

Bonnylinn P. 'Bonnie' Hacker, 99

Bonnylinn P. "Bonnie" Hacker, 99, passed away at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell, on Monday, Jan. 27, 2003.

She was born on April 4, 1903, in Shelbing, Mo., to Floyd E. and Stella M. (Lynch) Parrick. Bonnie attended school in Lakeside and Kalispell, graduating from Flathead County High School with the Class of 1921.

She received a teaching certificate from Dillon Normal College and taught in several rural schools including Ferndale, Lakeside, Niarada, and Dayton.

She married F. Donald Hacker on Sept. 3, 1925, and they made their lifetime home in Lakeside.

Bonnie was active in the Red Cross and hospital work during World War II, becoming a licensed



practical nurse in 1954. She was a member of the Lakeside Community Chapel, Eastern Star, and Beta Sigma Phi sorority.

Bonnie was preceded in death by her husband, Donald, in 1986; and daughter, Jeannine Peretti in 2002; sister, Elizabeth "Bess" and brother-in-law, Ambrose Kolby.

She is survived by her grandchildren, Debra Peretti, Michael Peretti and wife, Shelly; sister, Kathleen Harrison; and cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was dearly loved by family and friends.

A graveside service will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Lakeside Community Chapel, P.O. Box 162, Lakeside, MT 59922 or to the Lakeside Q.R.U., P.O. Box 911, Lakeside, MT 59922.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Duane Dale 'Dewey' Hagerud, 39

Duane Dale "Dewey" Hagerud was born Jan. 9, 1964, in Kenmare, N.D., the son of Darol and Faye (Holter) Hagerud. He grew up and attended school in various parts of Montana.



On July 2, 1984, Duane was united in marriage to Rita Hickel in Watford City, N.D. To this union two children were born, Darin John and Amanda Faye. On Jan. 1, 1994, Duane married Cheryl Lewis in Kalispell.

Duane was a heavy equipment operator and he used to say he "loved playing in the dirt." He spent the early years of his life traveling with various construction jobs in the western United States before settling in Montana in 1986. He traveled and worked many construction jobs with his dad. In 1996, he relocated to Palermo, N.D., and shortly after, settled in White Earth, N.D., where he loved to hunt and fish. Duane enjoyed the outdoors and loved music.

Duane passed away on Thursday, Dec. 4, 2003, at the age of 39, when his house burned in Fairview where he was working for Neu Construction.

He was preceded in death by his father, Darol Hagerud, on Jan. 22, 2003; and his grandparents.

Survivors include a son, Darin John Hagerud, of White Earth, N.D.; a daughter, Amanda Faye Hagerud, of Watford City, N.D.; His mother and stepfather, John and Faye Ouldhouse, of Deer Lodge; two sisters, Cindy Sundh of Kalispell, and Debra Hagerud of Colorado; two brothers, Dallas Hagerud of Fernie, British Columbia, and Jory Ouldhouse of Phillipsburg; two nephews, Dusty Hagerud of Alberta, and Anthony Sundh of Kalispell; and many aunts and uncles.

Duane was a fun-loving husband, father, brother, son and friend, and he will be sadly missed by all that knew him.

A celebration of Dewey's life and memories of him will be shared at Julie's Arena at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18. All friends are welcome.

Vernon A. Haglund, 90

Vernon A. Haglund, 90, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 18, 2003, at Lakeview Care Center in Bigfork.

Vern was born on Oct. 17, 1913, in Cut Bank, to John and Amelia Christopherson Haglund. He was raised on a farm near Cut Bank. He attended schools in Cut Bank, graduating from Cut Bank High School where he set two track records, one that lasted for 20 years, and the other for more than 50 years.

After high school, Vern worked in the oil fields for a short period of time. He went to work for the railroad, and retired from Burlington Northern after 25 years of service. Vern loved farming, and worked his dry land farm for years.

He married Germain Closner on May 27, 1940, in Chinook. She passed away in 1993.

Vern married Marie Cory on June 15, 1997, in Bigfork. He loved hunting, fishing, farming, and

horses and was an avid gardener. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, one sister and his first wife.

He is survived by his wife, Marie, of Bigfork, a son, Stephen, of Bastrop, Texas; a daughter, Rita Shaw, of Bigfork; four grandchildren, Erik Haglund of Austin, Texas, Suzanne Maestas and Amanda Dunlap, both of Albuquerque, N.M., and Kristine Shaw of Homer, Alaska; and one great-granddaughter, Alexandria Maestas of Albuquerque.

Visitation will be from 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21, at the Bigfork Funeral Home. A prayer service will be held at 3 p.m. and burial will follow the service at Lonepine Cemetery.

The family request memorials be given in his name to the Bigfork QRU, in care of the Bigfork Fire Department.

Bigfork Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Linda Lee Hallas, 82

Linda Lee Hallas, 82, passed away Sunday morning, July 20, 2003, at the Brendan House in Kalispell.

She was born June 2, 1921, to Peter and Anna Hlebichuk on the family farm near Belfield, N.D. She attended County School in Belfield, N.D.

She moved to Billings in 1946 where she met George I. Hallas. They were married in Livingston on Nov. 17, 1947. They settled in Columbia Falls in 1953 where she ran the family ranch and household.

She worked as a farmer and rancher and was a loving mother and housewife. Linda was best known for her one-of-a-kind hand-made Christmas wreaths seen at many of the valley's local business



for the last 40 plus years. She loved cattle and horses.

She volunteered at the Montana Veterans Home, was a member of the 474th Fighter Group and she was a member and volunteer at the Senior Citizens Center.

She is survived by her husband, George of Columbia Falls; sons, Gene and Raymond of Columbia Falls, and Brian of Missoula; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a sister, Marrie Coburn, of Bismarck, N.D.

Linda was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 23, at the United Methodist Church in Columbia Falls.

Memorials in her name may be made to Home Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop, No. 100, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is in charge of arrangements.

Elizabeth Lee 'Betty' Harris Hamel, 83

Elizabeth Lee "Betty" Harris Hamel, 83, passed away on Dec. 16, 2003, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell. She was born on Feb. 2, 1920, to Iverson Lee and Katherine Elizabeth (Clausen) Harris.



Betty was preceded in death by her only brother, Stephen R. Harris; and her youngest son, Malcolm S. Armour.

She is survived by her husband, John Hamel of Kalispell; her son, Scot Armour of Waialua, Hawaii; her daughter, Laurie A.

Delorme and husband, Mark, of Kalispell; three grandchildren, Elizabeth Delorme of San Diego, Mark Delorme Jr. of San Diego, and Adam A. Delorme of Breckenridge, Colo.; and one nephew, Stephen Harris Jr. of Woodbine, Ga.

Cremation has taken place and memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 10, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home with Pastor Peter Ramseth officiating.

"Forever we will treasure you mother, warm within our hearts, sweetest of our memories. Laurie & Scot."

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Byron W. Hamilton, 73

Byron W. Hamilton, 73, died on June 29, 2003, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

Byron was born on Nov. 5, 1929, to Gordon "Buck" Hamilton and Florence Arbogast Hamilton in Miller, S.D. He attended a small country school for his first eight years.

He won the all county spelling bee but because of World War II he was unable to compete at the state competition. He then moved to Custer, S.D., in the Black Hills. In his junior year he was chosen for Boys State but again because of World War II the competition was canceled.

Byron graduated in 1947 and then attended refrigeration school in Denver, Colo. He worked in Custer at Heidepriems Store for 10 years then opened his own refrigeration and propane business.

In 1965, he moved his family to Kalispell and worked for Meridian Dairy. In 1966, he went to work for Berksieker Refrigeration and worked there until 1974 when Byron and his son Gary started their own business as C & H Refrigeration & Heating. He retired in 1998 and had enjoyed



gardening, woodworking, hunting, and spending time with his family. He witnessed to all he came in contact with and was a true "Prayer Warrior" for those in need.

Byron was an active member of the Evergreen Alliance Church for 21 years where he was a Sunday school teacher and head usher. In 1993, his membership was transferred to Community Alliance Church which is now Faith Alliance Church.

Byron was preceded in death by both his parents; son, Gary; infant daughter, Susan; and brother, Lee Hamilton.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce, of 53 years; daughter, Cindy Barry and husband, Chris; son, Mike Hamilton and wife, Susie, of Lewiston, Idaho; daughter, Janet Haines and husband, Bill, of Libby; and daughter-in-law, Vickie Hamilton of Kalispell. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of Byron's life will be held at 11 a.m. today at Faith Alliance Church.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials be made to Faith Alliance Church or a charity of the donor's choice.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Josephine Hamilton, 89

Josephine Hamilton, 89, of Columbia Falls, died of natural causes on Monday, July 21, 2003, at her home in Columbia Falls.

Josephine was born on July 9, 1914, to John William Lewtz and Lavella (Swingley) Lewtz at home in Columbia Falls.

She was member of the Eastern Star.

Josephine enjoyed hunting, fishing and cooking.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe Hamilton, in 1990; her parents; her brothers and sisters, Amelia, John, Sophia, Florence, Margaret, Georgia and Carson; and a granddaughter, Holly Halvorson.

Josephine is survived by her daughter, Lavella (Hamilton)

Halvorson, of Oceanside, Calif.; a son, Allan Hamilton, of Huntley, Ill.; her grandchildren, Carole Halvorson Hauksdottir, Shawn Halvorson, Mark Hamilton and Kirk Hamilton; and other relatives, Ryan, Shawna and Kyle Halvorson, Cole, Ian, Graham, Kathryn, Olivia and Hayden Hamilton.

A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, July 25, at Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls. Graveside rites will be conducted by members of the Eastern Star.

Memorial contributions may be made in her name to Dialysis Clinic Patient Fund, 135 Commons Ways, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is in charge of the arrangements.

Carolyn Smith Hammer, 90

Carolyn Smith Hammer, 90, of Lakeside, died at home Feb. 26, 2003.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Gary Cockrell officiating.

Carolyn was born Nov. 18, 1922, in Americus, Ga., the daughter of Fred and Mamie Smith.

She was preceded in death in 1984 by her husband, Dr. Loren "Larry" G. Hammer.

Survivors include daughter and granddaughter, Mary Lyn and Elizabeth Hammer of Scottsdale, Ariz.;

and son, daughter-in-law, and grandsons, Neil, Helen, Justin, and Nathan Hammer of Kalispell

After growing up in Georgia, Carolyn and Larry were married in 1946, in Denver. They settled in Butte, in 1958, and retired to Lakeside, in 1979.

She was a homemaker and loved her family intensely. Her faith, strength, positive attitude, and love for life are the attributes that she leaves in the hearts of her family and friends. "Her love and laughter go with us forever."

Carolyn wished that memorials be made to "Camp Mak-A-Dream," Children's Oncology Camp Foundation, Box 1450 Missoula, MT 59806 www.campdream.org.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and crematory is caring for the family.

Howard V. Hammer Sr., 87

Howard V. Hammer Sr., 87, a former mayor of Kalispell, died on Jan. 1, 2003, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

Howard was born July 22, 1915, to Arne and Emma Hammer in Kalispell at the home he resided in before his death. Howard was a lifetime resident of the Flathead Valley. He graduated from Flathead County High School in 1933.

After graduation he worked for Montgomery Ward before enlisting in the Navy as a Seabee to serve his country during World War II.

After the war in 1946, he mar-



ried Lucille Gigrich in Kalispell. At that time he began a 35-year career in real estate and insurance.

Howard was active in many community and governmental endeavors over the years, including Toastmasters, Lions Club and planning and zoning. He was also elected mayor of Kalispell in 1959.

Howard was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, stepfather and stepsister.

He is survived by his wife, Lucille; two children, Howie Hammer of Kalispell, and Arnette Daniels of Liberty Lake, Wash.; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a stepsister, Guri Beeson of Somers.

A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory.

Freda G. (Rathbun) Hansard, 75

Freda G. (Rathbun) Hansard, 75, died Dec. 14, 2003, in Rudyard of natural causes.

She was formerly an owner of the Packer's Roost in Coram and the Deer Lick Saloon in Martin City.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, at the Blue Sky High School gym-

nasium in Rudyard.

She is survived by her children, Linda Foster of Elko, Nev., Jim Meyers of Whitefish, Rick Hansard of Las Vegas, and Danny "Sam" Hansard of Rudyard.

Cremation and arrangements are by Rockman Funeral Chapel in Chester.

Betsy Ludlow Hansen, 79

Betsy Ludlow Hansen, 79, passed away with family at her side at Kalispell Regional Medical Center on Feb. 22, 2003, following a brief battle with cancer.

She was born Oct. 29, 1923, in Bridgehampton, N.Y., the third of three children born to Harry and Helen Ludlow. After graduating from Bridgehampton High School, she attended Edgewood Park School in Briarcliff Manor, N.Y. Betsy then lived and worked in New York City and always recalled this time with great enthusiasm.

Betsy married Stanley Hansen from Hastings, N.Y., in 1948. In the course of their 54-year marriage, they lived in many different states. A devoted wife and mother, she worked hard to create a special home for her family and to make



many new friends in each place.

She will be remembered for her vivacious, fun-loving nature, saucy sense of humor, and for her generosity. Her zest for life was evident in her many interests: boating, golfing, bridge, gardening, and braiding wool rugs to name a few. Betsy will be remembered most especially for her love of preparing and serving fine food and home-baked desserts.

Betsy was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, and one sister.

Survivors include her husband, Stanley; daughter, Gail and husband, Norman, of Whitefish; son, Barry and wife, Anita, of Polson; and her beloved grandchildren, Robin, Christina, Elizabeth, Lauren and Warren.

There will be a memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Community United Methodist Church in Bigfork with the Rev. Jan Whitman officiating.

Arrangements are under the

Marilyn Claire Hansen, 74

Marilyn Claire Hansen passed away on Saturday, April 26, 2003. She was 74 years old.

Marilyn was a resident of McKinleyville, Calif. She lived most of her life in El Cerrito, Calif. She also lived many years in Kalispell, a place she truly loved.

Marilyn is survived by her three daughters, Karen Miner and Christy Forristall, both of Dixon, Calif., and Carol Crivelli of McKinleyville; and seven grandchildren, Zachary, Erika, Mandy, Billy,

Hannah, Shelby and Sam; and son-in-law, David Crivelli. She was also fond of her cat, DC.

She will be deeply missed by her family. All who knew her will miss her kindness and love.

Family and friends are invited to remember and celebrate her life from noon to 2 p.m. on Sunday, her birthday, at 460 Brians Way in Dixon, (707) 678-6160.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Paul's Chapel in Arcata, Calif.

Ardath June (Buck) Hanson, 82

Ardath June (Buck) Hanson, 82, passed away on July 18, 2003, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell. She was born on June 1, 1921, in Kalispell, to Stephen and Jennie (Welsh) Buck.



She was raised on a family farm in Creston and attended Echo Lake School and Flathead High School. Ardath was the 13th of 10 brothers and four sisters. Ardath married Leland Hanson on Nov. 28, 1942. During the war they lived in Renton, Wash. After the war they came back to Kalispell and raised their five boys.

Ardath loved family and friends and was known for her quick wit. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren, especially at Echo Lake.

Mom was truly a servant of the Lord, always helping where needed and sharing her wealth of ideas and time. She was an active member of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church and was one of the leaders

of the quilting group. Her quilts have been sent all over the world as well as distributed here in the Flathead Valley, or wherever needed. Mom loved gardening, flowers, quilting and reading.

Ardath was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, 10 brothers and two sisters. She is survived by her two sisters, Ethel Wagner of Creston, Ruby Shaw of Renton, Wash.; her five sons and their wives, Lonny (Bonny), Gary (Gail), Dave (Sue) Hanson, all of Kalispell, Jerry (Cheryl) Hanson of Riverside, Calif., Richard (Debi) of Missoula; 13 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren, her sisters-in-law, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Wednesday, July 23, 2003, at 10 a.m. with Pastor Lindean Barnett officiating. Friends are invited to attend the visitation on Tuesday from 9 to 6 p.m. at the Johnson Mortuary. Burial will follow at the C.S. Conrad Memorial Cemetery, Kalispell.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Ervin A. Hanson, 87

Ervin A. Hanson, 87, passed away of bone cancer on Sept. 16, 2003, at his home in Whitefish.

Ervin was born July 7, 1916, in Baylor, Mont., to Ida and Optandar Hanson. At age 4, his family moved to Whitefish where his family helped settle and develop the area.

As a young adult, Ervin went to school in Minneapolis where he met Miriam Grove. They were married April 5, 1941. They subsequently lived in Michigan and North Dakota where Ervin served as a minister. Due to poor health, Ervin then retired from the ministry and the family moved back to the Flathead where Ervin worked as a carpenter.

During his years in Whitefish, Ervin served as a substitute minister in 15 different churches in the Flathead area. He also served on the Whitefish PTA, the Whitefish Library Association and the Whitefish City/County Planning Board.

Ervin was preceded in death by his wife, Miriam; his granddaughter, Keirsten; his parents, his brother, Iner; and his sister, Olive.

Ervin is survived by his daughter, Dolly Vallieres, and her husband, Gary, and their son, Brian, with great-grandchildren, Tish, Alyx, and Jordyn; his son, Jerry, and wife, Rita, and their children, Michael and wife, Jesse, with great-grandchildren, Mason, Ashley and Marika, their daughter, Jennifer and husband, Mike Pound, with great-grandchildren, Joshua and Justin, and son, Morgan. He is also survived by his daughter, Joan, with partner, Mike Berek, and her children, Barbara and husband, Chris Hatch, and John Bangeman.

At his request, Ervin has been cremated and there will be no formal services. Family and friends are invited to a reception to share memories of Ervin's life at 2 p.m. Oct. 11, at the home of Gary and Dolly Vallieres, 125 Antelope Trail, Happy Valley.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Glacier Twins Bleacher Fund, P.O. Box 2007, Whitefish, MT; or Montanans for Better Patient Care, P.O. Box 2126, Kalispell, MT 59903.

Mabel Mary Hanson, 77

Mabel Mary Hanson, 77, of Meridian, Idaho, "peacefully went home to our Lord" on Tuesday, April 22, 2003.

Funeral services will be held Monday, 2 p.m. at the Holy Apostle Catholic Church in Meridian, followed by a graveside service at Meridian Cemetery.

Mabel was born in Lowrane, Mont., on May 27, 1925. She was one of eight children of John and Eva Duffloth and spent most of her youth in Malta, where she graduated and where she also met and fell in love with Lester Hanson.

After Lester returned from service in World War II, they were reunited and married in Whitefish, on July 18, 1946.

Mabel and Lester embarked on a fun and enriching life. They raised their daughters in Kalispell, before moving to Havre, for a few years and then after retiring moved to Meridian, to be close to their children.



Mabel was one of those special people who enjoyed life and always had a smile and a laugh for all she met. She was truly a happy, joyful person, and she imparted that to all she met. She enjoyed bowling, camping and traveling which she continued to do throughout her lifetime.

She and Lester square danced for many years and belonged to a traveling square dance club that traveled the Northwest and Canada. "She loved her family dearly and never did a day go by, that she didn't show us that love. She greatly enjoyed her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and enriched their lives with her presence. Her absence in our family will be sorely missed."

She is survived by her husband, L. Lester Hanson; her two daughters, Caren Hanson and Colleen DeGrange; her grandchildren, Sharie Wheat, Misty Blake and Nicholas DeGrange; great-grandchildren, Dennin and Brooklyn Wheat, all of Meridian; her brothers, Elmer Duffloth, of Rancho Murrieta, Calif., and James DuFloth, of Palm Desert, Calif.

Mildred F. 'Millie' Hanson, 89

Mildred F. "Millie" Hanson, age 89, passed away July 27, 2003, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

She was born Jan. 13, 1914, in Crosby, N.D., to Edward and Alphild (Klaybo) Christensen. Millie was the oldest of three siblings. Her mother died when she was a child, so she and her younger sister moved to Kalispell to live with their grandparents.

She attended school in Kalispell and Crosby. After graduation she worked in the insurance business until 1937, when she married Earl Hanson. They lived in Crosby, N.D., where Earl operated a Mobil oil distributorship implement business which they later sold. They moved and eventually settled in Lakeside about 1947, where she raised her family and where Earl was a local contractor.



She devoted herself to being a mother and homemaker during the years of her marriage. Her husband Earl passed away in 1972. After she became a widow, she spent time in Missoula as a house-mother at THE University of Montana. She later went into real estate sales.

In 1987 she married Harold Hanson, Earl's brother, who was a widower. They continued to live in Lakeside. Millie had many talents and abilities. She expressed her artistic side by painting landscapes and portraits. She loved gardening, entertaining and making people feel welcome in her home. She was involved in many community activities over the years. Perhaps the most important to Millie was the Lakeside Chapel, where she was a charter member and had been actively involved since its beginning. Millie has been a resident of the Immanuel Lutheran Home since October 2000.

She was preceded in death by

her husband Earl; her parents; and her brother, Elroy Christensen. She is now survived by her sister, Adeline, and her second husband, Harold Hanson, of Kalispell; one daughter, Nancy Mironuck and husband Roy and their children Jeff, Lisa, Steve and Lindsay of Cranbrook, British Columbia; two sons, Keith Hanson and wife Maxine of Whitefish and Neil Hanson and wife Christine of Lakeside and their children, Douglas Hanson and wife Danae of Lakeside and Eric Hanson and wife Brenda of Whitefish; as well as by three great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at the Immanuel Lutheran Home on Wednesday at 11 a.m. followed by a reception. A private graveside service will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. at Conrad Memorial Cemetery. The family suggests memorials be given to Lakeside Chapel or Immanuel Lutheran Home, Kalispell, MT 59901. Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Robert E. Hanson, 82

Robert E. Hanson, 82, died at his Bigfork home on Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2003.

Memorial services will be held 2 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 22 at the Swan River Hall.

Military honors will be provided by the United Veterans of the Flathead.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Sally Mills Harball, 74

Sally Mills Harball passed away Aug. 5, 2003, at Brendan House in Kalispell at the age of 74.

Sally was born and raised in Portland, the daughter of

Abbot Low Mills and Katherine Ainsworth Mills. She was schooled at Westover in Connecticut and Mills College in California.

Following World War II, she met and married Chuck Harball, a Marine with whom she had been corresponding during the war. In 1949, they acquired some property in Irvine Flats, west of Polson and there they set about running a ranch and raising three children. Although an active partner in the ranching business, Sally also worked as a secretary for the Polson Public Schools for a number of years.

After the children were raised, Sally and Chuck retired from the ranch life and moved to the lake at Big Arm. There she tended to fruit trees, flowers and the wild geese. It was there she began to marshal her writing into books and eventu-



ally saw three through publication.

She enjoyed singing in the community choir, volunteering at the Polson Library and schools and lunching with her friends.

Sally was pre-deceased by her parents; her sister, Terry; and her husband, Chuck, who passed away in May 2001.

She is survived by two brothers, Abbot of Connecticut, and Jack of Portland; her daughter, Sally Franceschina, and her husband, Albert, of Annapolis, Md., and their two children, David and Laura; Kayo Harball and her husband, Lyle McBroom, of Kalispell and their three children, Kelsi, Karee and K.C.; son Charlie, Harball, and his wife, Claire, of Kalispell, and their two children, Elizabeth and Sarah.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 8, at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Polson with Father Gary Reller as celebrant. Interment of cremains will take place at Lakeview Cemetery, Polson. Sally's family suggests that donations may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Arrangements and cremation are by Grogan Funeral Home & Crematory of Polson.

Michael G. Harbour, 60

Michael G. Harbour, 60, formerly of Coram, died Nov. 19, 2003, at his residence in Truth or Consequences, N.M.

He had been a long time employee of Columbia Falls

Aluminum Corp.

Survivors include his son, Devin Harbour, of Bozeman; and his daughter, Kristen Bengtson of Coram.

Betty A. Harris, 69

Betty A. Harris, 69, "was called home to God" on Sept. 25, 2003, at her home in Kalispell.

Betty was born to Alfred and Mabel (Harrington) Kjos on Nov. 23, 1933, along with her twin sister, Jane, in Somers.

Betty attended various schools in the valley, graduating from Flathead County High School in 1952.

She married Lee C. Harris on July 6, 1952, in Kalispell, and in 1961, began many adventures around the world through Lee's military and civil service career. They lived several years in Germany and enjoyed traveling throughout Europe.

Upon Lee's retirement in 1988, they returned to Kalispell to once again be among family and friends. Betty loved spending time at their Ashley Lake cabin, traveling, visiting with family and her many friends throughout the world, and outdoor activities. She also enjoyed her many social events, especially in her own home. Betty was a member of the Retired Officer's Wives Club.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Helen Donovan.

She is survived by her husband of 51 years, Lee Harris, of Kalispell; son, Kenneth Harris and his wife, Michele Murray (full-time RVers); daughter, Judy Lindahl and her husband, Bruce, of Kalispell; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; brother, Robert Kjos of Helena; and sister, Jane Seward of Kalispell; plus many other nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2003, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. The Rev. John Bent will officiate. A



family graveside service will be held at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be Tuesday, Sept. 30, from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. in the Johnson Mortuary chapel.

The family suggests memorial gifts be given to the Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch, Yellowstone Foundation, P.O. Box 80807, Billings, MT 59108-0807 or Home Options Hospice, 175 Commons Loop # 100, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Jacob Cable Harris, 16

Jacob Cable Harris, 16, died Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2003, from injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident.

He is survived by his parents, David and Katie Harris of Libby; a sister, Jennifer; and

brothers, Jesse of Libby, and Jeff Dennis of Denver.

Services will be 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 10, at the Libby Baptist Church.

Arrangements are by Nelson & Vial Funeral Home.

Floyd E. Hartry, 80

Floyd E. Hartry, 80, died Wednesday, May 7, 2003, at the Libby Care Center.

He served in the U.S. Navy and had been a ranch and farm worker.

Survivors are a daughter, Gina Kessel of Bismarck, N.D.; and sons, Joe Hartry of Minot,

N.D., Roger and David Hartry of Marion.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. at the Nelson & Vial Funeral Home. Services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Interment services with military honors will follow at the City of Libby Cemetery.

June Haswell

June Haswell died Sept. 5, 2003, after a short illness.

She was born in Superior, Wis., on June 1, 1919, to Roy and Jesse (Clarke) Arnold. The family moved to Whitefish in 1921.

She was married to Wayne Petersen from 1941-43, and they had a son, Larry Petersen.

June worked at the Crescent Department Store in Spokane during World War II. She and Larry moved back to Whitefish, in 1946, where she worked for the Great Northern Railroad as a secretary.

She married Frank Haswell in 1951 and moved to Helena in 1967. She stayed in Helena until June of this year, when she moved to Billings.

June's passion was sapphire mining and especially giving the sapphires she found to her relatives and friends. "She taught most of us to swim" and coached competitive swimming for the Helena Lions Swim Team. June was an accomplished bridge player, loved to entertain, and found great pleasure and plenty of resistance in trying to teach her sons

how to set a table. June loved her politics, and never missed voting in 63 years. Her love of reading has been passed to her sons and grandchildren.

She was a generous, loving person with a sense of style and wonderful sense of humor.

She was preceded in death by her husband Frank; son, Jack; brother, Bob; and sisters Mary, Jean and Iva.

Survivors include a brother, Roy Arnold of Spokane; sons, Larry and Pat Petersen of Billings, Frank and Kelly Haswell of Seattle, Bruce and Jean Haswell of Billings; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 10, at the Cathedral of St. Helena. Interment will follow at Resurrection Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the University of Montana Law School, for the Justice Frank I. and June A. Haswell Scholarship.

Retz Funeral Home of Helena is in care of the arrangements.

Elston Loree Haugen, 82

Elston Loree Haugen, 82, passed away peacefully on Saturday, Dec. 13, 2003, at her home in Kalispell.

She was born June 15, 1921, in San Saba, Texas, to Homer and Florence (May) Kolb. At the age of 3, she moved with her family to Bellflower, Calif., where she received her education, graduating from high school and cosmetology school.

She was a WAC for a year and worked on airplanes for Douglas during World War II.

In 1944, she married John Ritz and had a daughter, Peggy. They later divorced and in 1948, she married the love of her life, M.G. "Carl" Haugen. He brought Larry and Jeannie to the marriage. They later had Steven and Lori.

Loree was a true homemaker. She often laughed about having the first snow tires in Kalispell, because her husband was the Navy recruiter and the Navy had bought them. While her husband was in the Navy, she traveled to

Guam, Montana and California with her family. After her husband died in 1989, she moved back to Kalispell to be by her daughter, Peggy.

She loved the Lord and Christ Church Episcopal and spent many hours doing altar cloths with intricate designs. She also volunteered at Touch of Grace clinic.

She is survived and will be greatly missed by her daughters, Peggy and her husband, Bert Stout, of Kalispell, Jeannie and her husband, Wayne Putman, of Juneau, Alaska, and Lori and her husband, Michael Loney, of Georgetown, Texas; her sons, Steven Haugen of Long Beach, Wash., and Larry Haugen and his wife, Eileen, of Riverside, Calif. She had 13 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

At her request, there will be no services held.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Gertrude Van Haverbeke, 74

Gertrude Van Haverbeke, 74, of Missoula, formerly of St. Ignatius, "went to be with the Lord" on May 22, 2003.

She was born on Oct. 4, 1928, to Ferdinand and Anna Kantner in Vienna, Austria.

Gertrude met her husband, Paul, during World War II in Vienna. Irma, the oldest daughter, was born in Vienna, and they moved to St. Ignatius after his completion of service. She moved to Missoula, in 1986, and was a volunteer at St. Patrick Hospital for 10 years.

Gertrude was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and son, Thomas.

She took great pleasure in having her large family around her.

Gertrude is survived by six of

her seven children, Irma and husband, Wayne Michels, of Columbia Falls, Martha Allen of Central Point, Ore., David Van Haverbeke and Betty of Pablo, Merry and husband, Pat Kelly, of Kalispell, Monica and husband, Maury Mills, of Polson, and Mike Van Haverbeke and wife, Julie, of Columbia Falls; and 13 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Rosary will be 7 p.m. Tuesday at St. Ignatius Catholic Church. Mass of the Resurrection will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 28, at St. Ignatius Catholic Church.

Funeral arrangements are under the Foster & Durgeloh Funeral Home of St. Ignatius.

The family suggests donations can be made to a memorial of the donor's choice.

Catherine 'Katie' Hatch, 87

Catherine "Katie" Hatch, 87, died Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2003, at Immanuel Lutheran Home.

She was born June 29, 1916, in Rawlins, Wyo., to Joseph C. and Maude (Jones) Crowley. She graduated from Rawlins High School.

On Oct. 26, 1934, she married F.P. "Bus" Hatch.

She moved to Kalispell in 1980 and was active in RSVP and the American Red Cross for many years. She was a resident at Buffalo



Hill Terrace for three years before moving to Immanuel Lutheran Home in July.

She was preceded in death by her husband and her sister, Willija "Jay" Wilson.

Survivors include her daughter, Frances Meerkatz, and her husband, Bob, of Kalispell; two sons, Larry Hatch, and his wife, Tudy, of Spokane, and David Hatch, and his wife, Sue Ann, of Morrison, Colo.; eight grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

At her request, no services will be held. Urn burial will be later at the Rawlins Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity.

Donald Rea Hatton, 83

Donald Rea Hatton, 83, passed away Friday, Sept. 19, 2003.

Don was born March 19, 1920, in Kinsley, Kan., to Grace and Ernest Hatton. Don

moved to Lakeside at an early age, attending Flathead County High School and graduating in 1938.

He met Catherine Motichka of the Columbia Falls area and they were married in Whitefish, on Aug. 23, 1941.

Don and Kay lived in Kalispell for one year until he joined the U.S. Army. He served in the military police during World War II and achieved the rank of staff sergeant.

After his discharge, Don and Kay returned to the Flathead and settled in Evergreen. He was in partnership for 25 years in the Electric Maid Bakery on Main Street. Later he became a lumber grader at Stoltze Land and Lumber and retired in 1982.

Don was a founding member of Calvary Lutheran Church, an Evergreen volunteer fireman, charter member of the Evergreen Lions Club and secretary of the Evergreen Water District. Don also contributed 25 years to Pee-Wee and American Legion baseball, coaching and umpiring. A baseball field in Evergreen was named in his honor.



Don was also instrumental in the formation of Boy Scout Troup 48. He served as board chairman and assistant Scoutmaster. In 1966, he received Scouting's highest adult award, the Silver Beaver. He spent many summers hiking with the Scouts in the Bob Marshall Wilderness.

In 1984, Don was also named the Evergreen Citizen of the Year for his years of community service.

Don and Kay retired in 1982 and became snowbirds, wintering in Arizona.

Don was an avid golfer and was a member of the Buffalo Hills Golf Club.

Don was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Rena Hissong; brother, Harold; nephew, Gordon Hissong; and beloved niece, Patty Hissong.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Kay; their children, Barry and son, Cody, Doug and his wife, Cheryl, and sons, Walker and Cooper, Kevin and wife, Kelly, Robb and wife, Elizabeth and their daughter, Katelyn, and son, Brady, all of the Flathead; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 22, at Calvary Lutheran Church in Evergreen.

Family suggests memorials be given to local charities of the donor's choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Earl 'Bud' Haworth, 58

Earl "Bud" Haworth, 58, "went to be with his Lord" Friday night, Sept. 5, 2003, at Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell. He died from complications following a stroke.

Bud was born Nov. 20, 1944, in Shelby, the youngest of three children from Eliel "Lyle" and Ardis "Tiny" Haworth. He lettered in football and basketball under Jess LaBuff at Shelby High School and, following graduation, entered the U.S. Navy, serving primarily in the Philippines as a clerk in legal affairs.

After his discharge, he worked in Seattle for a time. During the 1980s, he lived in the Belen and Albuquerque, N.M., area where he established the firm, Haworth & Stutts Realty, for several years.

In 1989, he returned to Montana with his mate, Vicki Lee, and resided in Whitefish, then in Kalispell, where he was a self-employed realtor with his agency, Rawhide Realty, specializing in farms and ranches.

Bud's primary interest and great pleasure was his two sons, Shawn and Justin. He enjoyed fishing and hunting, and was a breeder and owner of quarter horse race horses while in New

Mexico.

Bud also pursued a personal and faithful study of the Bible.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Tiny in 1990, and Lyle in 1999.

Bud is survived by Vicki Lee at their home in Kalispell; his sons, Shawn and Justin, from a previous marriage, who live in Houston; a sister, Marty Keller, and her husband, Bud, in Shelby; a brother, Jim Haworth and his wife, Jamie, in Albuquerque; nephews, Bret and Shannon Haworth in California, Cody and Brian Haworth in Albuquerque, Travis Haworth in Shelby, and Steve Samuelson and his wife, Jill, in California; and by nieces, Lindsey Haworth in Albuquerque, and Lyla Lingle in Helena. His many other relatives and friends are too numerous to list, but were cherished dearly during Bud's life.

A memorial service was held with a multitude of family and friends at Lake McDonald to celebrate his life with prayer and remembrance, and was officiated by Pastor John Swanson from Helena, a family friend. Cremation followed at Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

The family suggests donations to the American Cancer Society.

Georgia M. Hawthorne, 86

Georgia M. Hawthorne, 86, passed away on Dec. 30, 2003, at Immanuel Lutheran Home.

Georgia was born Feb. 15, 1917, in Holdenville, Calif., to Vincent and Ozella Smith. Georgia was the youngest of five girls.

She graduated from high school and began a career as a pitcher for a semi-professional fast-pitch softball team in the San Diego area. She met fellow softball player, Glenn Hawthorne, on the ball field. They were married in 1936.

During World War II, Georgia worked at Ryan Aircraft in the well-known job of "Rosie the Riveter." After several years in the San Diego area, the couple moved their family of three children to Kalispell in 1953. This was their "home base" while Glenn followed construction jobs until 1958, when they made their permanent home in Great Falls.

Georgia retired as a bookkeeper for Glenn's steel company in 1975, and, for the next 22 years,

lived in a beloved retirement cabin in the mountains near Great Falls.

Georgia had always been an outdoors person and these were good years of flower gardening, yard work and watching wildlife, with plenty of room for the family pets. She was particularly fond of dogs and cats. Georgia's softball career spanned 20 years and she was still playing when she was a grandmother. Her real pride and joy was her family.

Georgia was preceded in death by her parents; husband Glenn; and four sisters.

She is survived by daughter, Dyanna Goldizen, and son-in-law, Bob, of Kalispell; sons, John of Nampa, Idaho, and Larry of Great Falls; five grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

At her request, no services will be held.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Donald Ray 'Don' Hayes, 67

Donald Ray "Don" Hayes, 67, passed away at his Bigfork home on Oct. 8, 2003.

Don was born Nov. 30, 1935, in Bryan County, Okla. Don was raised in Oklahoma, attending and graduating school there.

He moved to San Jose, Calif., where he met his future wife, Linda Bohannon. They were married on Oct. 25, 1969, in Reno, Nev., and had 34 wonderful years together.

In July of 1960, Don started working for the San Jose Parks and Recreation as a maintenance supervisor. He retired in 1987. After retiring, they bought a motor home and traveled extensively throughout the United States, finally settling in Bigfork three years ago.



Don was very active in his church as a trustee. His enthusiasm for fishing was without bound. He was always devoted to his loving wife and family, especially his children.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a son, two sisters and one brother.

He is survived by his wife Linda; daughter, Tammy Graham; three sons, Allen Hayes, Mark and Drew Graham; two brothers; three sisters; and 12 grandchildren.

Memorial services for Don Hayes will be held 11 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, at the Bigfork Christian Church with Pastor Dewey Obenchain officiating.

The family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 24411, Great Falls, MT 59403 or to the Gideons International, P.O. Box 153, Kalispell, MT 59903. Bigfork Funeral Home is caring

Jess G. Hayes, 59

Jess G. Hayes, 59, "left us for a better place" on March 16, 2003, after complications from diabetes and lung disease.

Jess was born July 15, 1943.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Gano and Elisabeth.

He is survived by his loving wife, Christine; his children, Monica, Briggs, and Rebekah; and seven grandchildren. He is also survived by his three brothers, Clarence, Joe and Mark; and his sister, Nora. He was also very fond of his dog and companion, Weasel. He was a devoted husband,

father, grandfather and friend to many. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved fishing, hunting and camping. He loved spending time with his family and spent many hours gardening.

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

A memorial service will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

Following the service, there will be a gathering for all at the Hayes residence at 2055 Montana 206 in Columbia Falls.

Alicia Haynes, 89

Alicia Haynes, 89, died Sept. 18, 2003, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

Services are pending at this

time.

Bigfork Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Gene C. Haynes, 66

Gene C. Haynes, 66, "was called home to the Lord" on Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2003, at his home in Columbia Falls.

He was born Oct. 31, 1936, in Glasgow to Howard E. and Ruby L. Haynes.

Gene was in the Navy and received his honorable discharge in 1960. He was a devoted fisherman all his life. He also enjoyed photography and wildlife.



Gene worked at the Hungry Horse Dam for many years before his retirement.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Gene is survived by his daughter, Debbie J. Howard; his son, Howard D. Sherman; his brother, Walt Haynes; his sister, Arliss Murch; a close friend, Pam Bain; and numerous family members and friends.

A memorial service has been held.

Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls is in charge of arrangements.

Lawrence Wesley Heald, 85

Lawrence Wesley Heald, 85, passed away Friday, Aug. 8, 2003, at his home in Kalispell surrounded by his family.

Lawrence was born April 13, 1918, in Montrose, Colo., to Asa and Minnie (Meyer) Heald. Lawrence graduated from Montrose County High School and then continued his education at the Utah State University in Logan, Utah, where he earned his bachelor of science degree.

He spent six years in the United States Navy. Lawrence married Florence Baker in Chicago, on June 13, 1942. They had been married for 61 years.

Lawrence worked as a range manager, Bureau of Indian Affairs for 25 years before retiring.

Lawrence enjoyed traveling,



and fishing, and hunting. He was involved as a Boy Scouts leader, Toastmasters and N.A.R.F.E.

Lawrence was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Joe Heald, Earl Heald, and Howard Heald; and sisters, Lavonne White and Doris Martin.

He is survived by his wife, Florence, of Kalispell; sons, Wesley Paul Heald and wife, Carol, and Ralph Edward Heald and wife, Melanie; brothers, Kenneth Wayne Heald, and Charles Calvin Heald; sisters, Verna Jean Matis and Lucille Marie Mareson; five grandchildren, Lawrence Adrian Heald, Lisa Ann Heald, Nathan Heald, Cullen Heald, and Ryan Heald; and great-grand son, Jordan Heald.

At his request there will be no services held.

The family suggests memorials to Hospice, 175 Commons Loop, Ste. 103, Kalispell, MT 59901.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

John Heaton, 88

John Heaton passed away in the transitional unit of Brendan House on Aug. 26, 2003, after a brief illness.

John was born March 15, 1915, at Edgepole. His parents, John P. and Enola, had a homestead near Edgepole, where they raised their children. John graduated from Dodson High School, and after graduation



joined the Civilian Conservation Corps. He worked on the Fort Peck Dam, the Hoover Dam and in the shipyards on the west coast.

John married Amelia Belzer of Great Falls, and they had three children: Howard, Bonnie and Bonita. He was the manager of auto supply stores owned by his father-in-law, Arthur Belzer. After retiring, he bought his own auto supply store on Center Street in Kalispell.

For years John enjoyed downhill skiing, almost daily rounds of golf, and hiking with his family. After a

serious stroke paralyzed the right side of his body in 1995, his athletic spirit continued in full swing with workouts at The Summit.

John's life was characterized by a reverence for all life, for family, friends, and hard work. He appreciated those people who gave him his sense of community during his last years: the caring, fun staff and "regulars" at The Summit (who easily gave him several thousand hugs!); the warm and attentive staff at the Sizzler and Finnegan's; Joyce Kofler, his barber; George "Bud"

Heaton, his younger brother; his most-beloved friend, Karen Wisher; and his neighbors. They helped him with all the little things that really matter. Most of all, John, "Granddaddy," loved his family—Howard Heaton, Bonnie Talley, Bonita Dannels — and their spouses and children. He was the stabilizing force in their lives and his home was a sanctuary for them all. Most important, he continually let them know how much he loved them. Beyond his generosity, this was his greatest legacy.

Heffernan, 80

Helen M. (Lyons) Heffernan, 80, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2003, at her home in Edgewood Vista in Missoula.



Helen was born May 25, 1922, in Newberry, Mich., to Fred and Delia Lyons. She was raised and educated in Fulton, Ill. Helen graduated in 1940 from Fulton High School.

On Jan. 12, 1941, Helen married Elmo Newell Heffernan in Clinton, Iowa. Elmo and Helen moved to Missoula in 1948. Together they raised six children.

In the 1950s, she worked in central supply at St. Patrick's Hospital. Helen then went to Modern Beauty School and received her cosmetology license. She opened her own shop in her home and worked until the early 1990s.

Helen was a member of St. Francis Xavier Parish, DAV auxiliary, Altar Society, Social Women's Club, American Legion auxiliary and served as an election judge for numerous years.

Helen was an accomplished seamstress and enjoyed knitting and crocheting. Her handiwork has provided warmth and beauty for many. Her sense of humor and unique laugh brightened everyone's day.

Helen is survived by two sons and five daughters-in-law, Patrick Heffernan of Missoula, Bob and Linda Heffernan of Kalispell, Karen Booth and Diane Kulstad of California, Susan Johnson of Missoula, and Sheila Heffernan of Salt Lake City; two daughters and sons-in-law, Bunny and Vern Cardon of Sandy, Utah, and Cyndee and Bill Fraser of Chester; 15 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Elmo; parents; two brothers; a brother-in-law; a sister-in-law; sons, William and Donald; and a granddaughter, Ashley.

Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. on Sunday at the Livingston-Malletta and Geraghty Funeral Home chapel, 224 W. Spruce, in Missoula. A celebration of life mass will be at 10:30 a.m. on Monday at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church. A luncheon will follow at the church. Interment will be in the Old St. Mary's Cemetery.

The family wishes to express their gratitude to the people at Prestige Assisted Living in Kalispell, Edgewood Vista Alzheimer's Care, and Partners in Home Care-Hospice for their loving care of Helen in the past three years.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggest memorials to Partners in Home Care-Hospice, 2687 Palmer, Missoula, MT 59808, or to Loyola Sacred Heart Foundation, 300 Edith, Missoula, MT 59801.

Alman William 'Bill' Hegland, 83

Our beloved, Alman William "Bill" Hegland, 83, "passed through this earth onto heaven," Monday, Nov. 24, 2003, at 1:35 p.m. at his home in Lakeside, surrounded by his loving and devoted wife and children.



Alman, most known as Bill Hegland was born in Minneapolis. He and his twin sister, Alma, were born on Feb. 5, 192, to William and Hilda (Bjorklund) Hegland. The Hegland family had traveled by train from their homestead in Plentywood to Minneapolis to assure the safe birth of the twins and the health of their mother. The twins remained in the hospital for three months more as their mother recovered from "child-bed fever." The twins, Alman and Alma, were the youngest children to join a family of two brothers and an older sister.

Alman's first years were spent on a homestead farm near Plentywood. Later, the family moved into the town of Plentywood where the children attended grade school and high school. Bill was baptized with relatives in Appleton, Minn., and confirmed in the Plentywood Lutheran Church. He was a faithful member of the Lutheran Church.

Bill graduated from Plentywood High School in 1938. After graduation he worked for Red Owl Store in Plentywood before enrolling in the Minnesota School of Business in Minneapolis. Before he joined the Navy in March 1944, he worked in an airplane factory in California during World War II. Bill went to Farragut, Idaho, for his boot camp training. He finished his active duty on Guam.

Bill was always interested in sports and enjoyed playing on the school basketball and football teams. He took special interest in his grandson, Tiger Harris' foot-

ball and award-winning wrestling. Bill also took an active interest in politics and was very knowledgeable and well-informed.

After an honorable discharge from the Navy in 1946, Bill attended the University of Montana. While there he was a smoke-jumper based out of Missoula and jumped the year before the crew fought in the Mann Gulch incidence. Bill graduated in 1950 with a forestry degree.

At a Missoula church social, Bill met his future wife, Faye Manley of Kalispell. They were married June 19, 1951, by Bill's brother Norval, a Lutheran minister.

Bill worked for the Northern Pacific Railroad (Burlington Northern Santa Fe) from 1950 until 1980 as a civil engineer and in the maintenance of way departments. Job and promotional transfers took Bill and his family to Washington, Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, Minnesota, and Wisconsin.

In 1980, Bill and Faye retired to their property in Lakeside. They have four children and two grandchildren.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and one sister.

Surviving him are his wife, Faye, of 52 years; a son, David Hegland and wife, Patti, of Alexandria, Va.; another son, Mark Hegland of Lakeside; two daughters, Lynne and Gayle Hegland of Lakeside; Bill's twin sister, Alma Jakobson, of Stevensville. Surviving also are one granddaughter and her husband, Amber and Travis Sienknecht, and one grandson, Tiger Harris. Numerous nieces and nephews he also leaves "until eternity unites us again."

A memorial service will be held 1:30 p.m. at Eidsvold Lutheran Church in Somers, Friday, Nov. 28.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be directed to Eidsvold Lutheran Church.

Johnson Mortuary and Crematory in charge of arrangements.

Joyce Heindel, 68

Joyce Heindel, 68, of Columbia Falls, died at Colonial Manor in Whitefish after a courageous battle with ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease on June 19, 2003.



Joyce was born April 9, 1935, in Kila, to Richard and Josephine Hanson. She moved to Kalispell, in 1943, and she was raised and educated in Kalispell.

Joyce met her future husband, Norman Heindel, in 1950. They were married in 1952 and spent 51 years devoted to each other in sickness and in health. Their first home was in Evergreen. They moved to Columbia Falls in 1988.

Joyce was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Kenneth; one daughter, Pam; one granddaughter, Sarah; two brothers, Calvin and Lawrence Hansen; and one niece, Kathy.

She is survived by her husband, Norman Heindel of Columbia

Falls; one son, Don Heindel of Columbia Heights; two daughters, Debbie Heindel of Kalispell, and Susan Dunbar and her husband, Bob, of Fairbanks, Alaska; three sisters, Carol Slaybaugh and her husband, Daryl of La Pine, Ore., Jo Ann Calbick and her husband, Don, of Creston, and Janet Hanson of Libby; two brothers, Allen Hanson and his wife, Sharon, of Marion, and Richard Hanson of Kalispell; eight grandchildren; sister-in-law, Peggy Aurand and her husband, Charles, of Columbia Heights; two brothers-in-law, Gordon Heindel and his wife, Jane, of Kalispell, and Dale Heindel and wife, Myra, of Kalispell; and several nieces and nephews and extended family and friends.

A memorial service for Joyce will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 26, at the Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls, with the Rev. Fred Krause officiating.

Joyce was a member of Whitefish Christian Church.

Arrangements are under the direction of Columbia Mortuary in Columbia Falls.

James R. 'Bob' Heim Sr., 85

James R. "Bob" Heim Sr., 85, passed away Monday, Oct. 27, 2003, at the Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell. He was born July 31, 1918, in Beaumont, Texas to Oscar and Fanny Lee (Beard) Heim.



The Heims were hard-working farmers who first homesteaded near Fort Benton, before settling in Bigfork in the 1930s. Bob was raised in Havre with three brothers and a sister. He attended and graduated from Bigfork High School in 1936. He married Ingaborg Alida Espeland on May 8, 1943. They had 46 great years together before Inga's death in 1989.

Bob has lived in many places in Montana; Fort Benton, Havre, Bigfork, Glasgow, and finally, Kalispell, residing here since 1952. Bob served in the United States Marine Corps during World War II, serving as a sergeant in Okinawa, Japan. He worked as a fireman for Great Northern Railroad before working in the automobile parts business, and eventually as a lab technician at the Anaconda Aluminum (Columbia Falls Aluminum Plant), and retired in 1981.

Bob and Inga spent their early retirement years traveling throughout the United States visiting family members. Bob dabbled

in furniture refinishing after retiring, and he also enjoyed jigsaw puzzles, reading and other relaxing pastimes. He was a charter member of the Calvary Lutheran Church in Kalispell, and moved to Immanuel Lutheran Home in January of this year.

Bob was preceded in death by his brothers, John and George; and a granddaughter, Julie.

Survivors include two sons, Jim Heim and his wife, Linda, of Lakeside, and Darrell Heim and his wife, Sheila, of Burke, Va.; two daughters, Susan Dahlgren and her husband, Ken, of Kalispell, and Alida Young and her husband, Gary, of Battleground, Wash.; there are nine grandchildren, Roberta, Roger, Rod, Kevin, Bret, Darrell, Darren, Mark and Michelle; 13 great-grandchildren; a brother, Fred Heim and his wife, Jo, of Whitefish, and a sister, Emily Pfrimmer and her husband, Jack, of Whitefish.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31, at Calvary Lutheran Church in Kalispell. The Rev. Kurt Rau will officiate. Burial will follow at Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. today at the Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

The family suggests memorials be sent to Immanuel Lutheran Home, 185 Crestline Ave., Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Chester Calvin Heitmenn, 74

Chester Calvin Heitmenn, 74, of Bigfork, died on Jan. 1, 2003, from natural causes.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Bigsky Bible Camp/Evangelical Free

Church in Cut Bank. Cremation has taken place.

Local arrangements are by Grogan Funeral Home in Polson and Day Funeral Chapel in Cut Bank.

George A. Heitschmidt, 79

George A. Heitschmidt, 79, a former Kalispell resident, passed away of natural causes on March 3, 2003, in Salt Lake City.

He was born on Sept. 7, 1923, in Chicago, the youngest of five children, to William and Willemina Heitschmidt.

He started working early in his teens by working under his father at a lithograph shop in Chicago. He attended and graduated at Steinmetz High School in Chicago, in 1941. He excelled in football, and played semi-pro for two teams while still attending high school.

A veteran of World War II, he was a military policeman with the rank of private first class, mainly stationed in India and China.

In 1953, he married Marilyn Bowden and had two sons, Steve and Paul. They were divorced in 1980.

Later, he and the family lived in Hemet, Calif., where he worked

for the RAMA Corp. as a swedger and also bowled for the corporation league.

In 1972, the family moved to Kalispell, into a log cabin on Foothill Road. He worked at a hardware store and worked several years for Snowline Tree Co.

In 1977, the family moved to Wickenburg, Ariz., where his worked as a local handyman, and for the Wickenburg School District as a custodian until his retirement.

He spent the last few years living in Wendover, Utah, where his hobbies included gardening and taking walks and just staying busy.

Survivors include his wife, Dang, of Wendover; his sons, Steve of Townsend, and Paul and his wife, Janna, of Kalispell; his sister, Dorothy Mae Heynis, of California; and several nieces, nephews and many cousins.

Arthur Julius Helland, 72

Arthur Julius Helland, 72, passed away on Sunday, Nov. 23, 2003, at the Kalispell Regional Medical Center in Kalispell.

He was born Oct. 14, 1931, in Binford, N.D., to Hjalmer and Julia (Gilbertson) Helland. Arthur received his early education in Hannaford, N.D., before enlisting in the Army and serving his country in the Korean Conflict.

Upon his return he met and married Donna Nelson in Fargo, N.D., on June 21, 1954. They farmed in Hannaford until moving to Kalispell in 1967. Arthur went to work as a mechanic for farm equipment in various jobs until 2001.

He had a great sense of humor and a good heart. He enjoyed bowling, fishing, hunting, camping, bicycling and especially his family



and grandchildren. He was president of Sons of Norway, a member of the Eagles and a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

Arthur was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 50 years, Donna; two sons, Jeff and Janet, and Aaron and DeAnn; four daughters, Linda Hills, Terry and Dean Cole, LaDonna and Daryl Culbert, and Yvonne and Mark Tarr, all of the Flathead Valley. He is also survived by two brothers, Gordon and Howard; four sisters, Myrt Lima, Sue Haugen, Irene Cook, and Gladys Vammen; 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 28, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church with Pastor Larry Stappler officiating. Visitation will be at the church one hour prior to the service.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Thelma Evelyn Hellem, 88

Thelma Evelyn Hellem, 88, died on Friday, Dec. 19, 2003, at her home in Kalispell.

She is survived by two daughters, Lorrye Hellem of Kalispell and Linda Maze of

Longview, Texas.

Private memorial services will be held at a later date.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Gladys B. Henderson

"With our greatest love, we regret the passing of our beloved mother," Gladys B. Henderson on Sept. 25, 2003. She died at home under the loving care of her daughter, Martha Street.

"We believe she is in a better place. The angels have called her home and she is surrounded in God's love and light. We will miss her."

She is survived by her children, Jim, Susan, Patty, Martha,

Ron, Carol, Matt, Diane, James, and Joan; her grandchildren, Lara and Bruce, Jill and Tye, Erika, Justin, Angela and Jes, Christopher, Noah and Sam; her great-grandchildren, Samantha and Stephen; and her brothers and sisters, Morris, Herman, Donnie, Marvin, Royce, Joyce and Annie.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. today, Sept. 30, at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Columbia Falls.

John Edward Henderson, Jr., 50

John Edward Henderson Jr., 50, died Friday, Feb. 21, 2003, at North Valley Hospital in Whitefish, following a lengthy illness.

He is survived by a son, Jeremy Casey of Washington, and a daughter, Jennifer Hen-

derson of Goldendale, Wash.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Eagles Club in Columbia Falls.

Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

Joshua James Henderson, infant

Joshua James Henderson, loving infant son of Jennifer Henderson, passed away on Monday, June 30, 2003, at Community Medical Center of natural causes.

He was born June 23, 2003, in Missoula.

Joshua is survived by his mother, Jennifer, of Kalispell; his maternal grandparents, Ralph and Cheryl Henderson of Columbia

Falls; his uncle and aunt, Scott and Brandie Henderson and their children, Bodie and Easton of Kalispell; great-grandmother, Jalia Henderson of Missoula; and a special great-aunt, Susan Henderson of Missoula.

Private services have been held. Arrangements are under the care and direction of Garden City Funeral Home and Crematory.

Alfred Elmer Hendrickson, 80

Alfred Elmer Hendrickson, 80, passed away at his Bigfork home on Saturday, Feb. 8, 2003.

He was born Aug. 19, 1922, in Mahanomet, Minn., to Elmer and Audrey (Herington) Hendrickson. Alfred attended and graduated from school in Minnesota. He then moved to Spokane, where he spent most of his adult life. He settled in Bigfork 22 years ago.

Alfred was a proud veteran of World War II, serving with the Coast Guard in the Pacific. He retired from working as a service manager for the Army Airforce Exchange Service (AAFES).



Alfred is survived by his partner, Eunice Miller of Bigfork; children Greg Hendrickson of Kilgore, Texas, Doug and wife, Trish Hendrickson of Cheney, Wash., Mark and wife, Cheryle Hendrickson of Nine Mile Falls, Wash., and Gayle and husband, Allen Bunge of Spokane; brothers Don Hendrickson and wife, LaVerne of Mesa, Ariz., and Gordon Hendrickson of Gilbert, Ariz.; sister Ellen Honek of Moorehead, Minn.; seven grandchildren, Tracy, Amy, Jordan, and Taylor Hendrickson and Tammee, Katee, and Will Walker; and former spouse Arlus Maron of Butte.

At his request, there will be no services. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Argyle Andrew Hendrickson, 90

Argyle Andrew Hendrickson, 90, passed away Aug. 3, 2003, at Heritage Place in Kalispell.

He was born on June 28, 1913, in Blackduck, Minn., the son of Andrew and Ella May Hendrickson. Argyle was raised in Blackduck, where he attended school.

He worked on the family farm until 1936 when he received a contract for the rural delivery of U.S. mail. It was at this time that he met his future wife, Kenny Hendrickson. She had just arrived as the new school teacher. After a two-year courtship, they were married on June 10, 1938.

While in Minnesota he worked in the iron mines and operated a small farm in Itasca county.

In 1953, the family moved to Kalispell where Argyle worked for the Forest Products Lumber Company until starting a water well drilling business in 1963.

After retiring in 1975, he remained active in a fire wood business. He enjoyed being in the woods gathering timber, cutting it up, and selling it to his many friends. He also spent many weeks



each summer picking huckleberries with Kenny, but his greatest joy was the hours he spent visiting with his friends at Sykes' restaurant.

He was an active member of the First Baptist Church, the Sons of Norway, and the Scandinavian Fraternity.

Argyle is survived by his three sons, Verlon, and his wife, Judy, of Thurmont, Md., Arlo, and his wife, Sonya, of Tyler, Texas, and Alton of Kalispell; and a brother, Louie Hendrickson, and his wife, Edna, of Bemidji, Minn. Argyle is also survived by 10 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; in-laws Signe Ferguson and Lois Ueland of Kalispell, and Finn and Deborah Ueland of Heron; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Kenny; and also his parents; three brothers; and two sisters.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. today at Johnson Mortuary. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Johnson Mortuary, with burial following at the C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Everyone is invited to a reception at the First Baptist Church, 301 W. Wyoming, immediately following the burial.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.

Katherine 'Kate' Hendrickson, 93

Katherine "Kate" Hendrickson, 93, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2003, in Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell. She was born Feb. 1, 1910, in Kalispell to Peter and Helen (Rupp) O'Lexey.



Kate lived with her family at Foy's Lake during her growing up years and received her education in the Flathead Valley.

She married Martin Hendrickson July 14, 1928, in Minot, N.D. They lived at Simcoe, N.D., for two years where she worked in a store and post office, then when the drought came, they moved to Montana settling on a farm in Swan River. They lived there for 15 years and she was active in community activities, school, 4-H leader, Bethany Church and helped build the Swan River Hall.

She moved to Kalispell in 1945. She lived in Phoenix for 25 years, then moved back to Kalispell where she had lived until the time of her passing.

Kate enjoyed music, sewing,

painting and helping people. She was past president of the Eagles Auxiliary and of the Women's Democratic Club.

Kate worked in Seattle at Sears Mail Order during the war years. When they lived in Phoenix, she designed clothes and made and sold them. When she lived in Kalispell, she worked as a catalog manager at Montgomery Wards.

Kate was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Martin; and all of her brothers.

She is now survived by her very special friends, Belva Hanson and Polly Nikolaison; as well as many nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. today in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel with Pastor Peter Ramseth officiating. Burial will follow at C.E. Conrad Memorial Cemetery. Visitation will be today from 9 a.m. until time of service at the mortuary.

Memorial gifts are suggested to the Eagles Auxiliary; or to the Immanuel Lutheran Home, 185 Crestline Ave., Kalispell, MT 59901.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Patricia Joanne 'Pat' Maher Henriksen, 64

Patricia Joanne "Pat" Maher Henriksen, 64, of Polson, passed away Saturday Oct. 25, 2003, peacefully at her home in Polson. Patricia was born July 20, 1939, in Glasgow, and grew up in Cut Bank. She was educated at the University of Montana and served her community, her friends, her husband, her children and grandchildren.



Pat grew up in Cut Bank, attended University of Idaho one year and graduated from the University of Montana in 1961. She helped support husband, Gale, during medical school by teaching in Wisconsin, South Dakota, and Colorado. They served in the military in Alaska before practicing medicine in St. Maries, Idaho, from 1971 to 1994. Coming home to Montana and settling in Polson had proven to be happiness for Pat's retirement years and her treasured family.

The gentle beautiful, graceful and loving wife, mom, grandmother, confidant and friend to many quietly and peacefully passed on "to be with her Lord and Savior" while in her charming home on Flathead Lake at Polson. Pat was

with her lifelong partner and husband of 42 years, Dr. Gale Henriksen, when she calmly and quietly "laid down to enter eternity."

Pat's life was the definition of unconditional love to friends and family but especially to her children, Jenifer Mitchell of Kalispell, Monica Nilsson of Post Falls, Idaho, Craig Henriksen of Spokane, and Clint Henriksen of Polson, her daughters- and sons-in-law, and her nine grandchildren. In addition to her husband, children and families, she is survived by her sister, Kathy Cottrill, and a brother, Bud Maher.

Pat's passing was preceded by her parents, Hazel and Clarence Maher.

Pat's life will be celebrated at a memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, in the Good Shepherd ELCA Lutheran Church, 409 Fourth Ave. East, Polson, with Rev. Paul Rowold officiating.

"Patty" will be grieved and missed by many "but is a welcome resident of heaven for eternity."

The family desires memorials (in lieu of flowers) for Lake County Search and Rescue, Polson Public Library, American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.

Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of Grogan Funeral Home in Polson.

Richard William 'Dick' Henning, 87

Richard William "Dick" Henning, 87, passed away of natural causes Sunday, Aug. 24, 2003, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell. He was born Feb. 16, 1916, in Anaheim, Calif., to Louis and Ottilei (Weinknect) Henning.

Dick was the youngest of seven children. His early education was at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Olive, Calif., then Anaheim High School, graduating with the class of 1933. He attended Fullerton Junior College, where he was the president of his class. He was a super tennis player, and enjoyed playing football and church baseball.

Dick married Ree Kay Basford on May 9, 1943, in his mother's rose garden, in Anaheim. Ree passed away Dec. 11, 1987. He later married Mable Linder on Feb. 14, 1992, in Anaheim.

Dick's parents planted one of the first orange groves in Anaheim. He was a Sunkist orange grower and operated an orchard care business. He farmed winter wheat in North Dakota with his sister Anne's husband, Erwin, for several years. He was an avid Anaheim Angel's fan and season ticket holder. He also loved deep sea fishing and going after clams and abalone.

He spoke fluent Spanish and was a great supporter of the people at Casa de Esperanza, an orphanage in Tijuana, Mexico. He was also in the YMCA for over 30 years where they were part of the Operation Christmas tree project for Vietnam servicemen.

Dick moved to Bigfork in 1969 where he owned the Dick-A-Ree Cherry Orchard on Flathead Lake. He loved fishing on Flathead Lake and catching the big one, a 37-pound Mackinaw! He participated with the people of the Bethany Lutheran Church with the Christmas parties at the Swan River Youth Camp.

He was a member of the East Shore Lions Club, past Cherry Festival chairman and was a partner at the Skidoo Bay cherry packing plant. A Republican Party member and active in his church. God was the guide for his life. He read his scriptures daily. Dick taught Sunday School, was a Sunday School

superintendent and sang tenor in several choirs. He was the official greeter and people counter at several churches.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, Walter, Henry, Otto, and Arthur; and one sister, Martha; and also by his first wife, Ree.

He is now survived by his loyal and devoted wife, Mable Henning of Kalispell; three daughters, Gay Cochrane and husband Dave, Susan Mangels and husband Peter, and June Jorgenson and husband Jerry, all of Polson; one sister; Anne Paulus of Orange, Calif.; three stepdaughters, Carolyn Holbrook and husband, Jim, of Oak Harbor, Wash., Faye Pietsch and husband Clint of Grants Pass, Ore., and Jane Haughn and husband, Dennis, of Loma Linda, Calif.; and six grandchildren, Brian Sawyer, Christopher Curtner and wife Kindra, Jeffrey Robocker and wife Theresa, Richard Sawyer, Jana Shinn and husband Scott, and Amy Watt; and one great-granddaughter; Jordan Curtner. He also has 12 stepgrandchildren, Richard, Robert and Jeffrey Holbrook; Todd, Scott, Joel, Nathan, Seth and Timothy Pietsch; Kevin, Keith and Kelley Haughn; six step-great-grandchildren, Angela, Taylor, Robert, Christian, Lauren and Jillian; and numerous nieces, nephews and many friends in California and Montana.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 29, at Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork, with graveside services preceding the memorial at 10 a.m. at Bethany Lutheran Cemetery. A reception will follow the memorial service at the church.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 28, at Johnson Mortuary Chapel in Kalispell.

The family suggests memorials be given to House of Hope Orphanage, Casa de Esperanza, Tijuana, Baja, Calif.; or the American Diabetes Association, 3203 Third Ave. North, Suite 203, Billings, MT 59101-1945; or the American Heart Association, 510 First Ave. N. No. 114, Great Falls, MT 59401.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary & Crematory.

Beulah Herbold, 81

Beulah Herbold, 81, passed away on Saturday, March 29, 2003, in El Paso, Texas, after complications from hip replacement surgery.

Her family said she was "greeted by the heavenly choir, which had been anxiously awaiting her arrival due to her musical talents." Her husband William, her son Loren, her brother Ernest Yetterness, her uncles Dr. E. A. Thormodsgaard and Albert Thormodsgaard, and her parents Nells and Emuna Yetterness "also greeted her," the family said.

Beulah Amelia Yetterness was born Nov. 2, 1921, on the family farm outside of Mott, N.D. She was raised as a "lady farm girl" who loved her pony and her parent's piano. She developed her love of music at an early age and was the organist for the Lutheran Church at the age of 15 and played the pump organ for services.

After high school, her father insisted she earn a college degree so she could be independent some day if the need arose. She attended Concordia College in Moorhead, Minn., where she earned degrees in music and education.

Soon after graduation from college, her family moved off the farm and headed west to San Jose, Calif., where they opened a flower shop for Beulah to run. Also, her uncle was living in the area and she wanted to further her music studies under his direction.

World War II had just ended and Beulah soon met a handsome soldier who had been discharged from the Army after serving honorably in the South Pacific. William Herbold just happened to be from close to her neck of the woods, having been raised in Lewistown. They were soon married, had two sons born in San Jose, and lived there until 1952.

Beulah's uncle, Dr. Thormodsgaard, had moved from the San Jose area and taken the position of chairman of the music department at Texas Western College, now UTEP, in El Paso. He was also the founder and director of the El Paso Boys Choir, later named the El Paso Children's Choir. Beulah wanted to continue studying with her mentor and soon the young family moved to El Paso.

In 1952, shortly after arriving in El Paso, Beulah joined and became the organist with the Ysleta United Methodist Church. She would continue her "labor of love" as pianist, organist or choir director until January of this year before falling and breaking her hip. Last fall the church, now Vista Ysleta United Methodist, honored Beulah for 50 years of dedicated service.

Beulah's career also included 35 years as a teacher with the Ysleta Independent School District. Over the years she taught English

at Cadwallader and music at Cedar Grove, Riverside Jr. High, Riverside High, Eastwood Knolls and J.M. Hanks High School. Her students and choirs often excelled at regional and state choral festivals and concerts and won many awards. With Beulah as teacher and mentor, many of her students went on to professional careers in music with one student performing with the Metropolitan Opera in New York. Beulah would often perform the accompaniment for many of her "kids" for years after retiring from the school district. She also taught private piano lessons for years and was an avid attendant of music concerts and a member of the American Guild of Organists. "To say the least, Beulah was music and music was Beulah."

Beulah is survived by her son, Gale Herbold and his children, Jodi and Justin, all of Kalispell, and Gale's fiancée, Susan Button of Houston.; Gary Herbold and his son Gary Jr. of El Paso, Dean Herbold of El Paso, and his daughter Nicole Blumenberg of Tucson, and son Chris Herbold, also of Tucson.

A memorial celebration will be held at the Vista Ysleta United Methodist Church at 9:30 a.m. on Friday. In keeping with Beulah's last wishes, cremation has taken place. The family suggests memorial donations be made to the Vista Ysleta United Methodist Church, the UTEP Music Dept. (Piano Area) or the El Paso Opera.

Leonard Herbold, 78

Leonard Herbold, 78, passed away at his home in Kalispell, on Feb. 14, 2003.

He was born in Benchland, Mont., on Dec. 31, 1924, to William and Maryann



(Langevin) Herbold. Leonard received his early education in Benchland, Grass Range, and at St. Leo's Catholic School in Lewistown.

At the age of 12, Leonard was sent to Galen because of illness. While he was in the hospital there he learned to be a disc jockey, taking requests from the local people to play on the radio; he began collecting stamps, and he gained a love for reading. Leonard returned home when he was 15 and began working for Fergus County maintaining roads and learning to operate heavy equipment. He followed his parents after they moved to the Flathead Valley where he worked for Fielding Construction as they built the retaining wall on the going to the Sun road.

Leonard met and married Louise Tennant in Kalispell, on July 6, 1953, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. Leonard then worked for Glacier Dairy and eventually began work with the county road department. Because of illness he left the road department and worked with his father-in-law logging for FK&L. Leonard was able to get back on with the road department and remained there until his retirement in 1983.

He loved being out on the road around nature and the beauty of the country. After his retirement, Leonard traveled the country visiting his kids and grandchildren.

He had many hobbies including gardening, watching birds, hunting, traveling and being in the moun-

tains and woods.

Leonard was a charter member of the Knights of Columbus at Risen Christ Catholic Church.

Leonard was preceded in death by two daughters, Jennifer and Faith Anne; one grandson, Joshua; his parents; one brother, Bill; and one sister, Joan.

He is survived by his wife, Louise, of Kalispell; three sons, Mark and Melva Herbold and Chris and Dana Herbold, both of Kalispell, and John and Jody Herbold of Burbank, Calif.; four daughters, Kathy and Rick Thompson and Lori Lea and Randy Davis, all of Kalispell, Bernie and Dan Martin of Hisparia, Calif., and Sister M. Jessica (Phyllis) of Alton, Ill. He is also survived by 19 grandchildren, Matthew, Chrystal, Richard, Jacob, Kitch, Nikki, Karry, Kathy, Theresa, Elizabeth, Margaret, Thomas, Sierra, Madison, Sarah, Jeremiah, Mary, Anthony, and William; and nine great grandchildren. Also four brothers, Lester "Swede" of Stanford, Mervin and Richard of Kalispell, and Jack of Cookeville, Tenn.; five sisters, Billie Bonner, June O'Conner, and Karen Emerson, all of Eureka, Bea Swan of Portland, and Janet Rose of Kalispell.

Mass of Christian burial for Leonard Herbold will be at 11 a.m. on Tuesday at the Risen Christ Catholic Church with Father Rudolph Bullman as celebrant. Burial will follow at the Glacier Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be on Monday, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. with a Rosary service following at 7 p.m. in the Johnson Mortuary Chapel.

The family suggests memorial gifts be given to the St. Labre Indian School, Tongue River Rd., P.O. Box 216, Ashland, MT 59003.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Mortuary and Crematory.