chapter No. 7, Order of the Eastern Star, Holy Spirit Episcopal Parish, a past member of Soroptimist Club, and a longtime volunteer at the Missoula Crippled Children's Bazaar.

Survivors include a daughter, Virginia Rimel Higgins, Homossassa, Fla.; five grandchildren; a niece, Adeline Smithers Morgan, and nephew, Ed Smithers, both of Issaquah, Wash.; and nephews, Carl Smithers of Eureka, and William Smithers of Kalispell.

A son, Jack Whitney Rimel, died in 1958.

Memorial services were today at Holy Spirit Episcopal Church, Missoula, with the Rev. Donald A. Guthrie officiating. Graveside services will be 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at Missoula Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to a charity of the donor's choice.

Delores Dale Ritter *1990*

Dolores Dale (Rinker) Ritter, *73*, resident of Whitefish, died Nov. 27 at the Colonial Manor Nursing Home in Whitefish of natural causes.

She was born Sept. 21, 1917, in Minot, ND, daughter of Amos and Jennie Rinker.

She was reared and educated in Minot, graduating from Minot Model High School with the Class of 1939. She then attended and graduated from St. Joseph's School of Nursing in 1943.

She was employed at St. Joseph's Hospital in Minot, later moving to Williston and was employed at the Good Samaritan Hospital as a registered nurse.

May 30, 1944, she married William (Bill) Ritter in Wolf Point.

They moved to Columbia Falls in 1951 and in 1971 moved to Whitefish.

She had been employed as a registered nurse at the John B. Simons Hospital in Whitefish, Dr. W.F. Bennett's office in Columbia Falls, North Valley Hospital in Whitefish and Valley Vista Hospital in The Dalles, OR, before retiring in 1979. She is survived by one sister, Dorothy Rinker Newman of Columbia Falls, three daughters, Mrs. Leonard Howke, Geraldine K. Johnson and Mrs. Joe Van Ham all of Whitefish; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William, Feb. 27, 1983; her parents, one brother, Charles A. Rinker, and one sister, Bessie Miller.

Services were Nov. 29 at the Austin Funeral Home in Whitefish with Dr. David V. Kauffman of the First Christian Church of Whitefish officiating. Interment of the urn and private services were at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

VERNON ROBERTS

Mr. Vernon Roberts, 65, of Kent, Washington, formerly of Flathead Valley, died February 6, in Kent, Washington, of a heart attack. *1990*

He was born December 27, 1924, in Kalispell, a son of Orville and Nina Roberts. He received his education in the Mountain Brook School.

He was inducted into the United States Air Force on November 13, 1943 at Butte, Montana, where he worked as a mechanic until being honorably discharged on October 11, 1948, in California.

On June 24, 1961 he married Virginia Kirkland in Kalispell. The couple resided in various places, with the last 15 years being in the Flathead Valley until October 1989, when they moved to Kent WA. He worked with his father in the timber industry until retired due to ill health.

Vernon is preceded in death by one son, Vernon, Jr.; one granddaughter, Amanda Jo; one brother, Richard Roberts; and one sister, Lyda Buchman.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia Roberts, on Kent, WA; two sons, Jerry Roberts of Lebanon, OR, and Orville Roberts of Kalispell; three daughters, Lynn Brown of Columbia Falls, April Roberts of Kent, WA, and Wilma Brown of Spokane, WA. He is also survived by his parents, Orville and Nina Roberts all of Kalispell; four brothers, Ray Roberts, Hank Roberts and Ernie Roberts all of Flathead Valley, and Ervin (Butch) Roberts of Lebanon, OR; three sisters, Vivia Nottingham of Townsend, MT, Judith Kirkland and Gloria Pearce both of Kalispell; two granddaughters, Jessica and Klorinda; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Saturday at Johnson Mortuary with Rev. Gene Blackburn, Pastor of Gospel Light Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Eliseo 'Blackie' Rivera, 86

27 Sept 1990

Eliseo "Blackie" Rivera, 86, of Martin City, died Thursday at Kalispell Regional Hospital.

He was born Nov. 16, 1903, in Chihuahua, Mexico, to Guadalupe and Maria Rivera. He was raised and educated in Mexico. He entered the United States in 1922, and later worked for Great Northern Railroad for 42 years. He retired as a section foreman in 1969.

He married Mary M. Sansavera in 1943 in Cut Bank. They lived in several Montana towns until moving to Martin City in 1969.

He is survived by a son, Joseph Rivera of Pendleton, Ore.; a step-son, LeRoy J. Sansavera of Browning; two step-daughters, Josephine Sansavera of Fairfield, Calif. and Margaret McMullen of Oelrichs, S.D.; and numerous grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

A graveside service will be Monday at 1 p.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Visitation will be today from 1-5 p.m. at Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls.

Mary Lee Roebuck, 71

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Mary Lee Roebuck, 71, Kalispell, died in a Las Vegas hospital Tuesday evening. Funeral arrangements are pending.

LILLIAN S. ROBINSON

Mrs. Lillian S. Robinson, 91, of Kalispell, died in the Immanuel Lutheran Home on February 12, of natural causes. 1990

She was born August 31, 1898, in Chicago, Illinois, a daughter of Michael and Harriet Scollard. She had lived in Minot, North Dakota and St. Paul, Minnesota before coming to Kalispell in 1906. She had attended Kalispell schools. On July 17, 1920, she was married to Stanley C. Robinson in Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by him on August 16, 1981.

Mrs. Robinson was a natural caregiver. She helped raise nieces and nephews and cared for several older members of the family. She enjoyed housework and loved to cook, especially for family dinners with her husband's large family. She enjoyed playing Pinochle and visited several Western states as well as Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

She is now survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Fay and Elmer Searle at the family home in Kalispell; three grandchildren, Carol Searle Johnson of Seattle, Washington, Janet Searle Sharp of Gambrills, Maryland, and Jared Robinson Searle of Spokane, Washington; nine great grandchildren, Stephanie, Cassandra, Micaela, Christian, Lindsay, Sarah, Andrew, David and Rosalia; two son-in-laws, Russell Johnsons and John Sharp and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 10 A.M. on Saturday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with Bishop Elmer A. Searle of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggest memorials be made to the Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Mary Lee Roebuck, 71

1990
Mary Lee Roebuck, 71, passed away Jan. 9 in a Las Vegas hospital.

She had worked as a manager for the Maverick Gas Station in Kalispell.

She was a member of the Moose Lodge and she loved to play bingo.

She was born Nov. 21, 1918, in Little Rock, Ark.

She is survived by her husband, James, and three daughters, Janet Maples, Margaret Moss, and Jamie

Herzer, all of Las Vegas, Nev.; a sister, Bonita Halloway of Arkansas; two brothers, Roy Warren and F.D. Warren of Arkansas; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A friendly gathering will be held at the Moose Lodge on Feb. 26 from 7 to 9 p.m.

She will be missed by all her friends and loved ones.

Walter William Rock, 59

Walter William Rock, 59, a former Whitefish resident, died of lung cancer Aug. 1 at Bess Kaiser Hospital in Portland, Ore. 1990

He was born May 29, 1931, in Whitefish to Sylvester and Mary Rock. He was educated in Whitefish, graduating in 1952.

He joined the Air Force in 1956, moving back to Whitefish after his discharge.

He married his wife, "Mackie," on Nov. 30, 1957, in Whitefish.

He moved to Portland in 1958 to attend a technical school for two years. He worked for a contact lens lab for 10 years. In 1968, he went to work for Alexander Mfg. Co. until his illness caused him to retire.

He was a member of the Whitefish Loose Lodge 642 and St. Anne

Catholic Church in Portland, Ore.

He enjoyed sports, woodworking and his family.

Survivors include his wife, Magdalen "Mackie" Rock of Portland; two sons, Michael J. Rock and Steven F. Rock, both of Portland; three daughters, Debra J. Brown of Vancouver, Wash., and Annette M. Keathley and Pamela K. Drasbek, both of Portland; his mother, Mary Rock of Whitefish; a brother, Bob Rock of Portland; three sisters, Alice Shero, Betty Hale and Margie Rupp, all of Whitefish; and six grandchildren.

Services and burial were held Monday in Oregon.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to St. Anne Memorial Fund, c/o St. Anne Catholic Church, 1015 S.E. 182nd, Portland, Ore.

MABEL ROHDE

Mabel Rohde, 91, of Kalispell, died in the Valley Lutheran Hospital in Mesa, Arizona, on Jan. 6. 1990

She was born August 18, 1898, in Maynard, Minnesota, a daughter of August and Hilda Peterson. She received her education in Beblin, South Dakota, and later moved to Montana where in 1922, she was married to Frank Rohde at Poplar.

They lived in the Glasgow area until 1936, when they moved to Bigfork. They had farmed until retiring in 1949 when they moved to Kalispell and then to the Lake Blaine area. Mrs. Rohde had lived in Mesa since October 1989.

She was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank, on October 1, 1973, and by three brothers. She is survived by two sons, Charles Rohde of Pendleton, Oregon, and Dick Rohde of Glasgow; a daughter, Marian Larson of Mesa, Arizona; fourteen grandchildren and twenty-three great grandchildren. Funeral services for Mrs. Rohde were held on Friday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with Rev. Richard Waag, pastor of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. Burial was in the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

DARRELL D. ROLLINS 1990

Darrell D. Rollins, 57, Kalispell, died in the North Valley Hospital-Extended Care Unit July 9, of cancer. He was born March 26, 1933, in Holcomb, Wis., a son of Edgar and Genevieve Rollins. He had received his education in Wisconsin and lived in various places throughout the Midwest. He came to the Flathead Valley about 15 years ago

and had lived here since. He had been employed as a bodyman and worked for Wisner Body Shop until becoming disabled in 1981 following an accident.

May 20, 1974, he was married to Elsie Knoczak in Sheldon, Wis., and is survived by her at the family home. He is also survived by one son, Dean Allen Rollins of Kalispell; two sisters, Rochelke Gill of Convath, Wis. and Anita Lynn of Springfield, Ore., three

brothers, Arvil Rollins of Columbia Falls, Sidney Rollins of Las Vegas, and Phillip Rollins of Hawaii. He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Charles, Edgar and Steven.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services were July 13 in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. H. Peder Waldum officiating.

Clarence C. Rose, 87, of Columbia Falls, passed away Thursday, Dec. 27, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish, after an extended illness.

He was born Oct. 6, 1903, in New Munich, Minn., the oldest of five sons and two daughters to Joseph G. and Emma Rose.

At the age of 14, he moved with his family to Pendroy, Mont., where he farmed and ranched on the Porter Bench and southwest of Pendroy until 1958.

On Nov. 17, 1925, he married Carrie Zgoda. One daughter was born of the marriage, Evangeline. Carrie preceded him in death on Aug. 3, 1934.

On June 18, 1935, he married Isabel Branagan. In 1958, the couple moved to a ranch north of Columbia Falls on the Blankenship Road, where they have resided since.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers, John, Paul, Edmund,

and Marlin Rose.

He is survived by his wife, Isabel, at the family home; a daughter, Mrs. Robert (Vangie) Scott in Choteau; a son, Joseph Rose of Columbia Falls; two sisters, Eleanor Hoppell and Anna Headington, both of Choteau; eight grandchildren, James Scott of Billings, Pat Scott of Sioux Falls, S.D., Barbara Saylor and Caroline Cole of Choteau, Theresa Scott of Missoula, David and Rodger Rose of Columbia Falls, and Karla Levengood of Somers; and 10 great-grandchildren.

A Rosary service will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 1, at the Van Leuven Funeral Home in Columbia Falls. A Mass of the Christian burial service will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at St. Richard's Catholic Church in Columbia Falls with Father Patrick McGurk as celebrant. Interment will follow at St. Richard's Catholic Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

Mary K. Rooney, 72

Mary Katherine Rooney, 72, died Thursday afternoon at North Valley Extended Care, following a lengthy illness.

She was born Oct. 26, 1917, at Berthold, N.D., the daughter of Edward and Loretta Gormican. She was raised and educated near Minot, N.D. As a young woman, she was secretary at the county courthouse in Minot, and later was personal secretary to the Chief Medical Officer at the Ft. Harrison VA Medical Center in Helena.

On Aug. 7, 1956, she married Donald Rooney, a career Air Force radar specialist, in Bonner. The Rooneys had lived in Kalispell since 1968.

She had been an active member of St. Matthew's Catholic Parish and the League of Women Voters.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and by her husband Donald on Sept. 20, 1989.

She is survived by a daughter, Kathleen Braunberger and her husband Jeff of Kalispell; a sister, Marge Lotzer of St. Paul, Minn.; and a number of nieces and nephews in Minnesota.

Memorial services will be Monday at 11 a.m. at Weatherford Funeral Home, with the Rev. Edmund Smith, pastor of St. Matthew's Catholic Church, officiating.

CHARLES ROSENBAUM 1990

Former Coram resident Charles R. (Dick) Rosenbaum, 55, died of cardiac arrest Sept. 9, in Needles, Calif.

He was born April 29, 1935, in Havre to Cloyd and Mildred Rosenbaum. Reared and educated in Chinook, he graduated from high school there in 1954.

He married Carolyn Ramberg June 4, 1955. The couple moved in 1964 to the Flathead Valley, where he worked in construction and on the Garden Wall in Glacier National Park.

The couple later divorced, and he moved to Arizona in 1983.

His father and two sons preceded him in death.

Survivors include six sons: Jeff, Todd, Randy, Darrel, Mike and Stewart, all of Coram; his mother, Mildred Rosenbaum, Oklee, Minn.; sister, Virginia Larson, Oklee; brother, John, Havre; six grandchildren and four step-grandchildren.

Services will be Sept. 14, 2 p.m., at Van Leuven Funeral Home, Columbia Falls with the Rev. Tod Fox officiating. Burial will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Lillian Rose, 77

Lillian Pearl Scouten Rose, 77, of Eureka, died Thursday at Kalispell Regional Hospital after a long illness. 11/8/90

She was born March 13, 1913, in Eureka, to Harrison Peter and Viola Irvin Scouten.

She was raised and educated in Eureka. She was married for a number of years and had four children.

She was a long-time member of the Assembly of God Church.

She is now survived by a son, Kent Rose of Eureka; two daughters, Christine McCully of Eureka and Linda Shoup of Seattle; a brother, Harrison Scouten of Eureka; sisters June Klinke of Eureka, Charlotte Kaufman of Rexford, Beryl Halgren of Kalispell and Donna Christensen of Seattle; grandchildren Darrell and Lance McCully, Brent Rose, Mark Johnston,

Tara Rose, and April Green, all of Eureka, Melissa Knutsen of Seattle, and Jeana King of Bellingham and Leanna Shoup of Seattle; great-grandchildren, Kruz, Kalan, and Joshua Rose, Cole and Kallee McCully, Ben and Jeff King, and Cody and Beau Johnston.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, James and Bertie Scouten; a sister, Vivian Goble; son Kurt Rose; and grandson Travis McCully.

Funeral services will be Monday at 11 a.m. at Assembly of God Church. Burial will be at the Tobacco Valley Cemetery with Austin Funeral home of Whitefish in charge of arrangements.

Casketbearers will be Mark Johnston, Kent Rose, Brent Rose, Darrell McCully, Keith McCully, Lance McCully, and Joshua Rose.

ALTA H. ROUSSELLE 1990

Mrs. Alta H. Rousselle, 87, died May 18 in the Immanuel Lutheran Home where she had resided for the past 10 years. She was born Nov. 15, 1902, in Kalispell, a daughter of Jess and Georgia Hennings. She attended local schools and was a graduate of Flathead County High School, Class of 1920, and was among the honorees of the Class of 1980, receiving a 60-year-diploma.

Jan. 12, 1921, she married Ralph A. (Toots) Rousselle in Somers. They had resided in the Lower Valley until 1943, when they moved to the Fairview Area and farmed until their retirement in 1969, when they moved to Kalispell.

Mrs. Rousselle was a lifelong member of Epworth United Methodist Church. She was a charter member of the Lower Valley Grange, transferring to the Eastside Grange when they moved to the Fairview District. She participated in the Home Demonstration Club, square dancing club, plays and skits, card games and reading. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Ralph, Nov. 8, 1980, and her sister, Veta Campbell.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Fred (Betty) Merritt of Kalispell and one granddaughter, Marilyn Daumiller of Helena.

Funeral services were May 21 in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with the Rev. Martin Northcutt and the Rev. Marshall Moen officiating. Burial was in Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggest memorials to the Immanuel Lutheran Home or to the charity of donor's choice.

Alice Rose Roy

Alice Rose Roy, 53, Rolla, N.D., and former resident of Martin City, died Dec. 10, in the Belcourt Hospital. 1990

She was born Jan. 2, 1937, in Belcourt, N.D., to David and Annie Bercier.

She was raised in Belcourt and moved to Deer Lodge when she was 17 and then move to Martin City where she managed a drug store. In 1975 she worked at Rolla High School in the janitorial and maintenance department.

She married David Short in Jan. 1955. After his death she married Theodore Roy on Aug. 15, 1980.

Survivors include, her husband, Theodore, Rolla; three sons, Michael Short, Elkala; Nev., David Short, Roseau, Minn., and Gregory Short, Minneapolis, Minn.; two sisters, Mary Amble, Rolette, N.D., Monica Short and Monica Short, Martin City; three brothers, Pat, Rolla, Ray, St. John, N.D., and James, Fargo, N.D.; and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one sister; and one brother.

Services were Dec. 14, at the St. Ann's Catholic Church in Belcourt, with burial in the St. Ann's Cemetery.

RANDALL RUECHELLE

The Kalispell News has learned Randall C. (Randy) Ruechelle, 69, a professor at Stanislaus State University in California for 26 years, died Sept. 12 of a heart attack. 1990

Funeral services were Sept. 16 at the First Methodist Church in Modesto, CA.

Born in Kalispell, Dr. Ruechelle earned degrees at the University of Chicago and the University of Southern California. He had taught at Stanislaus State University since 1964 and was named professor emeritus in 1986. He served as Communication Studies Department chairman for 14 years and was instrumental in developing the basic curriculum of the department.

Dr. Ruechelle also wrote the original academic master plan for the university, helped create the liberal studies program and organized the university's criminal justice program. In 1975, he received the Outstanding Educator of America award.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Ruechelle of Modesto, a daughter, Lynn Robinson of Modesto; a son, David Ruechelle of Oakland; and a sister, Alice Lofgren of Paradise.

The Department of Communication Studies has established a memorial scholarship fund in Dr. Ruechelle's name.

The family suggests contributions also may be sent to Laotian Ministries, 850 16th St., Modesto, CA., 95354, or Heifer Project International, P.O. Box 126, Ceres 95307.

Isaac Ruggles, 91

Isaac S. Ruggles, 91, of Kalispell, died in the Kalispell Regional Hospital Friday, June 29, following a short illness. He was born August 16, 1898, in Kirksville, Mo., a son of James and Eliza Ruggles. He had received his education and was raised in Missouri, and in 1914 he came to Montana.

On December 19, 1918, he was married to Mary D. Turner in Sidney, Mont. In 1933, they moved to Missoula where they lived until 1935, when they moved to the Flathead Valley and have lived here since that time.

Mr. Ruggles was a cowboy and farmer. He was a member of the Central Christian Church and the Kalispell Senior Citizens. He had been a resident of the Immanuel Lutheran Home since

July 1986.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Mary on November 1, 1980; a son, Burdette; two brothers; one sister and two granddaughters. He is now survived by two sons, Albert Ruggles of Prosser, Wash., and Robert Ruggles of Kalispell; one daughter, Maxine Stubbs, of Kalispell; a sister, Nancy Thompson of Rocklin, Calif.; nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Mr. Ruggles will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday in the Central Christian Church with the Rev. Jim Simpson officiating. Burial will be in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Friends may call at the Johnson Mortuary from noon until 8 p.m. on Monday for visitation.

Esther NaDean Spear Russell, 78

Esther NaDean Spear Russell, 78, died Aug. 6 in Utah. *1990*

She was born March 24, 1912, in Midview, Wasatch County, Utah, to Mary Jane Bloom and Harry Dawn Spear.

She married Howard Merrill Russell on Aug. 16, 1934, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

She held many positions in all organizations of the LDS Church throughout her life.

She was Flathead County deputy treasurer from 1956-1970 and Flathead County treasurer from 1970-1975.

She knew J.C. Penney personally and worked in his first department store.

Survivors include her husband; sons, Joseph William of Kalispell; Warren

Scott of Provo; and Michael Grant of Spokane, Wash.; daughter, Tamara NaDean Hunter of Ogden; brother, Edwin of Ely, Nev.; sisters, Betty Held of Santa Monica, Calif.; Mary Alyce Skill of Tucson, Ariz.; and Joselyn Page of Dallas, Texas; her aunt, Diane Lee Master of Richland, Wash.; 22 grandchildren; and 34 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Karma Diane, and a son, Robert Gary.

Funeral services will be noon Friday, Aug. 10, in the Wasatch Lawn Mortuary Chapel, 3401 Highland Drive, Salt Lake City, Utah, where friends may call one hour prior to services. Interment will be in Wasatch Lawn Memorial Park.

Millie Ryals, 70

Millie Ryals, 70, Libby, died Wednesday at St. John Lutheran Hospital in Libby. *14 Feb 1990*

Survivors include her husband, Glenn, Libby; two daughters, including Glenda Williams, Libby; a son; and a sister.

Visitation will be 1-9 p.m. Saturday at Vial Funeral Home. Services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday at Cypress Lawn Mausoleum Chapel, Everett, Wash.

Lt. Col. Lloyd G. Russell (Ret.), 71

Lt. Col. Lloyd G. Russell (Ret.), 71, Bigfork, died Sunday morning of natural causes at his eastshore home. *1990 15 April*

He was born July 20, 1918, on his parents' homestead five miles southeast of Flasher, N.D. He was raised and educated in North Dakota, graduating from Flasher High School in 1935. He attended North Dakota State College at Fargo, and later graduated from the University of Omaha in 1965. He moved with his family from Flasher to Manhattan in 1936.

He dedicated his career to aviation, and started flying in 1941 at Butte. Later, he was a civilian flight instructor in California for the Army Flight Training School from 1942-1944.

In 1944, he was released from Flying Cadet Training, and received his wings and a commission in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He was qualified in the B-17 and B-29 flight training programs.

After World War II, Lt. Col. Russell remained in the cockpit, serving military tours in both Korea and Vietnam. He retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1970, following 27 years of active duty. He had accumulated over 8,300 hours of flight time, and



received numerous decorations, including the Distinguished Flying Cross.

After retiring, Lt. Col. Russell moved his family to Bigfork. He had been associated with Bigfork Realty since 1972, and since 1982 he and his wife, Thelma, had owned and operated the business.

He was a member of East Shore Lions, Poison Elks Club, Bigfork Masonic Lodge, the Bigfork VFW, and a number of professional organizations.

In 1946, he married Thelma Carr in Lincoln, Neb., and she survives him at the family home. Other family members include three sons, Lloyd Russell Jr. of Los Banos, Calif., Douglas Russell of Condon, and Bradley Russell of Bigfork; one daughter, Mrs. Gary (Kathryn) Bowling of Layton, Utah; three brothers, Kenneth K. Russell of Portland, Ore., Rowland E.M. Russell of Edmonds, Wash., and Jack D. Russell of Grants Pass, Ore.; nine grandchildren, and a number of other relatives.

Friends may call at the Bigfork Funeral Home today from noon until 7 p.m.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, April 18, at 11 a.m. at the Little Brown Church in Bigfork with the Rev. Ron Pierce, pastor of the Swan Chapel, officiating. Burial with military honors will follow at Lonepine Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Bigfork Quick Response Unit, Bigfork 59911.

Nancy G. Russell, 48

Nancy Gay Russell, 48, of Whitefish, died of cancer at her home Thursday. *15 March 1990*

She was born Jan. 3, 1942, in Pittsburgh, a daughter of Clayton D. and Mary Russell.

She was raised and educated in Pittsburgh and graduated from college in Pocatello, Idaho.

She moved to Whitefish in 1981 and was employed with various businesses in the Flathead Valley.

She is survived by three daughters, Dawnie Kaczmarek and Karen Kaczmarek of Whitefish and Josi Hylta



of Pittsburgh; her mother, Mary L. Russell of Pittsburgh; her father and stepmother, Clayton D. and Dolly Russell of Pittsburgh; two beloved grandchildren, Jesse Kaczmarek of Whitefish and Danielle Hylta of Pittsburgh; a brother, Clayton L. Russell Jr. of Whitefish; two sisters, Sandie Cooper of Whitefish and Michele Hormel of Pittsburgh; and many other relatives in Pennsylvania.

There are no services planned. Cremation has taken place.

The family suggests memorial to Flathead Hospice in lieu of flowers.