

Eliño Teofilo Ibabao, 86

Eliño Teofilo Ibabao, otherwise known as "Joe" or "Leo," 86, died Friday, April 9, 1999, at the Brendan House Skilled Nursing Facility in Kalispell.



He was born Aug. 8, 1912, in Calebo in the Philippines to Lorenzo and Gregoria Teofilo Ibabao. He was the youngest of three children and the only boy. His uncle from Oregon sent him \$300 to come to the U.S. by boat. He came to the United States at the age of 15, and became a U.S. citizen on Jan. 26, 1948, when he was 35 years old.

He went to school in Santa Marie, Calif., and worked on farms up and down the coast before settling in Seattle. He worked on a farm and lived in the bunkhouse outside of Seattle and made 25 cents an hour. In 1940, he bought his first car and moved from California to Seattle. He joined the Merchant Marines and was with them until 1948.

Later he worked at one of the largest drug stores in Seattle, G.O. Guy Drug Store. He prepared medications, cleaned the store and locked up at night. He was a man with many talents, one being his love for music. He played guitar with a seven piece all Filipino band, at night clubs around the city.

At one of those performances he met his first wife, Dorothy. She was from Montana and begged him daily to return to the Big Sky Country. In 1954, they decided to make the move, and ventured to Cut Bank, without employment. He was hired on with the railroad the day after they moved. His railroad job took them to several different rail towns, where he changed ties and fixed rails. In 1955, they settled in Coram and stayed. He loved living in the canyon. Dorothy died in 1965, of tuberculosis.

He met his second wife, Anita, and married her in 1968. He married late in life and had two children, Poppy

and Isie. He was a good father, raising his girls alone after the separation and divorce from Anita in 1975. That was the same year he retired, after 21 years, from the Burlington Northern Railroad.

When he was young, he was an avid pool player and was once a billiards champion of Seattle. He also loved to fish and play poker. He was a member of the Moose Lodge.

As he grew older he moved to the Friendship House in Kalispell, and made many, many friends. There he still had the freedom to enjoy life at a more leisurely pace with the bingo crowd. The family is so very thankful to the Ladies of the Friendship House for making him a part of their family and being there for him. Later he was transferred to the Brendan House until the time of his death.

When his kids were young, boxing would come on TV and he would break himself away from his game of solitaire and get really excited. And his excitement would let them in on his world. He was a kind, funny and caring man who dedicated the later part of his life to worrying about his girls. Many people liked him and his cute smile, which made the people around him want to tickle him which his kids thought was amazing. "We love you Dad, along with Nancy Burns and Paula Schlotfeldt who adopted you along the way."

He is survived by two daughters, Poppy Marie Ibabao of Austin, Texas, and Isabella Ibabao of Pablo; and grandchildren, Kim Joseph and Jeriko Jordan.

Family and friends will be gathering at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday where inurnment will take place. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

The family suggests memorials be given in his memory towards a headstone. Please send to Conrad Memorial Cemetery, P.O. Box 822 Kalispell, MT 59901.

Charles Joseph Ingala, 35

Charles Joseph Ingala, 35, Army chief warrant officer three (CW3), died after a year-long battle with cancer on April 1, 1999, at his home in Columbia, Md.

He was born and raised in Janesville, Wis. He joined the Army in 1981, and remained with the Army until his death.

He received the Army Legion of Merit award for his service. He will be honored in a memorial ceremony at Ft. Meade on Friday, and laid to rest with full military honors in Arlington National Cemetery.

He married Ann Marie Christensen, daughter of Joseph and Lois Christensen of Mapleton, Iowa, on July 11, 1992, in Manhattan, Kan.

He is survived by his wife, Ann Ingala, of Columbia; his mother and stepfather, Bette and Larry Brown of Whitefish; his father, James Ingala of Oshkosh, Wis.; a brother, James

Ingala Jr., and wife, Cyndi, of Kannapolis, N.C.; a sister, Michelle Burns and husband, Jeffrey, of Port Charlotte, Fla.; three stepbrothers, Michael Brown and wife, Vicki, of Pinetta, Fla., Bradley Brown and wife, Mandy, of Charlotte, N.C., and Barry Brown and wife, Sonja, of Deville, La.; grandparents, Concett and Sandy Ingala of Oshkosh; a grandmother, Loretta Brown of Menomonie, Wis.; and uncles, aunts, numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Charles and Berenice Ashley, and aunt and a nephew.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to the local hospice or the Colon Cancer Alliance, ACOR/CCA, 175 Ninth Ave., New York, NY 10011.

Cards for the family may be sent to 8992 Buckskin Court, Columbia, MD 21045.

Virginia Dunbar Ingersoll, 83

Virginia Dunbar Ingersoll, 83, died early Wednesday morning, March 17, 1999, from kidney failure at Kalispell Regional Medical Center.

She was born April 24, 1915, in Havre, to James William and Daisy Conrad Saunders.

She was married to Howard Ingersoll for a short time but had no children.

She was a registered nurse for over 40 years.

She loved to go to Syke's for lunch and shopping.

She was a kind and loving person. She will be missed.

She was a decorated Army nurse during World War II. She was also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 0007; the National Association of Retired Federal Employees; the American Nurses Association; and the Flathead Associ-

ation of Senior Citizens.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, James Conrad Saunders, and infant baby boy Saunders.

She is now survived by one nephew, Jim Saunders and wife, Janie, of Kalispell; and two nieces, Linda Mefferd and husband, Glenn, of Trout Creek, and Anita Pierce and husband, Web, of Alturas, Calif.; 24 grandnieces and nephews, Jennifer, Marie, Sara, Roxie, Steven, Shelly, Doug, Brandy, Jake, Dougie, Laurie, Dale, Beth, Andrew, Arron, Lisa, Richard, Julie, Jackie, Mary, Kirk, Tyler, Zack and Nicholas.

Graveside services will be Monday at 3:30 p.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Bill Carlson of Epworth United Methodist Church officiating. Arrangements are by the Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Edward W. Ingram, 83

Edward W. Ingram, 83, of Kalispell, died March 3, 1999, at Brendan House.

He was born March 13, 1915. He graduated from New York University and was a second lieutenant in the Army during World War II.

He married Irene Rice in 1939, who preceded him in death in 1961.

He worked most of his life for Sales Analysis Institute of New York, a family-owned business. His work took him to Thailand, Hong Kong, London, India and all over the United States.

He moved to Colorado in 1970, and then moved on to San Francisco in 1976, where in lieu of retirement, he worked as a taxi cab driver. He took great pride in knowing the city "inside out" and had many regulars who would ride only with him.

He retired in 1980, and moved to Kalispell to be close to his family.

He was a volunteer at the Kalispell Visitors Association and delivered Meals on Wheels. He moved into Brendan House following a stroke in 1995.

He made many friends during his stay there despite his inability to communicate with words. His ready smile and love for all who helped him made him a favorite with the staff.

He loved classical music and played almost every musical instrument. His hobbies included gourmet cooking, tropical fish, jewelry making, choir, raising orchids, astrology, the I Ching, hypnosis, computers, carpentry and cabinet making.

He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Holly and T.S. Laurens, grandchildren, T. Pat, Sam and Lynmarie Laurens of Kalispell; son and daughter-in-law, Dave and Liz Ingram and son, Mark Holder, of Denver; as well as special friends Tatum and Cassidy Buechle.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service is planned for March 20 at the Mountain View Mennonite Church of Kalispell.

Christopher 'Chris' John Ireland, 16

Christopher "Chris" John Ireland, 16, died tragically Thursday, Aug. 12, 1999, due to electrocution while working.

He was born in Lewistown, on Oct. 27, 1982, to Ian and Tracey Lea

Johnson Ireland. He attained his early education in Lewistown. He later moved to the Bigfork area in 1994, and then in the fall of 1998, he moved to the Somers area. He attended the Flathead Valley Christian School through the 10th grade.

He loved life and God. He was very active in the youth and church activities where he served as an usher. He enjoyed serving others. He had many plans for his future which included putting God first. His main ambition was to be a helicopter pilot serving the Lord in the mission field.

He enjoyed learning about everything with each being a new discovery. He loved operating equipment, doing mechanical operations and couldn't learn about it fast enough. It was a pleasure to him to get up every day and learn more at school and work. He was working this summer to earn money for a class history trip to Europe next spring.

He was the sophomore class vice-president and the president-elect for the upcoming junior class. He enjoyed reading, sports, computers, airplanes and history. He received



the Christian Service award his sophomore year.

He was a member of the Little Brown Church in Bigfork. He was a member of the Flathead Soccer Referees Association. He also served as the basketball manager at Flathead Valley Christian School.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, John Ireland.

He is survived by his mother, Tracey and father, Ian Ireland, of Somers; one brother, Shawn Ireland of Somers; grandparents, Loryl and Helen Johnson of Superior, and Norma Ireland of Lewistown; aunts and uncles, Dan and Lori Gill and family of Lewistown, Glen and Ann Johnson and family of Butte, Kelly and Laurie Johnston of Superior.

Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday at Johnson Mortuary. Funeral services will be Monday at 3 p.m. at the Flathead Valley Christian School with the Rev. Bill Myers of the Little Brown Church officiating.

Visitation will take place Tuesday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Creel Funeral Home, 601 W. Main, Lewistown. Burial services will follow on Wednesday at the Lewistown City Cemetery.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers memorials be sent to the Flathead Valley Christian School in memory of Christopher John Ireland. Address: 1251 Willow Glen Drive, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Adella Inez Irish, 78

Adella Inez Irish, 78, died July 15, 1999, at Divine Adult Family Home in Renton, Wash.

She was born July 29, 1920, in Rothsay, Minn., to Albert and Inga Marie Amundson Johnson.

She married Archie Irish on June 15, 1940, and they lived in Kalispell, where she worked in a clothing store until retiring in 1980. She was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church. She loved working in her garden and home, spending time with her family and cross-country skiing.

She moved seven years ago to Ren-

ton to be near her daughter.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Archie.

She is survived by two daughters, Beverly Anderson and husband, Doug, of Kent, Wash., and Claudia Curd and her husband, Warren, of San Mateo, Calif.; a brother, Oscar Johnson, of Kalispell; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. at Johnson Mortuary Chapel with burial following at Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Hazel Alida Iverson, 83

Hazel Alida Iverson, 83, died on Feb. 1, 1999, at the Queen of Angels Presbyterian Hospital in Los Angeles, Calif.

She was born Nov. 30, 1915, in Conrad, to Knute and Ida Berg Iverson, and raised in Sollid. She graduated from the Conrad high school and was a member of the Golden West Lutheran Church.

She moved to Los Angeles in the early 1940s where she worked at Pacific Bell Telephone Co. and on her retirement a life membership was conferred upon her in the Telephone Pioneers of America.

She was preceded in death by her

parents, a brother and an infant sister.

She is survived by two nieces, Anita Iverson of Belgrade, and Lynnelle Worthington of Kalispell; one nephew, Greg Iverson, also of Kalispell; and numerous cousins, including Edna Peters of Conrad.

Memorial services will be held Thursday in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel at 10:30 a.m. with the Rev. Doug Nimitz of Bethlehem Lutheran Church officiating. Urn burial will follow at the Glacier Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Cornelia B. Ivey, 91

Cornelia B. Ivey, 91, died on June 4, 1999, at Buffalo Hill Terrace.

She was born Dec. 29, 1907, in Ft. Wayne, Ind., to Ivan and Mabel Hamilton.

She married Charles F. Ivey on Nov. 9, 1930, in Havre. They lived in Havre until 1940, when they moved to Chinook. They moved back to Havre in 1959.

After her husband's retirement, they divided their time between Bigfork and Mesa, Ariz. He died in 1985.

She loved to play bridge and was very fond of working crossword puzzles. She was a very loving and caring person, who was always there for her family and her friends. She spent the last 10

years living at Buffalo Hill Terrace.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

She is survived by her children, Dave Ivey and his wife, Betty Jo, of Kalispell, Del Ivey of Bigfork, and Laurel Thompson of Kalispell; one brother, John Hamilton of Chinook; four grandchildren, Steve Ivey, Dara Nordugulen, and Kristi and Michael Thompson; five great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Urn burial will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Cooper Memorial Cemetery in Saco. A reception will follow at the home of John Hamilton. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is in charge of arrangements.