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**APR 18 2002****Bernice LaRea Asgard**

**BURLINGTON, Wyo. —** Bernice LaRea Asgard, 84, died Tuesday, April 16, 2002, at Bonnie Bluejacket Nursing Home, between Greybull and Basin.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, April 19, at the Burlington Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until service time Friday at the church. Burial will be in the Burlington Cemetery. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell is in charge.

## **Madge L. Aakre**

**CIRCLE — Madge L. Aakre, 71, of Circle, died Monday, June 10, 2002, at the McCone County Nursing Home in Circle.**

**Visitation for family and friends will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, June 13, at the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Private family graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, June 14, at the Riverview Cemetery in Circle. Interment will be in the Riverview Cemetery in Circle.**

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## **Earnest B. 'Ernie' Aam**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUL 31 2002**

**BAKER — Earnest B. "Ernie" Aam, 83, of Baker, died Monday, July 29, 2002, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.**

**His body will be donated to the Montana State University WWWAMI body donation program. Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2, at the American Lutheran Church, Baker. Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary of Billings is in charge.**

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## **Pearl V. Abell**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

WORLAND, Wyo. — Pearl V. Abell, 89, died July 31, 2002, at Washakie Medical Center in Worland.

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Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 5, at First Baptist Church in Worland. Burial will be in Riverview Memorial Gardens in Worland. Veile Mortuary, Inc., of Worland is in charge.

# William Paul Abdallah

He passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, May 25th, surrounded by those he loved. We spent the night at his bedside. We cried, we laughed, we sang his old favorites, and remembered warmly the man he was.

William Paul Abdallah. Our beloved Dad and Grandfather "Jidue." He was born June 10, 1919, in Manteca,



**WILLIAM  
ABDALLAH**

California to Lebanese immigrant parents Paul Joseph and Maza Abdallah. We had hoped to camp with him in early June in celebration of his 83rd birthday, but the Lord chose to take him a bit early. Guess He needed someone to tend the campfire.

Jidue was raised in the San Joaquin Valley and graduated from high school in Stockton, California. He attended San Jose State University from 1937 to 1940 and played football for the Spartans the year they led the nation in scoring. As do many who flunk out of college the first time around, he enlisted in the service. The U.S. Army Air Force. It was a good fit. Later, the GI Bill provided him the opportunity to return to SJSU where he earned

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his degree in Commerce, graduating with honors in 1948.

As a commissioned officer in the USAF, Jidue's military assignments took him to all parts of the world, including India, France, the Pentagon, and East Base in Great Falls.

It was in Great Falls that he met a bright and pretty young country girl named Patricia Jane Tuel. She served as his secretary when he came to town with a military team commissioned to investigate a plane crash at the State Fair in the 1940's. Patsy Tuel strongly resisted the overtures of the handsome young Major Abdallah. She was heard to remark: "If I had a name like that I'd change it..." It was in November of 1946, that Major and Mrs. Abdallah began their journey as military husband and wife. Their daughter Janet Lynn was born to them while stationed in Paris, France. Twins Steven Peter and Julie Patricia joined them while stationed at Wright-Patterson AFB in Ohio. Their military years were good years. Dad retired in 1963, a "full-bird" Colonel. We were all very proud of his USAF achievements. After retirement from the military, he moved his young family to a little town at the foot of the Santa Cruz Mountains in California and joined the procurement team at Lockheed Missile and Space Co. in Sunnyvale. In the late 1960's,

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WILLIAM PAUL ABDALLAH

Mom talked Dad into moving back home to Fairfield, Montana where the kids finished junior high and high school. Good move. This is God's country.

Jidue lived life in a very sweet and interestingly eccentric way. He loved his kids and he absolutely adored his grandkids. We celebrated his Lebanese heritage and enjoyed wonderful middle eastern food at many of our family gatherings. He loved "high impact" camping at the little forest service campgrounds that dot Montana. The fresh air, the sweet smell of pines, the music of a tumbling mountain stream and the chance to cook over an open fire made him very very happy. Just last summer, at 82 years old, he sat up all night long and melted the toes of his shoes at the inferno campfire he had stoked.

Dad had a lifelong love affair with the NFL, especially the San Francisco 49ers. But, truly, it was the local boys who really captured his heart. Those Boulder Arrowhead Little Leaguers who play the very best brand of baseball on gorgeous spring days. Rain or shine, Jidue rarely missed one of our games. Even in these last years of declining health, he always knew the ball and strike count and always knew just what it would take to squeeze out a win. We will miss him most at the baseball field.

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Jidue was preceded in death by Patricia Jane, by his parents and by his beloved brothers and sister. They were forever in his heart. He is survived by his daughter Janet Lynn Abdallah and her children Quinn and Olivia of Billings; by his daughter Julie Waller and her husband Steve and their children Matthew, Jeffrey, Jennifer and Lucas, also of Billings; and by his son and daughter-in-law Steve and Nancy Abdallah and their son Alexander of Boise, Idaho. He is survived also by two really special brothers-in-law: Jim Tuel of St. Maries, Idaho and Ken Peterson of Fairfield, Montana and by numerous nieces and nephews who sure loved their "Uncle Bill."

Very special thanks to "his buddy" Dr. Neal Sorenson. You helped to make his last years the best that they could be. We are very grateful to Pastors Steve Strutz and Sam Summers of Faith Evangelical Church for the time they spent with him in his last hours. In the end, our final good-byes were sweet and tearful but full of the promise of everlasting life. We will forever cherish the knowledge that he is in heaven, reunited with those who went before him.

A memorial service is planned for Tuesday, May 28th at 4 p.m. at Faith Evangelical Church in Billings. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Faith

Evangelical Church's Music  
Ministry c/o Pastor Charlie  
Loshbough or to Boulder  
Arrowhead Little League c/o  
Debbie Singer P.O. Box 21401  
Billings, MT 59104.

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## Erna T. Abfalder

Erna T. Abfalder, age 85, of Billings, died Monday, March 18, 2002, at Eagle Cliff Manor in Billings.

She was born June 22, 1916, near Gladstone, N.D., the daughter of Julius J. and Theresa (Hensel) Dahlke. She later lived at Deerfield, N.D.

On April 20, 1940, Erna married Michael K. "Mike" Abfalder in Marshall, Wis. After their marriage, they lived in several places in Wisconsin. They moved to Billings in 1943. Mr. Abfalder worked in road construction and they followed the construction in many areas of Montana. They enjoyed camping and loved to dance.

Erna always kept her sense of humor. Her happiest moments were when family or friends visited her.

Erna is survived by her son, Michael (Susan) Abfalder and daughter, Gloria (Dave) Harmon, both of Billings; eight grandchildren, Craig (Renee) Dahlke, Mark (Rhea) Harmon,



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Mary Harmon (Craig Marney), Patrick (Julie) Harmon, David (Gisele) Harmon, Lisa Abfalder, Jennifer Abfalder and Thomas Abfalder; and 14 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Mike in 1990; a brother, Wes Dahlke; and a sister, Helen Valdez.

Funeral services will be 2:30 p.m. Friday, March 22, at Smith's West Chapel, 304 34th St. West. Interment will follow at Terrace Gardens Cemetery. Visitation will be at Smith's Downtown Chapel through 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday, up to service time at Smith's West Chapel.

## **Phyllis Marie Abraham**

OLYMPIA, Wash. — Phyllis Marie Abraham, 72, of Olympia, formerly of the Richey-Vida Community, Mont., died June 1, 2002, at St. Peter's Hospital in Olympia.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 5, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Wolf Point, Mont., and in Lacey. Clayton Memorial Chapel of Wolf Point is in charge.

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

## AUG - 7 2002

Pauline Abrahams left this world to join her beloved husband, LaVern, on Aug. 3, 2002, at 72 years of age.

Pauline was born in Pactola, S.D., on Aug. 12, 1929, to Helen and Eddie Wilder. She graduated high school in 1943. Pauline married her husband, LaVern, in 1950 in Rapid City, S.D., where they lived and raised their three children, Donald, Robert and Kathleen, until 1966, when they moved to Billings.



**PAULINE  
ABRAHAMS**

Pauline was a very caring person and liked to spend her time finding bargains at garage sales, canning vegetables from her garden, doing her embroidery and sewing and spending time with family.

She was preceded in death by her husband, LaVern; her parents; brothers, Kenny and Harold; sisters, Genevieve and Velma. Survivors include her three children, Donald (Sherry) Abrahams of Huntley, Robert (Debbie) Abrahams of Billings and Kathy (David) Sparks of Billings. Also surviving are her

grandchildren, James, Kim, J.R. Tammy, Angela, Justin, David, Becky, Stephanie, Rachel, Tiffany, Brandy and Brittany; and her great-grandchildren, Caleb, Keegan, Kelsey, Blake, Jordan, Brittney, Bo and Ayden; also two sisters, Donna (Bud) Ickes and Geraldine Hill of Rapid City; and her brother Marlow (Doris) Wilder of Newell, S.D.

She made us play-doh and mac & cheese. She took care of our scrapes and put Band-Aids on our knees. She made us blankets and clothes and took a Kleenex to our runny noses. She was our grandma and we loved her dear, but now she is in a better place far away, but yet so near.

Services will be held at Smith Downtown Chapel 10 a.m. Aug. 7. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice; 123 S. 27th, Billings, MT 59101.

## **Julia Ivone Achilles**

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. —  
Julia Ivone Achilles, 83, died  
Thursday, Oct. 10, 2002.

Funeral services will be 10:30  
a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 16, at the  
Mortimore Funeral Home.  
Burial service will follow at  
Monument Hill Cemetery.

**JAN 09 2002**SACRA-  
MENTO, Calif.

— Richard Fletcher Adam, formerly of Billings, passed away recently in Sacramento, after an eight-month bout with cancer.

**MR. ADAM**

“Dick” was born in Billings on Oct. 2, 1918. He graduated from Billings High School in 1936 and served in WWII as a B17 bomber pilot, recording 50 missions over Europe. Among his medals, Dick received the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service in the war.

He married Vera Pribyl of Billings in 1944. Vera died in 1953, and a year later, Dick married Audrey Pederson of Bismarck, N.D. Dick and Audrey settled in Santa Barbara, where he started Santa Barbara Chemical Company, producing and distributing chemicals. Dick invented a chemical that “expanded” rubber when applied and then allowed it to contract when dry. He sold the product to, among others, the U.S. military for use in providing airtight seals around metal fittings. Upon retiring, Dick and Audrey moved to Rancho Murietta, a golfing community outside Sacramento, where they

lived nearly 20 years. Audrey passed away in April 2000, following a stroke.

Dick is survived by his four siblings, Emil Adam of Atlanta, Ga., Lou Adam (Betty) of Jackson, Calif., Bill Adam (Mildred) of Grants Pass, Ore., and Molly Schuman of Billings, as well as numerous nephews, nieces, great-nephews and nieces. Cremation has taken place, with his ashes being distributed at his nephew, Richard D. Adam's property. Donation to your favorite charity may be made in his name.

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**William Edward Adam**

GRANTS PASS, Ore. — William Edward Adam was born in Billings, Mont. on June 22, 1920, the son of Emil W. Adam and Helen Goddard Adam, both eastern Montana pioneers. He attended Billings schools and graduated from the University of Montana at Missoula, where he was an active member of the Alumni Association. William's military history included service to his country in 1942, in both Germany and the Philippines.

William is survived by his widow, Mildred L. Adam of Grants Pass, Ore.; his daughter, Viki L. Adam of San Francisco; two brothers, Emil W. Adam of Rome, Ga., and Louis G. Adam of Jackson, Calif.; a sister, Molly Schuman of Billings; and numerous nephews and nieces.

Remembrances may be sent to the Nature Conservatory, P.O. Box 17223, Baltimore, Md., 21298-9987.



**Clarence P. Adams**

JAN 26 2002

POPLAR — Clarence P. Adams, 76, of Poplar, died Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2002, at the Northeast Montana Health Services Facility in Poplar.

A wake will be held Monday evening, Jan. 28, at the Poplar Cultural Center. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 29, at the Red Eagle Memorial Presbyterian Church in Fort Kipp. Interment will be in the Fort Kipp Cemetery. Clayton Memorial Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

**Elisabeth Adams**

**Born 3-22-39**

**Died of Cancer 11-28-02**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**NOV 30 2002**

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SCHATZ.

## Jane C. Adams

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Jane "Janie" Adams, 107, of Buffalo, died Saturday, Oct. 5, 2002, at the Johnson County Health Care Center.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo. Visitation will be from 1 to 10 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9, and from 1 to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, at Adams Funeral Home. Burial will be in Willow Grove Cemetery, with private family graveside services.

## John L. Adams

Veteran public defender John L. Adams died on Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2002, at St. Vincent's Healthcare, at the age of 78.

John was born on April 3, 1924, in Red Oak, Iowa, a son of John and Lora Adams. When he was 2, the family moved to the Billings area, where he was raised and educated, graduating from Billings Senior High School. He then served his country for 2-1/2 years by enlisting in the Army in 1943. Following his honorable discharge, he continued his education at Eastern Montana College and graduated with a law degree from the University of Montana Law School in 1954. John married Alice L. Conrad in Billings on July 30, 1960.

John began work as a deputy county attorney for Yellowstone County in 1956. He was appointed Yellowstone County attorney in 1965 and elected to a four-year term to the office in 1966. In 1970, he began work as a part-time public defender and in 1992, he became part of the first-ever Yellowstone County Public Defenders Office with an administrator and office space. Dealing almost exclusively in criminal law, John tried over 200 felony cases with several capital cases. Mr. Adams retired in 1995.

John truly believed that he was a public servant.

A strong advocate of the Sixth Amendment, he served as a public defender for 23 years. He believed helping the poor with out charge was an obligation of all legal professionals and he maintained this line of thought in his private life as well.

John enjoyed being around people, helping them with whatever was needed, whenever it was needed. He liked to read and it was not uncommon for him to



JOHN  
ADAMS

start and finish a book in the same night. Playing poker or bridge were also favorite pastimes.

Survivors include his wife, Alice; a son, Robert John Adams; a daughter, Pauline E. Guilbert and her husband Galen; two grandchildren, Holden and Marco Guilbert; two sisters, Pauline Gruman and her husband William, and Doline Stanaway and her husband Don; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, and a brother, Robert L. Adams.

John's family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to Dr. Marjorie Tevlin and her staff at the Dialysis Center, as well as the staff at St. Vincent's Healthcare for their wonderful care.

A graveside service with military honors will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26, at Mountview Cemetery. Following that service, a memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church.

Memorials are suggested to the Dialysis Clinic, 2411 Village Lane, Billings, MT 59102, Trinity Lutheran Church, 537 Grand Ave., Billings, MT 59101, or the charity of your choice. Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

MAR 05 2002

## Mary M. Adams

GLENDIVE — Mary M. Adams, 98, of Glendive, died Sunday, March 3, 2002, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 7, at the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Interment will be in the Dawson County Cemetery.

## Michael J. Adams

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**  
JAN 22 2002

MALTA — Michael J. Adams, 45, of Malta, died Friday, Jan. 18, 2002, at the Phillips County Good Samaritan Center for Syndrome of Parkinson's Disease.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, at the Adams Memorial Chapel in Malta. Burial will be in the Hillside Cemetery in Dodson.

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**Ralph W. Adams**

PLENTYWOOD — Ralph W. Adams, 86, of Plentywood, died Thursday, March 14, 2002, at Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home in Plentywood.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, March 22, at the Plentywood Lutheran Church. Interment will be in Plentywood Memorial Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood is in charge.



## Beverly Jean Adkins

BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 03 2002

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Beverly Jean Adkins, 67, of Sheridan, died Thursday, Nov. 28, 2002, at her home.

Cremation has taken place. A private family service will be held at a later date. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

**Harold S. Adkins**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Harold S. Adkins, 71, of Sheridan, died Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2002, at the VA Medical Center in Sheridan.

No services are scheduled. Interment will be in the Oregon Trail State Veteran's Cemetery in Evansville. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

## **Gail Bibeau-Ady**

**MILES CITY —** Gail Bibeau-Ady, 65, of Miles City, formerly of Jordan, died Sunday, Sept. 22, 2002, at the Holy Rosary Health Center in Miles City.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, Sept. 25, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City, with a prayer service at 6 p.m. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 26, at the VFW Hall in Jordan. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Pioneer Cemetery in Jordan.

## Robert D. Affeldt

BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 12 2002

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Robert D. "Butch" Affeldt, 51, of Sheridan, died Sunday, Dec. 1, 2002, at his home.

Cremation has taken place with Kane Funeral Home & Crematory in Sheridan. A reception in his memory will be from 1 to 3 p.m. Monday, Dec. 16, at the Big Horn Mountain Eagles Aerie #4169.

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## Emma W. Ahern

BILLINGS GAZETTE  
JAN 11 2002

**B R O A D -  
V I E W** — Emma  
W. Ahern, 78, of  
Broadview,  
passed away  
Tuesday, Jan. 8,  
2002, at St.  
V i n c e n t  
Healthcare.



Emma was  
born June 9, **MRS. AHERN**  
1923, on a farm west of Billings.  
She was the seventh of nine chil-  
dren born to Wilhelm and  
Dorthea (Schmidt) Wegner. She  
was raised on the family farm  
where she was born, and she  
attended rural schools.

She met Michael J. (Mickey)  
Ahern and they were united in  
marriage in 1941. They just cele-  
brated their 60th anniversary.

Emma loved feeding and car-  
ing for her animals. She liked to  
read and was a great cook. Her  
family was her greatest interest.  
She was a member of Trinity  
Lutheran Church in Billings.

Mickey and Emma moved to  
Comanche, where they raised  
their three children.

Survivors include her husband  
Mickey; her daughter, Edith  
"Annie" (Bob) Sasse of Lavina;  
and two sons, John Ahern of the  
Bull Mountains and Paul (Mary)  
Ahern of Broadview; 10 grand-  
children, Robin Gantz, Jody Bob  
Sasse; Evanstar Ahern, Luke,  
Jacob, Rose, Jonathan, David,

Megan and Lori Ahern, and seven  
great-grandchildren; her sister  
Emilie Connolly of Harlowton;  
and brother, Solomon (Solly)  
Wegner of Malta; numerous  
nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m.  
Friday, Jan. 11, at the Trinity  
Lutheran Church, 537 Grand Ave.  
Billings. Interment will be at  
Sunset Memorial Gardens  
Memorials to the Trinity  
Lutheran Church.

# Lynn Ahlquist

BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG - 1 2002

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Lynn Ahlquist, 59, of Gillette, died Monday, July 29, 2002 at Campbell County Memorial Hospital.

Family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette, to celebrate her life.

# Robert Owen Ahrens

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL - 4 2002

SHELBY — Robert Owen Ahrens, age 66, of Shelby, passed away July 1, 2002, at Benefis East in Great Falls of heart failure due to diabetic complications. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 6, at the

Whitted Funeral Chapel in Shelby. Burial of ashes will follow at Mountain View Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the Marias Care Center, 640 Park Drive, Shelby, MT 59474.



**ROBERT  
AHRENS**

Survivors include his parents Wayne and Jessie Ahrens of Riverton, Wyo.; daughter Jana Anthony and granddaughter Brandi of Beaverton, Ore.; son, Steve and wife Julie Ahrens and grandchildren Dustin and Sharelle, all of Shelby; brothers Raymond, of Riverton, Wyo., and Roger of Salt Lake City; sister, Genevieve Olson of Lewiston, Idaho.

He was preceded in death by two infant siblings, Ronald and Jenette.

Robert was born May 6, 1936, in Chinook, to Wayne and Jessie (Wedeking) Ahrens. He attended school in Shelby and graduated

from Shelby High School in 1955 where he was affectionately known as "Tex." He lived and worked in Shelby until enlisting in the Army in 1957, serving three years. Robert married Sharlen Heath in 1960 at Billings, where they raised their children, Jan and Steve. They divorced in 1979. He retired from the U.S. Postal Service in 1994, after 28 years of service. At the time of his retirement, he was the last employee having served on the historic RPO (Railroad Post Office).

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, bowling, golf and spending time with his family and friends. He was an avid sports fan and enjoyed a good game of cards. Shortly after his retirement, Robert became ill with diabetes and suffered many complications of the disease. He was one of the first residents of the Marias Heritage Center in Shelby, where his smile and cheerful disposition made him loved by residents and staff alike. Robert could often be

found "hanging around" the Center's kitchen trying to sneak sweets, betting on sporting events or generally teasing the staff about one thing or another. He was always ready for a rousing card game, offering help and inspiration to others. Robert has left behind many friends — he will be greatly missed. His strength and spirit will live on.



# Robert L. Aichele

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**AUG - 4 2002**

Robert L. Aichele, 60, of Billings went home to be with his Lord August 2, 2002 after a battle with Leukemia. He died at home while surrounded by his family.

He was born on Aug. 13, 1941, in Denver to Clarence and Lucille Green Aichele. They moved to Laurel in 1948, where he graduated from Laurel High School and joined the U.S. Navy, serving from 1959 to 1963.

He married Marla McCracken on June 6, 1964, and was married 21 years until her death in 1985. Bob went to work for the Burlington Northern railroad as a carman and later advanced to budget manager. He later worked as a sales representative for Selover Buick from 1988 to the present time before his illness.

On Dec. 28, 1991, he married Myrna Topp Thompson in Sidney. They resided in Billings.



**ROBERT  
AICHELE**

Survivors include his wife Myrna; two sons, Brian and Brandon, both of Billings; three stepsons, Jim Thompson of Billings, Tim (Mary) Thompson of Helena, and Steve (Billie) Thompson of Farmington, Minn.; eight grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Also surviving are two brothers, Richard (Ethel) Aichele of Billings and Ben (Cindy) Aichele of Alabama; a step-sister, Colleen (Bob) Derry of Washington. His parents also preceded him in death.

Visitation and prayer service will be from 6 to 8 p.m., Monday, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery, 8th and St. Johns. Funeral service will be 10 a.m., Tuesday, at the Yellowstone Lutheran Brethren Church, 852 Governors Blvd. Cremation will follow. Memorials may be made to the Church or to Big Sky Hospice.

Bob will be very missed by his family, church, family and many friends. Blessed be the memory of Bob Aichele.

## Kimberly May Aisaican

BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG - 7 2002

Kimberly May Aisaican, 22 of Billings, passed away Wednesday, July 31, 2002, in an automobile accident in Idaho.

Kim was born Oct. 28, 1979, in Regina, Sask.

She is survived by her daughter, Kiesha McCoy Aisaican; her mother, Mavis Aisaican Vinson; and her father, David Vinson of Bill-



**KIMBERLY  
AISAICAN**

ings; brothers, Colin Aisaican of Billings and Joseph Vinson of Canada; sisters, Andrea Aisaican, Britteny Vinson and Hope Vinson of Billings, and Patient Vinson of Massachusetts; and her boyfriend, Curt Holtz, "Ozzy," of Billings.

She was a strong and loving mother and sister.

We all loved her and she will be missed.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 8, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary.

## **Ailene Kamla Aitken**

GLASGOW — Ailene Kamla Aitken, 84, died Saturday, Nov. 29, 2002, at her home south of Glasgow.

Services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3, at the First Congregational Church. Burial will follow in the Highland Cemetery. Bell Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**DEC 02 2002**

## Wayne Albern

MAY 11 2002

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

GLASGOW — Wayne Albern, 81, of Glasgow, died Monday, May 6, 2002, at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital, of a heart attack.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, May 13, at Bell Mortuary Chapel in Glasgow. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery in Glasgow.

# Lila Mae Albrecht

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 18 2002

**ROUNDUP** — On the 17th day of July of 2002, Lila Mae Sasse-Albrecht left this world and our physical companionship to reside with the angels.



**LILA  
ALBRECHT**

She was born on Jan. 30, 1936, in Belmont. She grew up on the family ranch south of Lavina with her older brother, Robert Sasse, older sister Shirley Sasse, and younger twin sisters, Marilyn and Carolyn Sasse.

She attended school in Belmont and graduated from Ryegate High School.

She married Lloyd Albrecht and had four children, Roger, Rita, Ross and Rona.

She also attended Beauty School and was a practicing beautician.

She was preceded in death by her father, Otto Henry Sasse; and Beryl Beatrice Sasse; and one nephew, Artie Sasse. She is survived by her brother, Bob; and three sisters, Shirley, Marilyn and Carolyn; her four children, Roger, Rita, Ross, Rona; and nine grandchildren, Chad, Travis, Jason, Renee, Sandra, Austin, Jacob, Taryn and Jessie; her countless

friends who knew and loved her as we do.

Cremation will take place.

A small service will be held for family and friends at her residence, 724 First Street, Apt. #4, on Sunday, the 21st of July, at 2 p.m. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## ELVIRA ALDEN

**CROW AGENCY** — Elvira Alden, 70, of Crow Agency, passed away Sunday, Feb. 17, 2002, in the Billings Deaconess Clinic.

Baahe'eLee NnahKush "Among good times and things" was born July 31, 1931, in Crow Agency, a daughter of Thomas and Elvira Eagle Bad Bear, Sr. She received her education in the Crow Agency area and later attended the Mile High Beauty College in Denver for two years. She worked for several years as licensed beautician in Colorado and Montana.

Elvira married Arthur C. Alden, Sr. on May 3, 1962, in Sheridan, Wyo., and the family made their home in Crow Agency.

She was a faithful member of the Four Square Pentecostal Church, Tobacco Society, Native American Church, Piegan clan and a child of the Greasy Mouth Clan.

Elvira was a Crow woman who participated in traditional sun dances and beading activities. She took great pride in explaining the art of beading to her family, as well as providing guidance in traditional manners



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surrounding powwows. She and her family traveled extensively throughout the United States and Canada. When at home, she was an avid sports fan.

Her parents, seven brothers, one sister and a grandson preceded Elvira in death.

Survivors include her husband Art of Crow Agency; 18 daughters, Mary (Albert) Gros Ventre, Ann Marie Alden, Nellie and Janice Bad Bear, Tammy (Robert) Montclair, Shirleen Hill, Victoria Bad Bear, Mervalene Eastman, Barbara Stewart, Gladys Sees the Ground and Debbie Russell of Crow Agency, LaVonna (Adrian) Bird of Hardin, Diana (Chester) Deputee of Billings, Alma (Tony) Davis of St. Xavier, Edwina (Tim) Jefferson of Lodge Grass, Mary Louise LaForge of Ashland, Christine (Ben) Lone Bear of North Dakota, and Thomasine Begaye of Arizona; 18 sons, Art (Tina) Alden, Jr. and Byron Bad Bear of Billings, Orrin (Glenette), Carl (Shannon), Matthew and Curtis Alden, Randy Morrison, Clayton (Daisy), Ira Lindsey, Wendell, Henry, Vincent (Jamie), Harlan and Thomas,

Maria) Bad Bear III, Carl, Edward and Billy Ray Eastman of Crow Agency, and Curtis (Sally) Yarlott of Ashland; eight sisters, Laura He Does It of Ft. Smith, Alice Mae Tobacco of Hardin, Darlene Eastman, Alma Cashen, Marjorie Wilkinson, Christine Stewart, Carol (Vernon) White Clay and Connie Brown of Crow Agency; five brothers, Hartford Black Eagle, Sr. of Lodge Grass, Thomas (Shirley) Bad Bear, Jr. and David (Beradine) Bad Bear of Crow Agency, Dreke Irwin and Levi Bruce of North Dakota; five adopted sons, Bill Cashen of Hardin, Raymond Falls Down, Jr. of Crow Agency, Marvin Gowan of Arizona, Isaac Bird in Ground of Garryowen, and Les (Delores) Big Swallow of Canada; four adopted daughters, Kim Scout of Canada, Jennifer Turns Plenty, Elsie and Carla Falls Down of Crow Agency; six adopted sisters, Claudia Thompson of Arizona, Lavina Black Wolf and Leona Limberhand of Lame Deer, Pansey Williamson, Elsie Pretty Paint and Myrna Old Horn of Crow Agency; one adopted brother, Albert Caplett of Hardin; 63 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her extended families, including the Stand Over Bull, House, Bad Bear, Gun Shows, Other Black Bird, Tobacco, Sees the Ground, Old

Crow Don't Mix, Big Lake, Johnson, Spotted Wolf, Bertha Bear Claw, William Medicine Crow and Margaret Spotted House Stewart families; and her special friends, Annie Singer, Katie Pretty Weasel, Nellie Petty, Jackie Garcia, Regina, Goes Ahead and Gerlinda Morrison; and a special sister-in-law, Hannah Big Man.

Funeral services will be held, 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 21, in the Crow Agency St. Dennis Catholic Church Social Room. Interment will follow in the Crow Agency Cemetery.

Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

## Clyde L. Alderman

BILLINGS, MT - Clyde L. Alderman, passed away June 13, 2002 at his home in Billings, Montana at the age of 74.

He was born Jan. 1, 1928 to Charles and Marie Alderman on a ranch near Ericson, NE. It was during a blizzard and it took three days for a doctor to arrive at their home in the country.

The family came to Yakima, WA and worked in the hops, after harvest moved to Oregon and later in 1943 came back to Yakima and settled here.

He joined the Navy in 1945. After he got out of the Navy he worked for the Gas-seling's in the hop fields.

On Nov. 2, 1952 he married Virginia Westman of Jamestown, ND. They lived in Yakima before moving to Montana in 1955.

Clyde was a truck driver for most of his life. He was a Ham Operator and talked to people across the United States while driving truck. At the age of 60 he earned his GED.

He is survived by his loving family, his wife Virginia of Billings; 3 sons, Roger of Spokane, WA, Wayne & Rebecca of Idaho Falls, ID, Alen of Billings; 2 grandchildren, Caitlin & Chad Alderman of Idaho Falls, ID; 6 sisters, Alyce Witt, Burwell, IE. Michey Wiley, Yakima,

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Shasta Lake City, CA, Virginia Saner, Yakima, Darlene hale of Burien, WA; 3 brothers, Darrell & Coralee c Yakima, Raymond & Pat and Clifford & Bobbie o Woodland, WA, and many nieces and nephews.

Clyde was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, 1 sister Pearl Larvilly, 3 brothers, Ellsworth, James and Leland Alderman and 2 nephews.

A service of remembrance will be held in August at the Alderman Family Reunion in Yakima, WA.

Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, P.O. Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107



## Louis K. 'Ken' Alexander

MILES CITY — Louis K. (Ken) Alexander, 68, of Miles City, died Saturday, Aug. 31, 2002, at Holy Rosary Health Care from complications of a stroke.

He was born in Glasgow on Nov. 26, 1933, to Louis S. Alexander and Inez Brown Alexander. He married Janice Pipin of Saco on June 30, 1956, and she survives him in the family home. Also surviving are a son, Paul "P.K." and Jaide, granddaughter, of Miles City, and his sister, Inez Kay Carmichael of Hickory, N.C. Other survivors include aunts, uncles and cousins in Washington state and Western Montana and many nieces and nephews. His parents and two infant sisters preceded him in death.

His career in the printing industry spanned four decades, culminating with his ownership of five weekly newspapers, the Powder River Examiner at Broadus, Hysham Echo, The Jordan Tribune, Fairview News and The Circle Banner. He sold the chain of papers in 1985.



**"KEN"  
ALEXANDER**

His career began in Glasgow at the Glasgow Courier as "printer's devil" in the late '40s. He was a printer by trade, putting ads together with lead and linotype. He was promoted to advertising salesman at the Courier in 1959 where he discovered his calling. In 1960 he took a position at the Lewistown Daily News as manager of the commercial printing department. He advanced to manager of the Lewistown News Argus in 1963 and continued in that position until December 1975. While manager of the Argus he was instrumental in converting to offset printing, which was coming in vogue. He purchased the chain of weekly newspapers in 1977, moving to Miles City. He took a job in Powell, Wyo., in 1987, selling advertising for the Powell Tribune before returning to Miles City in January 1989 when he purchased the arena near Miles City. He was elected president of Montana National Advertising Service in 1966-67.

He served in the 163rd Armored Cavalry of the Montana National Guard for 14 years. He was commissioned a 2nd lieutenant after graduating from the first Officer Candidate School presented by the National Guard.

Very active in civic affairs, he was past president of the Lewistown Jaycees, past director of Lewistown Kiwanis Club, director of Lewistown Area Chamber of Commerce and past president of Sage Riders Riding Club. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Award by the Central Montana Jaycees of Lewistown in 1967 and appeared in "Outstanding Young Men of America." He was a 41-year member of the Elks lodge, joining under the sponsorship of his father in Glasgow and transferring to Miles City.

His passion for horses led to his becoming a respected horse trainer. In earlier years he team-roped in the Northern Rodeo Association and in jackpots where he won several buckles. Upon returning from Wyoming in 1989, he purchased the former Looman Arena near Miles City fulfilling a life-long dream. He coached many area high school students in horsemanship and was especially proud of their accomplishments. He was selected as an extra in 1993 for the miniseries "Return to Lonesome Dove" which airs periodically on television.

At his request cremation will take place and the ashes will be scattered by the family at a later date.

Services will be Friday, Sept. 1 at 11 a.m. at Stevenson & Son Funeral Home in Miles City. Memorials may be made to charity of one's choice.

## **Wilbur Fay Alexander**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

CODY, Wyo. — Wilbur Fay Alexander, 84, died Wednesday, July 31, 2002, at the West Park Hospital in Cody.

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Visitation will be from 7 to 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2, at Bryant Funeral Home in Worland. Funeral services will be at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, at the First Baptist Church in Worland. Interment will be in Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Worland.

## **Helen Margaret 'Peg' Aline**

**GREAT FALLS** — Helen Margaret "Peg" Boettcher Aline, 70, of Great Falls, died Monday, Feb. 25, 2002, at a Great Falls hospital, of natural causes.

Helen was born Oct. 12, 1931, in Malta, and she was raised in Dodson and Neihart. She graduated from Neihart High School and worked at Great Falls National Bank for several years. In 1956, she married Joseph J. Aline at St. Gerard's Catholic Church in Great Falls. She was a homemaker for her family in Great Falls and Laurel, retiring in 1990 with her husband to Marshall Lanes on the Missouri River. They returned to Great Falls in 1999 when her husband developed health problems.

Helen was a member of Wolf Creek Garden Club and a Holy Spirit Catholic Parish member. She enjoyed gardening, playing cards, fishing and entertaining

family and friends.

She is survived by her mother Marion Boettcher of Great Falls her son, Ronald Aline of Salt Lake City; a sister, Dorothy Nebel of Monarch; her brothers, Donald Boettcher of Mesa, Ariz., Larry Boettcher of Conrad and Jack Boettcher of Shelby; 10 nephews; 12 nieces; and 29 great-nieces and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Walter F. Boettcher; and her husband Joseph on Oct. 24, 2001.

Funeral liturgy will be at 10 a.m. Friday, March 1, at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church. Rite of committal will be in Mount Olivet Cemetery. Vigil for the deceased will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 28, at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church. Visitation will be Thursday at the O'Connor Funeral Home until 5 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the Holy Spirit Catholic Church.

## **Ben Newton Allen**

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Ben Newton Allen, 89, of Billings, passed away at his home on Tuesday, June 18, 2002.

Ben was born in Moberly, Mo., on Nov. 19, 1912, and moved to Ten Sleep, Wyo., at the age of 2, where he was raised by his mother, Kate (Hall) Allen and her husband, Bert Allen. He received his education and graduated there.

On Dec. 24, 1941, Ben entered into active duty with the Army Air Corps and served the Pacific during WWII. He was discharged as a sergeant in November of 1945. Upon returning to the states, Ben worked on a ranch south of Bozeman, later driving truck professionally and working various construction jobs throughout Montana. Ben was married three times, most recently to Florence Cantrell Thompson in 1987.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Patricia Coppinger; three grandsons; numerous great-grandchildren; and other extended family.

Cremation has taken place and graveside services with military honors are scheduled for 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 22, at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, Lavina Senior Citizens Center or charity of choice.

Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

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GREYBULL, Wyo. — Clark Scott Allen, age 86, passed away at the Powell Hospital on Friday afternoon, Dec. 13, 2002, following a massive stroke suffered on Nov. 21, in Greybull.

Clarke S. Allen was born on July 21, 1916 in Spokane, Wash., to Louis E. Allen and Betty Mary Enyeart Allen.

His fondest memories were of his early years (1930-1943), spent in the gold mining camps of Idaho and Western Montana; fishing and hunting to provide meat for the camps until he was old enough to work underground in the mines, and finally as dredge master of a large gold dredge.

Clarke married Thelma "Sis" Paustian on Dec. 24, 1938, and they had three children; Kenneth, Carol Sue and Lorene Kay. They moved to Billings to work for H&S Machine Shop from 1946-1956, and then moved on to Greybull to work for Wyo-Ben Products. He retired as maintenance supervisor in 1984, at the age of 68.

Clarke spent most of his later years in the Big Horn Mountains downing trees to be cut, split, stacked and delivered to customers in the Greybull-Basin-Shell area. He also enjoyed driving a beet truck for many years. Clarke was a 56-year member of

Greybull Elks Club, and a member of the Yankee Fork Gold Dredge Association in Idaho.

Clark was preceded in death by his wife, Sis, and youngest daughter, Lorene Noble.

He leaves behind his son, Kenneth (Mary) Allen of Powell a daughter, Carol (Dennis Ingwersen of Northglenn, Colo seven grandchildren, including two that he was especially close to, Rory (Randi) Noble of Greybull, and Mindy (John Hurd of Cheyenne; and 12<sup>1/2</sup> great-grandchildren. He also leaves behind a sister-in-law Lois Washut and brother-in-law Paul Paustian, both of Sheridan special friends Dave and Jean Anderson, Reynolds and Thelma Kost and Betty Lipp.

As per Clarke's request, his body has been cremated and no services will be held. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home of Powell is in charge.

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**Ed L. Allen**

WORLAND, Wyo. — Ed L. Allen, 82, died Saturday, March 30, 2002, at Worland Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m., Tuesday, April 2, at the First Southern Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Riverview Memorial Gardens. Veile Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

**Gail Roberta Kanvick Allen**

Three days after her 49th birthday, Gail died at her home in Billings, on Oct. 28, 2002. Gail had only recently been diagnosed with a brain tumor.

Born Oct. 25, 1953, in Billings, Gail was the daughter of Jack and Neola (Bean) Kanvick, sharing the same birthday with her twin brother, Butch. She graduated from West High School.



**GAIL  
ALLEN**

For a period of time, Gail worked in Denver at Mercy Hospital, but most of her life was spent in Billings. Gail ran a day-care in her home for many years. She worked as a telephone operator for AT&T and was a dedicated 911 dispatcher for the city of Billings, a job she truly loved.

In her union with Sherman Allen, they had three children. Gail's greatest joy is her six grandchildren; secondly, she loved ballet and shared that love with her daughters.

She adored pets and volunteered for Help for Homeless Pets. She enjoyed car racing and

the Mustangs' baseball games.

She leaves behind her mother, Neola Kanvick of Billings her children, son Darrell and Wendy Allen of Livingston, and daughters Jennifer and Cheryl Allen of Billings; six grandchildren, Orlando, Jade, Jasmine, Christy, Tyra and Lauren; and two dogs and two cats; sisters, Linda Balfany and her husband Alden of Salisbury, Md., Carol Sharp of Eureka, Calif., Jackie Faller and her husband Ken from Ohio; brothers, twin brother, Butch Kanvick, and Gary Kanvick and his wife Cindi, all of Billings; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her father, Jack Kanvick; infant daughter, Victoria Rae; and two nephews.

She will be dearly missed, especially by her grandchildren, family and anyone her life touched. We love you, Mother.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1, at Dahl Funeral Chapel.

Gail will be laid to rest in Mountview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Help for Homeless Pets, Box 1282, Billings 59103 or Northern Rockies Cancer Center, Box 369, Billings 59101.



James Joseph Allen, 67, of Billings, formerly of Roundup, passed away July 15, 2002, at his home, 1005 O'Malley Drive in Billings, after a long illness of mesothelioma cancer.



**JAMES J.  
ALLEN**

He was born north of Laurel on the Dibold family farm, Oct. 2, 1934, the son of Gilbert and Anna Dibold Allen. Jim was schooled in Laurel and Billings and received his GED while serving in the Navy. He worked various ranch jobs until he went into the Navy and served in the Korean War from 1952 to 1956.

James Allen married Donita Wons in Seattle on Nov. 21, 1953. They moved to Billings, raised a family of eight children, where he worked 29 years at the Conoco Refinery. They were later divorced in 1978. Jim retired from Conoco in 1985. Jim and Gladys Womeldorf operated the JXD Ranch from 1980 until present. He and Gladys were married in Billings on Nov. 24, 2001. He had also worked at the Roundup Vet Clinic for eight years.

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Survivors include his wife Gladys; three sons Robert c Monroe, Wash., Joe (Ingrid) c Billings, Kelly (Gena) c Melstone; three daughters, Terry (Don) Bermes of Molt, Susan Lupò of Billings and Verna (Bryan) Glassing of Billings; three stepsons, Jack and John of Billings and Jay Womeldorf of Seattle; 30 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; five brothers, Gil (Betty), Pat (Grace), Ed, Tim, Art (Genevieve); four sisters, Shirley Smart, Helen (Leonard) Craig, Bonnie (Mike) Thomas and Mary (Steve) Schweitzer. Jim has been preceded in death by his parents; a precious daughter Annie; a son Donald; and a daughter-in-law, Debbie Anderson Allen.

James Allen always had a strong generous heart and he valued helping people.

Rosary will be 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 17, and Funeral Mass will be 10 a.m. Thursday, July 18, both at the Little Flower Catholic Church, 209 S. 35th St. Rite of committal to be at Holy Cross Cemetery.

At Jim's request, in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the cancer research center at St. Vincent Hospital or to the Billings Food Bank.

"Say a prayer today for me, for where I lay, some day you'll be."

Arrangements are by  
Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

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**Jule Y. Allen**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. -- Jule Y. Allen, 68, of Sheridan, formerly of Hemet, Calif., died Saturday, April 13, 2002, at her home.

Cremation has taken place. At her request, no services will be held. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

## Lee Allen

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BURLINGTON, Wyo. — Lee Allen, 59, of Burlington, died Sunday, Nov. 3, 2002, at West Park Hospital in Cody.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 7, at the Burlington Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Interment will follow in Burlington Cemetery. Viewing will be one hour prior to services. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

## Wallace 'Wally' Allen

PUEBLO, Colo. — Wallace "Wally" Allen, 73, passed away Saturday, July 27, 2002.

Survived by his wife of 51 years, Naomi Haswell Allan of the family home; chil-

dren, Wallace N.

"Butch" (Sandra)

Allen of Sandy,

Utah, Charles R.

Allen of Greeley,

Colo., Amanda

K. (Ronald) Bje-

lland of Billings;

sister, Juanita

(Dr. C.E.) Ditter-

line of Carlsbad,

N.M.; grandchil-

dren, Emily R. Allen, Seth Allen,

Amanda Allen, Jeffrey Allen, Sara

Bjelland, Eric Bjelland; great-

granddaughter, Bethanne Heine-

man of Clearwater, Fla.; and

numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by his par-

ents, Wallace and Addie Bell

Allen; and brother, Banks Allen.

Wally was born on May 30,

1929, in Pueblo. He was a veteran

of the U.S. Navy. He served on

the Pueblo Police Department

from 1952 until 1962, was a deputy

U.S. marshal from 1962 to 1972,

and with the Civil Aviation

Security, Federal Aviation

Security Division from 1972 to

1994. Wally was noted as being

one of the original sky marshals.



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ALLEN**

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He was an active member of Ascension Episcopal Church where he taught Sunday school. He was also a member of the Silver State Lodge No. 95 AF & Am. At his request, there will be no viewing. Cremation has taken place at Montgomery & Steward Crematorium.

In lieu of flowers, send donations to Ascension Episcopal Youth Fund, Ascension Episcopal Church, 420 W. 18th St., Pueblo, CO 81008, or to the Pueblo County Historical Society through the funeral home.

## Mary E. Aller

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SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Mary E. Aller, 87, of Sheridan, died Friday, Nov. 29, 2002, at Sheridan Manor.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 4, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Cremation will follow the service. Interment of remains will be in the Black Hills National Cemetery.

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## Howard Allison

**BROADUS** — Howard Allison, 76, of Broadus, died Saturday, June 15, 2002, at the Powder River Manor in Broadus.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 18, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Broadus. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 19, at Stevenson & Sons. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Valley View Cemetery in Broadus.

## Donald Lee Allman

Donald Lee Allman, 70, passed away Saturday, Dec. 14, 2002 at St. Vincent Healthcare, after a tragic accident.

Donald was born Dec. 28, 1931 in Billings, to Lee F. and Ruth H. (Behner) Allman. Don attended the University of Washington at Seattle where he earned a BS in Electrical Engineering. Don retired from Lockheed Missiles and Space in 1976 after a 21-year career. Don felt proud to be involved with the Atlas Missile program at Cape Canaveral, Fla., and Sunnyvale, Calif. Don's entrepreneurial endeavors included real estate and business. He lived his dream of owning and operating Maxine's Bakery and Restaurant in Billings, with his wife Maxine. Don enjoyed many life experiences with his family and friends, including flying his private plane, water and snow skiing, camping and the outdoors, and restoring antique cars. Don was on the cutting edge of the electric car era by designing, building, and racing his own electric car in the early '80s. In his youth, he was active in the Boy Scouts.

Don leaves behind his loving wife, Maxine, of 50 years; four daughters who loved and respected him, Pam (Larry Rennacker) Allman, Faye Allman Scheff, Zoe Ann (Mike) Melen and Gwyn (Dave Gohdes)

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Allman; grandchildren, Travi and Nathan Rennacker, Kristel and Brandon Scheff, and Tyle Melen; his sister, Dorothy (Mike Gray); and nephews, Alex and Tim.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, at the Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Big Sky Hospice, PC Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107, or charity of your choice.



## Vena M. Allred

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SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Vena M. Allred, 92, of Sheridan, died Saturday, Feb. 2, 2002, at Sheridan Manor.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 8, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan.

## Amanda Theresa Allwin

LAUREL — Amanda Theresa Allwin, 95, of Laurel, passed away in her home, Friday, Aug. 2, 2002, on what would have been her 75th wedding anniversary.

Amanda was born in Martin, N.D., March 2, 1907 to Charles and Anna Duda. She was the sixth of 11 children. She was the first of the family to graduate from high school and went on to

become a teacher. She married John Allwin in Annamoose, N.D., on Aug. 2, 1927. They then moved to Sweetgrass and later to Laurel, where John worked at the Cenex Refinery. She resided in her home in Laurel until her death.

Amanda loved her garden and her flowers. She was a charter member of the Unity Garden Club for 62 years. She also belonged to a "coffee ladies" group which met every week since 1944. Amanda was also a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church and was a lifetime member of Altar Society. She worked for many families in Laurel and Billings caring for their children. She lived for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The babies were her greatest joy.



**AMANDA  
ALLWIN**

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She is survived by her three children, Chuck (Carole) Allwin of Kearney, Neb., Amy (Bruce Swanson of Laurel, Dennis (Gloria) Allwin of Laurel, and daughter-in-law, Joan Allwin of Independence, Mo., 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Alvina Joos of Hopkins, Minn., and Sylvia Reshel of Mequon, Wis., and two sisters-in-law, Lillian Duda of Pine City, Minn., and Helen Duda of Hopkins, Minn.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John in 1960; a son, Vernon in 1977; a grandson, Ross Allwin in 1996; five brothers and three sisters.

A vigil service will be 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7 at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 8 at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Laurel. Interment will be in St. Anthony Cemetery.

## Dorothy Alm

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HELENA — Services for Dorothy Alm (Mamo), 69, will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday, May 31, at Memorial Chapel Funeral Home in Casper, Wyo. She passed away May 27, 2002, at her home in Helena.

Dorothy was born on Dec. 14, 1932, in Byron, Wyo., to Harriet and Parley Vail and was the youngest of four children. She lived most of her life in Wyoming, with a short time spent in Montana. Dorothy married Charles Gray in 1950 and he was killed in an automobile accident in 1955. She was remarried to Richard Alm in 1958 and they divorced in 1973.

She will be remembered for her love of life and family, reading, golfing, playing games, camping with her family and her ability to make a good thing of a bad situation. She was an active member in the community and belonged to the American Legion Auxiliary, VFW Auxiliary and Eagles Ladies Auxiliary. She was a homemaker and worked at various businesses throughout the area. She always made time to help others.

She is survived by her son Jim Gray and wife Debbie of Denver; daughter Angie Smith of Price, Utah; son Bill Gray and wife

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Shelly of Casper; son Mike Gray of Catalina, Ariz.; and daughter Annette McReynolds and husband Michael of Helena. She had numerous grandchildren, Dhar and Deva Smith, Michelle Mitchell, Ryan Gray, Mary Ann Gray, Tangney Gray, Patrick, Matthew, Virginia, Amber and Richard McReynolds and great-grandchildren, Dakota, Evangeline, Manuel, Alexis, Sonya, Trevor, Chaselynn and Caleb. A sister, Shirley Smith of Bridger and numerous nieces and nephews also survive her. Dorothy welcomed many people into her family and considered them her children and grandchildren. Unfortunately, there are too many to name.

She was preceded in death by her mother and stepfather, Harriet and Lewis Barnes, her father Parley Vail; and sister and brother, Inez and Orval Vail. She will be remembered always and missed forever.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Central Wyoming Hospice or ~~Wish~~ a Wish Foundation of Casper.

# Mary P. Almer

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Mary P. Almer, 73, of Billings, formerly of Red Lodge, went to be with the Lord and her husband on Wednesday, May 22, 2002, at St. John's Lutheran Home, where she had resided the past four years.

Mary was born on Jan. 4, 1929, in Miller, Kan., a daughter of Joseph and Mary Potter. Her family came to Red Lodge in 1934, where she was raised and



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educated. They moved to Billings, where Mary graduated from Billings Senior High School in 1947.

On July 31, 1948, she was married to Gordon Almer in Billings. They resided in Billings, later moving to Red Lodge in 1962. In 1990, Gordon and Mary returned to Billings. She was preceded in death by her husband on Nov. 30, 1994.

Mary's hobbies included knitting, embroidery, jigsaw and crossword puzzles.

Survivors include two daughters, Janie (John) Michelcic of Red Lodge, and Nancy Almer and her fiancé Marty Bracha of Moore; one son, Bill Almer of Billings; four grandchildren, Russ Michelcic, Paula (Neal) Rioux,

Sara (Mike) Dunn and Philip Almer; and six great-grandchildren, Steven Roat, MacKenzie, Shelbi Jo and Maycie Michelcic, and Jessica and Kalee Rioux.

Visitation will be from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday, May 24, in Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel in Red Lodge. Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 25, in Rockvale Cemetery. Memorials may be given to St. John's Lutheran Home.

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**Violet M. Almond**

SIDNEY — Violet M. Almond, 80, died Friday, Sept. 13, 2002 at her home.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 18 at the Faith Alliance Church. Interment will be in the Klempel Family Cemetery in Lambert. Fulkerson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Elizabeth Alt

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WHITE SULPHUR  
SPRINGS — Elizabeth Alt, 89, of  
White Sulphur Springs, died  
Sunday, Aug. 18, 2002, at the  
local nursing home.

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Funeral services will be at  
1:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 22, at  
the Mountainview Nursing  
Home. Private family interment  
in Mayn Cemetery will precede  
the services. Twichel Funeral  
Home of White Sulphur Springs  
is in charge of arrangements.

**Marcella Altenhofen**

MILES CITY — Marcella "Marcy" Altenhofen, 93, of Miles City, formerly of Lewistown, died Tuesday, July 9, 2002, at the Friendship Villa in Miles City.

A vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Friday, July 12, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 13, at St. Leo's Catholic Church in Lewistown. Rite of committal will follow in the family lot in the Calvary Cemetery in Lewistown.

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# **Audrey Mae Amberg**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**FEB 25 2002**

HELENA — Audrey Mae Amberg, 65, died Saturday, Feb. 23, 2002, at her home.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Helena. Cremation has taken place and interment will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens, Helena. Hagler-Anderson Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

## Gerald A. Ambrogi

CODY, Wyo. — Gerald A. "Jerry" Ambrogi, 62, of Cody, died Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2002, at his home.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 29, at Ballard Funeral Home in Cody. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 30, at Ballard Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the Riverside Cemetery.

## **Roland D. Amdahl**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUL - 4 2002**

HELENA — Roland "Ron" D. Amdahl, 69, of Helena, died Monday, July 1, 2002, at the Benefis East Hospital in Great Falls.

A rosary will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 5, at the Cathedral of St. Helena, with a burial mass at 11 a.m. Interment will follow the services in the Montana State Veterans Cemetery at Ft. Harrison, Helena. Retz Funeral Home of Helena is in charge.

## **Dolores Cecelia Ann Orzel Ames**

**BIG TIMBER** — Dolores Cecelia Ann Orzel Ames went to be with our Lord on Sept. 17, 2002, after a very short but hard battle with a very aggressive form of scleroderma, a very rare autoimmune disorder.

She was born Nov. 22, 1931, to Stanley and Mary Orzel in Binghamton, N.Y. She was sister to seven brothers and one sister. She passed away in Binghamton.

She is survived by her husband of 50 years, George Ames of Big Timber, where they have lived for the last 31 years; daughter Patti and Don Stewart and children; sons Danny and Betty Ames and children, Stub and Pam Ames and children, and Mike and Dee Ames and children.

A Catholic wake service will be held Friday, Sept. 27, at 7 p.m., at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Big Timber. Mass will be said at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28, at St. Joseph's.

Memorials can be made in her name to: Johns Hopkins Scleroderma Center, c/o Fredrick M. Wigley, MD, Division of Rheumatology, 1830 East Monument St., Suite 7500, Baltimore, MD 21205.

**MAR 28 2002****William G. Amman**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — William G. Amman, 74, of Sheridan, died Tuesday, March 26, 2002, at Westview Health Care Center.

Rosary services will be at 7 p.m. Monday, April 1, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Interment will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 3, at Oregon Trails State Cemetery.

**Everett Michael-Carson  
Amon**

**MALTA** — Everett Michael-Carson Amon, 2 years, died Friday, Sept. 6, 2002, at the Phillips County Hospital, from a heart problem.

Funeral services will be 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11, at the Adams Memorial Chapel, with burial in the Malta Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home of Malta is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include his parents, Russell R. and Koren (Moran) Amon III of Malta; sisters, Jessica Desjarlais, Jennifer Desjarlais, Allissa Desjarlais, Brianne Amon, Danae Amon, all of Malta; brothers, T.J. Amon, Quentin Amon of Malta; maternal grandparents, Rev. Alfred and Debbie Moran of Malta; paternal grandmother Jewell Amon of Yuma, Ariz.; great-grandparents, Alfred and Rose Moran of Columbia Falls, Thelma Stevens of Malta; great-great grandmother, Katherine Azure of Columbia Falls; numerous aunts and uncles.

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AMON**

He was preceded in death by grandfather, Russell Ray Amon Jr. and great-grandparents.

Everett was born Dec. 16, 1999, at Williston, N.D., the son of Russell Ray and Koren D. (Moran) Amon III. He had lived in Malta most of his life. He enjoyed Veggie Tales with Larry Boy, Barney and Batman on television. He was just learning to ride a horse and enjoyed going hunting with his grandpa. Everett loved being around people and always had a smile on his face. He will be remembered for his beautiful curls.

## **ALICE AMOS**

**BELLINGS GAZETT**

**FEB 20 2002**

**WHITEHALL** — Alice Amos, 82, of Whitehall, died Monday, Feb. 18, 2002, at the Golden Gardens in Whitehall.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, at Scott Funeral Home in Whitehall. Interment will follow in Whitehall.

## **Norman Andersen**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**NOV 20 2002**

PLENTYWOOD — Norman Andersen, 67, died Monday, Nov. 18, 2002, at Sheridan Memorial Hospital in Plentywood, after suffering a stroke Sunday, Nov. 17.

Funeral services for will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, at the Medicine Lake Lutheran Church. Interment will be in Nathanael Cemetery at Dagmar. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood is in charge.



## Anne Pauline Anderson

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

Anne Pauline Anderson, age 87, passed away on Tuesday, June 11, 2002. She will be remembered as a faithful wife and a caring, selfless mother and grandmother.

She was born on Dec. 31, 1914, in Shepherd, to Nels and Dina Johnson. She had 11 brothers and sisters. Anne attended



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school in Shepherd and Billings. After graduation, she attended Billings Business College. Later, she worked in the assessor's office of Yellowstone County.

Anne married Orville Kenneth Anderson on Nov. 16, 1934. They had three daughters: LaDonna (Frank) Oster, Barbara Ostrum and Bonnie Kellison. They had one son, Orville Kenneth, Jr., who died at six weeks of age in September of 1952.

Anne was preceded in death by her husband who died this past Jan. 19, 2002. Besides their three daughters, she is survived by seven grandchildren, Laurel Zerr of Littleton, Colo., Kellie Krogedal of Billings, Don Oster of Colorado Springs, Jennifer Haarr and Scott Ostrum of Billings,

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Brannan Jordan of West Virginia and Ryan Strecker of Billings. Her family also includes seven great-grandchildren. Four of Anne's sisters are living: Olga Korenko, Frances Ivie of Billings, Gladys Tippetts of Glasgow, and June Tweedy of Concord, Calif.

Anne was an accomplished piano player, accompanying singing groups and soloists. She played in a number of dance bands in the 1940s and 1950s in the Yellowstone area. She sang alto in the Billings Symphony and American Lutheran Church senior choir and church quartet for many years. Anne also enjoyed playing Bridge for over 50 years. Anne deeply loved her family her friends, her church, and her Lord.

"It's all about FAITH."

Visitations will begin Wednesday afternoon at the Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. W. The funeral service will be at 11 a.m. on Friday, June 14, at American Lutheran Church, 5 Lewis Ave. Interment will follow at the Terrace Gardens Cemetery. Smith West Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to American Lutheran Church, 5 Lewis Ave., Billings, MT 59101 or to the charity of one's choice.

## **Arvid D. Anderson**

LIVINGSTON — Arvid D. Anderson, 78, of Livingston, died Sunday, Sept. 22, 2002, at Bozeman Deaconess Hospital.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home in Livingston. Graveside committal and burial will follow in Mountain View Cemetery.

**WILSON O. A.O.**  
**Anderson**

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**  
**OCT 15 2002**

GLASGOW — Ashley C. "A.C." Anderson was born on June 27, 1924, in Boy River, Minn., to Alfred and Mable Anderson. A cardiac arrest took his life on Oct. 12, 2002.

He attended Boy River school from the late 1930s to the early 1940s. He worked in the CCC camps near Remer, Minn., serving as an ambulance driver for the Army and as a caterpillar operator for the Forest Service. He joined the Navy in the winter of 1942, serving four-and-a-half years in the North Atlantic and the South Pacific.



In March of 1947, he moved to Montana and worked for a while on ranches until obtaining employment with the Great Northern Railroad in August of 1948 and worked until his retirement as an engineer from the Burlington Northern Railroad in 1987.

He purchased a small farm/ranch near Tampico in the late 1950s and enjoyed his horses, cows, chickens, turkeys, pigs and the work that went with it.

He married Mary in 1940, and resided with her in Glasgow until their passing on Oct. 12.

He was extremely proud of his membership in the North Star Lodge No. 46, and as a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Harold, Robert and Randal. He is survived by his brothers, Vernon Anderson, Kenneth Anderson; and a sister, Leona Lyons, all residing in Minnesota.

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His large family included a son, Clarence (Marie) Anderson of Grand Coulee, Wash., and their children, Douglas (Holly) Anderson of Spokane, Wash., Stephanie, her sons, Dakotah, Jared, Kyle and Colton of Grand Coulee, Wash., Mike (Jodie) Perry and their sons, J.C., Jordan, Tanner and Conner of Chester; his daughter, Mary Jo (Frank) Anderson residing in Glasgow; a stepson, Jack (Earline) Rosander, their children, Shelby and Thomas of Denver, and her children, Brian Chouinard of Portland, Ore., and Jacque (Chas) Chouinard of Glasgow, and her children Dominic and Janeil of Glasgow; a stepdaughter, Jenny (Bill) Rosander, and children Vanessa, Jenny and Brad of Billings.

Andy, with his Pennsylvtucky Gal in his four wheel drive could usually be seen viewing the south 40 and enjoying the big Montana sky.

They will be together enjoying dancing to the Country Bumpkin forever.

Services for Ashley and Mary Anderson will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 16, at First Lutheran Church in Glasgow, with Rev. Martin Mock officiating. A private cemetery burial will be held. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge of arrangements.

**Dick Anderson**

**RED LODGE** — Richard L. "Dick" Anderson, 54, of Red Lodge, passed away Friday morning, March 1, 2002, in Deaconess Billings Clinic, due to complications following recent surgery.

Dick was born on April 24, 1947, in Inglewood, Calif., a son of Walter and Shirley Anderson. He attended law enforcement academy in California, and began his career as a peace officer with the Mono County Sheriff's Department.



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He came to Montana in 1980, attended the law enforcement academy in Bozeman and began working as a police officer for the City of Red Lodge. Dick remained with the Red Lodge Police Department since that time, serving as Assistant Chief for the past 10 years.

On June 12, 1982, he married Babete House in Red Lodge. Dick was a devoted husband and father. A classic car enthusiast, he greatly enjoyed restoring his 1952 Ford.

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Survivors include his wife, Babete Anderson; and their two sons, Evin and Cory Anderson, all of the family home; his father, Walter Anderson of Red Lodge; and two brothers, Mike Anderson of Hilo, Hawaii, and Chuck Anderson of Pollock Pines, Calif.

A public memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 6, in the Veterans Memorial Civic Center in Red Lodge. Cremation has taken place, with Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel in charge of arrangements.

Memorials are preferred to an education fund for Evin and Cory Anderson, in care of the US National Bank, Box 910, Red Lodge, MT 59068.

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## **Donna Jean (Smith) Anderson**

Our beloved wife, mother and grandmother, Donna Jean (Smith) Anderson, age 73, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 10, 2002, at the Horizon Hospice Home in Billings, after a four-year courageous battle with cancer.

Donna was born in Billings, the youngest of nine children of Pete and Mary Smith. She attended school in Billings.

On Jan. 11, 1947, she married Kenneth B. Anderson in Billings.

They lived in Montana, California and North Dakota while her husband was an ironworker.

They raised four children: Larry, Dennis, Sandy and Gordon. They made Billings their home in 1958.

Donna cherished her husband, children, grandchildren and great-grandchild.

Her entire life was centered around her family. Her family cherished her also and appreciated everything she had done for them.

She will be in our prayers always and deeply missed. Donna was very caring, loving and strong-hearted.

Survivors include her husband, Kenneth B. Anderson; son Dennis (Sandy) Anderson, granddaughter Lisa (Justin) Norby and their son Seth Norby, Donna's only great-grandson, all of Billings; and grandson Dennis Anderson II of Chicago; daughter, Sandy Ilie, grandsons Anthony Ilie and Alex Borgen, all of Billings; son, Gordon Anderson, granddaughter Felicia Anderson, both of Billings; sister, Frieda Bott of Billings; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Donna was preceded in death by her parents; brothers; sisters; and her first child, Larry Kenneth Anderson at age 27.

At her request, no services will be held. Cremation has taken place and her ashes will be spread on her son Larry's grave at a later date.



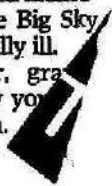
**DONNA  
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Special thanks to the Horizon Hospice Home for their care and support, and Dr. Gerado Midence whose help enabled Donna to live four years. Also thanks to all of Donna's neighbors and friends for all their help and support.

In lieu of flowers, send memorials in her name to the Big Sky Hospice for the terminally ill.

Dear wife, mother, grandmother and friend, may you rest in peace. God Bless You.



## Edmund G. Anderson

SIDNEY — Edmund G. "Andy" Anderson, 65, of Sidney, died Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2002, at his home.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8, at Fulkerson Funeral Home Memorial Chapel in Sidney.

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**Edward A. Anderson**

VANCOUVER, Wash.

Edward A. Anderson, 77, of Vancouver, died April 3, 2002, in Vancouver.

He was born Feb. 26, 1925, in Marion, Iowa. He grew up in Iowa, moved to Minneapolis, where he earned a CPA degree, then on to Montana, where he worked for the Railroad for 31 years, retiring in 1985. He moved to Longview in 1986 and Vancouver in 1992.

He collected stamps and built birdhouses for the Ridgefield Wildlife Refuge. He enjoyed dancing and was an inventor with two patents.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Edith Olive Anderson, in 1983. They were married for 30 years.

He is survived by his wife of 10 years, Lois of Vancouver; two daughters, Sheryl L. Roberts of Fromberg, Mont., and Sonja L. Anderson of Albany, Ore.; two sons, Randall W. Anderson of Albuquerque, N.M., and Douglas L. Anderson of Mathews, N.C.; two stepsons, Dennis and Michael Railing of Vancouver; one sister, Evelyn Peil of Billings; two brothers, Thomas Anderson of Longview and Albert Anderson of Billings; five grandchildren and two step-grandchildren.

Private services will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to Southwest Washington Humane Society.

Evergreen Memorial Gardens Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

## Emil A. Anderson

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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LEWISTOWN — Emil A. Anderson, 84, of Lewistown, died Saturday, Dec. 7, 2002, at a Lewistown Nursing Home.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, at the Montana Mental Health Nursing Care Center Chapel. Interment will follow in the Lewistown City Cemetery. Cloyd Funeral Home is in charge.

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**Eric C. Anderson**

**BOZEMAN**  
— America has lost one of its heroes. On Feb. 27, 2002, Eric Carl Anderson died of emphysema. He was 83 years old. He leaves his wife, Vesta, to whom he was married



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60 years; five children; seven grandchildren; and three-and-a-half great grandchildren. He also leaves a legacy of stories, lessons and the experiences of a long life lived to the fullest.

Eric was born Jan. 29, 1919, at Laurel, the son of Carl F. Anderson and Helen Wynne Anderson. He graduated from Gallatin County High School in 1936 and then attended Montana State College, majoring in pre-med.

He was enrolled in ROTC and received a commission as a 2nd lieutenant. He was assigned to the 99th Anti-Tank Battalion at Fort Lewis Wash., the 501st Parachute Infantry Regiment (the first Army paratroop unit at Fort Benning, Ga., and predecessor to the 82nd Airborne Division), the 10th Mountain Division at Camp Hale, Colo. and the 36th Infantry Division, Fifth Army.

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He was assigned to Gen. Eisenhower's general staff to teach mountain warfare in Africa in preparation for the invasion of Italy. As the company commander of Company "L," 142nd Inf. Rgt., he participated in the first landing of U.S. forces in Europe, the amphibious landing at Salerno, Italy. The Rapido River crossing, the battle for Monte Cassino, the Anzio invasion, the attack on Velletri and the liberation of Rome followed.

On Nov. 22, 1944, Eric led Company G, 143rd Inf. Rgt. in a morning assault on a fortified German position in the Vosges Mountains near St. Leonard, France. There were four attacks on his position. He captured two enemy machine gun emplacements and called in artillery fire upon his own position because "there were more Germans than Americans" there. When he ran out of ammunition, he held the position with ammunition and rifles abandoned by the Germans. In the end, his 81-man company was reduced to eight survivors. A graves registration officer would later tell him that 486 German dead were taken from the area. For his actions that day, he and his executive officer, Lt. Richard Grousset, were awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the Army's second highest award for valor. He then fought battles at St. Marie and Selestadt. Eric also received the Silver Star, Bronze

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star and five Purple Heart citations. He was fond of retelling the story that, after his fifth Purple Heart, his commanding general told him, "I'm sending you back to the States. You've done enough."

After the war, he returned to his beloved Gallatin Valley where he raised cattle on his ranch southwest of Bozeman. After a detour to attend medical school in Buffalo, N.Y., he received a master's degree in animal science from MSU in 1965, and later worked toward a Ph.D. in biochemistry at the University of Wyoming. He worked for the USDA at Beltsville, Md., then the U.S. Biological Warfare Center at Pine Bluff, Ark. He would develop a patented cattle mineral supplement known as Silent Herder.

He was a member of the Baghdad Temple of the Shrine, the American Legion and the Disabled American Veterans. He became the National Commander of the Legion of Valor in 1996. His faith was battle-tested, and he enjoyed the company of his fellow combat veterans. He loved his family and their achievements, including the special accomplishments of his Down's Syndrome son, Richard.

Eric married Vesta Baxter on Dec. 15, 1941. He is survived by his wife "Flitter;" five children, Mary Lynn Donaghy (Joseph), Michael Anderson (Cheri), Christin Seifert (Donald), Richard

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Anderson and Lisa Perkins (Wayne) and his sister, Breta Kravik, formerly of Havre and Bozeman.

Memorial services will be held at noon, Saturday, March 2, at Dokken Nelson Funeral Home in Bozeman. Burial will take place at Arlington National Cemetery. The family requests that, in lieu of flowers, those wishing to express their appreciation for Eric's life contribute to the Shrine Hospitals for Children, the Legion of Valor Museum (2425 Fresno St., Fresno, CA, 93721) or the charity of their choice.



# Gilma Grosfield Anderson

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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**BIG TIMBER** — Gilma Grosfield Anderson, 89, passed away on Thursday, July 11, 2002, at the Pioneer Medical Center in Big Timber.

Gilma was born May 20, 1913, in Big Timber to Abraham E. and Minnie Lavold Grosfield. She moved with her family to Shelly, Minn., in 1917, where they resided until 1928, returning to Big Timber.

She graduated from Sweet Grass County High School in 1930, and is a 1934 graduate of the State Normal School (Western Montana College) in Dillon.

Gilma was a teacher in the Sweet Grass County rural schools and the Big Timber Public Grade School for many years. She was a member of the Melville Lutheran Church. Her many church activities were Sunday school, Bible school and E.L.C.W.

On June 11, 1938, she married Leif Anderson and resided with him on their ranch on Otter Creek. She was known for her cooking and braided wool rugs.

Her husband, Leif O. Anderson, brother Byron Grosfield, and sister Lilian Thornby, preceded her in death.

She is survived by two son David (Mary) Anderson of Melville, and Donald (Oddlaug) Anderson of Havre; six grand children, Cathy (John) Squires of Chesapeake, Va., Robert Anderson and Deborah Anderson, both of Fremont Calif., Laura (Peter) Rowley of Battle Ground, Wash., Lea (Eric) Moore of Miles City, and Leif Paul Anderson of Hettinger, N.D. five great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, July 16, at the Melville Lutheran Church with Pastor Jim Holmumd officiating. Graveside committal will follow in the Melville Cemetery.

Memorials may be sent to the Melville Lutheran Church, Pioneer Medical Center or a charity of your choice. Lowry Funeral Home is pleased to assist the family with the services.

## Grace Anderson

**EKALAKA** — Grace Piche' Anderson of Ekalaka went to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday morning, Sept. 1, 2002 at the age of 95. She was born Jan. 14, 1907 in Minneapolis, Minn., the first child of Della and Frank Piche'. She grew up in Wierton, Ontario and Richmond, Vt. She took vocational training at the Pratt Institute in New York where she became a seamstress. She worked as a bookkeeper for Dugan Brothers Bakery for 13 years. There she met and married Herbert H. Anderson in 1940. To this union was born one child, Robert David Anderson. The Anderson's attended the Belrose Baptist Church where Grace accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Savior and was born into God's family. Grace and Bert moved to St. Petersburg, Fla. in 1954 when he retired. Grace lovingly cared for her husband through a long illness until his death in 1967. In the early 70's, Grace moved to Plumtree, N.D. to be near her son, who was the director of a Christian camp — Teen Valley Ranch. At that time she invited her sister, Ruth, who had been injured in a car wreck, to live with her. In 1978, Grace and her sister Ruth moved to Ekalaka to help her son, Bob begin the Trail's End Ranch. Grace cared for Ruth until her

death in 1985. Grace was active in the First Baptist Church, ladies Bible studies and the Senior Citizens group.

She leaves behind her son and daughter-in-law, Bob and Pa Anderson of Ekalaka; two grandsons, Brook (Renee) Andersor and Scott (Kim) Anderson; six great-grandchildren: Rachael Justin, Kate, Hannah Grace Kasey and Logan; one niece, Villa Hope; a step-daughter-in-law Rosemary; six step-grandchildren and many step-great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Grace was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; two brothers, Henry and Joe; a sister, Ruth and three step-children, Florence, Ruth and Herbert Anderson, Jr. She eagerly awaits meeting them all again in Heaven. Ruth was a quiet gracious woman who faithfully served her Lord. "A gracious woman retaineth honor" Proverbs 11:16.

Funeral Services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 4, at the First Baptist Church of Ekalaka. Bob Anderson will be officiating. Interment will follow in the Beaverlodge Cemetery in Ekalaka. Memorials may be made to the scholarship program at Trail's End Ranch. Stevenson Funeral Home of Ekalaka is in charge of the arrangements.

## Grace H. Anderson

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JAN 31 2002**

Grace H. Anderson passed away at Deaconess Hospital on Monday, Jan. 28, 2002. She was born on April 25, 1909, a daughter to Fanny May and Willard A. Hooser in Sandpoint, Idaho. She married Gordon Anderson in 1947. He preceded her in death in 1957.

She is survived by a nephew, Richard A. Porter and his wife; and great-nephew, Rick W. Porter, all of Cooke City; a niece, Kae Cummings of Las Vegas; and a cousin, Betty Horton of Billings.

Cremation has taken place.

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**Gunhild Anderson**

SAVAGE — Gunhild Anderson, 87, of Savage, died Wednesday, April 3, 2002, at the Sidney Health Center - Extended Care Facility.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, April 8, at the Fulkerson Funeral Home Memorial Chapel in Sidney. Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery.

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## Hazel Anderson

BAINVILLE — Hazel Anderson, 90, died Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2002, at the Roosevelt Memorial Medical Center & Nursing Home in Culbertson.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 15, at the Lutheran Church in Bainville. Interment will be in the Bainville Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

## **Justin Mark Anderson**

**MAY 08 2002  
BILLINGS GAZETTE**

CLARK, Wyo. — Justin Mark Anderson, 25, died Sunday, May 5, 2002, of injuries received in an automobile accident near Clark.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 8, at Ballard Funeral Home in Cody. Joint funeral services with Michael Sponsel will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 9, at Ballard Funeral Home.

## **Kenneth Anderson**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUL - 3 2002**

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. — Kenneth Anderson, 86, died Sunday, June 30, 2002, at Hot Springs County Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 5, at Mortimore Funeral Home in Thermopolis. Burial will follow in Monument Hill Cemetery.

## LL Anderson

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — L.L. "Bill" Anderson, 81, of Sheridan, died Sunday, Sept. 15, 2002, at the VA Medical Center.

Viewing will be from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 20, at Immanuel Lutheran Church. Interment will be in the Sheridan Elks Cemetery.



# Marguerite Anderson

## THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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BOZEMAN — Marguerite Anderson, 96, died of natural causes on Christmas Night, Dec. 25, 2002, at Gallatin Rest Home. A longtime resident of Big Timber, Marguerite had spent the last five years in Bozeman to be near family.

Marguerite was born on June 17, 1906, in Meservey, Iowa, the only child of Emma and Scott Beldon Click. Marguerite graduated from Jamestown (N.D.) College and taught English and coached girls' basketball in Souris, N.D. Marguerite and Henry Anfin Anderson were married Aug. 12, 1929, in Colton, S.D.

The couple, with their two daughters, moved to Big Timber the summer of 1935, to establish the first Gamble Store in Montana. After her husband's death, Marguerite operated the Gamble Store until 1971. She was an active member of the Big Timber Lutheran Church, the Big Timber Women's Club, Fireman's Wives, the Republican Women's Club and numerous bridge groups. She enjoyed extensive travel with good friends and had great affection and interest in her community.

Marguerite was preceded in death by her husband Andy, age 62, in April of 1966; and a great-granddaughter, Katherine Marie

Johnson, age 2, July 30, 1993.

Marguerite is survived by her daughters, Lois M. Undlin of Rapid City, S.D., and Margaret A. Johnson of Bozeman, and their husbands, Charles T. Undlin and Dr. Jerrold E. Johnson; as well as nine grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren, who were her great joy.

Local grandchildren and families include Sarah and Jeff Cade, Paul and Paula Johnson and Graver and Amy Johnson, all of Bozeman.

Services will be held on Thursday, Jan. 2, 2003, at 11 a.m. at Big Timber Lutheran Church, Big Timber. Lowry Funeral Home assisted the family with the services.

Memorials honoring Marguerite may be made to the Big Timber Lutheran Church, Big Timber, MT 59011.

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## Mary Eleanor Anderson

BIG TIMBER — Mary E. Anderson, 88, of Big Timber, died Monday, Dec. 31, 2001.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 7, at Lowry Funeral Home in Big Timber. Interment will follow in Mountain View Cemetery in Livingston.

## Mary Leitha Anderson

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**  
**OCT 15 2006**

GLASGOW — Mary Leitha was born June 14, 1937, in Philadelphia, Pa., to Alfred and Leitha Puhl. On Oct. 12, 2002, complications from Lou Gehrig's disease took her life.

As a child, at home in Philadelphia with her sisters, Mary had wonderful memories of a simpler time. She always treasured the time spent with her family, right up to the last day.

Mary and her family moved to Glasgow in 1961, at first living at the Air Force Base. In 1970, Mary married A.C. Anderson, and they made their home in Glasgow. Proud to call Montana home, she never considered living anyplace else.

As a mother, sister, grandmom and friend, many will miss her spirit and energy, but most of all, we will miss her sense of humor and her wit. Mary believed in hard work, honesty and dignity. Her children and grandchildren will carry on her legacy.



Mary was blessed with four children, Jack (Earline) Rosander of Colstrip, Jill (Scott) Malone of Denver, Jenny (Bill) Rosander of Billings and Mary Jo (Frank) Anderson of Glasgow; nine grandchildren, Karson and Kelsey Rosander of Colstrip, Brian Chouinard of Portland, Ore., Jacque (Chas) Chouinard of Glasgow, Shelby and Thomas Malone of Denver, Vanessa Revell of Fort Lewis, Wash., Jenny Revell and Brad Revell of Minneapolis; four great-grandchildren, Dominic and Jancil Chouinard of Glasgow, and Rhianna and Shay Revell of Minneapolis. Mary's family also included a stepson, Clarence (Marie) Anderson of Grand Coulee, Wash., their children Doug (Holly) Anderson of Spokane, Wash., Stephanie and her children Dakotah, Jared, Kyle and Colton of Grand Coulee, Mike (Jodie) Perry and their son, J.C., Jordan, Tanner and Conner of Chester.

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Within minutes of her passing, her husband, Andy, also died. God, in His infinite wisdom, was there for them both in the end, knowing they would want to be together in death as they had been in life. Mary and Andy were blessed to have been able to live their final days at home.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents; and two sisters, Liz and Henrietta. She is survived by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, listed above, as well as her sisters, Hilda, Marge (Tootsie), Franny and Ann; by three extraordinary nieces, Barbara, Joan and Peggy; and by numerous other very special nieces and nephews.

On Wednesday, Oct. 16, a joint service will be held at 2 p.m. in Glasgow, at the First Lutheran Church.

So, although we must say goodbye for now, we know you are preparing a place in heaven where we can someday be together again. Until then, you will live in our hearts.

# Orville Anderson

## BILLINGS GAZETTE

### JAN 22 2002

Orville Anderson passed away on Jan. 19, 2002, one week shy of his 92nd birthday. He was born on Jan. 26, 1910, in Sharon, N.D., to Gust and Julia Marie Anderson and raised on farmland in the Red River Valley and later on a farm near Worden.



**MR.  
ANDERSON**

Orville attended school in Billings and was hired by Yale Oil Company as a pipe fitter. His employers liked his dependability so much, they kept him on the payroll and trained him in all phases of the oil processing business. Orville worked for 37 years for Yale Oil which later became Oval E, followed by Carter Oil, then Esso and Enco and finally Exxon.

He served as manager of one of the first fluid coke plants in the United States and supervised the installation of this same processing unit in Benicia, Calif. and in Sarnia, Ontario, Canada. Orville retired from Enco in 1970.

Orville married Anne Pauline Johnson on Nov. 16, 1934. They had three daughters: LaDonna (Frank) Oster, Barbara Ostrum and Bonnie Kellison. They had one son, Orville Kenneth, Jr., who died at six weeks of age in

September of 1952.

Orville is survived by his wife and three daughters and seven grandchildren: Laurel Zerr of Littleton, Colo., Kellie Krogedal of Billings, Don Oster of Colorado Springs, Jennifer Haarr and Scott Ostrum of Billings, Brannan Jordan of West Virginia and Ryan Strecker of Billings. He is survived by seven great-grandchildren.

Orville was very active at American Lutheran Church throughout his life. Orville enjoyed his family and helping his children as well as fishing and gardening. After retirement, Anne and Orville spent 20 winters in Mesa, Ariz., establishing many friendships.

Visitations will begin Monday afternoon at the Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. W. The funeral service will be at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at American Lutheran Church, 5 Lewis Ave. Interment will follow at the Terrace Gardens Cemetery. Smith West Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to American Lutheran Church, 5 Lewis Ave., Billings, MT 59101.

## Richard D. Anderson

## BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 3 1 2002

WOLF POINT — Richard D. Anderson, 74, lifelong resident of Wolf Point, went home to be with his Lord on July 26, 2002, due to complications after surgery at Billings Deaconess Hospital.

Mr. Anderson was born Dec. 13, 1927, in Glendive, to the late Edwin and Myrtle Anderson. He served with the military police in the U.S. Army as well as an escort for Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

He married Esther Hoch, July 20, 1952, and they just celebrated their 50th anniversary.

He owned and operated Anderson's Refrigeration and Hydraulic Service. He was self-schooled in learning his field of expertise, showing knowledge and intelligence by always having a solution for every problem in this area. His gift of giving was so extreme that he would work several hours on a daily basis for the payment of a cup of coffee.

His passions included breaking wild horses, trail rides, reminiscing and thinking up inventions to make life a little bit cooler.

He was preceded in death by an infant son, Wesley Duane; his parents, one brother and two sisters. He is survived by his wife, Esther; four children, Mark and Kathy (Anderson) Conner, Darrel and Colleen (Anderson) Borgen of Wolf Point, Tom and Carol (Anderson) Fender and Wayne Anderson of Billings; 12 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and one brother, Joe Anderson of Missoula.

As a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, his presence and advice will be greatly missed.

At Rick's requests, cremation has taken place and a family memorial will be held in his honor. Michelotti Crematory was in charge.

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**Rodney F. Anderson**

LAS VEGAS — Rodney F. Anderson, age 50, of Las Vegas, and formerly of Glendive, Mont., passed away on Sunday, April 14, 2002, at his home in Las Vegas, of a heart attack.



**RODNEY  
ANDERSON**

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 20, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Glendive, with Bishop Norm McDowell officiating. Interment will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Rodney was born on June 7, 1951, in Glendive, the son of Richard and Mary (Templeton) Anderson. Rod was raised and educated in Glendive and graduated from Dawson County High School with the class of 1969. He attended Rick's College in Rexburg, Idaho, for one year and then served a LDS mission in Korea for the next two years. When he returned from the mission, he attended Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, and graduated in 1975 with a degree in business. In 1977, Rod

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opened a department store in Polson, Mont., and operated it until 1990. He married Frances Elizabeth Snyder in 1978 in the Salt Lake Temple and following their marriage, they returned to their home in Polson. Rod closed his store and went to graduate school to study tax law at Denver University in Denver. He and his family then moved to Frenchtown, Mont., until moving to Bismarck, N.D., where Rod was the supervisor for Golden Honey. While living in Bismarck, he served on the Stake High Council for his church. Rod then moved to Las Vegas and was the Vice President of Trapper and Associates. While in Las Vegas, he was a member of the LDS church choir. He helped many people and was loved by many in the short time he lived there. He will be remembered for his love of life and his positive attitude that has blessed all who knew him. Rod's special spirit and kind heart will be missed greatly by his family and friends.

Rod was active in the community and was a member of the Chamber of Commerce and several other organizations. Rod especially enjoyed being with his family and serving in his church. He served the Polson ward in the bishopric for many years and was very loved and respected by all who knew him. He loved to sing in the choir and



## **Roy A. Anderson**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**NOV 30 2002**

Roy A. Anderson, 83, of Billings, passed away in his sleep on Thursday, Nov. 28, 2002. Cremation has taken place and no services are planned.

Thanks go out to all the people who gave him loving care and endless help until the end. Arrangements by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

## Roy Elmore Anderson

MAY 05 2002  
BILLINGS GAZETTE

POLSON — Roy Elmore Anderson, of Polson, passed away May 1, 2002, at the Veterans Home in Columbia Falls. Roy was born Feb. 17, 1924, in Miles City to Anders and Mathilda Anderson, the youngest of five children. He was baptized and confirmed at the First Lutheran Church in Miles City. He attended schools in



**ROY ELMORE  
ANDERSON**

Miles City and graduated from Custer County High School in 1942. He and his three brothers all served our country during World War II with Roy joining the Army in 1943 and being in combat in Italy and Africa. He was honorably discharged in 1945.

After the war, Roy enrolled in a photography school in Chicago, Ill., where he met Muriel McArthur, whom he married there in 1946. He and his wife then moved back to Montana and settled in Missoula where they owned and both worked in a studio of photography. Roy also worked for the Fuller Brush Co. and later became a regional manager. He received many awards during these years for his expert salesmanship and leadership.

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Roy was known for his outgoing personality and was a very creative and talented man. He was always proud of his Scandinavian heritage. He enjoyed fishing, bowling, boating and playing cards. After his wife, Muriel, died in 1975, Roy built the dream home they had planned together on the west shore of Flathead Lake near Elmo. He resided there for many years until he moved to Polson in his later years and enjoyed the many activities at the Senior Center.

Survivors include his three adopted daughters, Carol Merwin of Liverpool, Calif., Brenda and (Rodney) Norris of Kalispell, Susan Lynn of Spokane, Wash.; his grandchildren, Eugene Merwin of Salem, Ore., Brandi White and Joshua Norris of Kalispell, Jeremy Smith of Phoenix, Ariz., Dwight Smith of Spokane, Wash.; and five great-grandchildren; his brothers, Art Anderson of Portland, Ore., Andrew Carmen (Johanna) Anderson of Billings; his sister-in-law, Frances Anderson of Prince Frederick, Md.; and numerous nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his wife, his parents, his sister, Pearl Herndon, and his brother, Manford Anderson.

Cremation has taken place and at his request no formal service will be held. Memorials may be sent to the American Lung

Association, P.O. Box 5598,  
Helena, Mt. 59604 or the  
Yellowstone Boys and Girls  
Ranch, 1732 S. 72nd St. W., Billings,  
Mt. 59106, or charity of choice.

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ROY ELMORE  
ANDERSON

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loved to teach others the things that were so important to him. Any spare time was spent playing and having adventures with his family. He was a loving and devoted father who loved to tell his children stories for hours on end. He loved and appreciated the beauty of the Flathead Valley. One of Rod's greatest joys was spending time at the family cabin in Silver Gate, Mont. He often spoke of all the special times he spent there since childhood with all of his family and relatives, whom he had a great love for.

He was preceded in death by his father in 1985.

Survivors include his children, Amber Lea Anderson, Megan Cheri Anderson, Carson William Anderson and Conrad Frank Anderson, all of Powell, Wyo.; his mother, Mary Anderson of Albuquerque, N.M.; maternal grandfather, Frank Templeton of Albuquerque; two sisters, Kathy Bishop and her husband Myron of Lander, Wyo., and Cheri Johnson and her husband Jeff of Green River, Wyo.; 14 nieces and nephews.

"Dad, we love you and will miss you very much."

# Samantha Dawn Anderson

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 27 2002



**SAMANTHA  
ANDERSON**

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Funeral service for Samantha Dawn Anderson, infant daughter of William and Marlaina (Orbin) Anderson, will be Monday, July 29, at 10 a.m. at Stevenson-Wilson Funeral

Anderson of Roundup; one aunt, Kaylene French of Gillette; and cousins Nicky French and Tyler Bennett of Gillette.

Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Home Chapel.

Visitation will be Sunday, July 28, from 1 to 4 p.m. at Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel.

Burial will follow service at Mount Pisgah Cemetery in Gillette.

Samantha died shortly after birth on July 24, 2002, at Campbell County Memorial Hospital.

She is survived by her parents Marlaina and William Anderson of Gillette; sister Crystal Orbin of Gillette; maternal grandparents Martha and Donald French of Gillette; paternal grandparents Bill and Kim Anderson of Roundup, Mont.; maternal great-grandmother Alice Ulmer of Spearfish, S.D.; paternal great-grandparents Oscar and Patricia

**Sheila Mae Anderson****APR 09 2002**

Sheila Mae Anderson passed away April 6, 2002. She was born July 31, 1960, in Gouverneur, N.Y. She attended school in Harrisville, N.Y. Sheila married William Anderson on July 30, 1995.

She moved to Roundup in 1994 and then to Billings in 2001, where she resided until her death. She liked to spend time and play with her grandkids and she always bragged about how much she loved seeing them. She also enjoyed swimming with all the family and loved to have family gatherings and barbecues. Sheila also loved to do latch and hook rugs.

Sheila is survived by her husband, Bill Anderson of Billings; daughter, April (Paul) Dylina of Roundup; grandkids, Zachary and Austin Dylina of Roundup; father, Charles LayBoult, Sr., of Roundup; brothers, Charles LayBoult, Jr. (Sharon) of Roundup and Albert (Beverly) Burgess of Gouverneur; sisters, Shirley Richards of Roundup and Katherine Fuller of Fine, N.Y.; uncles and aunts, Art of Syracuse, N.Y., Martin of Camilis, N.Y., Raymond (Dorothy) of Miami, Fla., George (Frankie) of Harrisville, N.Y.; nieces, Laura, Crystall, Christina, Hellen, Amanda,

Heather and Kelly; nephews, Anthony, Matthew, Robbie, Dennis, Wayne, Tracy, Cole, Matthew and Shawn; and great close friends, Zelma and Faye Evens of Roundup.

She was preceded in death by her mother, a son and a sister.

Visitation will be held Thursday, April 11, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, 1001 Alderson Ave., Billings.

## **Sue Anne Anderson**

Sue Anne Farrington Anderson, 44, passed away Friday morning, Oct. 11, 2002, at her home among family and friends and beloved pets.

Sue, the daughter of Harry Glimpse and Katherine Marie (O'Neil) Farrington, was born in Kalispell on Oct. 18, 1957. She grew up skiing the snow of Big Mountain and the waters of Flathead Lake, and enjoyed summers working, as a teenager, at the lake's "Little Red School House" in Lakeside. She graduated from Flathead High School in 1975, and attended Montana State University and the University of Montana.

In 1986, she married Brad H. Anderson. In 1991, Sue was diagnosed with a brain tumor and began a fierce battle with cancer.

Sue graduated from MSU-Billings in business in 1992. Then, using all she had learned as a patient herself, she went on to obtain a master's degree in rehabilitation counseling in 1996, and began work in that field.



**SUE ANNE  
ANDERSON**

As a young woman, Sue discovered a love of running. She ran her first marathon in 1996, five years after her first diagnosis of cancer. She ran in this marathon after completing her radiation therapy and just wanted to finish. Finish she did and just missed qualifying for the Boston Marathon by 45 seconds. Not to be deterred, in 1997, after recurrence of cancer she trained while undergoing treatments and did qualify for the Boston Marathon! In running, and in life, she held in her head a persistent voice that repeated, "You can do it, You can do it!" When she discovered a need to "cross train", she felt lucky to have discovered the Yoga Center, and the many dear friends she developed there. It was through and with them that one of her fondest memories, a trip to Ireland for New Year's, 2000, came about.

Sue was a lover of animals. As a little girl, she sneaked cats into the backyard, hoping to be able to keep them, despite an allergic mother. As an adult, it was her beloved yellow lab, Kate, and her cat, Pseudo, that brought her continued comfort. She also loved hiking and riding her mountain bike over the many trails around Flathead Lake. With her husband, Sue enjoyed art, pottery, skiing, traveling and savoring fine foods and wine with friends. She was a woman of dry wit and great, but quiet, courage and determination.

She was "Auntie Sue" to Ryan and Andrew, and "Aunt Sue" to Anna and Teresa, Brooke and Brad. She was preceded in death by her mother and her grandparents. Sue is survived by her husband Brad; her father Harry; and her brothers, Dwight (Brenda), and Scott (Mary) and their children.

Sue and her family would like to extend their deep gratitude to their many friends for their continued support over the years.

Memorial services will be held at 1p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 15, at American Lutheran Church. Cremation has taken place. Memorials to Help for Homeless Pets, P.O. Box 1282, Billings, MT 59103; the American Lutheran Church, 5 Lewis Ave., Billings, MT 59101; or to The Wellness Institute Foundation, 19 N 25th, Billings, MT 59101.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.



## William H. Anderson

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 12 2002

BASIN, Wyo. — William H. "Bill" Anderson, 80, of Basin, formerly of Buffalo, died Sunday, Feb. 10, 2002, at the Wyoming Retirement Home in Basin.

Private family interment will be held in Willowgrove Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home of Buffalo is in charge.

# Annette Andresen

MAY 28 2002

BILLINGS GAZETTE

Annette Andresen, 78, of Billings, died Tuesday, May 14, 2002, in Billings. Annette had made her home at 941 Lewis for many years until becoming ill and moving to an assisted care home.



**ANNETTE  
ANDRESEN**

Annette lived her entire life in Montana. The daughter of Christian L. "Bud" and Helen Kaiser-Andresen, she was born July 7, 1923, on her grandmother's ranch, the Sweet Clover Ranch, just outside of Custer. Her grandmother, Bertha Andresen was a pioneer homesteader of the lower Big Horn Valley.

Annette had worked as a dispatcher for the Yellow and Broadway taxi cab companies that were operated by her cousin Howard Olsen. She also worked at the Custer Market and spent many years caring for ill family members.

Annette had never married and spent several years living with her cousins, Edgar and Charles Olsen. She was very close to her older sister Helen B. Hughes and a nephew, Bill Hughes.

She was preceded in death by her cousins, Edgar and Charles Olsen, and her sister Helen Hughes. She is survived by her nephew Bill Hughes and his family.

Graveside services will be 10 a.m. Friday, May 31, at Mountview Cemetery.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

## Edward Arnold Andrews

JUN 01 2002

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Edward Arnold Andrews, 93, of Sheridan, died Wednesday, May 29, 2002, in Sheridan.

Friends of the family will be received from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 5, in the Bruce and Jo Lynn Andrews home, 1337 Cedar Ave., Sheridan. A private family memorial service will be held at the Chapel of the Skyline Presbyterian Church Camp near Encampment. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

# Lawrence Weber Andrews

## Entered Into Eternal Rest Tuesday, January 8, 2002

Lawrence  
W e b e r  
Andrews, formerly of Hilger, passed away Tuesday morning, Jan. 8, 2002, at the Parkview Care Center in Billings.



**MR. ANDREWS**

He was born April 24, 1924, at Hilger, the son of George and Frances W. Andrews. He attended grade school in a one-room schoolhouse at Roy Junction and went on to high school in Roy. The majority of his high school class joined together for the war effort. It was said to be the largest contingent of enlistees of any small town in Montana.

During WWII, Larry served in the U.S. Navy attached to the USS Wayne, which was involved in seven major beachhead assaults in the South Pacific. He operated the LST

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(Landing Ship Transport), taking troops to the beachheads and the casualties and wounded back to the ship.

Larry retired from the Honeywell Corp. of Minneapolis, where he worked as a machinist. He retired after 30 years. He spent the majority of his life in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, where he enjoyed playing golf. Larry was an avid rock collector and crafter. He was a lifetime member of the NRA, American Legion and VFW.

Mr. Andrews was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Jimmie; and one sister, Velma (Harry) Arthur of Lewistown.

Survivors include his sister, Frances Jolliff of Billings; nieces, Jo Anne (John) Roos of Terry, Elaine (Rick) Gruel of Bakersfield, Calif., and Michelle (Tom) Robel of Missoula; and two nephews, Larry Jolliff of Boise, Idaho, and Randy (Charlene) Jolliff of Seattle.

Cremation has taken place and his ashes will be scattered over the homestead northeast of Hilger. Smith Downtown Chapel of Billings is in charge of arrangements.

God's Blessings are with you  
Larry and may those "Harbor  
Lights" guide you on your jour-  
ney home. We will meet again  
upon that distant shore.

**MAR 11 2002**

**Paul Keith Andrews**

**SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Paul Keith Andrews, 73, of Sheridan, died Monday, March 11, 2002, at the VA Medical Center in Sheridan.**

**Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, March 15, at the VA Medical Center Chapel. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.**

## Edward Andrienas, Sr.

WILLISTON, N.D. — Edward Andrienas, Sr., 87, passed away on Friday, June 21, 2002, at Williston, of natural causes.

Ed was the son of Paul Peter and Antinia Phillips Andrienas and was born in Philadelphia, Pa., on Aug. 21, 1914. His family moved to Montana in 1924 and bought a farm near Reserve.

He met the love of his life, Susie Zeimet Frideres in 1954, and after a whirlwind courtship, they were married Dec. 29, 1954, in St. Joseph's Church in St. Joe, Iowa. This marriage included Susie's four children, Marlene, Darrell, Jim and Larry. Later, they had three children — Annette, Edward Jr., and Maria.

Ed and Susie retired in 1983 and eventually moved to the Trails' West Manor in Williston.

Ed was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, John and Charles; and a grandson Jhohn Riel Frideres.

He is survived by his wife Susie; as well as their children and spouses, Marlene and Gil Koch, Darrell and Char Frideres, all of Missoula, Mont., Jim and Carol Frideres of Calgary, Alberta, Larry and Mary Beth Frideres of Helena, Annette and Sid Waller of Plentywood, Mont., Ed

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Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Fulkerson Funeral Home of Williston. Memorial services will be held at St. Patrick Church in Medicine Lake, on Thursday, June 27, at 10 a.m.

Andrienas, Jr., and his fiancée Andrea Johnson of Portland, Ore., Maria Andrienas of Plentywood; and 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Other survivors include Ed's sister, Helena Sebastian of Stockett; and brother, Paul Andrienas of Virginia; and many nieces and nephews.

## Precious Angel

BILLINGS GAZETTE  
APRIL 27, 2002

FORT KIPP — Newborn infant Precious Angel, of Fort Kipp, was born and died approximately Aug. 31, 2001, in Fort Kipp.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, April 30, at 2 p.m., at the Poplar Cultural Center, with Rev. Enright Bighorn officiating. Interment will be in the Fort Kipp Cemetery. Clayton Memorial Chapel of Wolf Point is in charge of arrangements.



# Myron 'Bob' Robert Appel

MAY 29 2002  
BILLINGS GAZETTE

**GLENDIVE** — Myron "Bob" Robert Appel, age 59, of Glendive, passed away at his home in Glendive on Friday, May 24, 2002. Friends and family are welcome to pay their respects at Todd and Rhonda Appel's home, 4 Glen Court, on Wednesday, May 29, from 5 to 9 p.m. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Bob was born on Aug. 12, 1942, in Fremont, Neb., the son of Myron "Doc" Gernald and Delpha (Graber) Appel. He was raised and educated in Richey and Glendive and graduated from

Dawson County High School with the class of 1960. He then went to work for Union Texas Petroleum as a supervisor and later worked for Bach Oilfield Services. In 1985, he went to work for

Dawson Community College as the maintenance supervisor.

Bob loved hunting and fishing with his grandkids and taking them on picnics and hikes in

Deanna Walton and her husband Rich of La Canada, Calif.; four grandsons, Myron Garrett, Damen, Erik and Dalton; and one granddaughter, Tasia Kay. Also grandma Lucy McGraw, who was like a second mother to him; and his many nieces and nephews. Bob had many special friends and family, including Bear. His family was the light of his life.

Makoshika Park. He also enjoyed watching wildlife, especially the birds in his yard. Bob was a member of the Glendive Elks Lodge #949 and the Glendive Jaycees.

Survivors include his son, Myron Todd Appel and his wife Rhonda of Glendive; his daughter, Terri Ulrich and her husband Ryan of Bismarck, N.D.; two sisters, Sharon McGaughey and her husband Bill of Vernal, Utah, and



**MYRON  
APPEL**

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**Vera M. Appel**

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Funeral

Liturgy services for long-time Gillette resident, Vera M. Appel, 91, will be 11 a.m., April 16, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church with Father Tom Kadera as celebrant.

**VERA APPEL**

Visitation will be Monday, April 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel.

Vera died April 13, 2002, at Campbell County Memorial Hospital of natural causes.

She was born Feb. 24, 1911 in Doniphan, Neb., the second of seven children born to Ed and Pearl (Robb) Harrod.

At the age of four, she moved with her family to Campbell County, where they resided in Gillette. She attended local rural schools and graduated from Campbell County High School in 1929. Having taken normal training, she began a teaching career at various county rural schools until her marriage on June 15, 1938, to William J. "Bill" Appel at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Custer, S.D. They resided on a ranch south of Gillette until moving to town in 1963. Two years

ago her failing health resulted in their move to Beehive Home.

In 1951, she returned to the teaching profession where she taught in rural schools and Gillette city schools until retiring in 1973 after a total of 31 years of dedicated teaching. She received her bachelor's degree in Education from Black Hills Teachers College in 1962.

Over the years she was a member of Campbell County Teachers Association, Delta Kappa Gamma, Chapter V, PEO, Happy Gap and Benefit Homemakers clubs and several samba and bridge groups.

She especially enjoyed her yard and flowers, her work as an election judge for many years, traveling, her card games and her family and friends.

She is survived by her husband of 63 years; son, Bill of Gillette and daughters Eileen Suchor of Gillette and Audrey Reed of Billings; seven grandchildren, Angela Kennedy and Melanie Sylte of Gillette; Tiffany Cholez of Littleton, Colo.; Jennifer Suchor of San Francisco; Brett Suchor of Louisville, Colo.; Tim and Jeff Reed of Billings; and six great-grandsons; sister, Irene Reed of Sheridan; brothers, Lawrence Harrod of Casper and Lonnie Harrod of Danville, Wash.; and several nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents and three brothers.

A memorial has been established to benefit the Gillette College Campus memorial scholarship fund. Donations may be sent in care of Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home, 210 West 5th, Gillette, WY 82716.

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## Antonio Arcadipane

Anton "Tony" Arcadipane, 82, went to be with Lord, Saturday, April 13, 2002, with his family gathered around him.

Tony was born Feb. 2, 1920, in Enfield, Conn., to Tommaso and Antonina Miceli Arcadipane. He grew up in Connecticut and New York. From 1935

to 1939, he served in the U.S. Navy. In 1942, he was drafted into the U.S. Army and served until his honorable discharge in 1944. Tony was very proud to have served his country during



**ANTONIO  
ARCADIPANE**

WWII. While in the service, he fell in love with the state of Washington and decided that this was where he wanted to settle down and make his home. He married Louella Simon of Yakima, Wash., in 1946; she preceded him in death in 1974. He then met and fell in love with Berniece Dobson. Tony and Berniece were united in marriage on Feb. 15, 1976, in Seattle. In 1982, they decided to move to Berniece's home state of Montana. Tony found that he had a love for this state also.

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While living in Seattle, Tony worked as a trucker for logging camps and was a commercial fisherman. He was very proud to have been a member of the Teamsters Union.

Tony leaves behind his wife, Berniece; son, Thomas Arcadipane of Joplin, Mo.; half-brother, James Arcadipane of Oakhill, Ohio; stepdaughter, Marcia Cloutier and her husband Paul of Ellensburg, Wash.; stepson, Darrell R. Dobson and his wife Jude Siefker of Seattle; two grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; and four step-great-grandchildren. Two sisters, Millie Indelicato and Jennie Montebello; one brother, Nicholas Arcadipane, preceded him in death.

A vigil service for Tony will be 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, at Dahl Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Thursday, April 18, at St. Pius X Parish, with rite of committal in the Laurel Cemetery.

Membrials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, 59107, or to the American Legion Post #4, 1540 Broadwater, Billings, 59102.

## **Gina Archambault**

**HAVRE/FT. BELKNAP —** Gina Francine Archambault, 40, died Sunday, July 28, 2002, at the Northern Montana Hospital, of an apparent heart attack.

Wake services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 31, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Fort Belknap. Funeral Mass will be 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 1, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, with burial in the Archambault Family Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home of Malta is in charge.

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## **Lewis C. Archambeault**

GLASGOW — Lewis C. Archambeault, 86, died Saturday, March 23, 2002, at the family home.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 27, at the First Lutheran church in Glasgow. Bell Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

## **William Archangeault**

**GLASGOW --** William "Bill" Archangeault, 79, died Friday, Oct. 4, 2002, at the Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital of cancer.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church with burial in Highland Cemetery. Bell Mortuary is in charge.



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## **Melvin R. Archdale**

WOLF POINT — Melvin R. "Sonny" Archdale died Thursday, May 2, 2002, at Northeast Montana Health Services in Wolf Point.

Visitations will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 5, and from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, May 6, with a prayer service at 7 p.m., at Clayton Memorial Chapel in Wolf Point. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 7, at the Wolf Point High School Gymnasium. Interment will be in Greenwood Cemetery in Wolf Point.

**MAR 03 2002****Rudolph Oliver Archdale**

**WOLF POINT —** Rudolph Oliver Archdale, 46, of Wolf Point, died Friday, March 1, 2002, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

A wake will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 3, at the Oswego Community Hall, with prayer service at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, March 4, at Frazer High School. Interment will be in the Oswego Presbyterian Cemetery. Clayton Memorial Chapel of Wolf Point is in charge.

# Zenaida Ycasiano Arguelles

JUN 15 2002

BILLINGS GAZETTE

Zenaida Ycasiano Arguelles was born Nov. 17, 1929, in Manila, Philippines, and died peacefully at Horizon Hospice, Billings, on June 12, 2002, after a long battle with cancer.



**ZENAIIDA  
ARGUELLES**

Zenaida is survived by her devoted husband of 52 years, Eulogio. She was the loving mother of Enrico Arguelles, his wife Martha and their children Nathaniel, Alannah and Raissa of Billings; Clarissa Moreno, her husband Ramon and their son Alex from San Francisco, Calif.; Rosanna Arguelles-Brunner, her husband Dieter and their daughter Yixi of Zurich, Switzerland; Emmanuel Arguelles, his wife Lauren and their children Zachary and Griffin of Maplewood, N.J.

She will be greatly missed by her family. Cremation has taken place, and her ashes will be interred in early July in the family plot in Manila, Philippines. She is survived by her sisters, Hermelinda, Ofelia; brother Aristeo; and numerous loving nieces and nephews. The family

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is also grateful to Teresita Taperla, Leah Gonzalez and Leny Gonzalez from Manila for their caring and devotion.

Zenaida took great joy in growing orchids and delving into her family's roots, with over 5,000 ancestors identified in the past 10 years. She spent hours researching family ancestors originating in China, Italy, India, Greece, Spain, and later the Philippines, dating to the 1400s. In addition, Zenaida and Lou founded the Coalition to Help Street Children, a literacy and education project to benefit the poorest of Manila's children.

A private service will take place Monday morning, June 17, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. Donations in Zenaida's memory may be sent to Horizon Hospice House, 1019 Neprune Boulevard, Billings, or to Coalition to Help Street Children, c/o Brother Richard Duerr, FSC, La Salle Christian Brothers, 850 Newman Springs Rd., Lincroft, NJ 07738. She was warmly cared for at both St. Vincent's and Horizon Hospice, and her family is grateful for the peace and comfort Horizon Hospice House provided in her last days.

The memory of Zenaida's joy and loving ways will always be a blessing for our family.

## **Cesario G. Arispe**

Cesario G. Arispe, 75, of Billings, passed away Friday morning, Sept. 27, 2002, at St. Vincent's hospital.

Cesario was born at McDona, Texas, on May 12, 1927, a son of Severino and Cruze (Gonzales) Arispe. He was raised and educated in San Antonio, Texas, later working for Gulf Oil Co. and numerous service stations in the San Antonio area.

In April 1949, Cesario moved to Billings where he worked as a beet worker and later as a truck driver for Billings Grocery and Wholesale. On Dec. 19, 1953, he married Arlene Wombolt in Laurel. In 1970, Cesario went to work as a truck driver for the S.E.C. Corporation until 1975, when he was injured and forced to retire.

Survivors include his wife Arlene; a daughter, Tami (Chasey) Cornell of Billings; a son, David Arispe of Oregon; a sister, Beatrice Leichner of Billings; and three grandchildren, Gail Dalrymple, Alex Arispe and Staci Lapine.

Cremation is planned and private family services will be held. Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

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## **Joseph Robert Arkinson Jr.**

**ROCKY BOY** — Joseph Robert "Jose" Arkinson Jr., 5L, of Rocky Boy, died Friday, April 5, 2002, at a Havre care facility of cancer.

Services were held Monday at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Rocky Boy with burial in Rocky Boy Cemetery. Holland and Bonine Funeral Home of Havre was in charge.

**MAR 08 2002****Beulah Armstrong**

Beulah Wells Osher Armstrong, 98, of Billings and formerly of Casper, Wyo., passed away March 6, 2002, at St. John's Lutheran Nursing Home. She was born Oct. 11, 1903, in Denton, Texas. Beulah was a homemaker and a caregiver.



**MRS.  
ARMSTRONG**

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Armstrong was preceded in death in death by her husband, Orson "Art" Armstrong; two sons, Howard and Donald Westbrook; and three grandchildren.

She is survived by one son, Marvin (Betty) Bell of Akron, Ohio; daughters, Mildred Hamill of Casper, Wyo., Margaret Hendryx of Billings and Vivian Smith of Fresno, Calif. Also surviving her is a daughter-in-law, Jean Westbrook of Casper; 18 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

We love you, momma and grandma.

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We also wish to thank Dr. Gerstner and staff for their tender care of mom during her illnesses. Also, we wish to thank the Rocky Mountain Home Care personnel: Debbie Sloe, Lori Zundel and her favorite (Badger), Theresa; the Sage Towers Administration and staff for their many kindnesses and loving care of mom and her family in her later years, and St. John's Lutheran Home, and to Pastor Jeff Olsgaard.

Cremation has taken place at Smith's Crematory. A memorial service with interment will be held this summer in West Valley



## **Glenna Armstrong**

**WELCHES GAZETTE**  
**FEB 27 2002**

**SWEET HOME, Ore. —**  
Glenna Pauline Armstrong, 82, of Sweet Home, formerly of Silesia, Mont., died Friday, Feb. 23, 2002, at the Twin Oaks Care Center.

Memorial services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 2, at the Mt. Hood Lions Club in Welches. Workman & Steckly Funeral Chapel of Sweet Home is in charge.

# Glenna P. 'Tiny' (Steffan) Armstrong

MAY 19 2002  
BILLINGS GAZETTE

SWEET HOME, Ore. — Glenna P. Armstrong, formerly of Laurel, Joliet and Red Lodge, passed away Feb. 22, 2002, in Sweet Home, Ore. She was 82 years old.

Glenna was born to Sam and Merle Steffan on March 3, 1919, in Silesia. She was raised in the Laurel area. She married Melvin Glen Armstrong on Aug. 24, 1934. They were later divorced. She lived in the Laurel, Joliet and Red Lodge areas until moving to Portland, Ore., in 1964. There she studied for and received her GED, then went on to secretarial/book-keeping school. She worked for several companies in North Portland in this capacity until she retired in 1981. She lived in Portland until 1999, when she moved to Sweet Home to be near family.

Glenna was preceded in death by her mother, Merle; her father, Sam; her son, Kenneth Armstrong; her daughter, Bonnie Vandersloot; and her sister, Eleanor Rogers.

Glenna is survived by her sister, Irma Mettler, of Seattle, Wash.; her daughter, Joy (Joe) Wedel of Joliet; her son, Sam (Denise) Armstrong of Sweet Home; and her son, Robert Armstrong of Phoenix, Ariz. Glenna had 21

grandchildren and 35 great-grand-children.

A memorial service was held for Glenna on March 2, in Welches, Ore. Cremation has taken place and she is inurned at Rockvale Cemetery in Rockvale. A graveside service will be held for her at Rockvale Cemetery at 1:30 p.m. on May 25.



**MILLIE ARMSTRONG**  
**Mildred 'Millie'**  
**Armstrong**

Mildred "Millie" Armstrong, 83, of Billings, passed away Monday afternoon, Oct. 7, 2002, at Deaconess Billings Clinic, following a brief illness.

Millie was born in Dawson, N.M., on Dec. 1, 1918, a daughter of Rudolf and Anna Jakovac. She moved with her family to Woodward, Iowa, where she was raised and educated, graduating as the valedictorian of Woodward High School in 1935. Millie continued her education in Pueblo, Colo., where she attended the Minnequa School of Nursing, completing her training as a registered nurse in 1939.

In 1940, Millie married Borden "Tony" Armstrong in Littleton, Colo. Over the next 20 years, she worked as a nurse in Huntington Park, Calif.; Alamosa, Colo.; and Alamogordo, N.M.; as Tonyetailed sporting goods. In 1962, Millie, Tony and their three sons

moved to Billings. Tony purchased and operated the Q's Sport Shop while Millie raised their sons and cared for the home. Mr. Armstrong died in 1963.

Millie was a devout member of St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral. In recent years, she was known as the "singing lady of Aspen Meadows." She liked to play bingo and had the enviable capability of remembering names. An excellent cook, her apple pies were described as "the best." She was very proud of her sons and loved her family and many friends.

Survivors include three sons, Jim of Henderson, Nev., John of Billings and Jeff of Helena; five grandchildren, Chad of Henderson, Nev., Phil and Dustin of Boise, Idaho, Daniel of Bozeman and Amy of Seattle; two great-granddaughters, Paige of Boise and Jacobi of Missoula; and two brothers, Eddie Jackovich of Mesa, Ariz., and Ralph Jackovich of Perry, Iowa. Her husband, one sister and two brothers preceded Millie in death.

A vigil service will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 10, at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral. The Funeral Mass will be at 12 noon, on Friday, Oct. 11, at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral. Her interment will be in Alamosa, Colo., next to Tony, the love of her life. Memorials are suggested to the Mental Health Foundation, 1245 N. 19th St., Billings, MT 59103. Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

## **Edith Ann Arndt**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**FEB 19 2002**

HINSDALE — Edith Ann Arndt, 83, of Hinsdale, died Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2002, at her home on Frenchman Creek.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, at Hinsdale Lutheran Church. Burial will be in Hillview Cemetery in Hinsdale. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

**Pauleen 'Peggy'  
Grace Arndt**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**AUG - 7 2002**

Pauleen "Peggy" Grace Arndt passed away on Aug. 5, 2002, in Billings. She was born on May 7, 1916, in Retreat, Wis., to Errett and Grace (Bates) Tower. She attended schools in Viroqua, Wis. In the 1930s, she moved to Billings, where she worked as a receiving clerk and bookkeeper.

On Sept. 3, 1949, she married Henry W. Arndt. They lived all their lives in Billings. She enjoyed bowling and Legion baseball. Peggy and Hank were active members of the American Legion and the Elks Lodge, where they danced regularly. She often visited her good friend, Jerre, in Worland, Wyo., and took great pleasure in Jerre's regular trips up to Billings.

She is survived by her niece, Laurie Dower (Dave) Eckroth and her great-nephews, Michael and Matthew, all of Billings; a sister, Helen (Carl) Severson of LaCrosse, Wis.; nieces, Pat (Dick) Senn of La Crescent, Minn., Diana (Joe) Seidel of Lexington, Ky.; and additional cousins in Laurel and LaCrosse.

She is preceded in death by her husband; her parents; sister Lucille; and brother Elwyn.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, Aug. 8, at 10 a.m., at Dahl Funeral Chapel, Billings. Burial will be at Terrace Garden Cemetery, Billings. A light luncheon will follow at Dahl's. Memorials may be made to the American Legion Post #4.

**MAR 07 2002****Carol Sue Arnold**

**HINSDALE** — Carol Sue Arnold, 57, of Hinsdale, died Monday, March 4, 2002, at the Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital in Boston, of relapsing polychondritis.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 9, at the Hinsdale High School Gymnasium. Burial will be in Hillview Cemetery in Hinsdale. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

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## **Gertrude 'Gilly' Arnold**

**MALTA — Gertrude "Gilly" Arnold, 100, died Saturday, March 30, 2002, at her son's home in Polson.**

**Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 2, at the Adams Memorial Chapel in Malta. Burial will be in the Malta Cemetery.**



## Hattie Arnold

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**  
**DEC 12 2002**

**HINSDALE —** Hattie Jeanette (Hanson) Arnold, 88, of Hinsdale, died Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2002, at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital in Glasgow.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, at Hinsdale Lutheran Church. Burial will be in Hillview Cemetery in Hinsdale. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

## Rita A. Arrasmith

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**  
**FEB 22 2002**

BOSSIER CITY, La. — Rita A. Arrasmith, 66, of Bossier City, formerly of Billings, died Feb. 5, 2002, in the Veterans Hospital in Shreveport.

She was the widow of John Stratford of Billings.

Born in Colfax, Wash., she was the daughter of the late George and Lora (Draper) Kennedy. She was a member of John Knox Presbyterian Church in Bossier City and volunteered locally at the grade school and nursing home.

She was an Air Force veteran.

Survivors are daughters, Laurie Cayford of Carnation, Wash., Pamela Brown of Auburn, Wash., Shannondoe Morin of Nazareth, Pa., Anne Frische of Beaverton, Ore.; son, James Bickmore of Bossier City; brothers, Paul Kennedy of Winston-Salem, N.C., Brandt Kennedy of Salem, Ore.; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Her funeral service was held on Feb. 9, at Bruning Funeral Home in Colfax, Wash.

# Harold L. Arthun

APR 13 2002

TWIN FALLS, Idaho — Harold L. Arthun, 59, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, April 9, 2002, in Amarillo, Texas.

He was born July 27, 1942, in Joliet, Mont. He was raised and educated in Joliet and graduated from high school there.

Harold served in the U.S. Navy for four years as a plank owner

on the U.S.S. Buchanan prior to being honorably discharged. He married Veronica Barneko at Joliet in 1964, and they moved to Twin Falls in 1970. Harold worked at Sears, later owned Snake River P.O.S. in Twin Falls, worked for Itex for a time and, since November of 2001, was a truck driver. His love of the outdoors, camping and traveling was only exceeded by his love of his family and friends.

In addition to his wife of Twin Falls, he is survived by a son, Vince Arthun of Twin Falls; a daughter, Heather (Terry) Conklin of Seattle, Wash.; his father, Daniel Arthun and his wife Gladys of Joliet, Mont.; a brother, George Arthun of California, and by two sisters, Bonnie and Sally. He was preceded in death by his



**HAROLD  
ARTHUN**

mother, a son, Darrell, a daughter, Dawn, a sister Maureen, and a nephew, David.

Funeral services for Harold Arthun will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 14, at the Heritage Alliance Church, with Pastor Jim Evans officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary.

# Irene Lucille Arthun

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ROSCOE — Irene Lucille Arthun, 85, passed away Friday morning, June 28, 2002, at Beartooth Hospital & Health Center in Red Lodge with her family at her side. Irene was born in Luther on May 27, 1917, the third child of John and Iva Anderson. She attended grade school in Luther and Red Lodge, and high school at Billings Senior and Red Lodge, graduating from Carbon County High School in 1934.

She was employed at the family store in Luther during the years following her graduation until marrying Norden Arthun on Sept. 30, 1941. She and Norden then made their home together in Roscoe for the next 59 years until his death in 2000. Irene continued to live in Roscoe until her recent illness.

Irene was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, aunt and friend. She lived a rich and full life in Roscoe, surrounded by family and friends. Irene was happiest when she could do for others. She was an accomplished homemaker, seamstress, cook and flower gardener. Those who knew Irene will remember her love of flowers.

She was a 50-year member of the Venus Chapter 32 of the Order of the Eastern Star of Red Lodge. Irene served on the

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Roscoe election board for 58 years, and was proud of her postal service, both as a star contract route carrier for 14 years, and as a replacement postmaster for 32 years. She was a longtime member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Absarokee where she taught Sunday school for many years.

Survivors include her daughter, Diane (Dr. William R.) Evans of Eagle River, Alaska; son, Dean (Peggy) Arthun of Red Lodge; brother, Donald Anderson of Red Lodge; grandson, Dr. Jeff (Brenda) Tjaden of Montgomery Village, Md.; granddaughter, Jennifer (Brett) Prince of Beaverton, Ore.; granddaughter, Kirsten Arthun of Red Lodge; grandson, Erik Arthun of Red Lodge; great-grandson, Tjaden Prince; and aunt, Marion Pogue of Red Lodge. She was preceded in death by her husband, Norden; sister, Virginia Babcock; brother, John (Buzz) Anderson; and a grandson, Jonathan Tjaden.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 6, in Immanuel Lutheran Church in Absarokee. Cremation has taken place, and inurnment will be in the Roscoe Cemetery. Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel of Red Lodge is in charge of arrangements. Memorials may be given to the Roscoe Community Center.

MAR 20 2002

## **Randy Arthur**

RIVERTON, Wyo. — Ms. Randy Arthur, 77, of Riverton, died Friday, March 15, 2002, in Casper.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 21, at Davis Funeral Home in Riverton. Burial will follow at Mountain View Cemetery in Riverton.

## **Gloria S. Arzy**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Gloria S. Arzy, 72, of Sheridan, died Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2002, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Rosary services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 14, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Mass of the Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 15, at Holy Name Catholic Church.

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# **Rachelle Patricia (Henderson) Ashcraft**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE  
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Rachelle Patricia (Henderson) Ashcraft, 74, passed away in Billings on Jan. 17, 2002. She was born March 3, 1927, and married Claude J. Ashcraft on Nov. 3, 1945. They lived with their family in various places, including Havre and Great Falls; Little Rock, Ark.; Albuquerque, N.M.; and finally settled in Billings to raise their boys.

In 1970, Rachelle and C.J. moved to Phoenix, where he passed away in 1991. Rachelle remained there until her recent illness necessitated her return to Billings.

Rachelle is survived by her four sons, Terry and Johnny (Lynda) of Billings, Jimmie (Kay) of Sidney and Jay (Larrie) of Nye. Also surviving are sisters Betty and Myrtle; and brother Scookie of Havre; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

No services are planned. The family has requested memorials be sent to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107.



## M. June Ask

POLSON — M. June Ask, 82, formerly of Forsyth and Missoula, passed away on Friday, Feb. 22, 2002, at Evergreen Health & Rehab Center in Polson, from natural causes. She was born May 31, 1919, at Forsyth, to Carl and Jenny (Aasland) Ask, longtime residents of Rosebud County. She attended elementary school at Vananda, Mont., and high school at Ingomar.

June worked for the navy at Bremerton, Wash., during World War II. After the war, she worked for the navy dept. in Washington, D.C., and worked eight years in Saudi Arabia for Aramco Oil Co. Before retirement, she worked for the Atomic Energy Commission in Las Vegas. While in Las Vegas, she worked as a volunteer with the community concerts. During her lifetime, she traveled to many parts of the world and much enjoyed sight seeing.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and is survived by a sister, Caroline Reed of Visalia, Calif.; and a brother, Thomas M. and wife Peg Ask of Polson; nieces Catherine and husband Charles Haaskamp of McGuire AFB, New Jersey, Carolyn and Steven Rohrer of Denver; nephews Bruce and wife Christina Reed of Visalia, Thomas D. and wife Peggy Ask of Great Falls, Richard B. and wife

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FEB 26 2002

Tanya Ask of Helena.

Funeral services will be held on March 1, at 11 a.m. in the Concordia Lutheran Church in Forsyth, with burial at the Forsyth Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Concordia Lutheran Church in Forsyth. Local arrangements are being handled by Grogan Funeral Home, Polson and Beals Mortuary, Forsyth.

# Shirley Anne Wagner Astle

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 25 2002

**KALISPELL** — Shirley Anne Wagner Astle, beloved daughter, mother, friend and companion, passed away Nov. 21, 2002, in the presence of her family from complications of ovarian cancer. She had recently celebrated her 60th birthday.

Shirley was born Oct. 16, 1942, to Waid and Madaline (Cutup) Wagner in Washington, D.C., a beautiful child whose brilliant smile and generous manner became her trademarks for all who knew her. Both as a child and as an adult, Shirley was a caretaker, always reaching out to those in need, offering love and support to all, forever earning the love and admiration of many. She is sorely missed, but we take comfort in knowing that her hope and reward is eternal life in Christ our Lord and that she is now at peace in His loving embrace.

Shirley's early years were spent in Summersville, W.Va., and the Washington, D.C., area, where she grew up among the company of her mother's large family. At Nicholas County High School, she was an excellent student academically and involved in numerous activities, including Homecoming court, the marching band as a trumpet player and majorette, and Thespians, which she remarked had allowed her to

overcome her innate shyness in a fun way. After high school graduation in 1960, Shirley attended Marshall University in Huntington, W.Va., and then went to work in Washington, D.C.

While in D.C., she met Joseph M. Astle, then a student at George Washington University, whom she married Jan. 25, 1964. The couple began a 27-year marriage that would bring them three children and multiple moves, taking them to New Jersey, Michigan, California and Montana. Shirley stayed home to raise the kids, providing a warm, nurturing and joyful environment where love and laughter were ever present in her children's lives. When she wasn't attending to her family's needs, Shirley was generous with her time in volunteer efforts for her children's school and recreational activities. Her kids remember her not only as "Mom" but as "the Ice Cream Lady."

After the family moved to Montana, Shirley went back to work, eventually taking a job at Brendan House, a skilled nursing facility, where she served in the Therapeutic Activity Department as a team leader and volunteer

coordinator for 12 years. Shirley delighted in caring for the many residents at Brendan House and working with its devoted staff, many of whom she counts among her dearest friends.

Always active, Shirley liked to spend her recreational time hiking, camping, cross-country skiing, and picnicking, developing a love affair with Glacier National Park, which she shared with best friend, love and companion, Jim Dettmann. Jim and Shirley also shared a passion for dancing, and they were frequently seen kicking up their heels at the Bigfork Inn. As she battled cancer herself, Shirley became an active participant in the American Cancer Society's annual Relay for Life.

A devout Catholic, Shirley was a member of St. Matthew's Church in Kalispell for 10 years. The multiple ways she lived out her faith touched the lives of her friends and loved ones and were blessings we will treasure forever.

Shirley is survived by her mother, Madaline; her former husband, Joseph; her children, Cindy (and Sean) Lyle, Angie (and Mark) Kison, Tim (and Angie) Astle; four grandchildren, Tim and Maggie Lyle and Cheyenne and Dakota Astle; her beloved companion, Jim Dettmann; and her "adopted" children, Mack and Sheryl Dettmann and Katie Dettmann;

and numerous relatives and friends.

In honor of this marvelous lady, devoted daughter, mother and friend, the family welcomes memorials to ovarian cancer research and the American Cancer Society.

The Mass of Resurrection will be 2 p.m. Tuesday Nov. 26, at St. Matthews Catholic church. The Reverend Vic Langhans of St. Matthews will be serving as Celebrant. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory is caring for the family.

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**Helen V. Atkinson**

**MILES CITY — Helen V. Atkinson, 90, died Thursday, April 11, 2002, at Holy Rosary Extended Care.**

**Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home with burial in the family lot of Custer County Cemetery.**

# Virginia Leavitt Atwood

# BILLINGS GAZETTE

## FEB 12 2002

BASIN, Wyo. — Virginia Leavitt Atwood, age 84, passed away early in the morning on Sunday, Feb. 10, 2002, at the Wyoming Retirement Center in Basin.

Virginia was born on July 3, 1917, in Norfolk, Neb., the daughter of Guy A. and Sibyl (Norvell) Alderson. She moved to Wyoming in 1920, where she was raised by Tom and Grace Olney on Shell Creek. She received her schooling in Greybull, and graduated from Greybull High School in 1934.

She married Harold Leavitt in 1939. She worked on the ranch with her husband, Harold, and then worked with him on construction projects throughout Wyoming, until his death in 1967. She also owned and operated the Big Horn Lanes (bowling alley) in Greybull for about seven years.

After the death of her first husband, she met and married Del Atwood, Sr., at Las Vegas. She worked with her husband, Del, Sr., who owned and operated Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc., for many years and continued to work at the funeral home after his death in 1982 for many more years.

Virginia was very dedicated to both her husbands and worked side by side with them, whether it be lambing, herding sheep on the mountains, driving scrapers at

construction sites and then cooking for the crew at night after putting in a full day of work, or directing funerals.

She enjoyed traveling, cross-stitching, being around people and listening to country-western music. She always had a smile for everyone.

Virginia was very active and belonged to several organizations: Fern Chapter OES #31, where she served as Grand Matron, Grand Martha and also as Grand Representative; Drove #30/BPO Does; the Sahida Temple/Daughters of the Nile; P.P. Rithmah Club; the American Legion Auxiliary; and she was a charter member of the Midway Golf Club.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Harold Leavitt in 1967; her second husband, Del Atwood, Sr., in 1982; one sister and two brothers.

She is survived by her stepdaughter, Nancy Doherty of Durango, Colo.; her stepson, Del Atwood, Jr., of Basin; three nephews, Thomas "Tom" Alderson of Basin, David Alderson of California and Robert Williams of Washington, D.C.; and one niece, Carolyn

Deuchars of California.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, Feb. 15, 10 a.m., at the United Methodist Church in Basin, with Revered Sara Power and Revered George Pasek officiating. Burial will follow at the Hillside Cemetery in Greybull.

Visitation will take place at the Atwood Family Chapel, 419 West C Street, Basin, on Thursday, Feb. 14, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

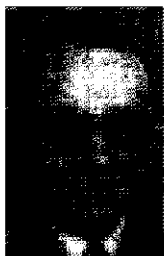
Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc. are in charge of arrangements.

**Benjamin Auck**

**August 30, 1923 —**

**November 15, 2002**

Ben was born in Hebron, N.D., one of two sons, eight daughters and two half-daughters of Jacob and Carrie (Oster) Auch family. At a very early age, the Auch family moved to the Billings area to



**BENJAMIN  
AUCK**

work in the beet fields. Ben's older sisters loved to tell the story that they would put Ben on a blanket, hoe the beets and the drag him to the next field. (The last letter of "k" in Ben's name and the last letter of "h" in the family name is a result of Ben's penmanship as a schoolboy. His "h" looked like a "k" to the teachers, they spelled his name with a "k" and it stuck.)

Ben grew up in Billings, attending Taft, Garfield, Lincoln and Billings High School. Billings Senior High School opened two years before Ben graduated in 1942. That year, the team on which Ben played guard, and won all-Conference and all-state honors, were state football champions. This selection earned him a

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football scholarship from the Montana State University Grizzlies, at which he played freshman football in the fall of 1942.

When the football season was over, Ben came home and like so many others, volunteered to serve in WWII. He wanted to join the Navy, but the quota was full. Ben related that a big Marine Sergeant looked at him and said, "I have a place for you!" Ben later commented that he sure did.

After basic training in San Diego, he was assigned to the Second Marine Division and served in the South Pacific at Tawara, Saipan, Tinian, Okinawa and the occupation of Japan. During his term, he received a Purple Heart as well as numerous other campaign ribbons. He went on to serve the country again in Korea. His Marine career fashioned him into a man of discipline, strong character and integrity.

After his first discharge on the 7th of December 1945, Ben went on to Montana State College to play for the Bobcats in 1946 to 1948. One of his greatest moments was when he and

other teammates were inducted into the Bobcat Hall of Fame on Oct. 17, 1986.

In 1952, Ben went to work for the Montana Highway Department and after that, spent 20 years on the Billings Police Force, retiring as a detective.

Ben married Jean Hunter on Dec. 15, 1961. Jean had lost her first husband to an auto accident in 1957. Together, Jean and Ben raised her three sons, Ray, presently of Santa Barbara, Calif.; Jerry of Unity, Ore.; and Zachary of Salem, Ore. Ben and Jean enjoyed 35 years together, pursuing fishing, bowling and Ben's famous German cooking that he learned from his mother. If ever Ben was patient it was in front of the stove. His New Year's prime rib dinners were legendary.

Ben was preceded in death by his mother Carrie; father Jacob; brother Ruben; and sisters Clara Wyman, Martha Dames, Annie Ellis, Margaret Pickett, Caroline Kostelecky, Shirley Carney; half-sisters Bertha Badgett and Louise Metzger; and nephew Mark Fisher.

Survivors include sisters Helen Ruth Green and Edna Hoven; a niece, Martha Corrine Kraske of Thermopolis, Wyo.; his three stepsons; and numerous nieces and nephews. Ruth has been Ben's right hand the

last three years, assisting him in every way possible. She visited him at home daily with a hot meal seven days a week every week of the year. They became more than just brother and sister through Ruth's diligence, they became best friends. Their mutual need and love for each other is a great loss to Ruth. Ben served as a father-figure to Martha during her school years. She made numerous trips to Billings assisting Ben in every way possible. Ben will be remembered by all as one who stood tall, proud, with every fabric creased, button and belt in its proper place.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Interment with military honors will follow services at Terrace Gardens Cemetery. Memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.



## Arnold W. Aukshun

Arnold W. Aukshun, 85, of Billings passed away April 27, 2002, at the Eagle Cliff Manor.

He was born Dec. 5, 1916 in Wentworth, S.D., the son of Frank and Martha (Klostiech) Aukshun. Arnold lived in Cleveland, N.D., and in 1928 they moved to the Huntley Project near Worden, where he farmed for 16 years. They moved to Billings in 1967, where he worked for the Billings Clinic as a *building engineer* until retiring in 1981.

He enjoyed woodworking, traveling with the Good Sam Chapter and he had enjoyed fishing. He served in WWII in the Army Air Corps.

He was a member of the Yellowstone Good Sam's RV Chapter and he was a past commander of the Worden VFW No. 7407.

Survivors include his wife, Eula Bingamin, of 60 years; sons Rodney (Betty) Aukshun of San Antonio, Texas, Timothy Aukshun of the Philippines; daughter-in-law, Alicia Aukshun of Oklahoma; his daughter, Linda (Scott) Wilson of Kingman, Ariz.; and four granddaughters, Camilla (Rick) Sparks, Venus (Paul) Keneally, Mia (Mike) Timmons, Shawnaree (Jonathan) Turner and grandson, Don Aukshun; five great-grandsons and two great granddaughters; two sisters, Clara Baum and Racheal Horton of Billings; one brother,

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April 29, 2002

Robert Aukshun of Billings; and extended family, Tom and Jan Harmon.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday, May 2, at the Smith West Chapel with interment in Terrace Gardens Cemetery. Visitation will begin on Tuesday evening at the Smith West Chapel at 304 34th St. West. Memorial may be made to the Ronald McDonald House or the charity of your choice in lieu of flowers.

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**Elizabeth L. Aukshun**

SAN ANTONIO, Texas - Elizabeth L. Aukshun, age 56, died on Wednesday, October 30, 2002. She was born in Great Falls, Montana, on Oct. 10, 1946.

Elizabeth loved to sew and paint.

She is preceded in death by parents, James W. Lowery and Magdalean Doheny Lowery; and father-in-law, Arnold W. Aukshun.

She is survived by her husband, SSgt. (Ret) USAF, Rodney L. Aukshun; daughter Cami Sparks and husband, Rick; two grandchildren, "Her Boys," Cody and Austin Sparks; three sisters, Edie, Mayce and Dee; four brothers, Tom, Joe, Jim and Clyde; mother-in-law Eula; brother-in-law, Tim; sister-in-law, Linda; and her beloved pets, Yanni, Willie, Scooter and Tiger.

A Rosary was held Nov. 1 and Mass on Nov. 2 in San Antonio. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Cancer Therapy Research Center.

**George W. Averett**

LOVELL, Wyo. — George Wesley Averett, 91, of Lovell, died Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2002, at his home.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Lovell. Interment will be in the Lovell Cemetery.

## Aronia Averill

Nov. 5 1921 - May 11, 2002

Aronia was born Nov. 5, 1921 to Alfred and Andrenia (Wickern) Berg in a farm house in the Red River Valley, Blain, N.D. She had five sisters and six brothers.

During her early years, she went to Tacoma, Wash., to work. There she met and married Walter Averill and they had six children.

Aronia's life was taking care of her family and she loved to cook. She had a gentle spirit and loved everyone. Aronia's passion was reading the bible and talking about Jesus.

She is survived by her children: Lonney (Diane) Averill, Sharon (Jerry) Ogden, Judy Ann (Harold) Vine, Jerry (Rita) Averill, Patti (Mark) Dundas and Lee (Laurie) Averill. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; sisters, Alfaria Jacobson, Dolly Hurd of Eugene, Ore.; and a brother, Enscel Berg of Livingston.

Services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 15, at the Parkhill Assembly of God Church. Interment will follow at Terrace Gardens Cemetery.

## **Plet Johnson Avery**

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**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

MESA, Ariz. — Plet Johnson Avery, 83, of Mesa, formerly of Greybull, Wyo., died Thursday, June 6, 2002, at Mesa Lutheran Hospital.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 11, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Greybull Ward. Visitation will be one hour prior to services at the Relief Society Room in the church. Burial will follow services at Hillside Cemetery in Greybull. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc. of Basin, Wyo., is in charge.

# Myrtle E. Adami Axline

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 25 2002

Myrtle E. Adami Axline, 96, of Billings, died Tuesday, July 23, 2002, at Valley Health Care Center.

The daughter of Harry C. and Frances Adami, Myrtle was born Aug. 30, 1905, in Helena where she attended schools.

Myrtle married Edwin Axline in Helena on July 4, 1931. After their marriage, they lived throughout the West, where her husband was a civil engineer. They came to Billings after retiring in 1966.

She was a member of Grace Community Church in Boulder City, Nev.

Survivors include her daughter Lucille Leuschen; and son Harry Axline and his wife Sara, all of Billings; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Her husband Edwin preceded her in death, July 31, 1995.

We are eternally grateful for the loving care and concern shown our mother by the staff of Valley Health Care Center.

Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, July 26, in the Forestvale Cemetery, Helena.

Michelotti-Sawyers has charge of arrangements.

**JUL 19 2002****Fred Aye**

**MILES CITY — Fred Aye, 63, of Miles City, died Thursday, July 18, 2002, at Holy Rosary Health Center.**

**Visitation will be held Friday, July 19, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 20, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the Eastern Montana State Veteran Cemetery.**

**MAR 17 2002****David G. Ayre**

**GLENDIVE** — David G. Ayre, age 83, of Glendive, passed away on March 15, 2002, at the Glendive Medical Center.

A vigil service will be at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19 at the Chapel of Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m., Wednesday, March 20, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, with Father Joseph Ponessa officiating. Rite of Committal will follow in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery with Military Honors. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

David was born on Feb. 1, 1919, in Glendive, the son of Robert and Mary (Reinholz) Ayre. He was raised and educated in Glendive, graduating from Dawson County High School in the class of 1938. David went to work for the Northern Pacific Railroad in 1941. He worked 45 years for the Northern Pacific Railroad and Burlington Northern Railroad as a locomotive engineer, retiring in 1986. He served in the United States Army during World War II, serving from May, 1944, to June, 1946, as a Locomotive Engineer in the Philippines liberation in the Railroad Battalion. David married Elizabeth "Betty" Pederson on Nov. 28, 1953, in Glendive.

David was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. David enjoyed raising Tumbler Pigeons and Netherlands Dwarf rabbits. He also enjoyed gardening and hunting.

David was preceded in death by his parents and a daughter, Lisa Strand; two brothers, Robert and Larry; and two sisters, Marie and Eileen.

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David is survived by his wife, Betty; three daughters, Dr. Laurie Ayre of Wilkesbarre, Pa., Patty Maddock and her husband Jim of Glendive, Mary Lou Ayre of Mesa, Ariz.; two sons, Bill Ayre and his wife Joyce of Glendive, and John Ayre and his wife Traci of Mesa, Ariz.; one son-in-law, Bruce Strand and his wife Pam of Kalispell; one sister-in-law, Dorothy Ayre of Billings; twelve grandchildren, Jessica and Ben Ayre, Chad, Kristi and Alesha Maddock, Kristie, Sara and Jake Strand, Lexi, Brandon, Kelsy and Tyler Ayre.

## Lester T. Azure

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APR 25 2002

HAVRE — Lester T. Azure, 54, died Tuesday, April 23, 2002, at Northern Montana Hospital in Havre, of cancer.

Calling hours will begin at 5 p.m., Thursday, April 25, at Edward Funeral Home Chapel in Chinook. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, April 26, at St. Gabriel's Catholic Church in Chinook. Burial will follow in the Kuper Memorial Cemetery in Chinook.

## William J. Azure

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JAN 31 2002

FORT BELKNAP — William J. "Billy Rose" Azure, 77, of Fort Belknap, died Monday, Jan. 28, 2002, at the Phillips County Good Samaritan Center.

Wake/Rosary will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at the Red Whip Recreation Center at Fort Belknap. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 1, at the Red Whip Recreation Center. Burial will be in the Hi-Way Church Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home of Malta is in charge.

## Mary Leitha Anderson

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**  
**OCT 15 2006**

GLASGOW — Mary Leitha was born June 14, 1937, in Philadelphia, Pa., to Alfred and Leitha Puhl. On Oct. 12, 2002, complications from Lou Gehrig's disease took her life.

As a child, at home in Philadelphia with her sisters, Mary had wonderful memories of a simpler time. She always treasured the time spent with her family, right up to the last day.

Mary and her family moved to Glasgow in 1961, at first living at the Air Force Base. In 1970, Mary married A.C. Anderson, and they made their home in Glasgow. Proud to call Montana home, she never considered living anyplace else.

As a mother, sister, grandmom and friend, many will miss her spirit and energy, but most of all, we will miss her sense of humor and her wit. Mary believed in hard work, honesty and dignity. Her children and grandchildren will carry on her legacy.



Mary was blessed with four children, Jack (Earline) Rosander of Colstrip, Jill (Scott) Malone of Denver, Jenny (Bill) Rosander of Billings and Mary Jo (Frank) Anderson of Glasgow; nine grandchildren, Karson and Kelsey Rosander of Colstrip, Brian Chouinard of Portland, Ore., Jacque (Chas) Chouinard of Glasgow, Shelby and Thomas Malone of Denver, Vanessa Revell of Fort Lewis, Wash., Jenny Revell and Brad Revell of Minneapolis; four great-grandchildren, Dominic and Janeil Chouinard of Glasgow, and Rhianna and Shay Revell of Minneapolis. Mary's family also included a stepson, Clarence (Marie) Anderson of Grand Coulee, Wash., their children Doug (Holly) Anderson of Spokane, Wash., Stephanie and her children Dakotah, Jared, Kyle and Colton of Grand Coulee, Mike (Jodie) Perry and their son, J.C., Jordan, Tanner and Conner of Chester.

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**APR 18 2002****Bernice LaRea Asgard**

**BURLINGTON, Wyo. —** Bernice LaRea Asgard, 84, died Tuesday, April 16, 2002, at Bonnie Bluejacket Nursing Home, between Greybull and Basin.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, April 19, at the Burlington Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until service time Friday at the church. Burial will be in the Burlington Cemetery. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell is in charge.