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Cecil Andrew Cahill

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 17 2003

LEWIS -
TOWN — Cecil
Andrew Cahill,
age 61, was
called home by
his Lord on
Saturday, Nov.
15, 2003. He died
peacefully at
home, sur-
rounded by his



CECIL CAHILL

loving family, after a long and
valiant struggle against A.L.S.
(Lou Gehrig's disease).

Cecil was born July 28, 1942, in
Red Lodge, the son of Orville
Cahill and Margaret Pollock
Cahill. He attended school in
Pierce, Idaho, and Clarkston,
Wash., graduating from
Clarkston High School in 1960.

Cecil joined the U.S. Navy in
August 1961, attended electronics
school in Bainbridge, Md., and
was assigned to the nuclear
destroyer U.S.S. Towers, home
based in San Diego.

On Jan. 25, 1964, Cecil married
Linda Hall of Lewiston, Idaho.

Upon discharge from the
Navy, Cecil entered the
Management Trainee Program
with the W.T. Grant Co. in
Lewiston, Idaho, was assistant
manager of the Northtown
Grants store in Spokane, Wash.,
and then the manager of the
Grants store in Lynwood, Wash.
Cecil was honored as the

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youngest store manager in the entire chain of 2,500 stores.

In 1969, Cecil returned to his beloved Montana, managing the M.L. Brown Sporting Goods store in Billings. Cecil then went on to the Gibbons Montana chain of stores as hard lines and sporting goods buyer for all their stores. For several years, Cecil and Linda owned and operated Blue Ribbon Sports & Surplus in Billings.

The last 13 years of his working life, Cecil was with the Sports Inc. home office in Lewistown, as Vice President of the Hunting, Archery, Camping and Surplus Divisions. Cecil took early retirement in May 2002 due to the physical limitations and progression of his disease.

Cecil was very active in the fight against gun control, making many trips to Washington, D.C. to lobby for the sportsman's point of view. He served on the Board of Directors of the American Shooting Sports Council and the National Shooting Sports Foundation, fighting lawsuits against cities and gun manufacturers. Cecil was also a proud member of the American Legion for many years.

Cecil is survived by his wife, Linda; son, Tim (Gina) of San Jose, Calif.; daughter, Kathy Armstrong (Jeff) of Billings; three grandchildren, Megan and Scott Cahill, and Baby Armstrong; mother, Margaret Cox, Weippe, Idaho; sister, Judy Jones

(Reuben), Lewiston, Idaho; brothers, Orville Cahill (Sandra), Livingston, Richard Cahill (Vicky), Clarkston, Wash., Ron Cahill (Jan), Kalispell, and John Cahill (Nancy), Weippi, Idaho; along with numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Cecil will be greatly missed by all his family and friends. Cecil died the way he lived—with courage, honor, and integrity. He is an inspiration to his friends and family, due to the valiant way he handled his illness and passing; a true hero.

Services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, at Creel Funeral, 601 W. Main Street, Lewistown with a luncheon following at the St. James Episcopal Church, 502 W. Montana, Lewistown. Burial with full military honors will be the following day, Thursday, Nov. 20, at 9:30 a.m. at Carbon County Cemetery in Red Lodge.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to C.M.M.C Hospital/Home Care, 629 N.E. Main, Lewistown, MT.

Charles Cain

MILES CITY — Charles "Short" Edward Cain, 83, died early Saturday morning, March 22, 2003, at the Holy Rosary Extended Care in Miles City.

Visitation will begin Tuesday, March 25, at the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, March 26, in the Stevenson & Sons chapel. Interment will follow at the Eastern Montana Veterans Cemetery in Miles City with full military rites.

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Cecil Stan Caldwell

Cecil Stan Caldwell, 59, of Billings, passed away Dec. 13, 2003, at home. He was born Nov. 23, 1944, to Lee A. and Mildred R. Caldwell in Belleville, Ark. In 1956, his fam-



**CECIL
CALDWELL**

ily moved to Chester where Cecil attended school and graduated from Chester High School in 1963. He was a member of the Chester High football team. Shortly after graduation, he moved to Billings.

Cecil married Charlotte Sanvik in 1965. They adopted Erik Lee in 1970 and Kris Robert in 1972. Cecil and Charlotte were divorced in 1978. In early 1979, he met Nancy Brumley and they were married on June 22 of that year. He became a second dad to Nancy's children, Tina and Travis.

At the time of his death, he was employed by the City of Billings Street Traffic Department and also worked part time as a driver for U.S. mail contractor Dallas Parkins.

Cecil enjoyed football (Raiders), NASCAR (Earnhardt Jr.), basketball (Lakers) and old movies.

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He is survived by his wife Nancy; children, Tina (Cole) Kimber, Travis (Joey) Brumley, Erik Caldwell and Kris Caldwell; one brother, Harold (Diane) Caldwell, as well as many relatives in Arkansas, California Utah, and Hawaii. Cecil is preceded in death by his parents.

He was loved by all and will be greatly missed.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Cremation has taken place.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, 510 1st Ave. N, room 114, Great Falls, MT 59401 or The Billings Food Bank, 2112 4th Ave N., Billings, MT 59101.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

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Elsie Caldwell

Elsie Caldwell, 89, of Grand Park Assisted Living, 1221 28th St. W., Billings, passed away Friday, May 9, 2003, at Grand Park, of complications from temporal arteritis.

Elsie was born April 10, 1914, to Herman and Minnie Koeppen in Cody, Wyo. The family moved to Greybull, Wyo., in 1921, where Elsie attended schools and graduated from Greybull High School. She served as class president and was selected prom queen.

Elsie married Ellis Caldwell, Nov. 4, 1932. They were married 62 years. Elsie and Ellis moved to Billings in 1949. Ellis worked for Exxon and Elsie took loving care of their daughters, Sandra and Judy.

Elsie was an avid golfer at Lake Hills Golf Club; she loved to golf with her husband and friends. She also enjoyed baking pies and cake for friends and family, caring for her flower garden, working crossword puzzles, crocheting afghans, music and visiting with her friends



**ELSIE
CALDWELL**

and family. Elsie belonged to the Exxon Annuitant Club and the First Presbyterian Church.

Elsie was preceded in death by her parents; sisters Ruth and Edna; brother Clarence; and husband Ellis. She is survived by her daughter, Sandra and husband Alan Bundy of Denver, a daughter, Judith Caldwell of New Haven, Conn.; grandchildren, David Bundy and Gayle Rock of Denver, Jonathan Fay of Pittsburgh, and Michael Fay of New York City; great-grandchildren, Meghan and Jessica Aderman and Ashley and Michael Bundy of Denver; two sisters-in-law, Alameda Plenger of Santa Susana, Calif., and Rosella Fales of Powell, Wyo., and a brother-in-law, Marcus Caldwell of Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif.

The family would like to extend special thanks to Grand Park Assisted Living, Judy and Fred Annin, Todd Kinnel, Coral, Kathryn, Dana, Trish and the rest of the staff for their loving care and concern, Big Sky Hospice, Professional Nurses Association, Dr. Joseph Maheras and St. Vincent's Hospital, and especially

to friends Eleanor, Gretchen, Alice, Clare and Ruth for their friendship and steadfast care.

A memorial service and celebration of Elsie's life will take place Friday, May 16, at 1 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church, 2420 13th St. West, Billings, with Rev. Jay Wallace and Rev. John Shuck officiating. Memorials may be sent to the Multiple Myeloma Foundation for cancer research or Big Sky Hospice. Smith Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

James Calk

GLENDIVE — James Price "Spike" Calk, 83, died Sunday, June 22, 2003, at Eastern Montana Veterans Home in Glendive.

Visitation will be held Thursday, June 26, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 27, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Custer County Cemetery in Miles City.

**FRANKLIN CALL****Franklin Forrest Call, Sr.**

Surrounded by the warmth, love and prayers of his family and friends, Franklin Forrest Call, Sr., age 86, passed away at home Monday evening, Sept. 15, 2003, from advanced cancer of the esophagus.

Franklin was born in Worden, May 25, 1917, to Forrest and Myrtle (Winslow) Call. He attended schools in Worden and in Billings at Lincoln and Jefferson.

A proud veteran of World War II, Franklin saw active combat service in the Mediterranean Theater in Italy with the Army. Serving from October 1943 to October 1945, Franklin received the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart and other distinguished awards for service to his country.

Aug. 14, 1954, Franklin married Phyllis Marie Robson Streets, his loving wife and partner for 49 years.

Over the years, Franklin worked for Meadow Gold Dairy Star Transfer, Milwaukee Roac and Northern Tank Lines as a diesel mechanic. Upon his retirement from Northern Tank, Frank moved from Miles City to Billings with his wife to live with his daughter, Gene.

Frank loved to bowl especially with the Senior Leagues at Fireside Lanes, to tend his garden, to watch/talk football and to fish with his sons, grandsons and sons-in-law. He was a dedicated caregiver for his wife.

Frank is survived by his wife, Phyllis; his sons, Franklin Call, Jr. of Miles City, George (Irene) Robson of Billings; his daughters, Victoria Arneson of Miles City, Mary (Wes) Burley, Vena (Tim) Wilkins, Alice (Mike) Buckalew and Gene Robson, all of Billings; his loving grandchildren, Joey and Autumn Lucero, Jacqueline Wilkins, Tawnya and Wesley Burley, J.D. Arneson, Desiree, Breia, Kayla and Forrest Call, Mike and Richard Robson, Chris Ann and Edward Streets; and several great grandchildren.

A husband, father, granda-ther and friend, Franklin lived a long and good life, leaving us with many cherished memories. To honor that life, memorials may be made in his name to the Billings Veterans Clinic's Van/Transportation Services or to Big Sky Hospice.

Cremation is planned. Grave-side services with Military Honors will be 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 19, at Mountview Cemetery.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

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F. Evelyn Callison

SIDNEY — Frances Evelyn Callison, 85, of Sidney, formerly of Richey, died Sunday, May 18, 2003, at the Sidney Health Center.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 22, at the St. Matthew's Catholic Church. Wake service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 21, at the Fulkerson Funeral Home Memorial Chapel. Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery.

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Eunice 'Tizy' Cameron

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Eunice "Tizy" Cameron died peacefully at home, surrounded by her family, on Nov. 19, 2003.

Eunice Marion Malley was born in Duluth, Minn., the youngest of seven children, on Oct. 1, 1928, to Martin and Lulu Malley. She was nicknamed Tizy by her family as a "Tiny Baby." Tizy married Walter T. Cameron on April 29, 1950. Together, they had 10 children. They lived in Duluth until the early 1980s, when Walt was transferred to Louisiana, and shortly after, to Billings.

Tizy was known for her common sense, wit, humor and peace-keeping ability. She was famous for haircuts, chocolate chip cookies, grilled cheese sandwiches and loving babies. She was defined by her strength and by her values. For all of their lives, her children will strive to live up to her reputation and her expectations.

Tizy was preceded in death by her first child, William, who died as an infant; her parents and their oldest child Marion, who died as a young child; her brothers, Roger "Bud" Malley and Leslie "Todds" Malley; her sister, Virginia O'Meara; and her grandchild, Cari Cameron.

Tizy is survived by her husband, Walt, of Billings; her children, Patricia (Stan) Plucinak of Minneapolis, Michael (Cheryl) Cameron of Bismarck, N.D., Thomas (Sara) Cameron of Billings, Mary Clare Cameron of Red Lodge, Paul (Dianne) Cameron of Rochester, Minn., John Cameron of Great Falls, Diane (Les) Dimich of Red Lodge, Joseph (Jane) Cameron of Eugene, Ore., and Elizabeth Cameron (Gary Long) of Billings; 20 beautiful, smart, strong and loved grandchildren; and one very beautiful, smart, strong, and loved great-grandchild. Also surviving her are sisters, Muriel "Babe" Wiita of Duluth and Elaine "Bea" (Glenn) Olson, of Fergus Falls, Minn.; and brother-in-law, Gerald (Zinnia) Cameron, of California, along with numerous nieces and nephews who loved her, and many friends, old and new.

Have yourself a merry little Christmas,

Let your heart be light.

From now on, Our troubles will be out of sight.

Have yourself a merry little Christmas,

Make the Yuletide gay,

From now on, Our troubles will be miles away.

Here we are as in olden days,

Happy golden days of yore,

Faithful friends who are dear to us,

Gather near to us, once more.

Through the years, we all will be together, if the fates allow,

Hang a shining star upon the highest bough,

And have yourself a merry little Christmas, now.

We love you forever, like you for always, as long as we're living, our mother you'll be.

A vigil service will be held at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Billings at 7 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 21. A funeral mass will be held at St. Bernard's at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 22. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice of Billings, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107, or the charity of your choice. Cremation or Funeral Gallery in Billings has been entrusted with the arrangements.

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BIG TIMBER — Funeral services for Alta Eula Campanella, 103, Big Timber, will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 26, in the Reed Point Evangelical Church in Reed Point. Burial will follow at the Reed Point Cemetery. Mrs. Campanella died Monday, July 21, 2003, at the Pioneer Medical Center in Big Timber.

She was born July 5, 1900, in Herman, Ill., the daughter of Charles David and Elizabeth Koch Kenfield. She was the oldest of five children. She attended schools in Herman and moved with her family to Reed Point when she was 17.

She married Nicholas M. Campanella, on Dec. 7, 1918, in Livingston. He preceded her in death on Oct. 25, 1965. In 1928, they moved to their ranch south of Reed Point and lived there until their retirement in 1962, when they moved into Reed Point.

She was a homemaker and well known for her crocheting, gardening, pies and fried chicken dinners. She was a long time member of the Reed Point Birthday Club.

She moved from Reed Point to Livingston in 1986 to live close to her son and then moved to Laurel in 1995 to live close to her grandchildren. In 2000, she moved to the Pioneer Medical Center in Big Timber.

She is survived by her daughter-in-law, Ellen Campanella, Livingston; a grandson, Walton "Rob" Campanella and his wife, Diane, Wamego, Kan.; two great-grandsons, David Campanella and his wife Cara, Casper, Wyo., and Nicholas Campanella, Wamego; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by twin infant daughters, Iva and Eva Campanella, in 1920; and her son, Dr. Robert A. Campanella on Sept. 16, 1994.

She will lie-in-state at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Billings, Friday, July 25, from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. The family will greet friends at a visitation, Saturday, July 26, from 9 a.m. until service time at the church. They suggest memorial contributions to Pioneer Medical Center and those may be sent in care of the funeral home.

A.J. 'Jack' Campbell

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — A.J. "Jack" Campbell, 80, of Jay, Okla., formerly of Douglas and Gillette, Wyo., died Saturday, Aug. 2, 2003, at the Fayetteville Veteran's Hospital, from a gallstone infection, followed by surgery, which was followed by a heart attack.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, at St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Grove, Okla. Visitation with the family will be at 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, at the Worley Funeral Home in Grove.

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Alice Campbell

GLENDIVE — Alice Elizabeth Campbell, 85, of Glendive, died Sunday, Nov. 23, 2003, at the Glendive Medical Center.

A vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, at the chapel of Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 28, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Rite of committal will be in the Dawson County Cemetery.

Amy Suzanne Campbell

PHOENIX — Amy Suzanne Campbell, 38, of Phoenix, formerly of Glendive, Mont., died Sunday, Oct. 5, 2003, at the Phoenix Baptist Hospital.

Memorial Mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive. Interment will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is in charge.

NOV 24 2003

Bessie Campbell

MILES CITY — Bessie Campbell, 88, died Saturday, Nov. 22, 2003, at her home.

Visitation will be Tuesday, Nov. 25, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, at the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the Custer County Cemetery in Miles City.

James W. 'B.J.' Campbell

MALTA — James W. "B.J." Campbell, 79 years, a WWII Army veteran and retired Malta postmaster, died Wednesday, April 9, 2003, at the Phillips County Hospital of natural causes.



**B.J.
CAMPBELL**

Memorial services will be 1 p.m. Saturday, April 12, at the Malta Lutheran Church. Interment of his cremated remains with military honors will follow the service at the Malta Cemetery. Masonic honors will be given at the church. Adams Funeral Home and Hi-Line Crematory are in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include his wife, Dolores Campbell of Malta; daughter and son-in-law, Billie Rae (Bob) Maxie of Malta; sons and daughter-in-law, Bryce (Jacquelyn) Campbell of Fort Benton, Kevin Campbell of Laurel; sisters and brothers-in-law, Cathryne (Harry) Penfield of Hammond, Ind., Barbara (Hugh) Smith of Abilene, Texas; brother and sister-in-law, Robert (Florence) Campbell of Hamilton; grand-

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sons, James and Eric Maxie, Joseph Campbell; granddaughter, Karsten Campbell; great-granddaughters, Dylan Sky Weakly, Lily Kate Maxie.

He was preceded in death by one brother, three sisters and a grandson.

B.J. was born on March 29, 1924, in Malta, the son of Ray L. and Emma (Trafton) Campbell. He was given the nicknames of B.J. and Billy Jim at an early age. B.J. graduated from the Malta High School in 1942. He enlisted in the Army in March 1943 and served with the 302nd Signal Corp. in Normandy, Northern France, Rineland and Central Europe. B.J. was honorably discharged in January 1946. He married Dolores Knutson on Aug. 29, 1948. B.J. worked as a banker and automobile sales before starting with the Malta Post Office. He was appointed postmaster by President Eisenhower in 1956 and he retired in 1986.

B.J. was a member and Past Master of Malta Masonic Lodge #57, Al Bedoo Shrine, Malta

Lutheran Church and Malta
VFW Post #57. He had been
active in the past with the
Malta Club, Malta Jaycees and
the Kiwanis.

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Jerry E. Campbell

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Jerry E. Campbell, 71, of Buffalo, died Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003, at the Johnson County Health Care Center.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4, at the St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. Burial will be in Willow Grove Cemetery with graveside services to follow the funeral. Adams Funeral Home of Buffalo is in charge.

Mildred Campbell

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Mildred "Milly" Becker Campbell, 86, of Campbell County, died Oct. 11, 2003, at the Pioneer Manor Nursing Home in Gillette.

Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Gillette. Graveside service and burial will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, at the Greenhill Cemetery in Alexandria, S.D. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

Patricia L. Campbell

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FEB 15 2003

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Patricia L. "Patty" Campbell, 79, of Sheridan, died Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2003, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 17, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Private family graveside services for burial of remains will be at a later date.

Robert Campbell

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FEB 20 2003

PARMA, Mich. — Robert Campbell, 66, of Parma, formerly of Miles City, Mont., died Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2003, at the St. Peter's Hospital in Helena.

Visitation will be held Friday, Feb. 21, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Interment will follow the family lot in Custer County Cemetery.

MAR 29 2003

Earl F. Camblin

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Earl F. Camblin, 87, died Monday, March 24, 2003, at the VA Medical Center in Sheridan.

Visitation will be from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday, March 30, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home in Gillette. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, March 31, at the Family Life Church in Gillette. Interment will follow in Mount Pisgah Cemetery.

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**AMANDA CAMPOS**

Amanda Herrera Campos

Amanda Herrera Campos passed away peacefully, Sunday Dec. 29. She was born June 14, 1910, in Gerrero, Coahuilla, Mexico, to Santiago and Jesusita Herrera. She had seven siblings, of which three are still living.

In 1943 she married Emilio C. Campos Sr. They moved to the United States where their three children Ricardo, Amanda and Emilio were born. They ultimately made their home in Hysham, Mont., in 1952.

Amanda was no stranger to hard work. She worked in the home to provide a clean and comfortable environment, and during the summers she would work in the beet fields. She loved to cook and would make each meal a pleasure. Everyone loved her tamales, empanadas and her tortillas which she served warm and spread with butter. Amanda had a great love for children.

Whenever she saw a child, she always had a beautiful smile for them and a very nice compliment for their parents about how lovely their children were. She was especially fond of her grandson Adan, whom she helped raise. Adan brought many smiles to her face during her life.

Amanda's whole life was centered around her family. She was always there to cook a meal, wash clothes, iron and provide a place to stay or a good listening ear. She had the kindest heart anyone could have. We will miss her. We will miss her beautiful smile. A smile that seemed to make all of our problems go away.

She is survived by her three children, all residing in Billings, Ricardo Campos, Amanda Workman and Emilio Campos Jr.; grandson, Adan; granddaughters, Teresa and Shalisa; and siblings, Locha, Tina and Estella.

Amanda was preceded in death by her mother Jesusita and father Santiago and her siblings, Lupe, Eduardo, Roberto Santiago and Cobra.

Amanda's family would like to express their gratitude to hospital staff that provided lots of hugs and great care at the state hospital in Lewistown and Evergreen Nursing Home in Laurel.

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Cremation has taken place, and a memorial mass will be held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church on Friday, Jan. 3, 2003, at 10 a.m.

ANTONIA C. Campos

Antonia C. Campos, a long-time resident of Evergreen Health Center, has been taken by our maker from the side of her loving family on Monday, April 14, 2003. She will be greatly missed by all.

Antonia was born to Emilio and Herminia Campos in Martindale, Texas, May 10, 1915. She was one of 14 children, of which five died as infants. She was preceded in death by her parents as well as five adult brothers and sisters: Delfina, Adela, Juventina, Nicasio and Filomeno.

Antonia is survived by two sisters, Carmen Briones of Hereford, Texas, Juanita C. Campbell of Billings; and a brother, Emilio Campos of Billings; numerous nieces, nephews, grand- and great-grandnieces and nephews of Texas and California.

Vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 16, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Thursday, April 17, at the church. Interment will follow at Mountview Cemetery. Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.



**ANTONIA
CAMPOS**

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The family, best known through Mamacita's, wish to express their thanks and gratitude to all the caregivers at Evergreen for their patience, love and care given to our loved one and consideration to the family.

Memorials may be given to any charity helping crippled children.

Monica Candee

GLASGOW — Monica (Eastman) Candee, 87, died Thursday, Oct. 2, 2003, at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital in Glasgow, of a stroke.

A private memorial service will be in Washington at a later date. Cremation has taken place. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

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Vivian Mae Cannon

Vivian Mae Cannon went to be with her Lord the evening of Dec. 12, 2003, in the Horizon Hospice Home, following a hard-fought battle with cancer.

**VIVIAN
CANNON**

Vivian was born to James and Dollie Foster in Livingston on June 24, 1923. She was united in marriage to William Cannon in Livingston on March 10, 1946. Vivian and Bill then moved to Brooklyn, N.Y. where they lived for five years before returning to Montana. They made their home in Billings where they raised three daughters and became part of a loving and supportive community.

Vivian's life centered around her family, her church and her friends. She loved and was loved by her church community, her women's groups, and her "Friday Lunch Bunch."

Vivian was preceded in death by her husband, Bill in 1999; and by her brother, Harvey Foster, on Nov. 24, 2003. She is survived by her three daughters and their families, Dorothy and Bart Coslet, and their daughter, Becky of Billings, Linda and Harlan

Patterson and their children, Eric and Amy of Seattle, and Debbie and Tim O'Gorman and their children, Molly and Megan of Chester, Va. Other survivors include her sisters, Susan Henderson of Livingston, and Lois Wojnowski of Thornton, Colo.; and brothers, James Foster of New Jersey and Robert Foster of Helena.

Vivian was greatly loved and will be missed by all who knew her. Donations may be made to Big Sky Hospice or to Evangelical United Methodist Church.

Visitation will begin Thursday morning at the Smith Downtown Chapel. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, at the Evangelical United Methodist Church, corner of Broadwater and 4th Ave. W. Interment will follow at Terrace Gardens Cemetery. Smith Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

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John 'Jack' Cantwell

John (Jack) Cantwell was born on April 6, 1928, to John Holland Cantwell and Bess Iryne McCulloch Cantwell. John was raised in the Osbourne Township area, between Huntley and Worden. He graduated from Park County High School in Livingston in 1946. John served his country as a member of the 19th Infantry in Occupied Japan at the end of WWII.



**JOHN
CANTWELL**

John worked in property management and was the manager of Golden Meadows Mobile Home Park at the time of his death. Prior to that, John worked as the manager of Rim Rock Lodge and McKessen Pharmaceuticals.

On July 19, 1952, John married Clara Monsma, and they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 2002.

Next to his family, his greatest pleasure was fishing with his brothers. In his spare time, John created beautiful woodworking treasures for his family and friends.

John's death on Saturday, June 28, 2003, was due to complica-

tions from an automobile accident that occurred on Wednesday, June 25.

John's survivors include his wife, Clara, of Billings; and his brothers, Roger, of Big Sky, and David Cox, of Forsyth.

John's beloved children include Greg (Charmaine) of Huntley and grandsons, Ahren and Beau Cantwell, Brian Cooper, and great-grandson, Khy Cantwell, all of Billings, Sherri McKenna (Bob) and grandchildren, Andrew and Natalie of Albuquerque, N.M., Tammy Hinnergardt (Kirk) and grandchildren, Madeline, Amelia, Jordan, Sophie, and Fred, of Mandan, N.D.

Friends and family will meet to honor John and celebrate his life at 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 1, at the Golden Meadows Mobile Home Park Clubhouse.

Grandpa, thank-you for all you have done for all of us.

Good-bye, Dad. We love you and will miss you.

H. Earl Capellen

CODY, Wyo. — H. Earl Capellen, 66, died Sunday, Aug. 17, 2003, at West Park Hospital in Cody.

Viewing will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 21, at Ballard Funeral Home in Cody. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 22, at Ballard Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Riverside Cemetery.

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Hulda H. Capen

LAUREL — Hulda H. Capen, 81, of Laurel, died Monday, Nov. 3, 2003, at Columbus.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Laurel. Interment will be in the Laurel Cemetery. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel is in charge.

Herbert William Caraway

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Herbert
"Herb"
Caraway of
Billings passed
away on
Monday, Dec. 8,
2003, at St.
Vincent Health-
care.



**HERB
CARAWAY**

Herb was
born April 3,
1936. His par-
ents were the
late Dr. H.T. Caraway and
Maxine V. Caraway.

He attended McKinley
Elementary School in Billings,
the Shattuck School in Faribault,
Minn., and graduated from
Billings Senior High School in
1955. He then enlisted in the U.S.
Marine Corps and was stationed
at 29 Palms, Calif. He served in
the military police, a duty he had
pride in; and he received an hon-
orable discharge in 1958. After
the military, Herb attended
Montana State University (UM)
in Missoula, where he met his
future wife, Holly E.
Steinbrenner. They were mar-
ried in 1960 in Missoula.

Herb worked for the Midland
National Bank in Billings; the
Central Bank of Great Falls, and,
while living in Missoula, he
worked in real estate. After

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returning to Billings with his family in 1986, Herb continued his realty work and currently was president of Billings Check Service.

Herb's two children and three grandchildren were the love of his life. He never missed an activity or sporting event involving his grandchildren. He was known as "Poppy" to them. Brooklyn was his little "Sweetheart." He loved playing baseball, basketball and passing a football with the boys. Herb's favorite place was the cabin at Placid Lake. It was his heaven on earth. Herb's interests included his love of sports, especially the Grizzlies; he enjoyed classic cars, collecting beer memorabilia and antique items.

His survivors also include one son, Herbert M. Caraway, IV, one daughter, Audrey Caraway Worthington (Steve) and three beloved grandchildren, Bryce LaSelle Worthington, Blaine William Worthington and Brooklyn Holly Worthington, all of Billings. He leaves one sister, Catherine Ann Spooner of Las Vegas, Nev.

There will not be a funeral, according to Herb's wishes. He will have a private family burial. In lieu of flowers, Herb suggested memorials to Boulder Arrowhead Little League, P.O. Box 21401, Blgs., MT 59104; YMCA Youth Sports Program, 402 N. 32nd, Blgs., MT 59101, or to the charity of one's choice.

Jacque Card

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho — Jacqueline "Jacque" Jean Card, age 78, of Coeur d'Alene, died from cancer on Wednesday, May 8, 2003, at Kootenai Medical Center Transitional Care.

She was born Sept. 19, 1924, in Spokane, Wash., to Joseph and Rose (Harold) Johnson. She attended public schools in Millwood and graduated from West Valley High School in 1942. Jacque helped establish the payroll department at the Alcoa Aluminum Plant. She was married to Ken Card in 1946, and they made their home in Montana. In 1992, they moved to Coeur d'Alene. She was an avid doll collector and enjoyed volunteer work at various hospitals.

She is survived by her husband, Ken, at the home in Coeur d'Alene; sons, Dana Card of Shepherd, Mont., Chris Card of Caldwell and Craig Card of San Francisco; her sister, LaVonne Snyder of Venice, Fla.; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and five nieces. She was preceded in death by her youngest son, Sam, in 1998.

Visitation will be Saturday, May 10, from 5 to 7 p.m., at the Yates Funeral Home, Coeur

d'Alene Chapel. Private family services will be held at a later date in Montana. You may view Jacque's memorial and sign his online guest book at www.yatesfuneralhomes.com.

Robert Edward Card

BILLINGS GAZETTE

Robert Edward Card, 64, of Billings, died Sunday, Aug. 17, 2003, at Parkview Care Center.

At his request, no services are planned. Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge.

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Antone Carda

LAMBERT — Antone Carda, 77, of Lambert, died Thursday, Nov. 20, 2003, at the Sidney Health Center.

Wake service will be at 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, at the Fulkerson Funeral Home Memorial Chapel in Sidney. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, at the St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Sidney. Interment will be in the Richland Memorial Park Cemetery.

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Dorothy J. Israel Carey

Dorothy J. Israel Carey, 92, of Billings, died Saturday, May 17, 2003, at Valley Health Care.



**DOROTHY
CAREY**

The daughter of Frank and Christina Jelinek, Dorothy was born Aug. 31, 1910, at Miles City.

After finishing school, Dorothy was employed in the City Clerks office in Miles City.

Dorothy married Lester Nelson in 1934. Together, they established Empire Heating and Cooling. Lester died in 1941. Dorothy married Clark Israel in May of 1947. In 1968, they sold their interest in the business to partner, Dale Beers. They continued to work for the business until Clark's death in 1980.

Dorothy married Emmett Carey in Billings, June 21, 1986. They split their time between home in Greensboro, N.C., and Billings until 1998, when Dorothy became ill and moved into Valley Health Care Center.

Dorothy was a member of St.

Thomas The Apostle Church Junior Women's Club Community Concert Association Billings Studio Theater, and Yellowstone Country Club. She was a Toastmistress and was active in Midland Empire Council Girl Scouts and Pink Ladies at St Vincent Hospital.

Survivors include her husband Emmett E. Carey of Billings, three children, Wayne Israel and his wife Theresa of Tigard, Ore. Christie Gebert and her husband Ferd of Redmond, Ore., and Linda Maia Rey and her husband Keith of San Anselmo, Calif.; two brothers, Gilbert Jelinek of Hamilton and Charles Jelinek of Sterling, Va.; a sister, Christine Johnson of Hall; a niece, Rosemary Cosens Cordiner and her husband Dave of Temple, Texas; four grandsons, one great-grandson and numerous nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place. Vigil services will be 7 p.m. Friday, May 23, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Funeral Mass will be 10 a.m. Saturday, May 24, at St. Thomas The Apostle Church.

Jerry Lynn Carey

LIVINGSTON — Jerry Lynn Carey, 58, of Livingston, died Wednesday, March 19, 2003.

Cremation has taken place at Franzen-Davis Crematory in Livingston. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 23, at Livingston Bible Church.

Alvin 'Al' Carlson

Al Carlson, 73, of Billings, a man who touched the lives of many, passed away peacefully Jan. 11, 2003, at his home after a courageous battle with cancer.

Al was born May 4, 1929, a son of Simon and Ester Carlson of Oakes, N.D.



**ALVIN
CARLSON**

Al married Gloria Widmer in 1952 and to this union five children were born. In 1964, he married Frances Steiner Brummund; to this union two children were born. Frances preceded Al in death and in 1998 he married Marilyn Chandler Carlson.

He was a member of Peace Lutheran Church for 32 years and was very active in organizing the men's breakfast group, was council president and served on many committees. Al's love for golf led him to Arizona where he and Marilyn spent the winters at Sun City West.

Al gave many young men and women an opportunity to learn and succeed in business, while at the same time living out his faith, not through words but by the way he treated others. He loved his family and wide circle of friends.

Al started Don's Car Wash in Billings in 1968. To some, it seemed he built it to the thriving business it is today with little effort, but he worked tirelessly to assure the success of the business.

Al's family lives far and near but they were always close to his heart. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn; five sons, Arvid and wife, Kelly of Pretoria, South Africa, Kevin and wife, Shawn of Oakes, N.D., Bob and wife, Monti, Gene and wife Trish, and Gary and wife Cari, all of Billings; two daughters, Cindy Bagley and husband, Daryl of Hecla, S.D., and Karen Leopold and husband, Darrin of Ayr, N.D.; three sisters, Gunvor Morken, Ethel Jacobsen (Lynn), and Eva Ketterling (Julius); 16 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and extended family, Gordon Brummund (Kathi), Karla Hoekstra (Lovell), Reginald Brummund, Rodney Brummund, Dan Chandler (Tammy), and Jodi Sander (Joel). He was preceded in death by his father, Simon; his mother, Ester; and his wife, Frances.

Visitations may be made at Smith Downtown Chapel on Tuesday and prior to the funeral at the church. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. on Wednesday,

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Jan. 15 at Peace Lutheran Church with interment to follow at Terrace Gardens Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to Peace Lutheran Church, 1301 Ave. D., Billings, MT 59102; Christikon, 1108 24th St. W.; Billings, MT 59102; or Big Sky Hospice, 123 S. 27th St., Billings, MT 59101. Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Charles Carlson

Charles Carlson, 93, of Billings, died Thursday, March 13, 2008, at Evergreen Health and Rehabilitation Center in Billings.

Cremation has taken place at Cremation or Funeral Gallery. Private graveside services will be held at later date.

Chuck Carlson

Feb. 9, 1966 — Jan. 16, 2003

DENVER — Chuck "Montana" Carlson, 36, passed away on Jan. 16, 2003, of complications following surgery in Denver, after a long battle with cancer.

He was born Feb. 9, 1966, in Minneapolis, and moved to Red Lodge, Mont., with his family when he was 8 years old. He spent his summers in Virginia with his cousins (no parents allowed!) at his grandparents' farm fondly called "Camp Farm Ellerslie."



**CHUCK
CARLSON**

He graduated valedictorian from Red Lodge High School and went to the University of Colorado at Boulder where he began his love affair with Colorado.

He came to Aspen shortly after graduation and stayed with his Aunt Mary and Uncle Ben Dorman, helping them build a fence at their home in Carbondale. He began working for Aspen Skiing Company as a ski pro in 1988 at Snowmass, and then in 1997, he became the financial coordinator for the Ski & Snowboard Schools of Aspen.

He loved his work and particularly the people with whom he

worked and was the go to guy to 1300 ski pros.

Chuck was a huge hockey fan played in the Aspen Men's Hockey League and worked at the Aspen Ice Garden. On Oct. 12 2001, he married the love of his life, De Murphy and six months later was diagnosed with cancer.

He is survived by his wife De o Aspen; his parents, Julia and Jerry Carlson of Absarokee, Mont.; his brother Jerry and wife Terry Carlson and nephew Jerry and niece Jenny; his sister Janney Carlson of Bozeman, Mont.; his grandfather Leon Warner (94!) of Berryville, Va.; his aunts and uncles, Lucy Bruntjen of Berryville, Va., Mary and Ben Dorman of Carbondale, Colo. Diane and Bill Kimber of Wayzata, Minn., and Cathy and Lee Warner of Berryville, Va.; his cousins of Camp Farm Ellerslie and his "twin" cousin and best friend Tersh Jones (and wife Cynthia) of Brighton, Colo., Warner Bruntjen (and wife Lisa) of Minneapolis, Eric Bruntjen of Yakima, Wash., Lara and Kevin Kimber, Ken and Megan Kimber and Kris Kimber, Kindra Warner, Matthew Warner, Mary Warner, and Taylor Warner of Berryville.

A memorial service for Chuck will be held Tuesday, Jan. 21, at

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT 11:00 A.M.

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4:30 p.m., at the First Baptist Church of Aspen (726 West Francis).

The family requests that donations go to: Hockey Fights Cancer in Memory of Charles Carlson, c/o Anne Marie Lynch, National Hockey League, 1251 6th Avenue, New York, NY 10020; or to a fund established for De: Deanna Murphy-Carlson, c/o Nicolas Martin, Alpine Bank, 600 East Hopkins Ave., Aspen, CO 81611.

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Gindy Kay Carlson

Cindy Kay Carlson, age 48, of Billings, died peacefully in her home on Monday, May 12, 2003.

Afterglow

"I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one. I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when the day is done. I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the way of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days. I'd like the tears of those who grieve to dry before the sun of happy memories that I leave behind when day is done." Author Unknown



**CINDY
CARLSON**

Cindy was born April 15, 1955, to Lowell and Alice Rasmussen of Dagmar. The fourth of six girls, she was the gardener and the lawn mower. Farmers Union and Bible Camp were favorite activities in the summers at the Nathanael Lutheran Church. When the family farm was sold, the family moved to Plentywood. Cindy graduated from Plentywood High School in 1973.

Cindy and Glen Carlson were married in 1972 and had two children, Julie and Joel, who were the center of her life. Cindy worked on the farm with Glen and was involved with her church, the Raymond Homemakers, 4-H, as well as her children's activities.

Cindy and Glen divorced and Cindy moved to Billings where she started a new life, obtaining her bachelor's degree in nursing in May of 1996. Cindy worked as a nurse at St. Johns Lutheran Home, St. Vincent Healthcare and was the director of nursing at Valley Health Care. In March 1999, Cindy went to work at Hematology Oncology Centers of the Northern Rockies and earned the certification of Oncology Certified Nurse. She started there as a float nurse and then became Dr. Benjamin Marchello's nurse.

In the spring of 2001, Glen and Cindy were reunited and were planning to remarry. Cindy was planning to move back to the farm with Glen in Raymond. In March 2002, Cindy was diagnosed with terminal brain cancer. Cindy stayed in Billings, but visit-

ed the farm and her family and friends in Plentywood as often as she could.

Cindy never gave up, maintained a positive attitude, and always kept her head held high with a smile. She enjoyed the simple things in life and was always thinking of others. She loomed over 100 sets of hot pads and made sure that she had a set for everyone. She also collected angels and to everyone that knew Cindy, she was an angel of her own collection.

Cindy is survived by her fiancé, Glen Carlson of Raymond; her daughter Julie Carlson and her fiancé, Dallas Wirtz, of Billings; her son, Joel Carlson of Raymond and his girlfriend, Becky Halverson of Plentywood; five sisters and their spouses, Eileen (Butch) Nielsen of Plentywood, Connie (Lee) Buchanan of Billings, Donna (Bayard) Brekke of Plentywood, Darcie (David) Shields of Bonita, Calif., and Jill Rasmussen-Baker (Eric) of Buchanan, Mich.; her mother-in-law, Clarice Carlson of Plentywood; her sister-in-law, Lynelle (Gary) Orton of Hinsdale, Ill.; and by her nieces, nephews and numerous friends. Cindy was preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, May 15, at 10 a.m. at King of Glory Lutheran Church in Billings and on Friday, May 16, at 2 p.m. at Plentywood Lutheran Church in Plentywood. Interment will follow at Plentywood Memorial Park.

Donald Carlson

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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GLENDIVE — Donald Randolph Carlson, 83, of Glendive, formerly of Crookston, Minn., died Sunday, July 13, 2003, at the Glendive Medical Center.

A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 26, at the Chapel of the Zion Lutheran Church in Glendive. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 16, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Crookston. Interment will be in the Gary Cemetery in Gary, Minn. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is in charge.

Jean C. Carlson

ROUNDUP
Jean Camille Holland Carlson, 83, of Roundup, died May 20, 2003, surrounded by her family, from complications sustained from an auto accident.



**JEAN
CARLSON**

She was born Jan. 19, 1920, to Jeremiah and Frances Camille Holland in Billings. Jean was raised south of Roundup at the relay station. She went to school in the country until her dad got the school bus job. She then finished school at the Klein School.

Jean had four brothers and one sister: Robert, Mike, Clark, Richard and sister Marinell.

Jean married Victor Carl Carlson on Nov. 20, 1940, in Roundup. Together, they brought into the world two sons: William R. "Bill" and Carl C. Carlson. They lived together 59 years at their place south of Roundup.

Preceded in death by her parents; her husband Victor; son Bill; two brothers and two grandsons.

Jean leaves a son, Carl

(Darlene) of Roundup; an daughter-in-law Jennie Carlso of Arizona; four grandsons; on granddaughter; six great-grand sons, and one great-granddaugh ter. Also two brothers; her sister many brothers and sisters-in-law and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 5 to 1 p.m. Monday, May 26, at the Wier Funeral Chapel. Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 27 at Wier Funeral Chapel Interment at 1 p.m. Tuesday, a Sunset Memorial Gardens in Billings. Pastor Jeff Benton officiating services. Wier Funera Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Jeanette J. Carlson

Jeanette J. Carlson, 80, of Billings, passed away Sunday evening, Sept. 14, 2003, at her home, with her family at her side.

Jeanette was born on Sept. 12, 1923, in Junction City, Kan., to Howard and Lorna Montgomery, and was one of seven brothers and sisters.

In her younger years, Jeanette worked as a chief operator at Fort Riley, Kan., where she met her husband, Donald L. Carlson of Denver. Jeanette and Donald married on Dec. 21, 1946, and moved to Denver, where Jeanette worked in the administration office at St. Anthony's Hospital. After moving to Nebraska and Wyoming, they settled in Billings in 1956, where they raised their three sons.

Jeanette was preceded in death by her husband, Donald in October 1966. Jeanette's proudest accomplishment was raising her three sons on her own. She worked as a ward clerk at St. Vincent Hospital in Billings until her retirement in 1991.



**JEANETTE
CARLSON**

Survivors include her son, Kim and his wife Shelly and their daughter Kimberly of Billings, son Roy of Spokane, Wash., and son Don and his wife Julie and their daughter Hannah of Everett, Wash. She is also survived by her sister, Jan Costello Clevinger and her husband Skip of Billings; her brother, Monty Montgomery of Junction City; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Jeanette especially enjoyed spending time and cooking for family and friends during the holidays.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Cremation has taken place.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Billings Food Bank, 2112 Fourth Ave. N., Billings, MT 59101 or to St. Vincent Healthcare Diabetes Center, 1230 N. 30th, Billings, MT 59101.

Jeanette's family would like to thank Dr. Charlotta Eaton and the staff at the Dialysis Clinic for their loving care and support during Jeanette's long battle with diabetes.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Paul Carlson

BEACH, N.D. — Paul Robert Carlson, 87, of Beach, died Saturday, Jan. 18, 2003, in Beach.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22, at the First Lutheran Church in Beach. Interment will follow at the Beach Lutheran Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Beach is in charge.

Robert Carlson

WELLS GAZETTE

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BEACH, N.D. — Robert Carlson, 87, died Saturday, Jan. 18, 2003.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22, at the First Lutheran Church in Beach. Interment will follow at the Beach Lutheran Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

Teddy Carlton

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Teddy Carlton, 69, of Gillette, died Sunday, Oct. 5, 2003, at his home.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette.

MINNIE L. CARMONY

JOLIET — Minnie L. (Jensen)

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Carmony passed away at Deaconess Billings Clinic on March 15, 2003. She was 92 years old.



**MINNIE
CARMONY**

Minnie was the second of six children born to Chris and Martha Stene. She was born at the farm of her Uncle John Stene on Cow Creek in Carbon County on June 15, 1910. In her early years, the family lived in a small Norwegian community on Cow Creek surrounded by Chris' extended family. Minnie graduated as salutatorian from Joliet High School in 1929 and after graduating from nurses training at the Deaconess hospital in 1932 became a registered nurse.

Minnie married Paul Jensen on Dec. 24, 1932. The couple lived in Edgar until 1954. They had four sons. Minnie was a past Matron in Aloha Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star in Joliet. In 1963, she married Lloyd H. Carmony. She practiced the nursing profession both in the nursery at the Deaconess Billings Hospital and then for 25 years with Dr. Paul Crellin and the Children's Clinic. After retiring, Minnie and Lloyd moved to Joliet where she continued to live until 1999, when she

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moved to Eagle Units Assisted Living Center in Billings. At the time of her death she was living with her granddaughter, Charlotte Dolezal in Billings.

Minnie was preceded in death by her parents, Chris and Martha Stene; her husbands, Paul Jensen and Lloyd Carmony; and her brothers, Lloyd, Joseph and Melvin Stene.

Her sisters, Ruth and her husband, Eugene Stender, and Anne Pepple of Joliet survive her. She has four sons, Roy Jensen of Springfield, Tenn., Francis (Bud) Jensen and his wife, Donna of Billings, William (Bill) Jensen and his wife, Toni of Helena and Murrieta, Calif. and Charles Jensen and his wife, Roxy of Billings. She leaves 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Her family remembers her as one who cared deeply for them and was warmly interested in their well-being. She will be deeply missed.

Visitation will be between 5 and 8 p.m. Monday, March 17, at Smith Funeral Chapel, Laurel. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 18 at the Joliet Wesleyan Church. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a memorial in Minnie's name to the Jolie Lutheran Church.

Evelyn J. Carpenter

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Evelyn Josephine Carpenter, 73, passed away June 2, 2003, at Valley Health Care Center in Billings. She was born April 3, 1930, in Whitefish, to George and Betty Gay (Sanders) Taylor. She graduated from Gallatin County High School in 1948. She had lived in Bozeman, Utah, California and Texas.

Jo worked for 43 years. She began as a switchboard operator for Mountain Bell, 1947-1957. From 1957-1959, she was an executive secretary for Thiokol Chemical Corp. of Utah, doing defense contracts. After moving to Morgan Hill, she worked for United Technologies and IBM. From 1969-1973, Jo owned and operated the French & French Personnel Agency in San Jose, Calif. She then worked at Lockheed Industries as a budget analyst, both in California and Texas, until her retirement in 1992.

Jo was charming and high-spirited. She loved the adventures of life. She appreciated the



**JO
CARPENTER**

arts and was involved and interested in our nation's politics. She also had a talent for interior design and created many beautiful homes.

Jo is survived by her two daughters, Cinda Lu Thurston (John) Nichols of Colleyville Texas, and Connie Lee Thurston (Kim) Dewey of Eureka Springs Ark.; grandchildren, Carl Elizabeth Dewey, Laura JoAnn Nichols and Stephen Barrett Nichols; a sister, Mary Gay Taylor (Jack) Wells of Bozeman, a brother, William George Taylor of Bend, Ore.; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Visitation will be Thursday, June 5, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Dahl Funeral Chapel in Bozeman. A graveside service will be held at Sunset Hills at 1 p.m. on Friday, June 6. A reception will follow at the Dahl Chapel in Bozeman.

Memorials may be made to Alberta Bair Theater, 2720 Third Ave. N., Billings, MT 59101 or ICDRC, 1676 W. Hibiscus Blvd., Melbourne, FL 32901. (This organization cares for children with autism spectrum disorders, such as Jo's grandson, Stephen.)

Josephine Carpenter

POWELL, Wyo. — Josephine Carpenter, 86, died Sunday, Oct. 26, 2003, at the Powell Hospital.

Private family services will be held. Burial will be in Crown Hill Cemetery in Powell. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home of Powell is in charge.

Judith M. Carpenter

In March of this year, Judith Marie Carpenter, 72, of Worland, Wyo., said she wanted to see her grandson David return from military action in Afghanistan before she died. David was deployed back to the U.S. in early September and visited his grandmother, saying goodbye on Sept. 21, and returning to Ft. Bragg. Judith died early Wednesday morning, Sept. 24, 2003, at the Evergreen Health and Rehab Center in Billings.

She had lived with her daughter and son-in-law in the family farm 12 miles north of Worland, until May 1, 2003. Judith was diagnosed with a rare kidney disease in January 2002 and had complete kidney failure in January 2003. She was being treated for her condition up until the time of her death.

Judith was born in Visalia, Calif., on April 13, 1931, the daughter of Ernest and Iva (Woods) Ballinger. She was raised and educated there and was well known for her singing skills. As a teenager, she made several records of spiritual songs for her parents and sang solo and with the choir at church. Judith was a member of the LDS Church.

While still a senior in high school, Judith married her bus driver, Herbert Lloyd Terrill, who was attending college at the time. After Judith graduated from high school, her husband joined the Marine Corps and she became a military wife for the next 15 years.

Judith attended nursing school in 1963 and began her career as charge nurse in labor and delivery at Hawthorne Memorial (Calif.) Hospital. Over the course of 40 years in nursing, she worked in several different medical departments with her last day of employment being Jan. 6, 2003, at the Wyoming Retirement Center in Basin, Wyo.

While living in Palos Verdes, Calif., in the early '70s, Judith started flight school and earned her private pilot's license.

In 1974, after marrying Bill Carpenter in Greeley, Colo., the couple moved to Greybull, Wyo., where Bill Carpenter became a pilot for Hawkins & Powers. Judith would accompany Bill in the summer months while he was fighting fires and was hired as slurry base manager in Reno, Nev. In her free time, she owned and raced her top-of-the-line

Volkswagen, winning several trophies. Judith also owned an Arabian Endurance Horse named Sultan's Jericho. Jericho won many ribbons and trophies and was retired in the mid-'80s. He was given to Bret and Bridget Bullinger to live on their property in the Otto, Wyo., area.

Survivors include her daughter Lynn Terrill Sinn and son-in-law Timothy Nelson Sinn of Worland; two grandsons, David Terrill Sinn of Fort Bragg, N.C., and Suaron Justin Terrill of Kentucky; two great-granddaughters, Amara and Callisto Terrill of Kentucky; an aunt, Ruth Wilcox and a cousin, Joe Reynolds, both of Visalia; and numerous other aunts, uncles, cousins, nephews and nieces.

Judith requested that there be no memorial or funeral services and that she be cremated. The family has honored that request and cremation has taken place.

If people would like to make donations in her name, please do so at any Kidney Foundation of your choice.

Smith Downtown Chapel of Billings was in charge of arrangements.

Vada Roberta Warpness Carpenter

CODY, Wyo.
— Vada Roberta Warpness Carpenter, 78, passed away Sunday, Sept. 28, 2003, at her daughter's home in Lolo, Mont.



**VADA
CARPENTER**

Vada was born Nov. 9, 1924, in Pavillion. She married Harry Magner Warpness on May 8, 1940, in Thermopolis. Mr. Warpness died in December of 1950. She married Harry Burdette Carpenter on March 19, 1956, in Billings. Mr. Carpenter died in February of 1989.

Vada was also preceded in death by her sons, 4-month-old Michael Warpness in 1949, and 47-year-old Richard Lewis Warpness in 1994; her parents, Arthur and Allula Jones; sister, Harriett Jones; and brothers, Art Jones and Robert Jones.

Vada is survived by her sons, Harry Arthur Warpness of Casper, Kenneth Warpness of Mesa, Ariz., and Tim Carpenter and his wife Diana of Buffalo; her daughter, Roberta "Bobbi" Boege and her husband Jim of Lolo; her brother, Richard Jones of Cody;

sisters, Barbara Riley and her husband Steve of Casper and Viola Good of Riverton; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Vada was a lifetime member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary, where she held many offices throughout the years. Including president of the local Cody Chapter, district president, as well a chaplain. After her retirement, she indulged in her lifetime love of cooking by partnering up with her friend Shirley Hawk. They planned and cooked many dinners for community events that were held at the VFW Club. Besides her love for cooking, her family, and refurbishing antique lampshades, she loved playing canasta and arranging centerpieces for friends. We will miss your sense of humor and fried chicken, but mostly your great love.

A memorial gathering will be held Tuesday, Oct. 7, at 11:30 a.m. at the VFW Club in Cody, followed by a luncheon. Graveside services will be held Wednesday, Oct. 8, at 10 a.m., at the Mountain View Cemetery in Riverton.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Cremation and Burial Society of the Rockies in Missoula.

Wayne Carpenter

RYEGATE— Wayne Carpenter, 81, of Ryegate, a dedicated rancher and horseman, took his final ride, Sept. 30, 2003.



**WAYNE
CARPENTER**

Wayne was born a son of Walter Carpenter and Stella Rowland Carpenter on Jan. 23, 1922, on Webb Ridge at Lapwai, Idaho.

In 1932, Wayne's mother married Jess Sterling, who became his stepfather, and Wayne was raised by Jess and Stella on the Jess Sterling ranch at Ryegate.

Wayne married Donna Fiske, June 27, 1941, and to this union, four sons were born.

On July 5, 1965, Wayne and Helen Trapp Alexander were united in marriage.

Wayne spent the majority of his life in the Ryegate area, with time also spent in the Absarokee and Ennis areas, where he ranched. He had a lifetime love for horses, a trait passed on to his sons and grandsons, whether for training and riding or drawing and painting. He enjoyed sharing real life stories of his life during the prohibition and his experiences with trailing/working cattle and horses with his family and friends.

Wayne is survived by his two sons, Nik Carpenter of Bridge Texas (Sharon) of Ryegate, son Ronald (Judith) of Wiersdale, Fla and David (Diane) of Cheyenne Wyo.; a stepson, Michael (Gail Alexander of Camano Island Wash.; a sister, Jessie Sterling Zeier of Ryegate. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild; numerous step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren; and one niece, Robin (Darrell) Lemmon of Roundup.

Wayne was preceded in death by his wife, Helen; grandson Wade Carpenter; step-grandson, Jeremy Alexander; father and stepmother, Walter and Myrtle Carpenter; and his mother and stepfather, Jess and Stella Sterling; and his sister Berniece "Becie" Carpenter Badovinus.

The family extends thanks to Dr. Frank Michels and Valley Health Care and Rehabilitation Center for their care of our father.

A memorial will be planned for a later date. Cremation or Funeral Gallery is in charge of arrangements.

George Carr

MILES CITY — George J. Carr, 90, of Miles City, died Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2003, at the Friendship Villa Care Center in Miles City.

: At George's request, no services are planned. Stevenson Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

*April 22, 2003***Lawrence James Carr**

SPEARFISH, S.D. — Lawrence James Carr, 62, of Spearfish, formerly of Hardin, Mont., died Dec. 30, 2002, at the VA Medical Center in Fort Meade.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held April 22, at the Bullis Funeral Chapel in Hardin. Inurnment will follow in the Hardin Fairview Cemetery.

Lawrence James Carr

WELLINGS GAZETTE

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SPEARFISH, S.D. —

Lawrence James Carr, 62, formerly of Hardin, Mont., died Dec. 30, 2002, in the VA Medical Center in Fort Meade, S.D.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, April 22, in the Hardin Fairview Cemetery. Inurnment with military honors will follow in the cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin is in charge.

George R. Carrell

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LEWISTOWN —

George R. Carrell, 64, died of natural causes at his residence on Monday, Nov. 24, 2003.



**GEORGE
CARRELL**

George was born Oct. 31, 1939, in Lewistown, to George and Virginia (Huffman) Carrell. He received his schooling in Cat Creek and Winnett and graduated from Winnett High School in 1957. He attended college in Bozeman.

He enlisted in the U.S. Navy and received an honorable discharge in 1958. He worked in the oil fields at Cat Creek, Roundup and around Cut Bank. George also was employed as a bartender for many years at the Corner Pocket, Glacier Lounge and for Lyle Engberg at the Western Lounge.

From 1979 to 1999, he was employed by Tony Stein and the Lewistown Lumber and Home Center, building roof trusses. At the time of his death, George worked for Synthesis Industries, where he helped in the final stages of manufacturing and shipping the Heli-Baskets.

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In 2002, he met his soul mate, Terri Reeve, and they had planned to marry during the holidays.

George was a charter member of the Sons of the American Legion-Squadron 16, and was past squadron commander. He was a national executive committeeman, past department commander, past commander Detachment of Montana, State Adjutant — all with the Sons of the American Legion. He was also a member of the Lewistown Veteran's Memorial Park Association and a member of the Fergus American Legion Post #16 Firing Squad and Color Guard. He was also a member of the Loyal Order of Moose, NRA and AARP.

He enjoyed hunting, wood-working and pool league.

George is survived by the love of his life, Terri Reeve of Lewistown; a sister, Doris Carrell of Lewistown; three brothers, Larry (Kathi) of Parker, Colo., Lloyd (Karen) of Billings and Kim (Heidi) of Boston. He is also survived by nieces and nephews, great-nieces and a great-nephew who was born the same day George died. George was preceded in death by his parents, George and Virginia Carrell; and a niece, Becky Carrell.

Funeral services for George R. Carrell will be at the Creel Funeral Chapel on Saturday, Nov. 29, at 1 p.m. Interment with military honors by Fergus American Legion Post #16 will be at the Lewistown City Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the Veterans Memorial Park Association, PO Box 852, Lewistown, MT 59457. Creel Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Alma E. Carrier

SCOBEY — Alma E. Carrier was born March 10, 1910 in Oakwood, N.D., and at about 1½ months of age, came with her parents Joseph and Emelia Parent to homestead west of what is now Flaxville in a covered wagon with other relatives. Alma grew up in this community and attended the first school built in Flaxville.

Alma met and married Aime Carrier, a young French speaking farmer from Four Buttes. They farmed on their homestead just north of the buttes. To them were born eight children, six boys and two girls. They purchased a house in Scobey so that their kids could attend high school. They farmed all those years until selling the farm to their son Marcel and his family in the '70s.

Alma was a lifetime member of St. Philip's Catholic Parish, and in her younger years was very active in church organizations and activities.

Alma and Aime loved to travel and in the '50s to '70s took many trips throughout the States and Canada. She never lost her zest for just getting in the car and going down the road.

Alma's great love for the outdoors was contagious to all those around her. Gardening was her greatest passion and she will be remembered for her beautiful flower beds.

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Alma and Aime enjoyed playing cards with family, friends, and fishing. She will also be remembered for the "Big One" that did not get away. She will be remembered as a lucky person at cards and winning prizes. Alma enjoyed telling stories about her family, growing up and the Four Buttes history. She always had a new one to tell and believed this history should be passed down to the new generations. She was very thorough with recording names and dates.

Alma is survived by her daughters, Dora Reich and Joyce (Claude) Curry of Billings; a son, Dr. Loran (Marge) Carrier of Hanover, Va.; a sister, Beatrice Shuman of Scobey; 18 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband of 64 years, Aime, in 1991; five sons, Floyd, Lloyd, Richard, Les and Marcel; three brothers and four sisters.

Alma passed away Feb. 14, 2003, at the Daniels Memorial Nursing Home, of natural causes.

Funeral services for Alma will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 21, at St. Philip's Catholic Church in Scobey. Burial will be in the Scobey Cemetery.

Jesse Ray Carroll

WELLINGS GAZETTE

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THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. —
Jesse Ray Carroll, 65, of
Thermopolis, died Saturday, Feb.
22, 2003, at his home.

Memorial services will be at 2
p.m. Friday, Feb. 28, at Mortimore
Funeral Home in Thermopolis.
Cremation has taken place.

Mervin 'Mike' Carroll

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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LEWISTOWN — Mervin J. Carroll, 86, passed away July 10, 2003, at the Montana Mental Health Nursing Care Center in Lewistown.



**MIKE
CARROLL**

Mervin was born Aug. 12, 1916, in Hauser Lake, Mont., to Johanna and Walter Carroll. He grew up in Huntley and

graduated from Huntley Project High School.

He proudly served his country with the U.S. Air Force during World War II and the Korean War.

After his service in the military, Mike returned to the Huntley area and worked various jobs.

Residents of the area best remember him for his tenure with Pioneer School as maintenance man and bus driver, groundskeeper for the Sportsman's Conservation Club, and a regular patron of the Kit Kat Cafe for many years.

He is survived by his godson, Michael L. McDonald of Billings, and numerous cousins.

Memorial service will be held at Valley Baptist Church, Road 8, Huntley, on Monday, July 21, at 10 a.m.

Thomas W. Carscallen

HAMILTON — Thomas W. Carscallen, long-time Billings resident, passed away on Aug. 2, 2003, at the Marcus Daly Hospice Center in Hamilton, after a long bout with cancer.

Mr. Carscallen was born on Feb. 1, 1927, in Tacoma, Wash., where he graduated from high school. Thereafter, he enlisted in the United States Army and served in Korea during the Korean War. He was honorably discharged in 1952, having reached the rank of sergeant first class. For many years after, he lived in Billings and was employed by the Burlington Northern railroad.

In 1981 he married the former Irene "Peg" Allard. Tom and Irene made their home in Billings until 2001 when they moved to Stevensville. Tom was an avid golfer and bowler and a wonderful dancer. He loved to spend time with Irene's family and, most of all, he loved each moment he spent with Irene.

In addition to his wife, Tom is survived by his daughters, Sheri Mortensen of Boise, Idaho, and Pamela Grant of Portland, Ore.; by his sisters, Margaret Thomas, Carol Ward, Beverly Tweedy and Shirley Bostwick, all of the Seattle area; by Irene's children, Deanna, Deborah and Christopher and their spouses; and by numerous grandchildren and step-grandchildren.

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Tom was a gentle, kind man. He will be remembered for the twinkle in his eye and the smile on his face, and especially for the loving marriage he and Irene shared.

A private cremation has already occurred in Hamilton, and a memorial service will be scheduled in the future in Billings. Mrs. Carscallen requests that memorial donations be made to the Marcus Daly Center for Hospice and Palliative Care in Hamilton.

Alfred R. Carter

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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PARK CITY — Alfred R. Carter, 67, of Park City, died Sunday, April 27, 2003, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Cremation has taken place. At his request, no memorial services will be held. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of cremation.

Clarence Carter

LIVINGSTON — Clarence L. "Hoss" Carter, 84, of Livingston, died Tuesday, July 1, 2003, at his home.

A family visitation and cremation took place at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory in Livingston. Burial of the cremated remains will be at a later date in Kansas.

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John Cartwright

WILLISTON, N.D. — John Cartwright, 60, of Dagmar, Mont., died Friday Oct. 31, 2003 at Mercy Medical Center in Williston.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4, at the Nathanael Lutheran Church in Dagmar. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m., Monday Nov. 3, and Tuesday at 9 a.m. at Fulkerson Funeral Home of Williston which is in charge of arrangements.

John Cartwright

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DAGMAR, Mont. — Funeral services for John Cartwright, 60, of Dagmar, will be 2 p.m. MST, Tuesday, Nov. 4, at the Nathanael Lutheran Church rural Dagmar. Rev. Kristy Daniels will officiate and burial will be in the Volmer Cemetery, rural Dagmar.

John Cartwright was born Nov. 17, 1942, in Williston, N.D., to Alva and Myrtle (Erickson) Cartwright. He attended grade school at Franklin School in rural Dagmar and graduated from Medicine Lake High School in 1961.

John was united in marriage to Evelyn Hendrickson on July 21, 1963. They were blessed with three daughters, Tammy, Wendy and Jenny. John and Evelyn spent their life together farming and ranching south of Dagmar just a few miles from where John grew up. They celebrated 40 wonderful years together this past July, enjoying a weekend vacation with their daughters, sons-in-law, and grandchildren.

John passed away Friday, Oct. 31, 2003, at Mercy Medical Center in Williston.

Over the years, John served on the Volmer Church Council, as well as the Farmers Co-op Boards for the Medicine Lake

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grocery store and the Dagmar Farmers Union Oil.

John will always be remembered as a true family man who always put the needs of others ahead of his own. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather and touched the hearts of everyone who had the privilege of knowing him. John took great pride in farming the land and raising cattle. He was fortunate to have many wonderful friends and neighbors with whom he enjoyed either sharing a cup of coffee or playing a game of cards. John also enjoyed hunting, reading a good western, watching baseball games, and has followed local sports teams for many years.

One of John's greatest joys was his children and grandchildren. He raised his children with such wisdom, patience and love. He made sure that his girls could throw a baseball, fix fence, drive tractor and move cows with the best of them. John was



**JOHN
CARTWRIGHT**

a kid at heart and spent many hours playing on the floor with his grandkids. They always knew that they could reach in Grandpa's shirt pocket and find a

John Cartwright **THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

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bag of M&M's. They all loved checking cows with Grandpa, going for rides on the tractor, and making trips to the candy store...Grandpa's treat!

John is survived by his loving wife, Evelyn; his three daughters and their families, Tammy (Logan) Good and their children, Hannah, Madeline, Coleman and Alec, of Great Falls, Wendy (Mark) Slotsve and their son, Benson, of Williston, N.D., and Jenny (Tyler) Will and their children, Gavin and Allison, of Great Falls.

He is also survived by three brothers, Ronald (Judy) Cartwright of Medicine Lake, Mont., Clint Cartwright of Dagmar, and Curt (Vicki) Cartwright of Rapid City, S.D. His sister's sons, Keith, Kevin and Kraig Warner, have also held a special place in his heart.

Preceding him in death were his parents and a sister, Helen Warner.

Friends may call at Fulkerson Funeral Home in Williston on Monday from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m., Tuesday from 9 a.m. until noon and for one hour before service time at the church.

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BILL CARTWRIGHT
William Eugene 'Bill'
Cartwright

LAUREL — Bill Cartwright, 85, of Laurel, passed away at home with his wife Ruth and her daughter by his side, Monday evening, March 31, 2003, from cancer.

Bill was born July 20, 1917, in Vananda, Mont., the seventh child of Orelly Eugene and Alli (Smart) Cartwright.

In his teens, he worked for Sicklers Garage in Forsyth. He married Ellen Higgenbotham on June 12, 1937; they later divorced.

He went into the service in 1942 and served in Skagway, Alaska, and also in the European Theater with the 3941st Truck Company. After his discharge, he went to work for Ballsome DeFrance Truck Line as a mechanic, and Northern Tank Lines in 1974, and then to Cenex as a mechanic and dispatcher, retiring in July 1982.

Bill married Mary McKeean Bice on Dec. 11, 1959; she passed

away Oct. 1, 1991. In 1995, he met Ruth Rohrback; they married Jan 30, 2001.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents; one wife; brothers, Ernie, Richard, Lee and Orelly; and his sisters, Eva and Mabel.

He is survived by his companion, caretaker and loyal and loving wife Ruth; daughter Sarah Jane Yost of Laurel; brother Andrew (Muriel) of Lynden, Wash.; sisters, Gertrude Johnston of Gore, Okla., and Hazel Lueck of Laurel; and sister-in-law Margaret (Paul) Holmgren.

He is also survived by two grandsons, Ronald and Michael (JoAnn) Yost of Laurel; three stepdaughters, Roxy (Kevin) Klundt, Rhonda (Will) Wipf, Ramona (Rick) Bailey; and one stepson, Russell T. Rohrback, all of Billings; six step-grandchildren; three step-great-grandchildren, with one on the way; and many nieces and nephews.

At Bill's request, cremation has taken place and a private family service will be held at the Park City Cemetery at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials in his memory be made to Big Sky

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Hospice, National Multiple Sclerosis Society, American Cancer Society or a charity of one's choice.

"We all love you and miss you sweetheart, now you can rest in peace."

Arrangements by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

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James 'Jim' Cary

GLENDIVE — James "Jim" Cary died Nov. 8, 2003, after a brave five-year fight with cancer, in Glendive, at the Eastern Montana Veterans Home, where he had resided for the past 19 months.

He was born April 10, 1924, in Glendive, the seventh of nine children to Clyde and Ruth Trulock Cary. He attended school in

**JIM CARY**

Richey and Priest River, Idaho. He joined the Army Tank Corps in 1942, and served during WWII, including one year in the European Theater, where he was awarded the purple heart.

He returned to Richey after his discharge to take up ranching, first with his brother-in-law, Lyle Morey, and then on his own place southwest of Richey.

He was married in 1955 to Kathleen Fiske Cary in McCone County. In his quest for larger and larger ranches, he moved with his family to Malta in 1967, to Valier in 1973, and finally to Billings in 1976. In 1994, he retired and began a snowbird life, living in Billings in the summer and Yuma, Ariz., in the winters.

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He is survived by his wife; a daughter, Colleen Myhre and her husband, Jerry of Shepherd; his grandchildren, Christeen Myhre Harris of DeKalb, Ill., and James Myhre of Shepherd; two sons, Michael Cary of Homer, Alaska, and Patrick Cary of Boulder; two brothers, George Cary of Pismo Beach, Calif., and Richard Cary of Priest River; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Patrice Helen; two sisters, Gladys Leader and Blanche Morey; four brothers, Claude, Grant, Frank and Robert.

The family would like to thank the staff of Eastern Montana Veterans Home for their unvarying expression of compassion and support. Heaven makes way for another old cowboy. He has a whole new audience for his stories.

At his request, "no funeral and no hoopla." No services are planned and cremation has taken place. A celebration of his life will be held at a later date. Arrangements are being made by Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive.

Floyd William Case

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Floyd William Case was born June 6, 1930, in Billings, to St. Paul and Cecelia (Cashen) Case. He passed away Nov. 1, 2003, at home, after a three-year battle with lung cancer.

Floyd grew up and went to school in Pryor and Billings. He worked on numerous ranches in Montana and Wyoming. After working at the Sarpy Creek Mine for 19½ years, he retired and went back to his first love, ranch work.

Floyd married Irma Bean Briner on Dec. 5, 1958. She preceded him in death. They had three children. He also raised two stepchildren and his grandson. Floyd married Pat Brennan in June 1995.

His parents, three brothers, five sisters and a stepdaughter preceded him in death. Floyd is survived by his wife, Pat; sons, Paul (Brenda) and family, and Mark; and a daughter, Floydine, all of Billings; his grandson, Arron (Jessica) Case and great-grandson, Andrew, of California. He is also survived by stepchildren, Don Briner, Stan Kipp and family, Rick Vandall, and Lill Brown, all of Billings; and Willy Kipp and family of St. Ignatius. He also leaves behind step-grandsons, David (Tracy) Mascarena and family of Cody, Wyo., and Leon and Ron Mascarena and families of Billings; and step-granddaugh-

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ter, Jackie Lemke.

Floyd is survived by seven sisters and two brothers, Gertrude Caufield of Redmond, Ore., Betty Spomer of Hardin, Ora Payton of Billings, Ethel Sheme of Powell, Wyo., Thelma Louie of Seattle, Arlene Harper of Powell, Jolene Not Afraid of Billings, Marvin Case of Pryor and George Cain of Billings.

Floyd was a member of the Crow Nation and was a true, old-time cowhand. He leaves behind many relatives and good friends, too many to name them all but special friends, Earl and Harlene LeBeau and Tony and Lillian Aragon of Ft. Washakie, Wyo.

Visitations will begin Wednesday, Nov. 5, at the Smith Downtown Chapel, 120 N. 26th St. The funeral service will be at 1 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 7, at the Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. West, with interment to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. A reception will be held at Smith West Chapel following the interment ceremony.

Jerry J. Casey

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Jerry J. Casey passed away Saturday, July 19, 2003, at home, surrounded by family and friends.

Jerry was born Feb. 5, 1938, to Emmett and Mildred (Folden) Casey. He attended Butte schools and graduated from Butte High School in 1956.



**JERRY
CASEY**

Jerry served in the U.S. Navy from 1956 to 1959. After returning to Butte, Jerry was employed by Mountain Bell, later U.S. West, as a central office technician. He retired in 1994, after 34 years of service.

Jerry married Marlene Plute Casey on Nov. 26, 1960. They had four children and lived in Billings for 42 years.

Survivors include his wife Marlene; sons Michael (Sheryl) and Christopher (Michelle); daughters, Sherry (Winfield) Chaney, Patricia (Nickolaus) Clawson; grandchildren, Danielle, Miranda, Haley, Ashley, Nickolaus Jr. and Nicole. Also, brothers Emmett (Denise), Spokane, Wash., Daniel (Beverly), Butte; sister Joann (Art) Benson, Tioga, N.D.; brother-in-law Don Plute (Cheri);

mother-in-law Mary Markovich, all of Butte; and many nieces and nephews.

Jerry was a member of Laurel Golf Course and enjoyed the game for years with many friends. He participated, coached and mentored his children and grandchildren. Jerry also never missed any of his grandchildren's events and games. He was their "good luck charm."

Husband, Dad, "Poppa" and dear friend, we will never forget you, Pal.

If you wish, memorials can be made to Big Sky Hospice of Billings or St. Pius X Church.

Vigil services will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 22, at St. Pius X Church. Memorial Mass will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 23, at the Church, with Rite of Committal in Calvary Cemetery.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.



SARA CASEY
Sara Beth Casey

KENNEWICK, Wash. — Our precious child, Sara Beth Casey, is now being held in the arms of her Heavenly Father. She was born to Terrance and Lori (Icopini) Casey on May 12, 1984, in Bozeman, Mont., and died Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2003, as the result of an accident.

One of Sara's great delights was spending time with family and friends doing a variety of activities, including camping, biking, white-water rafting, swimming and fishing. She enjoyed reading inspirational novels and playing and making music. She also enjoyed working with children. Recently, she worked at the Kennewick Parks & Rec summer day camp, then at the Central United Protestant day care. Sara loved life and had a great respect for the sanctity of life.

She was a member of the Parish of the Holy Spirit and its youth group. In high school, Sara was a member of TOPS (the Olympic Program for Students) and played flute with the Southridge High band. She was a drum major for the marching band during her senior year. She attended Western Washington Univ. last year and was intending to attend Eastern WA Univ. next quarter.

Sara is survived by her parents, Terrance and Lori; sister, Erin; brother, Donovan; great-grandmother, Anna Icopini; paternal grandmother, Charla Casey; maternal grandparents, Ernie and Marian Icopini; aunts and uncles, Pat (Theresa) Casey, Brian (Lynn) Casey, Jeff (Colette) Casey, Bill (Colleen) Casey, Michelle (Dan) Johnson, Perry Icopini, Nancy (Brian) Douglas, Dana (Paul) Sievers, Brent (Brenda) Icopini, Dale (Patty) Icopini, Todd Icopini, Gary (Pat) Icopini, Bart Icopini, Dean Icopini; numerous cousins and extended family; and many loving friends. She was preceded in death by her paternal grandfather, Joe Casey, and aunt, Barbara Icopini.

We will miss her terribly, but are honored to have known her and been loved by her.

A celebration of life vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27. Both services will be at Parish of the Holy Spirit. Interment will follow in City View Cemetery, Pasco.

Contributions in honor Sara's memory may be made to the Parish Activity Center Bldg. Fund, Habitat For Humanity, or to Tri-City Human Life.

Express your thoughts and memories in the online Guest Book at www.einansfuneral-home.com under the obituary section.

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Walter James Casey

Our dad, Walter James Casey, 80, passed away on Monday, Feb. 10, 2003, at the Billings Health and Rehabilitation Center, from pneumonia. He had been in ill health for several years.

He was born in Waukegan, Ill., on March 16, 1922, to Louise Haverman and Walter Casey. He married Mae Gaynor on May 9, 1941, and they were married for 61 years.

He drove truck for many years and later he and Mae became managers for Mobile Home parks in South California. They retired in 1992 and moved to Billings.

Walter was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Helen, and two brothers, Joseph and James.

He is survived by his wife Mae;

two daughter, Dever "Debbi" and Marvin Bouwkamp, Billings, and Linda Clark, South California; one granddaughter and two grandsons; and three great-grandchildren; a sister, JoAnn Jackson of Waukegan; and his faithful Service Dog, "Cody."

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Big Sky Hospice.

The family would like to thank Billings Health and Rehabilitation and Montana Mental Health Nursing Care Center for taking such excellent care and making it possible to have dad back for his final days.

Memorial services will be Tuesday, Feb. 18, at 10 a.m., at the Billings Health and Rehabilitation Center.

Jill Caskey

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"Mrs. Caskey," mom, grandma, daughter, sister, auntie, friend, teacher, angel... Jill Caskey joined Jesus and the angels in heaven Nov. 27th; Thanksgiving day. Jill's life was our greatest blessing.

Jill was born to Marianne and "Bud" Hofmann on Jan. 25, 1950. She was raised in Billings and made her life in Billings. She has taught school children for 31 years and enriched the lives of kindergartners and second-graders in our community for 29 years. She truly loved her students and her job and the MANY friends she made throughout her teaching profession.

All of the friends she made while teaching and the current faculty at Eagle Cliffs Elementary School will miss her sweet, soothing voice and her humor, but a part of Jill will always be present in the memories we share.

Mom enjoyed vacations and little trips with our family and friends. Those of us who know her best know that she was a shopper and she knew how to pick the sales! Each of us could tell a shopping tale, or a few. Shopping became sort of an art form for Jill and her mom.

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Another art form Mom had perfected was in the kitchen, she sure could cook! She has shared her recipes with many and we were spoiled with her cooking and will miss her excellent meals.

Mom was happy in her home; a serene setting. The ducks that shared the pond near her house certainly didn't starve! Many of us had the opportunity to feed the ducks with Jill while talking and laughing on any given day. We also have two cats whose worlds won't be the same without Mom at their mercy. Mom worked hard for what she had and she never stopped providing for us kids. Mom was ALWAYS loving, ALWAYS giving, ALWAYS protecting, ALWAYS helping. She is selfless in every sense of the word.

Jill had lymphoma. She fought a tremendous battle for three years and had some outstanding nurses and care-givers that we are grateful for. We are so proud of her. She IS OUR HERO. Cancer took her life, but she beat the disease.

Our mom loves God and has taught us and shown us faith. Mom also has a close circle of friends who share in faith. Aunt Patty told us that we will be forever changed by Mom's life and the experience we have been through. This is not a question in

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any of our minds. Mom changed every one who knew her for the better and added some extra magic into our lives.

Aunt Patty also said, "Sometimes I

wish she didn't sparkle so bright, that her soul wasn't so pure and pleasing, that her inner self wasn't so beautiful and enticing. I'm afraid God might want her too much, to brighten up heaven. I hope He knows how much we need her here, to inspire us, to call us to be better and stronger, more loving people." God did need Mom more, however she will continue to inspire us.

Those of us here on earth that will meet her again someday include her mom, Marianne Hofmann, her two daughters, Nisa Caskey and Tana Kornachuk; Phil Kornachuk, the son that Tana brought into her life through marriage, her granddaughter, Lily Kornachuk, and soon-to-be grandbaby on the way! Her brother, Fred Hofmann, his wife, Donna, and their family, including their daughter, Amber Field, their son, Chris Hofmann, and their families; Julie Kosmicki, Jill's sister by heart, and her family, a sister-

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in-law, Patty Startin and her husband, Bry, and their two children, Kasey and Toby, and her mother-in-law, Sally Caskey.

Recently, when we had visitors, mom would say "she/he is such a good person" about anyone who entered our door. She was right on. Mom has an infinite number of truly special friends she has met along the way and, she, as well as each of you friends, are luckier for the meeting.

Jill's service will be held 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6 at First United Methodist Church located at 2800 4th Ave. N. A celebration of her life will follow the service, so please bring your stories and pictures. The location of the celebration will be announced at the service.

In lieu of flowers, Tana and Nisa are asking that you bring a wrapped present, labeled by age and gender, for a child to enjoy this Christmas, or make a donation to the charity of your choice.

"We'll love you forever and like you for always. As long as we're living, our mother you'll be."

Jerry L. Cass

NOV 11 2003

Jerry Leroy Cass, 41, of Billings, passed away Nov. 9, 2003.

He was born on Nov. 27, 1961, in Sun Valley, Calif., to Gilbert and Shirley Ann Cass. Jerry was raised and educated in California. He has made his home in Billings for the past year. Jerry has worked as a certified HVAC technician for 17 years.

He is survived by his step-mother, Teresa Cass of California; four children, Jessie of California, Teresa, Samantha and Joshua, all of Illinois; four brothers, Danny Glover of Billings, Dennis Cass, Eddie Cass, both of California, and Steve Cass of Lander, Wyo.; and his sister, Laura of California.

Visitation will be 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Memorial services will be 3 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, at First United Methodist Church, Fourth and Broadway.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Tiffany Dawn Castagne

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RED LODGE — Tiffany Dawn Castagne was called home on April 3, 2003. Tiffany was born on June 2, 1975, and enjoyed life for 27 years in the Red Lodge area. Tiffany graduated from Red Lodge High School in 1994.

Those who knew and loved Tiffany will remember her intense love for animals and her abundant kindness.



**TIFFANY
CASTAGNE**

Tiffany is survived by her parents, Joe and Betty Castagne; two sisters, Andrea (Aaron) Stieg and Laura (Jerry) Malcomson, and family; also two loving dogs, Jake and Bailey.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, April 12, at 2 p.m. at the Red Lodge Civic Center. There will be a potluck reception following the service. In lieu of flowers, please bring a dish or desert for the reception. Interment will be private.

Memorials may be sent to First Interstate Bank, Red Lodge, intended for Beartooth Nature Center.

Arrangements are by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Thelma B. Castelli

DEC 11 2003

Thelma B. Castelli, 77, died Saturday, Dec. 6, 2003, in Billings.

She was born May 18, 1926, in Ogden, Utah, a daughter of George W. and Emma Brown Higley. In 1950, Thelma married James Casper Castelli in Evanston, Wyo.



**THELMA
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They were later divorced. She was reared and educated in Ogden, later moving to Billings to live with her sister.

Thelma was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Thelma enjoyed water aerobics and related activities.

Surviving are one son, Roy L. (Marsha) Castelli of Ogden; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters and two brothers.

Funeral services will be held at the graveside on Friday at 3 p.m. at Lindquist's Washington Heights Memorial Park, 4500 Washington Blvd., Ogden, UT.

Friends may call at Lindquist's Ogden Mortuary, 3408 Washington Blvd., on Friday from 2 to 2:45 p.m. E-mail condolences to the family at lom@lindquistmortuary.com

Elva Castello

WILLIAMS GAZETTE

JAN 28 2003

MOORCROFT, Wyo. — Elva Maxine Castello, 70, of Moorcroft, died Jan. 26, 2003, in Rock Springs, of natural causes.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Moorcroft, with a vigil service at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 30, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

Refugio S. Castro

NOV 24 2003

WYOLA — Refugio Soto Castro, Sr., 76, of Wyola passed away Nov. 22, 2003 at St. Vincent Healthcare.



**REFUGIO
CASTRO**

He was born July 4, 1927 in Kyle, Texas, a son of Mattilda and Paula Soto Castro. He grew up and received his education in Texas and moved to the Worden area in 1948. He worked in the beet fields, before beginning a career with the CB & Q railroad in 1951, retiring in 1989 after 38 years of faithful service.

Refugio married Ella Houston on April 22, 1951 in Ballantine. The couple made their home on their ranch in the Wyola area. He loved to farm, hunt, fish and mechanical work. He was well known for his abilities to operate heavy equipment, especially a bulldozer. He held strong convictions with regard to his Hispanic heritage.

A son Refugio Castro Jr. preceded Refugio in death.

Survivors include his wife, Ella of Wyola; three daughters, Peggy (Timothy) O'Leary, Sr. of

Cody, Wyo., Annie (Steve) Switzer of Claremont, Wyo., and Paula (Reuben) Spotted Horse of Sheridan, Wyo.; five sons, David (Pearl) of Hardin, Johnny (Lola) of Pryor, Leonard (Mary Beth) of Wyola, Benny (Nicole), and Charles (Jennifer) Castro of California; two sisters, Frances and Mary Castro of Texas; four brothers, Johnny of Lame Deer, Felix, Phillip and Joe of Texas; and 25 grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Funeral Services will be celebrated 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26 at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Interment will follow in the Fairview Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements. Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Refugio Castro Memorial Fund, C/O Little Horn Bank, Hardin, MT 59034.

William A. 'Al' Caton

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 15 2003

LAUREL — William A. "Al" Caton, 86, of Laurel, passed away Saturday, April 12, 2003, after a short bout with cancer.

He was born Oct. 7, 1916, to William F. Caton and Flossie (Walker) Caton in Hutton Valley, Mo.

He is survived by his wife Iva J. Caton; and three sons, William G. (Rosemary) Caton Sr., Richard N. (Ruby) Caton, Robert M. (Mary) Caton; and one daughter, Beverly J. (Jerome) Kolar.

Services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 16, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Laurel. Interment will be in Laurel Cemetery. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of arrangements.

NOV 12 2003

Marguerite Cattaneo

SIDNEY — Marguerite Cattaneo, 89, of Sidney, died Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2003, at the Sidney Health Center.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, at the St. Matthew's Catholic Church. Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

Charles Thomas Cedarholm

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 01 2003

RED LODGE — Charles Thomas Cedarholm, 73, of Red Lodge, loving husband, father and grandfather, died early Tuesday morning, April 29, 2003, at Deaconess Billings Clinic, of complications following surgery.

Charles was born on Feb. 5, 1930, in Kansas City, Mo., a son of Harold O. and Elizabeth Perry Cedarholm. The family moved to the Chicago area in 1935, and he received a degree in architecture from the University of Illinois. Along with his two partners, Charles operated the architectural firm of Wendt, Cedarholm & Tippens. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force.

He retired to Red Lodge with his wife, Peggy. Charles was active in the Carbon County Habitat for Humanity, and was a vital member of the Red Lodge Alliance Chapel.



**CHARLES
CEDARHOLM**

Charlie was highly regarded by his friends and family, and his quick wit and dry sense of humor was a joy to all that knew him. He loved to draw, especially with the grandkids.

We have peace knowing that Charlie is in heaven with his Lord. Survivors include his wife of 42 years, Peggy Cedarholm of Red Lodge; four children, Sue (Mike Happ) of Minneapolis, Linda Lee (Scott) Thorson of Northfield, Minn., Stacy (Joseph) Madden of Sandy, Utah, and Thomas Cedarholm of Minneapolis; one brother, Jack of New Salem, N.Y.; and 11 grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place. A private family service will be held on Thursday, May 1. Public memorial services are planned for 2:30 p.m. Sunday, June 29, at the Red Lodge Alliance Chapel. Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel of Red Lodge is assisting the family with arrangements.

Memorials may be given to the Red Lodge Alliance Chapel, Box 1206, Red Lodge MT 59068, and will be used to support Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse.

NOV 21 2003

William Elmer Chace

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — William Elmer Chace, 70, died Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2003.

Visitation will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, at Kane Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

Bessie Mildred Chaffin

Bessie Mildred Chaffin, affectionately known as "Bess," passed away Friday Oct. 3, 2003, at Autumn Care II in Billings.



**BESSIE
CHAFFIN**

Bess was born Jan. 29, 1907, to Julia (Nelson) and John Fishburn, at their homestead in the Snowy Mountains near Forest Grove, Mont. After attending grade school in the Piper area, she attended Fergus County High School in Lewistown. Growing up with four brothers and two sisters, she much preferred working outside driving horses, plowing, milking, etc., rather than the typical female chores of cooking and cleaning. After high school she was the baker for the Tea Room in Lewistown until she met and married Robert "Mitch" Pace on Oct. 4, 1930. Mitch was a lineman for Mountain Bell for over 40 years. Bess and Mitch lived in Lewistown for 35 years and raised two children. She enjoyed hunting, golfing, bowling, sewing and was a Girl Scout leader for eight years. She also worked as a retail sales clerk and worked in the Land Reclassification office for Fergus

Co. Bess was also an accomplished artist who enjoyed working with oil and watercolors. Her husband Mitch died on Jan. 13, 1963.

On July 30, 1966, Bess married Bernard "Slim" Bohna and lived in Canada and Arizona until her divorce in 1974. She then moved to Billings to be near her children where she worked in the R.S.V.P. office for about four years. She enjoyed traveling and her adventures took her to many places including Germany, England, Denmark, Alaska and Hawaii.

In July of 1981, Bess married Bernard "Moon" Chaffin, a retired Montana Power Co. employee. Moon died on Feb. 4, 1999.

Bess lived independently and was still driving until the age of 90, when she lost her eyesight to Macular Degeneration. She resided at Aspen View from 1999 to 2002 before going into assisted living, at Autumn Care, II, where she received excellent loving care. Big Sky Hospice assisted with her care this last month.

Bess is survived by her two children and their families, daughter, Rae E. Hill of Billings and her son, Jeffrey K. and wife, Katrina Hill of Billings (son Erik Hill of Las Vegas, Nev.) and daughter, Lesli and husband, Bryce Glen of Billings; son, Robert D. and wife, JoAnn Pace of Billings and their children, Robert and wife, Pam Pace and their daughters, Allie and MacKenzie of Billings; Michelle and husband, Larry Stenerson and their sons, Kyle and Bryon of McMinnville, Ore.; Charles Pace of Denver; Tracy and wife, Carla Pace and their son, Daniel of Denver; and Brook Pace of Denver. Bess is also survived by sisters-in-law, Emma Fishburn of Salisaw, Okla. and Mabel Fishburn of Great Falls; and 13 nieces and nephews.

Bess was preceded in death by her husbands; brothers, Paul, Raymond, Kenneth and Elvin Fishburn; sisters, Marge Bradley and Vera Brown; and her son-in-law, Keith H. Hill.

Memorial services will be 1 p.m. Wednesday Oct. 7, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice.

NOV 14 2003

Marie (Wise) Chambers

SEATTLE — On Nov. 1, 2003, Marie, beloved wife, mother, grandmother and friend, passed away at her home of 53 years in West Seattle. A wake was held the following day, and, at her request, cremation afterwards.



**MARIE
CHAMBERS**

Born Feb. 17, 1922, in Rapelje, Mont., she was a daughter of Albert and Geneva (Doyen) Wise. She graduated from Billings High School in 1940. After attending Billings Business College, she worked in a photography studio, Meadowgold Dairy and a law office. She then left to serve in the Headquarters Detachment of Gen. Eisenhower, head of SHEAF (Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces) in London, England; Versailles, France; and Frankfurt, Germany. Marie was in the first group of women soldiers to ever march down the Champs Elysees and under the Arc de Triomphe in Paris.

After the war, she studied at the University of Washington in Seattle where she met her future husband, Edward F. Chambers. They were married Sept. 12, 1947, at the Ravenna Methodist Church, Seattle. Of this union,

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two daughters were born, Susan and Beverly.

She was a devoted homemaker and mother, and as a Christian Science practitioner, she lovingly helped those in need of metaphysical assistance. For 50 years, she was a member of Sixth Church of Christ Scientist, Seattle, where she served as First Reader from 1974 to 1977. She also worked with her daughters' Girl Scout troops. The family enjoyed many camping trips and later traveled to Mexico, England, Scotland, Alaska and Hawaii.

She is survived by her beloved husband of 56 years, Edward; daughters Susan Alegria and Beverly Kirry-Chambers; grandchildren, Rita Mayorquin, Marta Hood and Jose Mayorquin; sister, Delphine Olson and brother Louis Wise of Billings; cousin Karl Typolt of Monroe; sister-in-law, Sharon Gustafson; and a number of nieces and nephews.

The family extends their heartfelt thanks to Marie's husband, Ed, who was her caregiver, making it possible for her to stay in her home until the end of her life. She will be remembered for her sparkling enthusiasm, modesty, selflessness, kindness, humor, sweetness and joy, being an inspiration to all who knew her.

Margaret Chance

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JAN 28 1973

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Funeral services for Margaret Chance, 95, of Gillette, will be at 9 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 1, at Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home in Gillette. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 31, at Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home.

Britt Chandler, Sr.

BRITTS CHANDLER

JUL - 2 2003

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PLENTYWOOD — A funeral service will be held for Britt Chandler, Sr., at 2 p.m. on Thursday, July 3, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Plentywood. Father Bob Sewvello will officiate and burial will be at Plentywood Cemetery. A public gathering will be held at 7 p.m. at Fulkerson Memorial Chapel on Wednesday evening, June 2.

Britt died peacefully at home on Monday, June 30, 2003, surrounded by his family. Britt was born in Plentywood to John Britton Chandler II and Ellen Parsley on Feb. 3, 1922. On Aug. 21, 1945, he married Elizabeth Lodaahl of Dagmar, the love of his life. They had eight children: Britt, Linda, Ann, Cole, Lance, Julie, Gail and Kelly.

His main passion, as well as his hobby, was starting new businesses. In 1940, at the age of 17, he purchased the Gambles store with his brother, Fay. In 1942, he and Fay took over Britt's bar, a gift from his father. In 1949, he purchased Tri-County Distributors, the Great Falls Select and Olympia beer dealership of northeastern Montana. In 1952, he opened a stock car race track in Regina, Saskatchewan. In 1958, he and his brother Bill purchased the local John Deere Dealership and

ran it until 1969. During this time, he and his brothers also managed a substantial farming operation in the Dooley community.

His other passions were playing bridge, dancing, playing poker and socializing with friends. His lifelong special friends were Phil Marsh and his wife Elaine.

He was also a very active member of the Plentywood community. He was a member and supporter of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, where he became a Grand Knight in the Knights of Columbus. In addition, he was one of the founders of the local Jaycee club in the early 1940s. He was elected president of the Jaycees and later served as state vice-president and state secretary-treasurer. The club was instrumental in the paving of the road to the border, convincing the Canadian government to pave the highway to Regina, and also convincing both governments to put in a 24-hour port.

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Britt claimed his greatest accomplishment and contribution were his eight children and providing them all with a college education. His family believes his greatest contribution was his unconditional love for his friends and family.

Britt is survived by his wife of 58 years, Liz; his sons, Dr. Britt (Mary Lagerquist) of Scobey, Cole (Carol Meyer) of Havre and Lance (Lucy Nies); his daughters, Linda (Tim) Collins, Ann (Tony) Knick, Julie (Steve) Koehn, Gail (Lou) Arak and Kelly (Robert) Marquez. He has 27 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Britt is preceded in death by his parents; his two brothers, Fay and Bill; his sister, Dorothy (Dotty) Sorensen and her husband Ed Lindquist.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood is in charge of the arrangements.

Gerald O. Chaney

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL - 9 2003

Gerald O. Chaney, 83, died July 7 in Billings after an extended illness.

He was born April 14, 1920, in Hurricane, W.Va., a son of John and Hazel Chaney. In 1940, he traveled to California and joined the U.S. Navy where he was serving on the USS West Virginia when it was bombed at Pearl Harbor. He served in both the Pacific and Atlantic theater during World War II and was discharged in 1946 when he met and married Anna Cisinski.

They moved to Billings in 1955 and he went to work for Archie Cochrane Ford as a partsman. He retired in 1983 and was able to spend more time with his hobbies of woodworking, doing crossword puzzles and spending time with his grandchild.

He is survived by his wife Ann; his children, Gerri Hoke and her husband Dick of Billings, Bruce and his wife Kathy of Great Falls; five grandchildren, and a great-grandchildren.

A private memorial service for family and friends will be held at Smiths Funeral Home. Those wishing to make donations can send them to Big Sky Hospice, P.O. Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107.

Woodrow H. Chaney

BROADUS — Woodrow "Hass" Hassil Chaney, 87, of Broadus, formerly of Milton, W.Va., died Tuesday, March 11, 2003, at his home.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, March 17, at the White Chapel Gardens Cemetery in Milton. Interment will follow immediately after the service. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Broadus and Heck Funeral Home of Milton are in charge.

Dorothy Rose Chapman

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 12 2003

POWELL, Wyo. — Dorothy Rose Chapman, 73, died Thursday, Jan. 9, 2003, at the Powell Hospital.

Christian Wake Services will be held at 6 p.m. on Sunday at St. Barbara's Catholic Church. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. on Monday at St. Barbara's Catholic Church. Interment will follow in Crown Hill Cemetery. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home of Powell is in charge.

George Herbert Chapman

BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 19 2003

George Herbert Chapman, age 78, died Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2003, after a long battle with leukemia.

He was born Sept. 26, 1925, the son of George B. and Evalina Chapman of Basin, Wyo. George served for three years in the U.S. Army Air Corps in WWII. He then returned to obtain his bachelor's degree in education at Rocky Mountain College on a basketball scholarship. Later he earned his master's degree in education from Eastern Montana College.

George coached athletics and taught history at Scobey and Sheridan and then continued teaching at Darby and Laurel. In addition, George was the liaison officer for the U.S. Forest Service for several years.

He was also the Montana state horseshoe pitching champion for six years running. George retired from teaching at Laurel High School in 1986.

He is survived by his wife Catherine; his son, James (Judith) and daughter, Teresa. He is also survived by his sisters, Georgetta (Art) Flyr, Belle Elliston, and Gloria (Elmer) Funk.

No services are planned at this time.

Arrangements were by Cremation Society of Montana, Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

MAY 08 2003

Gusta Joanett Chapman

SACO — Gusta Joanett Chapman, 85, died Monday, May 5, 2003, at Benefis East Hospital in Great Falls.

Services will be at 4 p.m. Friday, May 9, at Saco Lutheran Church. Interment will be in Grandview Cemetery in Saco. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

APR 13 2003

POMPEYS PILLAR — John Chappell Jr., 75, of Pompeys Pillar passed away Thursday, April 10, 2003.

He attended school in Pompeys Pillar and Worden.

He fell in love with and married Carole DeVries March 1, 1952. Together they raised four girls with love, patience and devotion. They are Gaye (Gene) Decker, Gayle (Rick) Scheidt, Kim Pollock and Lori (Max) Pangburn.

Farming was not just his life's work, but a way of life that he dearly loved. He continued farming the land he grew up on until retiring at age 72.

John loved observing nature. It gave him great pleasure to watch the deer, pheasants and fox trail through his yard and to watch the hibernating geese fly south.

He always had a good story to tell. He looked forward to family "wing dings." He loved music and going dancing. He was an excellent roller-skater and loved taking the grandkids roller-skating.

During his illness he approached each challenge with an open mind and a zest for liv-



**JOHN
CHAPPELL JR.**

ing. He liked going to the pulmonary rehabilitation center and enjoyed the smiling faces and many friends he made there.

His good nature and infectious smile will be imprinted on our hearts forever.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Carole, his parents Vera and John Chappell, and brother, Harold Chappell.

He is also survived by seven grandchildren, Tara Oberlander, Nichole Scheidt, Derek Decker, Casey Scheidt, Molly Scheidt, Erin Decker, Kristopher Secrest; four sisters, Virginia Novotny, Betty (Miles) Garrison, Margie (Marvin) Brown, Lois (Duane) Leggett, and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m., Tuesday, April 15, at Smith's West Chapel; 304 34th St. W. Interment will follow at Pleasantview Cemetery in Ballantine.

JUN 20 2003

Donna Kay Bertolino Chavers

YAKIMA, Wash. — Donna Kay Bertolino Chavers, 56, passed away peacefully in her home on May 20, 2003, in Yakima, after a long battle with poly-supranuclear palsy.

Born Sept. 20, 1946, in Billings, to Joseph and Katie Bertolino, Donna grew up on the family farm in Roberts, Mont.

Graduating from Roberts High School in 1964, Donna attended Edison College in Seattle, receiving her clerk/typist certificate. She studied computer science at Arkansas College in Batesville. Donna worked for the Seattle Public School and Darigold, retiring from there in 1997, due to her illness.

Donna married Tommy Joe Chavers on March 11, 1967, in Seattle, and their family grew to include three children. Donna loved gardening, crocheting and Dairy Queen. Donna was very giving of herself and quick to praise the Lord for the gifts and trials in her life. Though her physical body was failing, her love, spirit, dignity and strength shined bright. Those lives she

touched are forever changed.

Donna was preceded in death by her parents and two infant siblings. She is survived by her children, Thomas (Theresa) Chavers, David Chavers and Aundria Aills; her grandson, David Chavers, Jr.; former spouse, Tommy Joe Chavers, and his wife Donna of Yakima; brother, Pete Bertolino of Arizona; sister, Beulah (Gene) Gibble of Arlington; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends who loved and will miss their Donna.

Private family services will be held. Memorials may be sent to the Roberts Community Foundation, Box 284, Roberts, MT 59070, or the charity of one's choice.

Juan Chavez

Juan Chavez, 86 of Billings, died Friday, Oct. 10, 2003, at Parkview Care Center.

No services will be held at this time. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of cremation.

Joseph Cherni, Jr.

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Joseph Cherni, Jr., 90, of Sheridan, died Sunday, May 11, 2003, at his home.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 15, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan.

Roy Cerry Chew

BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 10 2003

At the age of 65, Roy Cerry Chew, of Billings, died at St. Vincent Healthcare on Friday, Aug. 8, 2003.

He was born in Lowell, Kan., on Aug. 27, 1937, to LeRoy and Mildred (Kinion) Chew. Roy attended grade school in Lowell and surrounding areas and graduated from high school in Westminster, Colo. He enlisted in the Navy for three years and re-enlisted in the Army, serving 20 years. He was united in marriage to Linda Roach on June 1, 1969, in Ft. Lewis, Wash., after his second tour in Vietnam and before leaving for his third and final tour.

Roy's greatest passions were his granddaughter and fishing. He dreamed of one day teaching his granddaughter how to fish.

Roy is preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Linda of Billings; son, Guy (Candace) Chew of Colorado Springs, Colo.; daughter, Emily (Charlie) Umphlett of Billings; granddaughter, Talisyn Umphlett; brother, Robert (Marty) Chew of Great Falls; sisters, Mildred Charlesworth of Dacono, Colo. and Barbara (Tony) Sancez of Ely, Nev.; and nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services for Roy will be 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 15, at Dahl Funeral Chapel. Cremation will take place following service. Visitation for Roy will be on Monday from 1 to 5 p.m.

Patrick Dennis Chilcote

MACKAY, Idaho — Patrick Dennis Chilcote, 56, of Mackay, formerly of Anaconda and Billings, Mont., died Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2003, at the Lost Rivers Hospital in Arco.

Memorial services were held Friday, Jan. 24, at Saint Barbara's Catholic Church in Mackay. Simpson-Marvel Memorial Chapel of Arco was in charge of cremation services.

2nd Lt. Therrell 'Shane' Childers USMC *THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

POWELL, Wyo. — 2nd Lt. Therrell "Shane" Childers USMC, age 30, was the first American killed in the war with Iraq on Friday, March 21, 2003.

He was born on June 19, 1972, in West Hanlin, W.Va., to Joseph and Judy (Rose) Childers. He graduated from Harrison Central High School in Gulfport, Miss., in 1990.

He joined the USMC in July of 1990, doing Basic Training at Parris Island, S.C. He then attended LAV-drivers training at Camp Pendleton, Calif. He served in the Persian Gulf during Desert Storm and following his return to the United States, was stationed at Camp Lejeune, N.C. He then was assigned to Marine security guard duty, serving at the American Consulate in Geneva, Switzerland, and then the American Embassy in Nairobi, Kenya. He then returned to Camp Pendleton, where he his second LAR. While stationed there, he made a West Pac Cruise.

Upon returning, he attended The Citadel on the MECF Program. Upon graduation, he was commissioned a second lieutenant on June 15, 2001. Then it was on to Quantico, Va., to attend the Basic School and then Officer

Infantry School. He was then assigned to the 1st Battalion 5th Marine A Company 2nd Platoon. He was deployed to Kuwait on Feb. 4, with his assigned unit and was listed as KIA on March 21, 2003.

His family shared that he was always interested in gathering information from those he was spending time with. He was full of questions. He was always involved in the here and now and was so proud to be a United States Marine.

He is survived by his parents, Joe and Judy Childers of Powell; a sister, Sandra Brown and husband Richard and their children Autumn and Aiden of Fort Hood, Texas; a brother, Samuel Childers and wife Cori and their children Aksel, Hannah and Marta of La Salle, Ill.; paternal grandparents Wilton and Alma Childers of Salt Rock, W.Va.; uncles and aunts, Donald and Brenda Childers and Salt Rock, Richard and Anita Childers of Huntington, W.Va., Judy and Mike Hayes of South Point, Ohio, Natalie and Greg Walker of Aid, Ohio, Kathy and Randy Templeton of Arnold, Mo., Donald and Agnes Rose of Powell, Zenda and James Eby of Lubbock, Texas; 17 first cousins and numerous friends. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Doug and Mae Rose of Weston, Idaho.

"Shane" CHILDERS, USMC

MAR 27 2003

Visitation will be held on Monday, March 31, 3 to 9 p.m., at Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home, Powell. Funeral services are scheduled for Tuesday, April 1, 1 p.m., at Cabre Gymnasium at Northwest College. Burial will follow in Crown Hill Cemetery, with full military honors being provided by the United States Marine Corps.

Should friends desire, a memorial fund has been established at First National Bank and Trust, Powell, with the memorials to be used by the family to honor the memory of their son, Shane.

Dorothy B. Chopper

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 25 2003

LAUREL — Dorothy B. Chopper was born the first child of Birdie Ellicott Chopper and William Chopper, May 31, 1918, in Worland, Wyo. She died after a short illness, Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2003.

Dorothy spent her early years in Worland, attending elementary school there. The family subsequently moved to Laurel, where she completed school, graduating from Laurel High School in 1937.

After high school, she worked locally, and in 1940s, she moved to Denver to work in a munitions factory associated with war production. In 1952, after the war, she joined the Women's Air Corp. (WACs) and served for two years. Following discharge, she returned to Montana.

She worked and lived in Laurel for several years, then moved to Long Beach, Calif., where she trained and subsequently worked as a beautician for many years. At retirement, Dorothy moved back to Laurel to be close to family. She enjoyed reading, travel and visiting with family.

Dorothy is survived by her sisters, Margaret Whittaker of Billings, Rosetta (Leonard) Foley of Laurel, Evelyn Miller of Billings, brother George

Chopper of Laurel and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Carl Chopper; sisters, Ellen Schaff and Jeanette Chopper.

Funeral service will be held Tuesday, Jan. 28, at 10 a.m., at the Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel. Friends may visit with family before the service. Donations may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Robert Carl Chopper

HELENA — Robert Carl Chop-

per died March 31, 2003, in Helena, after a long illness. Bob was born on April 2, 1954, in Billings, to Carl Ellicott Chopper and Jerre Roberts Chopper. He graduated from Billings West High in



**BOB
CHOPPER**

1972, and spent two years in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Forrestal based in Norfolk, Va.

After military service, Bob enrolled at Northern Montana College in Havre. His working years were spent in Montana, Wyoming and Texas. He returned to Montana and located in Helena to be near Fort Harrison VA Hospital.

Bob is survived by his mother Jerre Chopper of Yakima, Wash.; grandmother Ruby Roberts; sister Claudia and husband Randal Williamson; niece Victoria and husband Cade Johnson, all of Hamilton; and niece and grand-niece Avril and Lauren Williamson of Henderson, Nev.; and other relatives.

Bob was preceded in death by his father, Carl Chopper, and grandfather, Albert Roberts, both in 1977.

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Interment will be in Rockvale Cemetery in Carbon County, and memorial services will be held at a later date. For information, contact Jerre Chopper, 401 N. 36th Ave., Yakima, WA 98902.

Robert Carl Chopper

BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 19 2003

A memorial reception for Robert Carl Chopper will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 22, at the Elks Lodge, 934 Lewis Ave., Billings.

Robert, son of Carl and Jerre Chopper, grandson of Albert and Ruby Roberts, died on March 31, 2003, after a long illness.



**ROBERT
CHOPPER**

All are invited to attend.

The family requests that any memorials be directed to the American Diabetes Association, Memorial & Honor Program, PO Box 2680, North Canton, Ohio 44720.

Ernest Christensen

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 11 2003

*Only a dad but he gives his all,
To smooth the way for his chil-
dren small,*

*Doing with courage stern and
grim*

*The deeds that his father did for
him.*

*This is the line that for him I
pen:*

*Only a dad; but the best of men.
Edgar*

Guest

Ernest Christensen, 90, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 6, 2003, at Valley Health Care Center.

"Ernie" was born Feb. 15, 1913, in Arnold, Neb., the eighth of nine children of Senius and Marie Christensen. Dad's diploma was from Logan County Schools, but his real education was earned farming with his father and brothers.

On Sept. 15, 1935, Ernie married Amy Sell, a "city girl" from Arnold, population 950. They held hands through 68 years of marriage.

They soon moved to Billings and he worked for Omaha Standard and daughter Karen



**ERNEST
CHRISTENSEN**

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was born. During World War II, the family relocated to Portland, Ore., and they both worked in the shipyards. Daughter Lynda was born in Portland.

After the war, they spent one year on a Nebraska farm before moving back to Billings. Ernie worked for S & S Ranch Supply and then Parker Livestock. He sold and delivered Northrup King seed corn "on the side" so he could stay in touch with local farmers. His honesty, hard work, integrity and loyalty gained him many friends.

In our family, Dad has always been the caregiver. To his grandchildren and great grandchildren, "Poppi" was simply the best — the rock that grounded the whole family.

Ernie and Amy loved camping and hiking in the mountains with family. They spent many nights dancing with friends at the Elk's Club. Ernie was a wonderful dance partner. In retirement, Dad took up golf at 72 and bowled until he was 89. Ernie and Amy loved playing cards with special friend Eleanor Largis. He loved family gatherings for birthdays, which meant many laughs and lots of good food.

His parents; brothers, Inar, Chris, Niels and James; sisters, Johanna, Clara, Martina, and Alyce, preceded Ernie in death.

Ernie is survived by his wife Amy at Valley Health Care Center; daughters Karen (Bob) Robinson of Laurel, and Lynda

(Ken) Behling of Billings; granddaughters Debra (Cliff) Schenk of Silesia, Rene' (Terry) Ruff of Laurel, and Elizabeth Behling of Lincoln, Neb. He is also survived by grandson Tim (Melissa) Benjamin of New Hudson, Mich. Great-grandchildren Justin and Alee Ruff, and Tyrell and Casey Schenk also survive him.

The family wishes to thank the staffs of Westpark Village, Valley Health Care Center, and the doctors and nurses of St. Vincent Broadwater Clinic for their loving support.

Private family services will be held at a later date. Memorials in Ernie's name may be made to a charity of your choice.

**Gladys Lenora
Christensen**

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 14 2003

HINSDALE — Gladys Lenora Christensen, 94, died Saturday, July 12, 2003.

Services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 16, at the Saco Lutheran Church in Saco. Interment will follow in the Reitan Cemetery.

Bell Mortuary in Glasgow is in charge of arrangements.

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James Peter Christensen

James Peter Christensen, 85, of Billings, passed away early Wednesday morning, Jan. 8, 2003, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

The son of James and Bessie Christensen, Jim was born Oct. 27, 1917, in Spearfish, S.D., where he was raised and educated.



**JAMES
CHRISTENSEN**

During WWII, he served in the Army. Following his discharge, he returned to Spearfish and worked in the Homestake mine. He also worked in mines at Butte before he

began driving truck for Safeway in Butte and later Northwest and Garrett Freight Lines in Billings, retiring in 1976. Throughout his career, he was known as "Gentleman Jim," as he would always stop to help someone in need.

He married Hugil Sparks Anderson in Lead, S.D., on June 8, 1946. They have made their home in Billings since 1959.

Family was the center of Jim's life, they always came first. He

enjoyed spending time with friends, hunting, fishing, raising dogs and pigeons and gardening. He was a member of Teamsters Union Local 190 and had been active with the retired members group.

Survivors include his wife Hugil of Billings; three daughters, Joyce Bork of St. Louis, Jean O'Neal and her husband Dave of Great Falls and Maura Kaye Christensen and her husband Craig Winterman of Los Angeles; six grandchildren, Robin, Risa, Ryan, Julie, Marci and Doug, 13 great-grandchildren, Jenna, Ryan, Brian, Daniel, Kevin, Kara, Tyler, Maggie, Colter, George, Gia, Janessa and Audrey; two sisters, Mary Parsons of Casper, Wyo., and Catherine Parsons of Libby; and several nieces and nephews who loved him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Howard; and two sisters, Margaret and Ann.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Arden Christiansen

BURLINGTON, Wyo. — Arden Thorley Christiansen, 72, died Thursday, Sept. 25, 2003, in Burlington.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 29, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Burlington. The casket will be open from 9:30 a.m. until service time. Interment will follow in Burlington Cemetery. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

Beatrice Christiansen

Beatrice Christiansen was born a true pioneer at the homestead of her parents, John and Lilly Staff, on Dec. 10, 1905. On Feb. 6, 2003, she passed away to join a host of loved ones who had preceded her on their final journey to live forever with the company of the Saints in the house of her Heavenly Father.

Bea was baptized at the family homestead by a circuit-riding preacher because churches and preachers were few and far between in those long ago days. She grew up as a farm and ranch girl — riding horseback to country school and then finished her high school days in Chinook, Blaine Co., Montana, and the family hometown. Mom had an older sister, Martha, and three brothers, Tom, Jim and Matt Staff, all deceased.

Beatrice and Hugo Christiansen were married in 1928 and together they raised their family of two boys, Hugo Jr., Tom, and daughter Marilyn. Hugo Sr. passed away in 1986.

Although Beatrice had been a county schoolteacher before she married, she never stopped teaching. Her teaching continued on in the lives of her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and friends for all of her life. That teaching drew deeply from her love of her Lord, her love of life and the love of

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her family and friends.

Bea often questioned but seldom judged the acts of others, whether family or friends. Her greatest joy was in those same family and friends, whether sharing a meal or just taking time to visit.

We will miss her, but though we weep, we will not mourn, for Mom was ready for her next journey. In her long and faithful life. Until her last days, she read avidly, loved her family and friends with true passion, and always looked ahead for what tomorrow might bring. Bea often questioned but seldom judged the acts of others, whether family or friends. Mom, we'll not say goodbye but only "Until we meet again." You have lived a wonderful life and you have shared that wonder with us all. We love you with heart and soul and cherish our memories with you and Dad.

Beatrice is survived by one son, Hugo, his wife Jean and their children, Howard of Billings and Belgrade, Karen of Livingston, Laurie and husband Salvin Gebhard of Laurel and their son Edison Gunnar Gebhard.

A second son, Thomas "Tom," is deceased. His chil-

dren, Dennis and wife Sarah and their two children, Thomas and Timothy, live in Billings. Tom's daughter, Dodie and husband Dale Bernard and their two children, Brandey Lee and Nicole, live in Newtown, N.D.

Bea's daughter Marilyn, now deceased, with her husband Jack Murray brought four new grandchildren to her family: Jeffrey of Billings, Leslie and husband Clifford Cooke of Billings and their three children, Erik of Washington D.C., Amy, her husband Josh Thill of Eugene, Ore., and Jeremy of Billings. Their second son, Gerry, is deceased. Their third son, Lindsey Murray and his wife Sonia have two boys, Taran and Zach, and they reside on a ranch southeast of Bridger.

Many children of friends have also been adopted by Grandma Bea, who became their grandmother or Aunt Bea, and we honor them all as members of her family. Also we honor and thank the many members of staff and volunteers of St. Johns Lutheran Home for their love and kindness to Grandma Bea; she truly loved you all.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 10, at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 24th Street West and Lewis in Billings. In Chinook, a service will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, at the American Lutheran Church. Interment will be at

Kuper Memorial Cemetery in Chinook.

Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Foundation or Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Billings or charity of choice.

Smith's West Funeral Chapel in Billings is in charge of arrangements.

Clara Christiansen

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Clara Christiansen, 90, of Billings, passed away to be with our Lord and Savior on Tuesday, March 25, 2003, following a stroke.



**CLARA
CHRISTIENSEN**

Clara was born Aug. 4, 1912, at Flaxton, N.D., to Fred and Guri Kostad. She grew up on the farm with her eight younger brothers and sisters. On Dec. 15, 1935, she married Aage Christiansen. They farmed near Flaxton until he passed away on March 24, 1976. She remained on the farm until she moved to Billings in October of 1981. The last few years she resided at West Park Village Retirement Center.

Clara was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. She was a member of United Lutheran Church in Flaxton and then of Mount Olive Lutheran Church of Billings. She was also active in the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Mount Olive Quilting Group, and the local Sons of Norway.

She enjoyed traveling, making a number of trips to Norway and Germany. She also

enjoyed playing cards and spending time with her large family. Many relatives and friends helped her celebrate her 90th birthday. Another special event was the birth and baptism of her great-great-grandchild.

Survivors include her children, Donnaleen (Mel) Ganskop, Billings, Melvin (Dorothy) Christiansen, Flaxton, Leona (Lloyd) Brendefur, Sheridan, Wyo., and Lowell (Inge) Christiansen, Frankfurt, Germany; her 12 grandchildren, Debbie (Craig) Miller, Las Vegas, Donna (Mark) Johns, Billings, Dean (Jeane) Ganskop, Williamson, N.Y., Doris (Rick) Sparks, Helena, Melodie (Gordon) Beard, Stillwell, Kan., Brenda (Pat) Henderson, Sheridan, Wyo., Darlene (Dennis) DeCock, Huntley, Noel (Vicki) Brendefur, Lafayette, Colo., Eugene Christiansen, Ray, N.D., Jane (Lance) Kalmbach, Kenmare, N.D., Jonathan (Kari) Brendefur, Boise, Idaho, and Holly (Scott) Brandon, Colorado Springs, Colo.; 29 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; two brothers, Floyd (Edna) Kostad, Oakland, Ore., and Oscar (Esther) Kostad, Fargo, N.D.;

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three sisters, Marie (Carl) Hallberg, Minot, N.D., Wilma (Jerry) Burner, Camano Island, Wash., and Geneva (Donald) Nelson, Mattewa, Wash.; two sisters-in-law, Joyce Kostad, Kenmare, N.D., and Louise Kostad, Othello, Wash., and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and three brothers, Louis, Arthur and Raymond.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 29, at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Billings. Burial will be at Flaxton. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, Lutheran Hour Ministries and the Lutheran Women's Missionary League.

Michelotti-Sawyers has charge of arrangements.

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**Connie
Smith-Christiansen**

POWELL, Wyo. — Connie Smith-Christiansen, 54, died Thursday morning, May 29, 2003, at the Powell Valley Healthcare Center.

Per her wishes, cremation has taken place and memorial services will be held in Michigan on June 7. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home of Powell is in charge.

Kathryn 'Katie' Rachael Christiansen

Kathryn "Katie" Rachael Christiansen passed away Tuesday night, Sept. 2, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare, surrounded by her loving family.

Katie McLaren was born March 7, 1932, to Isabelle and John McLaren. She lived in Pennsylvania until 1943, when her family moved to Red Lodge. She attended Carbon County High School, where she met the love of her life, Nels Christiansen. They married on July 2, 1948, in Columbus.

She was a devoted coach's wife who followed Nels "Chris" to his first teaching jobs. Finally, they settled their family in Billings, where she supported and cheered him on as he coached at Eastern Montana College.

She was a loving mother and grandmother who never missed an event of one of her children or grandchildren. Katie became an avid golfer and loved the walk and fresh air. She was a member of Pryor Creek Golf Club. Chris and Katie organized and began the Junior Golf program in Yellowstone County. She was the "well

paid" secretary and was at each event. She loved the kids and would not have missed a tournament.

Katie is survived by her husband of 55 years, Chris; daughters Jackie, Lea Ann (Tom) Caudle of Billings, Debbie (Erik) Nyberg of Portland, Ore.; son Brad (Rayeann) of Billings; and six loving grandchildren, Chris (Penny) and Sara Caudle, Katelyn and Hunter Christiansen, and Kristen and Joel Nyberg. Katie also has many loving friends who have shared this time with the family.

Katie, Mom, Grandma, without you there is a big void in our family. We love and miss you but know your pain is gone and you are in a better place.

A celebration of Katie's life will be held on Saturday, Sept. 6, at 11 a.m., at Petro Theater on the MSU-B campus with a reception to follow. Memorials may be made to the Katie Christiansen Junior Golf Scholarship Fund, c/o Nels Christiansen, 1236 N. 26th St., Billings, MT 59101.

Theodore Christiansen

MAY 13 2003

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Theodore Martin Christiansen, 60, of Gillette, died Sunday, May 11, 2003, at his home.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, in the chapel of Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home in Gillette. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 14, at the Mt. Pisgah Cemetery Chapel. Interment will follow in the Mt. Pisgah Cemetery.

Alice Christianson

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 16 2003

DOUGLAS, Wyo. — Alice Irene (Lorah) Christianson, 87, of Douglas, died Monday, July 14, 2003, at the Michael Manor Nursing Home in Douglas.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, July 18, at Adams Funeral Home in Buffalo.

Charles L. Church

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 12 2003

MELSTONE — On Thursday, July 10, 2003, our big-hearted dad and husband made the final journey to see his maker.

Charles Leslie Church was born on May 14, 1932, in Hysham, to Claude and Rosa Lamn Church. He attended school in Big Horn and Custer. On Nov. 28, 1954, he married Ethelyn Marie Nile in Forsyth; they were together for 48 years. He worked on the Big Horn project from 1948 to 1956, then moved to Forsyth to work on his own farm. Then, off he and his bride moved to Sanders, working on a little farm from 1958 to 1968. Melstone was his next destination, where he worked the oil field, then for Jake Zaharko, before he had the opportunity of buying his own business, known as Charlie's Service to many. He was more than a mechanic; he served the town as a councilman, then mayor. His joy in life was to camp and fish.

Preceding him in death were his parents; brother Jerry; sister Laurie. Survivors include his wife, Ethelyn; his four children, Terilynn Adams, Karen (Charles) Adams, Leslie (Shannon) Church and Stacey (Brent) Baumann; his grandchildren, Jim and Melissa Saunders, Sidney and Cindy Adams, James and Amy Adams,

Addie Adams, Beth Adams, John Adams and Stuart Adams, Joshua Church, Kirsten Marie Church, Rebecca, Brittney and Niki Baumann; his brothers, David, Jim, Tim, Teddy, Lenny; his sisters, Dorothy, Darlene and Pauline; also 12 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 15, at the Melstone Community Center. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, at the Melstone Community Center. Interment to follow at the Melstone Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that contributions be made to the Melstone Community Center.

Wier Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Nancy M. Churchill

Nancy M. Churchill, 68 of Billings, passed away, Friday, Oct. 10, 2003, at her home.

The daughter of Morris and Dora Hayworth, Nancy was born June 7, 1935, in Billings. She graduated from Billings Senior High School in 1953 and had received a



**NANCY
CHURCHILL**

teaching certificate from Eastern Montana College before receiving her Nursing Degree from MSU in 1965.

Nancy was House Supervisor at Deaconess Hospital for over 15 years, retiring in 1985.

She married Robert Churchill in Billings in 1955.

Nancy was a strong person and caretaker to everyone. She loved to learn and had a wonderful sense of humor. She enjoyed reading, working crossword puzzles and was a great cook. She loved animals and always had pets. She spent many hours watching television with her dog in her lap. She was a member of the Elks and the Retired Nurses Association.

Nancy leaves to honor her memory, two sons, David and his wife, Donna, and Jim of Billings; two grandchildren, Erik and Stacey; four nieces, Cassie, Sarah, Kathleen, and Norah, Joe and Ora Hartsford of Bozeman; many cousins; and a dear friend, Barbara Dotson

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert in 1979; a daughter, Mona Churchill; her parents; a sister, Beverly DuMond; and her aunt, Babe Grooters.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary with interment to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Duane E. Churchwell

TOWNSEND — Duane E. Churchwell, 56, of Townsend and former Livingston resident, died Thursday, Feb. 27, 2003, in Pomona, Calif.

Cremation has taken place and memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 11, at American Lutheran Church, corner of F and Lewis Streets in Livingston. Arrangements are under the direction of Franzen-Davis Funeral Home in Livingston.

Survivors include a sister, Charlotte Erpenbach and her husband Jim of Billings.

Frank J. Cimrhakl

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 02 2003

ROY — Frank J. Cimrhakl, Jr., 94, of Roy, passed away on Monday, March 31, 2003, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center, of pneumonia. Being the weatherman that he was, Frank would have wanted everyone to note that the high that day was 70 degrees and the low was 51 degrees, along .05 inches of rain and strong gusty winds.

He was born March 8, 1909, in Protivin, Iowa, to Frank and Stella (Lukes) Cimrhakl, Sr. At an early age, he moved to Lisbon, N.D. In 1913, at the age of 4, the family packed all of their belongings, including four work horses, two milk cows, their farm machinery and household needs, and traveled by immigrant railroad car to Hilger and then traveled by wagons to a homestead 10 miles northeast of Roy, where he then lived for the next 88 years.

During the early years on the homestead, all fieldwork was done with horses. In 1927, they purchased their first tractor, a 10-20 McCormick-Deering. Running a threshing machine was his greatest thrill. His first rig was a



FRANK
CIMRHAKL

22" Red River Special. Every fall, for 40 days, he would thresh crops for 20 neighbors. Along with grain, Frank raised cattle and hay.

On May 9, 1933, he was united in marriage to Marie Bowser, who was a teacher at Coal Hill School. Frank and Marie were married for 68 years, in which time they raised a family of five children, enjoyed playing pinochle with their family and friends, and were avid travelers who even made a trip to Czechoslovakia in the 1970s to visit Frank's cousins.

He served as a member of the ASCS County Committee, supervisor on the Soil and Water Conservation District, 58 years as a member of the Eagles Lodge, 21 years on the school board, and was a member of the Roy Fire Department. The governor appointed him to two terms on the Department of Natural Resources Advisory Council. After retiring, he dedicated many years to the improvement of the Roy Cemetery.

The National Weather Service in Great Falls called him the "Dean of Weather Observers." April 21, 2003,

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would have marked his own year of recording the highs, lows and precipitation. We will greatly miss his love of family and friends, his unbelievable memory, dedication to everything he did and his gift of conversation.

He is survived by two daughters, Virginia Durrin of Portland, Ore., and Judith (Ted) Thompson of Roy; two sons, Bob (Shirley) Cimrhakl of Lewistown and Dan Cimrhakl of Roy; 11 grandchildren, Eric Durrin, Irene Springston, Brett Cimrhakl, Mark Cimrhakl, LeRoy Cimrhakl, Doreen McClure, Rick Thompson, Linda Thompson, Rita Meadors, Launa Hamlin, and Lorin Cimrhakl; 25 great-grandchildren; and his special nieces, Bonnie McDowell, Donna Joswick and Kay Mourning.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Marie; son, LeRoy; sisters, Elizabeth Stephan and Adeline Gaine; great-granddaughter Brooke; and great-great-granddaughter McKinzie.

Funeral liturgy will be held on Saturday, April 5, at St. Leo's Catholic Church, at 11 a.m. Vigil services will be Friday, April 4, at 5 p.m. at the Church. Committal will follow the service at the Roy Cemetery. The Cloyd Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Friends may make memorials to the Roy Cemetery or the Roy Ambulance Service and they may be left at Cloyd Funeral Home.

Edgar Clancy

MILES CITY — Edgar Lorn Clancy, 85, of Miles City, died Monday, Jan. 20, 2003, at the Veteran Hospital in Sheridan.

Visitation will be held Friday, Jan. 24, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the Eastern Montana State Veteran Cemetery in Miles City.

Lydia Clancy

BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 31 2003

PLENTYWOOD — Lydia Clancy, 104, died Friday morning, Aug. 29, 2003, at the Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 2, at the First Congregational Church in Plentywood. Interment will be in the Plentywood Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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Clyde W. Clapp

GLENDIVE — Clyde W. Clapp, age 79, of Glendive, passed away on Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2003, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility.

Private family interment was in the family lot of Dawson County Cemetery. No services are planned. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Clyde was born on Nov. 4, 1924, the son of Clyde Thomas and Frieda Clapp, on the family farm located seven miles north of Glendive. He attended Deer Creek School and during World War II, he helped his father operate the Clapp Coal Mine. As a young man, Clyde was very interested in sports and enjoyed playing softball. After his father's death in 1950, Clyde continued to have an active part in the farm and feedlot operation. In addition, he also operated his irrigated farm on Buffalo Rapids.

Clyde was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, August George and Fred D.; and one sister, Arna Louise.

Clyde is survived by two brothers, John Clapp and his wife Ramona and Carl Clapp and his wife Jeanne, all of Glendive.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silvernale-silhafuneralhome.com.

Robert A. Clarin**MAY 28 2003**

WIBAUX — Robert A. Clarin, 85, of Wibaux, formerly of Golva, N.D., died Monday, May 26, 2003, at the Wibaux County Nursing Home.

A vigil will be at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 29, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Golva. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. Friday, May 30, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Golva. Rite of Committal will be in St. Mary's Cemetery in Golva. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, at the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Beach, N.D., and one hour prior to services at the church.

Aden A. Clark

BILLINGS GAZETTI

Aden A. Clark, age 83, of Billings, died at home, March 31, 2003.

He was born July 4, 1919, to Albion A. and Ruth (Conkey) Clark, in Sherwood, N.D., the oldest of eight children. He married Emma M. Mattern, June 30, 1941.

Survivors include his wife, Emma; sons, Adrin (Nancy), Townsend, Lloyd, Stanley, N.D., Bruce (Ione), Billings, Lynn (Lynn), Holly, Mich.; and daughter, Lois (Lamar) Duke, Cody, Wyo.; 19 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Francis (Margaret) Clark, Coachella, Calif., Darwin (Jenice) Clark, Sherwood, N.D.; three sisters, Beryl (Glen) Britsch, Sedro Wooley, Wash., Avis Purvis, Canon City, Colo., Merlyn (Stan) Hamner, Coachella; many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Geraldine Clark and Beverly Carter; and daughter-in-law Arlene Clark.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 5, at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 201 Wicks Lane.

DEC 04 2003**Dolly Clark**

MILES CITY — Dolly Darlene Clark, 74, of Miles City, formerly of Jordan, died Monday, Dec. 1, 2003, at the Friendship Villa Care Center in Miles City.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, at the VFW Hall in Jordan. Interment will follow in the Steve Forks Cemetery. A luncheon will be served at the VFW Hall immediately following the funeral service. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home is in charge.

Ethel L. Clark

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 19 2003

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Ethel Clark, 85, died Thursday, Jan. 16, 2003, at her home of a heart attack.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 21, at Mount Pisgah Cemetery Shelter, with burial to follow at Mount Pisgah Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 20, for family, and from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. for friends. Stevenson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

Helen E. Clark

LIVINGSTON — Helen E. Clark, 93, of Livingston, died at Livingston Memorial Hospital early Friday morning, Sept. 26, 2003. Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, at Livingston Congregational Church, corner of Clark and Third Streets. The Rev. Harlan Durgan will officiate. Graveside committal and burial will follow in Mountain View Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Franzen-Davis Funeral Home, 118 N. Third St. in Livingston.

Helen was born April 7, 1910, in Morrowville, Kan. When she was 5 years old, the family came to Huntley Project and established a homestead. She attended area schools and graduated from Huntley Project High School in 1928. For a time, Helen did house-keeping for her widowed father and also helped in raising her sisters. On Feb. 20, 1931, she married W. Raymond Clark in Billings. They farmed and ranched in communities east of Billings until moving to the Livingston area in 1946. They purchased a ranch on Fleshman Creek, which they operated until selling and moving to Livingston. For a number of years, she worked as a baker at the Trail Rite In, later Big Bob's, restaurant.

She also served as secretary for the Restaurant and Inn Keepers Union for several years. Mr. Clark died in 1991, and Helen continued to make Livingston her home.

Helen was a member of Livingston Congregational Church and was very active in church activities, including choir, church council and Awana. She started the Fleshman Creek Mountaineers and Livingston Livelies 4-H Clubs and served as secretary and president of the Park County 4-H Council. At the age of 82, Helen began a new hobby of drawing and painting and at age 88, published her memoirs. Helen will be missed greatly by all of her family and friends.

Survivors include a son, W. Forrest (Darlene) Clark of Clinton; four daughters, Madge (Kenneth) Adams of Laurel, Roberta (Hardy) Pugliano of Livingston, Edith (Stewart) Baker of Helmville and Linda (Douglas) Ford of White Bear Lake, Minn.; two half-sisters, Jane (Conrad) Larson of Tacoma, Wash., and Ruth (David) Torrence of Billings; 16 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; 16 great-great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her husband, Helen was preceded in death by two sisters, Laura Logan and Irma Brown.

If so desired, memorials may be directed to Livingston Congregational Church, Corner of Clark and Third Streets, Livingston, MT 59047.

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Lucille Clark

BIG TIMBER — Lucille Clark, 85, of Big Timber, passed away Sunday, March 30, 2003, at Pioneer Medical Center. She was born March 19, 1918 in Winifred to Willard and Aurilla Mabel (Talbert) Limpus.

She married McLean Andrew Clark on June 19, 1940 in Deer Lodge. He preceded her in death May 18, 1982. They owned Clark's Plumbing and Heating and sold that business when they became interested in the TV Cable industry. They built, owned and operated the TV Cable systems in the state of Montana including Livingston, Big Timber and Hardin.

Lucille was a member of First Congregational Church and the Homeland Circle. She was also a member of Pythian Sisters, Order of Eastern Star and the Kill Kare Klub. Her passion was playing bridge and gardening. She also enjoyed cooking and helping people. Lucille played an active role in the Healthcare Foundation.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Othar Limpus, Oskar Lympus, Loran Limpus; and three sisters, Mildred Robertson, Bernice Udelhoven and Gladys Baquet.

Survivors include her two daughters, Joan Clark of Renton, Wash., and Linda Lynch of Kirkland, Wash.; and her brother Leroy Limpus of New Boston, Texas. She is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews and extended family members.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Thursday, April 3, 2003, at the First Congregational Church with Pastor Bryan Baker officiating. Graveside committal will follow in Mountain View Cemetery. Family suggests memorials to McLean A. Clark Memorial Scholarship, University of Montana, Missoula, the Pioneer Medical Center of Big Timber or charity of your choice. Lowry Funeral Home assisted the family with the services.

Mary Agnes Clark

BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 10 2003

SHEPHERD — Mary Agnes Clark, 28, of Shepherd, died Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2003.

The daughter of Harold and Carol Clark, she was born Nov. 16, 1974, in Billings. She was raised and educated in Shepherd, graduating from SHS in 1993. She was accepted into the MSU School of Nursing and was of junior status.



MARY CLARK

Mary worked for CNA in Bozeman and St. John's Nursing Home in Billings and was currently working for Residential Support Services in Billings.

She became formally engaged to Jeremy David Nelson, also of Shepherd, on Sept. 8, 2001.

Survivors include her fiancée, Jeremy Nelson; her mother, Carol Clark of Shepherd; sisters, Nancy Clark of Billings and Rachael Clark of Las Vegas; brothers, Jim Clark (Crystal Tew) of Fayetteville, N.C., Steve Walker of Hot Springs, S.D., Scott Walker of Billings, Keith Clark of Roscoe; niece, Jantzen Walker of Park City; nephew, Michael Walker of Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.; uncles, Fred Iverson (Karen Swafford) and his family of

Anaheim, Calif. and Curt Iverson of Billings.

She was preceded in death by her father, Harold Eugene Clark; brothers, John Rolf Walker and Melvin Clark; and her grandparents, Rolf and Agnes Iverson.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 14, at Billings East Stake Center, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1640 Broadmoor Drive, just off Wicks Lane, close to Skyview High School in Billings Heights.

To all who loved Mary:

"I will see you Tuesday unless the bridge crumbles. And if it does and if one dies, one will be remembered for a while and then will be forgotten. But if one has been loved, that's enough. There is the world of the living and a world of the dead. And the bridge between them is love." —Author unknown

Melvin Clark

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Melvin Clark, 87, died Thursday, Oct. 23, 2003, at the Pioneer Manor.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, at the Mt. Pisgah Cemetery Shelter. Burial will follow at the Mt. Pisgah Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m. Monday, Oct. 27, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home.

Wilbur A. 'Wil' Clark

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 25 2003

Wilbur A. "Wil" Clark passed away peacefully on Sunday, March 23, 2003, at St. Vincent Hospital, while holding his brother's hand after a



**WIL
CLARK**

short but courageous battle with terminal cancer. He was 74 years old.

Wil was born Sept. 28, 1928, in Lovell, Wyo., the son of John E. and James Anna (Allred) Clark.

He was raised and educated in Lovell, and later went on to receive a bachelor's degree from Brigham Young University.

Following his education, Wil went to work in the oil fields at Elk Basin and later became an insurance adjuster for the Farm Bureau in Laramie, Wyo., then was employed for 34 years with National Farmers Union Insurance in Billings.

On Sept. 24, 1955, Wil married Milka "Millie" Jovanovich, in Billings. Together, they raised three children. Wil enjoyed many things in life. Along with spending time with family and friends, especially his grandchildren, he loved golfing, hunting and fishing and was always willing to tell or hear a good joke or story. With a great sense of humor, he never missed

the opportunity for a laugh, even if the joke was on him. Wil had a great love for Dixieland and big band music, and was a fan of western movies and reading western novels.

Serving as first sergeant for the First National Guard of Lovell, he was a veteran of the Korean War and was very proud to serve his country. His love for people was evident by their love for him in return. He was a compassionate and giving man, as well as a wonderful husband, brother, father and grandfather.

Survivors include his wife of 47 years, Millie; two sons, Randy and his wife Chale and Rick and wife Tina, both of Billings; grandchildren, Cy, Barbara, Cooper, Stephanie and Drake; and great-grandchildren, Jaylon, Makiah, Anthony, Jordan and Regan; brothers, John E. Clark and his wife Lu of Sherwood, Ore., and Evan Clark of Bonneville, Utah; brothers-in-law, Pete and his wife Jill Jovanovich, George and his wife Leona Jovanovich and Joe and his wife Janet Jovanovich; sisters-in-law, Olga and husband Ron May. Wil is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Along with his parents, Wil is preceded in death by a son, Bob Clark, in 2001; and his sister, Alverane Jensen.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, March 27, at 2 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Stake Center.

Wilbur A. "Will" CLARK

2929 Belvedere Drive, in Billings,
with burial to follow at
Mountview Cemetery. Michelotti-
Sawyers is in charge of arrange-
ments. Memorials may be made to
the Boy Scouts of America or the
charity of one's choice.

~~BILLINGS GAZETTE~~
MAR 25 2003

When I must Leave You

*When I must leave you for a lit-
tle while*

*Please do not grieve and shed
wild tears*

*And hug your sorrow to you
through the years,*

*But start out bravely with a gal-
lant smile.*

*And for my sake and in my
name,*

*Live on, and do all the things the
same.*

*Feed not on loneliness or empty
days,*

*But fill each waking hour in use-
ful ways.*

*Reach out your hand in comfort
and in cheer*

*And I in turn will comfort you
and hold you near*

*And never, never be afraid to
die.*

*For I am waiting for you in the
sky.*

William Clark, Jr.

BILLINGS GAZETTE
JUL 26 2003

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — William Henry Clark, Jr., 55, of Sheridan, died Saturday, July 19, 2003, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County, of injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident east of Sheridan.

A celebration of life will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 26, on top of the Big Horn Mountains at Tongue River Canyon. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

NOV 22 2003

Harold Clarke

MANDERSON, Wyo. — Harold Guerant Clarke, 67, of Manderson, died Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2003, at the West Park Hospital in Cody.

Visitation will be from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, at the Atwood Family Funeral Chapel in Basin. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, at the First Baptist Church in Basin. Burial will follow in the Mount View Cemetery in Basin.

Ruby J. Claudson

CODY, Wyo. — Ruby J. Claudson, 79, died Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2003, at the West Park Long Term Care Center.

Cremation has taken place. A family memorial service has been held. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody was in charge.

AUG - 8 2003

Gene A. Claussen

Gene A. Claussen passed away suddenly, Oct. 7, 2003, on his father's birthday.



**GENE
CLAUSSEN**

He was born Dec. 8, 1926, to Arthur and Mildred Claussen in Fremont, Neb. He was the eldest child of four siblings. Gene was raised in Holdrege, Neb., and graduated from Holdrege High in 1944. He enlisted in the Navy and was a sonar man on a destroyer escort. In 1946, after serving his country, he attended the University of Nebraska and completed his civil engineering degree. He was married on Sept. 3, 1950, to Berdeen Smith.

He began his professional career working as an engineer for his father's construction company, Claussen, Olson and Brenner. He worked for various engineering firms in Colorado. Gene accepted an engineering position with Portland Cement Association as a senior field engineer from 1960 to 1971 for Montana and Idaho. In 1971, he took a position as a municipal design engineer for Morrison Maierle Consulting Engineers

in Helena. He accepted the position as city engineer in Billings from 1971 to 1973. His next professional pursuit was to work for Golden Bear Division of Witco Bear Chemical Corp., which focused on construction and maintenance of asphalt surfaces.

Gene was very involved in the American Society of Civil Engineers and held the position of ASCE president of the Midland Empire Chapter of National Society of Professional Engineers located in Billings. In addition, he was a member of the Board of Rocky Mountain Chapter of the American Public Works Association. Gene contributed several articles to Public Works Magazine. Gene retired from Witco in 1991.

Gene spoke often of how much he dearly loved his wife Berdeen of 53 years and how proud he was of his children and grandchildren. The love for his family was central in his life. Distance kept his sisters and brother from getting together often but he spoke of them with affection. Gene was particularly close to his grandson Jason, who became like a son to him. Gene and Berdeen spent many hours and drove

many miles following Jason's baseball career. Gene loved to take Berdeen with him in the 4th wheel and was delighted when he could convince her that it was time for him to do a little hunting!

Gene had a passion for the wide-open spaces of Eastern Montana, where he spent time hunting big game and upland birds. He had two favorite hunting spots where he spent his retirement years hunting with his children and grandson. During football season, Gene stayed connected with his alma mater by watching the Nebraska Cornhuskers. Gene also enjoyed music and some of the family's fondest memories were of Gene making up a song for the moment or event. He loved family gatherings with good food, song and laughter. He put the trombone away many years ago, but he was an outstanding trombone player. Gene was also known for his park-like lawn. He spent hours mowing and fertilizing the lawn for the neighborhood to enjoy. It was often said that Gene had the best lawn in the neighborhood.

Survivors include his wife Berdeen Claussen; and his children, Gary Gene Claussen, his son Jason Levi Claussen, Gary's wife Debbie and their daughter, Nicole Claussen, daughter Denise Lynn Anders and son-in-law Kevin Anders, his daughter Sherry Lou Pertile and son-in-law Michael Pertile, his son Cory Walter Claussen and daughter-in law Ginger Claussen and their children, Matthew David and Andrew Gene Claussen, his sisters Jewel Knudsen and Joan Giles, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Gene was preceded in death by his mother Mildred and father Arthur and brother Gary John Claussen.

Cremation has taken place. Gene wanted his family to celebrate his life by holding a private family memorial at one of his favorite hunting spots.

The family requests that instead of flowers, memorials be made to the University of Nebraska, Civil Engineering Department or the charity of your choice.

Emma L. Claver

STANFORD — Emma L. Claver, 74, died Friday, April 18, 2003, in Great Falls.

A celebration of life will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 24, at Calvary Community Church in Stanford. Burial will be in Stanford Cemetery. Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 22 2003

MAR 15 2003

Mary Clayton

Mary Clayton, 93, of Billings, wife of the late Glen L. Clayton, passed away early Friday morning, March 14, 2003, at Valley Health Care Center, where she had resided since 1999.

Mary was born in Russia on Jan. 23, 1910, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Ludwig. Her family came to the United States when Mary was 2 years old and settled in North Dakota, later moving to Hysham.

She married Glen Lee Clayton in Miles City on Dec. 22, 1928. The couple moved to the West Boulder and then to Livingston, where Glen worked for the Northern Pacific Railroad from 1935 to 1945. In 1945, they were transferred to Billings and stayed here for the rest of their lives.

Survivors include three sons, Frank and wife Karen of Livingston, David and wife Karon of Billings, and Donald and wife Vickie of Billings; a sister, Ann Kuntz of Forsyth; one half-sister and four half-brothers; 12 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, two sons, a sister, and her parents.

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Visitations will begin Sunday afternoon, March 16, at the Smith Downtown Chapel. The funeral service will be at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, March 18, at the Smith Downtown Chapel, with interment to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials are suggested to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033; Billings, MT 59107.

JUN 03 2003

Scott Edward Clellen

HARLOWTON — Scott Edward Clellen, age 38, of Harlowton, died at 8:35 p.m. on May 31, 2003, at Wheatland Memorial Hospital.

Scott was born May 13, 1965, in Billings, son of Edward and Doris Clellen. He married Rose Germano on Aug. 22, 2002, in Big Timber.

Scott is survived by his wife, Rose Clellen of Harlowton; one stepdaughter, Heather Newman of Michigan; one stepson, Ozzy Bates of Arizona; and seven step-grandchildren.

Scott was a veteran of the United States Army.

Cremation will take place and a memorial service will be held at a later date. Perkins Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

**SCOTT
CLELLEN**

Vyla Clemmons

ABERDEEN, S.D. — Vyla May Clemmons, 87, of Aberdeen, formerly of Glendive, Mont., died Saturday, Sept. 27, 2003, at the Aberdeen Living Center.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, at the chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral

Home in Glendive, and one hour prior to service time at the church on Thursday. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Glendive.

Interment will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive.

Alfreda Climer

BILLINGS GAZETTE
APR 16 2003

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Alfreda Beatrix Climer, 94, of Gillette, died Sunday, April 13, 2003, at her home.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 17, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Interment will follow at the Greenwood Cemetery in Upton. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. until service time, Thursday, at the Stevenson Funeral Home Chapel.

DEC 28 2003**Arthur 'Bob' Cline**

POWELL, Wyo. — Arthur R. "Bob" Cline, 87, passed away on Monday, Dec. 22, 2003, at the Powell Valley Healthcare Center.

As per his wishes, cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 30, at Union Presbyterian Church. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home is in charge.

Doris L. Cline

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 30 2003

HARDIN —
Doris L. Cline, 63, of Hardin, passed away Monday, July 28, 2003, in the Big Horn County Memorial Hospital, after a four-year battle with cancer.



**DORIS
CLINE**

She was born Aug. 18, 1939, in Wellington, Colo., a daughter of Jette H. and Viola Headlee Lightsey. She grew up in Ault, Colo., and graduated from high school in 1957.

Doris married Stanley B. Cline on Oct. 16, 1960, in Ault. The couple moved to Lander, Wyo., where Stan worked for the Bureau of Indian Affairs. They later transferred to Harlem, then Poplar and finally to Hardin in 1976, where Stan retired in September of 1985.

She began a career with the School District, 17-H & 1 in September of 1976 and retired in June of 2001. She played the organ and was a very active member of the First Baptist Church of Hardin. She also loved to camp and fish from the boat for crappies at the Tongue River Reservoir. She was an avid photographer who specialized in scenery and wildlife pictures. Her favorite team was the Denver Broncos.

Her parents preceded Doris in death.

Survivors include her husband, Stan of Hardin; her children, Theresa Gunter-Parrish of Colorado, Tammy (Jim) Mocabee and Teri (Kerry) Francis of Missoula; eight grandchildren; a sister, Patty Farmer, and a brother, Robert Lightsey both of Colorado.

Cremation has taken place in the Bullis-Eastern Montana Crematory. Memorial funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 4, in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Private inurnment will follow in a later date. Bullis Mortuary has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Hardin First Baptist Church, Hardin Middle School Scholarship Fund or the American Leukemia Society.

Larry Clingsmith

MAY 09 2003

GLENDIVE — Larry Clingsmith, age 44, of Glendive, passed away on Tuesday, May 6, 2003, at his home.



**LARRY
CLINGING-
SMITH**

Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 10, at the Glendive Senior Citizens Center, with Lay Pastoral Associate Avis Anderson. Interment will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive.

Larry was born on June 12, 1958, in Wolf Point, the son of Eugene and Gail (Pilgrim) Clingsmith. He attended school in Vida, and at the age of 8, moved with his family to Glendive, where he graduated from Dawson County High School with the class of 1976. He then attended Dawson Community College. Larry also farmed his family farm with his father.

Later he went to work for Crisafulli Pump Company. This

job took him all over the United States. One of his most memorable jobs was cleaning the white sandy beaches and diving for trash in the manmade ponds of Disney World in Orlando, Fla.

Larry had two wonderful children, whom he loved dearly. His first child was Ian and a couple of years later came Whitney. He always loved being a father and if he could have made it happen, he would have liked to have had the chance to be with his children every day, to see their smiles when they accomplished something, to talk with them, just to be with them. But the little time he was allowed to see them he will always cherish, it was and had been so very, very precious to him. Larry was diagnosed with metastatic malignant melanoma in 1997. He had a total of 13 operations and for a year had interferon injections every other day, with a price tag of about five grand a week. He lived longer than doctors expected and came to know that the cancer was his gift. He learned many, many things

throughout his journey through this disease and would not have changed anything. He traveled extensively and met many, many kind and gentle souls along the way. To all those who he encountered along the way he would like to say "Thank You" and I "wish you enough"!

Larry was preceded in death by his father.

Survivors include his son, Ian Edward Clingingsmith of Dickinson, N.D.; his daughter, Whitney LynAnn Clingingsmith of Dickinson; his mother, Gail Clingingsmith of Glendive; three sisters, Karen Berg and her husband Richard of Glendive, Linda Short and her husband Bill of Great Falls and Renee Lillejord and her husband Bruce of Cheyenne, Wyo.; four brothers, Richard Clingingsmith and his wife MaryAnn, Tom Clingingsmith and his wife JoLynn, Keith Clingingsmith and his wife Sari and Daryl Clingingsmith and his wife Darcy, all of Glendive; his grandmother, Edna Pilgrim of Wolf Point.

For all of you... When you hug someone, never be the first to let go!

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silvernale-silhafuneralhome.com.

Raleigh T. Cloud

38 GAZETTE

MAR 11 2003

CROW AGENCY — Raleigh Tristan Cloud, 22, of Crow Agency, died of injuries sustained in an automobile accident near Butte on March 8, 2003.

He was born March 15, 1980, in Cottonwood, Ariz., a son of Marlin C. Cloud and Annette Cooka. He grew up and received his education in Arizona and was currently a student at Little Big Horn College in Crow Agency.

He had artistic and creative interests that he followed throughout his life, often working at a variety of jobs to fund his schooling.

He was a compassionate person who would listen to anyone that needed help and would offer his humor openly. He was a free spirit who would stand out to those around him.

His father, Marlin Cloud; grandmother Mildred Cooka; grandfather, Ben Cloud, Jr.; great-grandmother, Georgia Horse Reed; and great-grandfather, Thomas Medicine Horse preceded Raleigh in death.

Raleigh was a traditional Indian man who actively participated in Sun Dance ceremonies and was a member of the Hopi Nation, Big Water Clan and was a child of the Crow Nation, Big Lodge Clan.

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Survivors include his mother, Annette Cooka-Cloud of New Mexico; his adopted mothers, Myrna Dawes and Claudette Black Hawk; his brothers, Marlin (Opal) and Tommy Cloud; his sisters, Nichole Cloud and Cheyenne Cloud; his grandparents, Alex (Deana) LaForge and Tom Cooka; his great-grandmothers, Flora (Cyril) Not Afraid, Louise Three Irons and Rosemary Dawes; his adopted grandparents, Thomas L. (Patti) Medicine Horse, ~~Karen~~ Earl, Bernadette Pellman, Mary Monette, Michael (Virgie) Earl and John (Ruth) Earl; his uncles, Ben Cloud III, Matthew, Chris and Franklin Cloud, Joe Gutierrez, Kendall Old Elk, Cyrus Leider, Tyler Medicine Horse, Donald (Darlene) Medicine Horse, Ron, JR and Wesley Medicine Horse, Patrick Earl, Chris, Terrence and Thomas Cooka; his aunts, Theodora Dawes, Makalia Gutierrez, Annie Leider, Lorida Armajo, Belva Costa, Clemsia and Rebecca Stops, Donna Dawes, Janice Medicine Horse, Renee Cooka, Angie and Jaylynn Louie; as well as members of his extended families, including the Horse, Medicine Horse, Hill, DeCrane, Goes Ahead, Stops, Stewart, Spotted Bear, Wall, Dawes, Turns Plenty, Not Afraid, Two Dogs, Bad Hand, Pretty Voice Hawk,

Other Bull, Earl, Cooka, Pellman and Monette; his special friends, Cherlee Iron Horse, Samuel BirdinGround and Mike Beaumont.

He is also survived by Joey, whom he took as a brother; and Nicole, Chelsea, Lindsey, Deveny and Eliza, whom he took as his sisters.

Peace be with you, Raleigh, as you begin your new journey. We knew you for a short time but we'll have you in our hearts and memories forever.

He will be missed by all his family and friends in Montana and New Mexico.

Traditional Sundance Society and Hopi Traditional Funeral Services will be held 10 a.m. Thursday, March 13, in the Bullis Funeral Chapel with Sundance Chief Dan Old Elk as leader. Interment will follow at the Crow Agency Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Jacob Elden Cloward

LAUREL — Jacob Elden Cloward, 82, passed away at Veterans Hospital at Fort Harrison.

Jacob was born March 14, 1920, at Rexburg, Idaho, to Elden and Mary Cloward.

He spent 10 years in the Navy. He was a salesman for different companies and was manager of Pleasant View Apartments in Billings.

Jacob is preceded in death by his parents; his son, Bob; sister Wanda; and brother Jack.

He married Emily Smith and was later divorced.

He married Betty Rothwell in 1979.

He liked to work on cars, record and watch movies, have gardens and work in the yard.

Survivors include his wife Betty; sister Jean Brelen and husband Stan and family; sister, Dixie Mock and family; daughter Lynda Hutchinson and family; son Jay and daughter-in-law Frances and family; son Matt and daughter-in-law Connie and family; sister-in-law Bev Clayton and family. There are several nieces and nephews; 12 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place. No services were held.

Memorials are to be sent to Disabled American Veterans or charity of one's choice.

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BUSBY — Anna Morrison Clubfoot, 80, of Busby, passed away Sunday, Dec. 29, 2002, in the Billings St. Vincent Healthcare.

Mahe'yoneh'wobsa "Praying Angel" was born April 12, 1922, on the Rosebud Creek near Busby, a daughter of John Teeth and Edith Killsnight Roman Nose. She grew up and received her early education in the Busby area. She was a descendent of a Sand Creek massacre victim.

Anna was given in a traditional Cheyenne wedding ceremony, when her husband-to-be David Morrison, Sr. gave several horses to her father in 1944. The happy couple lived in the Birney and Busby area. Mr. Morrison died in 1975.

She married James Clubfoot on March 31, 1978, and the couple lived near Busby. Mr. Clubfoot died on Nov. 18, 2002.

She was a member of the Pentecostal Church. She worked for the Northern Cheyenne Guild Arts and Crafts as a beading instructor. Her beadwork and traditional Cheyenne Indian Dolls are well known all over the world. She was awarded an Honorary Associate of Arts degree in education from Dull Knife Memorial College because of her expertise in Cheyenne culture.

Anna enjoyed cooking, gardening and raising her chickens, as well as caring for her sister's chil-

dren and grandchildren.

A son, Charles Morrison; step-daughter Minnie Ragsdale; brothers Clarence Medicine Top, Earl, Frank and Logan Teeth; and sisters, Sylvia White Dirt, Elsie and Blanche Teeth, preceded Anna in death.

Survivors include her daughter, Linda Morrison of Crow Agency; two sons, David (Beth) Morrison, Jr. of Busby and Mervin (Barbara) Morrison of Miles City; her adopted son, Sterling Watan of Crow Agency; her sister, Pearl Wolfblack of Busby; her stepchildren, Allen (Barbara) Clubfoot of Muddy Creek, Adeline Fox and Rosalie (Arnold) Birdwoman of Lane Deer, Cornelia Yazzie of Washington, Rubena Linyard of Egypt, Claire (Lois) Clubfoot and Lorraine Four Colors of Billings; 12 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Wake services will be held 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2, 2003, in the Busby Pentecostal Church of God. Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 3, in the Church. Interment will follow in the Morrison Family Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Thomas Allan 'Tom' Coakley

Tom Coakley, 74, passed away Thursday, Dec. 4, 2003, at the Deaconess Billings Clinic in Billings.

Tom was born on May 27, 1929, in Billings to William and Genevieve Swartz. He was educated in Billings, graduating from Senior High in 1949 and later attending Eastern Montana College (now MSU-Billings). Tom was united in marriage to Dana Lee Johnson on May 15, 1960, in Billings where he remained working and raising a family.



**TOM
COAKLEY**

After returning from four years in the Navy, Tom worked and ran the family business, the Midget Bar on 27th Street. Following the sale of the bar, he worked for Pelican Oil until his retirement.

Tom enjoyed fishing, cooking on the patio grill, growing flowers and keeping up a "golf-green" yard. He was a member of Billings Masonic Lodge #113, AF&AM, the Scottish Rite Bodies and the Al Bedoo Shrine, from which he retired from the Oriental Band. He also was a member of the Elks

Lodge and the American Legion.

His mother, father, stepfather, Ray Coakley, two sisters, Alice Noyd and Irene Pierson, and two brothers, William Swartz and James Coakley, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife of 43 years, Dana L. Coakley; two daughters, Bridget (Dave) Nutting of Vancouver, Wash., and Brenda (Brian) Jensen of West Des Moines, Iowa; five grandsons, Jeremy (Yvonne) Nutting and Joshua (Suzette) Nutting, both of Des Moines, Wash., Justin, Jacob and Joseph Nutting of Vancouver; one granddaughter, Megan Jensen, of West Des Moines; a sister-in-law, Evelyn Swartz of Sacramento, Calif.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Masonic services will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday at the Smith Downtown Chapel. Military rites and interment will follow at Mountview Cemetery. Cremation has taken place at the Smith Crematory.

Memorials may be made to the Al Bedoo Shrine Children's Transportation Fund, P.O. Box 20673, Billings, MT 59104, the Northern Rockies Cancer Center, 1041 N. 29th St., Billings, MT 59101, the Big Sky Hospice, P.O. Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107 or a charity of one's choice.

Elizabeth G. Cobb

LIVINGSTON — Elizabeth G. "Betty" McCardey Cobb, 58, of Livingston, died Saturday, Aug. 30, 2003, at Fort Harrison Hospital in Helena.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 10, at the Livingston Church of God. Franzen-Davis Funeral Home of Livingston is in charge.

MAY 27 2003

Morgan Cochran

LOGGEPOLE — Morgan "Oggie Wacking Buffalo" Cochran, 39, of Loggepole, committed suicide Saturday, May 24, 2003, in Billings.

Rosary and wake will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 28, at the Medicine Bear Lodge, Loggepole. Services and cremation will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 29, also at the Medicine Bear Lodge. Adams Funeral Home of Malta is in charge.

Cynthia L. Coday

BILLINGS GAZETTE

LEWISTOWN — Cynthia L. Coday, 83, of Lewistown, died Tuesday, Aug. 12, 2003, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

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Funeral services were held in Oklahoma, with burial in the Rose Cemetery. Cloyd Funeral Home of Lewistown was in charge of local arrangements.

OCT 03 2003

Leo Cogswell

LOVELL, Wyo. — Leo Earl Cogswell, 61, formerly of Lovell, died Monday, Sept. 29, 2003, at his son's home in Norman, Okla.

Rosary will be at 7:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Funeral Mass will be at 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Lovell. Burial will be in the Lovell Cemetery.

MAY 18 2003

**Catherine 'Micky'
Florence Coguill**

GREYBULL, Wyo. —

Catherine "Micky" Florence Coguill, 84, died Friday, May 16, 2003, at the Bonnie Bluejacket Memorial Nursing Home.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services are pending and will take place at a later date with burial to follow at the Riverside Cemetery in Cody, Wyo. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc., of Basin, Wyo., is in charge.

Loren C. Cole

JUN 02 2003

HARDIN — Loren C. Cole, Jr., 82, of Hardin, formerly of Fort Smith, passed away Friday, May 30, 2003, in the Deaconess Billings Clinic, surrounded by his family.



LOREN COLE

He was born Nov. 27, 1920, in Sheridan, Wyo., the son of Loren Cole, Sr. and Edna Wood Cole. He attended schools in Sheridan, graduating from Sheridan High School in 1940. Following his graduation, he attended Colorado State University for two years, before enlisting in the US Army. He was gunner in a tank, serving in European theater. After his Honorable Discharge, he returned to college.

Loren married Laura Mae Sonneman in Sheridan on March 23, 1947. He worked at various jobs and places, including the Holly Sugar Corporation and Montana Highway Department, before beginning a career with the US Bureau of Reclamation, working on the Yellowtail Dam project in

1960 at Fort Smith, retiring in 1968 as a Civil Engineering Technician.

He loved the outdoors, especially hunting, fishing and golfing. He tied and sold flies. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the American Legion of Hardin, a 50-year member of VFW Post # 8 Sheridan and was a 50-year member of the Sheridan Elks Lodge.

Survivors include his wife Laura of Hardin; a daughter, Lorrie of Helena; a son, John (Gloria) of St. Xavier; two grandchildren, Mandy (Doug) Link of Hardin and Jeanne Cole of Billings; one great-grandson, Cole Link; and his aunt, Blanch Wood of Sheridan.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 3, in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Interment with military and Elks honors will be 3 p.m. Tuesday in the Elks section of the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin is entrusted with the arrangements.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Doug Link Medical Fund, % Little Horn State Bank, Hardin, MT 59034.

LEO K. COLLIER

BILLINGS GAZETTE
AUG - 6 2003

MELSTONE — Leo Collier passed away into the arms of his Lord, Saturday, Aug. 2, 2003, at his home in Melstone.

He was adopted by Elmer and Lucy Collier in 1925, at the age of about 18 months, from the Saint Thomas Orphanage in Great Falls. He lived with his parents and one brother on a ranch near Melstone until he was drafted into the Army.

Leo married Marion Faye Collins on March 1, 1947, in Roundup. He was a rancher and a master of heavy equipment. He leveled land and built dams for several ranchers around Melstone. He has driven trucks for numerous companies in Montana. He also worked in the oil fields and diamond drilled for various minerals in and out of Montana.

Leo retired and moved to St. Ignatius, where he lived with his wife and three sons for 13 years, moving back to Melstone in 1994.

Leo is preceded in death by his parents and brother John. He is also preceded by his daughter, Frances Mary Ewalt.

He is survived by his wife, Marion; and six sons, Charles LeRoy (Clarice) of Lewistown, Gary (Marlene) of Melstone, John Wayne of Great Falls, Leo Roy Jr. of St. Ignatius, Charles Daniel (Kathy) of Beaverton, Ore., Bryan John Lee, also of Beaverton; 16 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held 1:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, at the Melstone Community Center. Mass of the Christian Burial will take place at 2:30 p.m. Friday, at the Melstone Community Center. Interment to follow at the Collier Ranch Cemetery. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Wanda McSpadden Collier

BILLINGS GAZETTE

~~APR 03 2003~~
APR 04 2003

WEST JEFFERSON, N.C. — Wanda McSpadden Collier, 71, of West Jefferson, formerly of Wilmington and Billings, died Thursday, April 3, 2003, at Ashe Memorial Hospital.

A celebration of life will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 5, at Round Knob Baptist Church in West Jefferson. The family will receive friends at the church following the service. Boone Family Funeral Home of West Jefferson is in charge.

JUL 26 2003

FROMBERG
— Doris Collins died at age 100. She was born in Fromberg on July 22, 1903, to Charles and Emma Frisby who came by covered wagon to Fromberg in 1900. She lived in Fromberg all



**DORIS
COLLINS**

of her life, being one of the first telephone operators of the town and an early member of the Fromberg United Methodist Church.

She married Benjamin Parker in June 1924. They had a son, Burl, and a daughter, Joan. Ben passed away in March of 1943.

In 1944, Doris married Stanley Collins of Edgar. Stanley had a son, Fred, and a daughter, Dorothe, to add to the family.

Doris and Stanley lived in Fromberg and were involved in church and community activities. She was an early member of the Fromberg American Legion Auxiliary and Fromberg Women's Club. Doris was a member of the Alice Chapter of the Eastern Star, Eastern Montana Pioneers and Their Descendants and Fromberg Senior Citizens.

Doris is survived by her daughter, Joan Mitchell and husband Charles of Laramie, Wyo.; two grandsons, David Mitchell and wife Lanette of Cortez, Colo., James Mitchell and wife Lynnann of Cheyenne, Wyo.; and great-grandson Matthew Mitchell of Cheyenne. She has a stepson, Fred Collins of Great Falls; a step-daughter, Dorothe Fisher of Billings; and two step-grand-daughters and five step-great-grandchildren; several nieces, nephews and many wonderful friends.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, July 28, at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel, with interment following in Rockvale Cemetery. Visitation will be 5 to 8 p.m. Sunday, July 27, at the funeral chapel. Casket closed at funeral service.

Edith Mae Collins

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 8 2003

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Edith Mae (Kimmel) Collins, 87, of Sheridan, died Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2003, in Rapid City, S.D.

Visitation will be from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8, and Sunday, Feb. 9, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 10, at First Christian Church in Sheridan. Burial will be in the Elks Section of Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

JUN 25 2003**Frank K. Collins**

Frank K. Collins passed away on Friday, June 20, 2003, at Valley Rehab Center, Billings, from congestive heart failure.

**FRANK
COLLINS**

Frank was born Oct. 3, 1927, in Fromberg, the son of Charles and Irma Collins. He was the youngest of five children. He joined the Merchant Marine when a teenager, transferring to the Marine Corps in 1946 and to the Air Force in 1948. He met his wife Gertrude while serving in Austria and they were married in 1952. He retired from the Air Force in 1967, and they returned to Billings to make their home. After retirement, he worked for Sherwin Williams Paints in Billings.

He is survived by his wife Gertrude; sister-in-law, Marle Collins of Arizona; and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and one sister.

Cremation has taken place. Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 26, in the Rockvale Cemetery. Cremation or Funeral Gallery in charge.

Gerald Ray Collins

NASHUA — Gerald Ray "Gerry" Collins, 58, died Thursday, Oct. 23, 2003, in Ramona, Calif., of heart failure.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Nashua. Interment will be in Nashua City Cemetery. Bell Mortuary in Glasgow is in charge.

DEC 04 2003

Gordon Charles Collins

MISSOULA — Gordon Charles Collins, 58, died Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2003, at his home.

No services are planned at this time. Cremation and Burial Society of the Rockies is in charge of cremation.

DEC 09 2003

Gordon 'Skip' Collins

MISSOULA

— Gordon "Skip" Collins, 58, passed away Nov. 25, 2003. He was a retired Navy chief.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Eugenia and John Collins. He is survived by daughter, Terri House and grandsons, Cody and Parker; brothers, Pat and Mike Collins; and sisters, Linda Carpenter and Barbara Laughton.

Burial will be at sea.



**GORDON
COLLINS**

Harry Jerome Collins

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 26 2003

Harry Jerome Collins passed away on Friday, Feb. 21, 2003.

He was born on April 17, 1925, in Omaha, Neb., to Arthur J. and Elinor Collins.



**HARRY
COLLINS**

Harry moved to Billings with his family in 1933. Following in his father's footsteps, he retired after 30 years as an expressman for BNR. He then worked at the Lucky Diamond restaurant.

He is preceded in death by his father and mother; brothers John, Jim, Robert and Tom Collins; sisters Rosemary Bailey and Jackie Emerson. He is survived by his only sister, Eileen Brook and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, Feb. 27, at 12 noon at Saint Patrick's Co-Cathedral at 215 N. 31st in Billings.

Thomas Collins

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 2 2003

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Thomas "Tom" Collins, 60, of Gillette, died Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2003, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital, of an extended illness.

Visitation will be from 2 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, at the Family Life Church in Gillette. Burial will follow in the Gillette-Mt. Pisgah Cemetery.

Stanley Emmons Collum

SUN CITY, Calif. — Stanley Emmons Collum, 71, of Sun City, died June 28, 2003.

Stan was born Aug. 18, 1928, in Three Forks, Mont. He worked for the Northern Pacific and Burlington Northern railroads as a railroad economist and market research specialist for 32 years. He retired in 1985 in Texas.

Stan served in the Air Force as a master sergeant during the Korean War years.

He served as pastor at the Sun City Methodist Church, was a member of Perris Lodge AF&AM #411 and the Sun City Masonic Club.

He is survived by his daughters, Starla Jackson of Billings and Carmel Yarger of Utah; son, Dick Collum of Montana; and six grandchildren.

Memorial services were held Monday, June 30, in Sun City Methodist Church. Inurnment will be in the White Sulphur Springs Cemetery in Montana.

Memorials can be made to the Sun City United Methodist Church.

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Lois B. Colman

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 10 2003

Lois B. Colman, 87, passed away Tuesday, April 8, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare, after a short illness. Her two remaining daughters were at her side.

She was born July 11, 1915, to Thurman and Dora Briggs, in Hartville, Wyo. In 1961, she moved from Sheridan, Wyo., to Billings to be with her three



LOIS COLMAN

daughters. She was well known for her excellent cooking in restaurants throughout the Billings area and was especially famous for her cinnamon rolls, pies and soups.

Her three girls and her grandchildren were the greatest joys in her life, after which came shopping.

Her parents, three brothers, three sisters and her daughter Jeanie preceded her in death.

Survivors include her daughter, Ula (Willie) Straw; her daughter, Molly (Joe) Steffes; 13 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place, and, at Lois's request, there will be no funeral services. Memorials may be made to the Billings

Animal Shelter.

Mom, you are the greatest and we will miss you. You were always there for us. We'll be lost without you.

There will be a celebration of Lois's life at the home of Joe and Molly Steffes at 2015 Canyon Drive at 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 11

JUN 17 2003

Dennis Barrett Comes Last

WOLF POINT — Dennis Barrett Comes Last, 22, of Wolf Point, died Friday, June 13, 2003, as the result of a train accident in Wolf Point.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 19, at Clayton-Stevensons Memorial Chapel in Wolf Point. Interment will be in St. Ann's Cemetery in Poplar.

LeRoy Connell

GLASGOW — LeRoy Connell, 79, died Thursday, Sept. 4, 2003, at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital.

Private family services and burial will be held in Kensal, N.D. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

JUN 03 2003

Dr. Glenn Hart Connelly, Jr.

SAN MATEO, Calif. — A funeral was held Thursday, May 22, in San Mateo for Dr. Glenn Hart Connelly, Jr., who died May 18, 2003, at age 73.

Dr. Connelly was born March 23, 1930, in Billings, and was raised in Portland, Ore. He graduated from Grant High School and Oregon State College and received his medical degree from the University of Washington Medical School. He served in the Navy in the Korean War. He was an orthopedic surgeon in Burlingame, and San

Mateo, for nearly 30 years. In 1961, he married Mary Lou Leiser.

Survivors include his wife sons, Michael and Christopher daughter, Lisa Blair; mother, Janet sister, Nancy Acheson; six grand children; and cousins, Virginia Davis (Grant), Billings, and George Vivian (Midge), Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Remembrances to the Day School Foundation at St Mathew's Episcopal Day School in San Mateo. Arrangements by Crosby Gray in Burlingame.

DEC 28 2003

Beula Marie Hawley Conner

POWELL, Wyo. — Beula Marie Hawley Conner, age 86, passed away at Powell Valley Care Center on Dec. 26, 2003, due to complications from a stroke suffered on the evening of Dec. 7, 2003. She had been a resident of the care center for the past three and one-half years and specifically a resident of the Alzheimer's Unit for the past year and a-half.

She was born in Ft. Scott, Kan., to Jesse and Bertha (Strite) Rimbey. When she was one year old, the family moved to Powell. She graduated from Powell High School with the class of 1934. On Feb. 19, 1936, she married Ward Hawley in Basin. They farmed for over 40 years, and she also worked for Mountain Bell Telephone Company. He preceded her in death in 1976. On June 19, 1984, she married Lester Conner in Lander. They enjoyed their retirement years together, enjoyed playing cards, dancing and being with friends at the Powell Senior Citizens Center. He preceded her in death in 2001. She was a member of the Wyoming Fiddler's Association, was a volunteer Grey Lady at Powell Hospital and a member of Union Presbyterian Church.

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She is survived by her sons, Larry Ward Hawley and wife Sandra of Deming, N.M., and retired Major General John William Hawley and wife Carolyn of Monument, Colo.; daughters, Nona Gail Andersen of Casper and Janice Marie Harrison and husband Jan of Powell; 13 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; both husbands; brothers, Clarence and Clyde Rimbey; sisters, Audrey Christensen and Cecil Adamson, and grandchildren, Brett Janssen, Larry Ward Hawley Jr. and Brenda Janssen.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. until 10 a.m. at Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home in Powell.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at Union Presbyterian Church in Powell. Burial will follow in Crown Hill Cemetery. Should friends desire, memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association Wyoming Chapter, 400 E. First St., Casper, WY 82601 or to the charity of donor's choice.

Colt William Conner

CODY, Wyo. — Colt William Conner, 20, of Cody, died Sunday, Feb. 9, 2003, at his home, following a battle with leukemia.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 15, at Living Fortress Foursquare Church in Cody. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

Joseph Sweeny Connery

PLENTYWOOD — Joseph Sweeney "Joe" Connery, 75, of Plentywood, died Dec. 28, 2002.

A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at the Fulkerson Funeral Home Memorial Chapel in Plentywood. Cremation has taken place and burial will be in Plentywood Cemetery.

BILLINGS GAZETTE
JAN 08 2003

GERALD AIVIN CONNOR

'Jerry'

5/25/21 — 1/5/03

St. Paul, Minn., formerly of
Billings

Gerald "Jerry" Connor was born in Rawlins, Wyo., to Glenn and Nella Connor. He grew up in Story, Wyo., with brother Vernon and sisters, Eris and Patsy, and graduated from Buffalo High School. During World War II, he served in the European Theater of Operations as a surveyor.



JERRY
CONNOR

After the war, he married Esther E. Schneider from Torrington, Wyo., and he returned to the University of Wyoming to finish his civil engineering

degree. After graduation, he began a 30-year career with the federal government, working in the USDA, BIA and Indian Health Services.

Jerry, Esther and their two daughters, Marla and Donna, moved to Billings in 1956. After retiring from the government, Jerry worked as an engineer for Morrison Maierle, Inc., while pursuing his favorite hobbies:

golf and bowling. He moved to Minnesota in July 2002 to be near family.

Jerry will always be remembered by his family and friends for his wonderful sense of humor, love of card games and big smile.

He is survived by daughter Marla Davenport (John), St. Paul and Donna Kellogg (Rick) Conrad; grandchildren Heather Hill (Scott), Helena, Kriste Henson (Neil), Los Alamos, N.M., Jim Kellogg (Jamie), Ledger Carri Quinn (Greg), Menomonie, Wis., Joe Kellogg, Bozeman; great-grandchildren Sierra Oehlke, Cassie and Delaney Quinn, and Aidan Henson; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends including Kady, his dog.

Memorials may be sent to the Montana Rescue Mission, Senior Helping Hands, or the First United Methodist Church in Billings.

Visitation will be from 10 to the 11 a.m. service time, Thursday, Jan. 9, at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Billings. Interment will be in Mountview Cemetery.

NOV 15 2003

Gerald McCurry Connolly

HARLOWTON — Gerald McCurry Connolly was born Dec. 25, 1922, in Big Timber, to Roy Boyce Sr. and Della (McCurry) Connolly. He died peacefully on Thursday, Nov. 13, 2003, at Wheatland Memorial Nursing Home.

Gerald lost his mother when he was only 5 years old and was raised by his grandmother, Jessie Connolly, in the Big Timber area. He served in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1946, when he was honorably discharged. Gerald worked for many ranches, stretching from Broadview to the Big Timber area. He spent many years working for the Cremer Ranch in Melville.

In January of 1965, Gerald married Emilie Wegner Henderson. They ranched on the East Fork of the Sweet Grass Creek northeast of Big Timber. They raised three children, Patrick Gerald, Jessie Lynn and Susan Emilie.

Gerald was an avid stockman. He had an eye for good horses and cattle and for making a deal. Gerald's wit and sense of humor touched everyone. He always had a joke to tell, a song to sing or a riddle to try.

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He was preceded in death by his parents and brother Roy B. Connolly, Jr. Gerald is survived by his children, Patrick Gerald Connolly of Harlowton, Jessie (Dwayne) McKenney of Big Timber, Susan (Michael) Stensaas of Harlowton and a stepdaughter Sandra (Michael) Anderson of Kalispell. His grandchildren include Clancy Connolly, Jaelyn, Riley and Cole McKenney, Jennie Rose Connolly, Tessa Stensaas, Jonathan and Michelle Anderson, three great-grandchildren, and three nephews and their families.

Memorial service will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, at Big Timber Lutheran Church, with Pastor Jim Holmlund officiating. Inurnment will follow in Mountain View Cemetery. Perkins Funeral Home assisted the family with the services.

Elizabeth Conrad

Elizabeth Conrad, age 91, died at St. John's Lutheran Home-Nursing, Billings, on June 14, 2003.

**ELIZABETH
CONRAD**

She was born in Custer, Yellowstone County, Mont., on July 2, 1911, the daughter of Henry and Marie Elizabeth (Reichert) Mill.

She married Emil Conrad, Dec. 13, 1931, in Belfry, and they farmed in the Belfry/Bridger area until moving to Billings the fall of 1955.

Elizabeth worked for a time in the Student Union Building at then Eastern Montana College until ill health forced her to resign.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Emil; a son, Larry J. Conrad; a daughter, Betty J. Clark; son-in-law, John L. Adams; brothers, Henry, Edward, Fred and David and Reinhold Mill; sisters, Mary Thormahlen, Mabel Royce and Amelia Miller.

Survivors include three daughters, Dorothy M. Hergett (Edward) of Bridger, Rose Marie Zelka (Thomas) of Hardin and Alice L. Adams of Billings; a daughter-in-law, Marcella Conrad

of Billings; 18 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren; a sister, Annie Weigel of Fromberg; and brother Alex and El Manda Mill of Laurel; several nieces and nephews.

Elizabeth Conrad was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Funeral services will be at Trinity Lutheran Church, 537 Grand Ave., at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 19. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Viewing will be at Smith Downtown Chapel and again at the church prior to the funeral.

Memorials may be made to the Trinity Lutheran Church, St. John's Lutheran Home-Nursing or the charity of one's choice.

JUN 22 2003

Jackie Malone Conrad

Jackie Malone Conrad left us on Friday, June 20, 2003. She was like a little "terrier" and was the glue that held us all together. Married as a young girl during World War II — at age 17 to Vincent Conrad — she set about providing a home for her two children and her husband. She simply took charge and made things work with very few resources to depend on. Always family and home-minded, she led the way — always aware of everyone's birthday and special anniversaries. Truly the family historian.

Born in Billings on June 28, 1927, Jackie was a twin, and twins were always of special interest to her. Her older siblings were twins, and she has twin grandsons.

She maintained an extreme pride in the Billings community and could recount much of the town's history based on personal experience. She had known many of her closest friends since early childhood.

At one time in her life, she was very active in Girl Scouts and the Audubon Society. Nature, wildlife, flowers, and birds were all important inter-

ests. She took pleasure in simple things — picnics, walks in the country, family get-togethers. And we can't forget the hours she spent with the daily crossword puzzles, word games, riddles and card games. Bridge with her friends was special to Jackie.

Jackie's passing has left a void in our lives that can not be filled. Jackie was special.

Jackie was preceded in death by an infant brother, Virgil; her twin brother, Jack Malone; and her parents. She is survived by her husband of 59 years, Vincent Conrad; her son, Stephen Conrad of Denver, and daughter, Carol Conrad of Missoula.

She is also survived by her sister, Virginia Tidball Wiese, Oregon; sister-in-law, Shirley Malone, California; her grandchildren, Kevin, Kurt, and Carrie Scott; and Stacie, Brandon, and Ashley Conrad.

JUN 05 2003

Clara Eva Conway

Clara Eva Conway was born on Nov. 17, 1939, and went peacefully to be with her husband Jack and six brothers and sisters on Wednesday, June 3, 2003.

She is survived by four children, Jana, Lynn, Alan and Christie; six grandchildren, six great-grandchildren; and a very special child, April Lynn.

Clara had so much love to give and will be greatly missed.

Services will be Friday June 6, at 11 a.m., at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints East Stake Center, 1640 Broadmoor.

Smith Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

DEC 18 2003

Edith C. Cook

MILES CITY — Edith C. Cook, 71, passed away Dec. 16, 2003, in Billings

Visitation is from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at Bullis-Graves Memorial Chapel. Family will gather at the chapel from 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Bullis-Graves Memorial Chapel with burial in Custer County Cemetery.

MAY 01 2003

John Cook

John Cook passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings.

Born on Dec. 1, 1925, in Laurel, John grew up as one of 13 children in a ranching and farming family. John served in the United States Navy in WWII and was honorably discharged in 1946.



JOHN COOK

He married Angelica Kindsfater on Aug. 1, 1946, and continued with the family tradition of farming and ranching in the area until 1968. John and Ann resided in Billings until his passing. John was a wonderful, strong man who never met a stranger and was loved by many.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Angelica Cook; daughter Rita Price and granddaughter Tanya Price of Dallas. He is also survived by his brother Conrad Cook and sister Betty Irene Wagner, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and in-laws.

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He was preceded in death by his parents, Jacob Cook and Catherine Frank Cook. Also preceding him in death were his brothers, Adolph, Benjamin, Gilbert, Henry and Jacob Cook and sisters, Clara Southworth, Elizabeth Reichert, Mary Weis Goehring, Rachel Kroh Fossum, Rose Ruff Keierleber and Sarah Behm.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, March 3, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, followed by interment with military honors at Mountview Cemetery.

John Bruce Cook

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 02 2003

John Bruce Cook, 90, died Monday, Dec. 30, 2002, at Valley Health Care Center, with his wife at his side.



JOHN COOK

He was born on Sept. 16, 1912, in Billings, to John Bruce Cook, Sr. and Esther Pearle Dool Cook. He lived his entire life in Billings.

His early schooling included attending McKinley and Jefferson schools and graduating from Billings Senior High in 1933.

John was associated with his father at Bruce Cook Transfer & Storage, beginning with sweeping the floors at the age of 10, to becoming a partner in 1957. He sold the business in 1965 and retired.

On June 29, 1940, John married Mary Aldine McKittrick of Hardin in Billings. She preceded him in death in December 1970. John and DoraDean Young were married on Oct. 4, 1980, in Jackson Hole, Wyo.

He was a proud charter member of Billings Riverside Optimist Club since 1960. He was a past member of Yellowstone Historical Society, Elks Club, Goggles and Dusters Car Club, Billings Senior Citizens Center

and a member of First Christian Church. John liked antique car music, to dance and to read his morning paper. He especially liked to tell stories of the early days of Billings.

Survivors include his wife DoraDean, of Billings; daughter Marcia (Harold) Rickmar Billings; son, Tom, Missoula; step daughters, Jayne (Gary) Saindor Billings, and Nathalee (Dale Morgan) of Pocatello, Idaho grandchildren, Jim (LaRae) Mosbaugh, Laura (Mike) Hart Mike Mosbaugh, Susan (Ron) Walter, Howard (Emily) Morgan and Clark Morgan. Great-grandchildren include Treavor, Mike, Michelle, Mandy, Josh, Katie, Pete, Brian, Brittany, Mark and Tyler. Four great-great-grandchildren also survive. Brother-in-law George Bartlett, brother-in-law Albert (Janice) McKittrick and sister-in-law June (Howard) McFerrin, 13 nieces and nephews and families also survive. John was also preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, Karen Mosbaugh in 1995; and sister, Mary A. Bartlett in 1997.

The family wishes to thank Valley Health Care Center for their loving care to Dad for almost three years. Also a big thank you to his Optimist friends who came

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weekly for their coffee breaks.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, Jan. 3, at 11 a.m. at First Christian Church in Billings, with cremation following the services. Private interment will be held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the First Christian Church, 522 N. 29th St., Billings, MT 59101; Riverside Optimist Club, 2012 Forest Park Drive, Billings, MT 59102; or a charity of choice.

John E. Cook

BILLINGS GAZETTE

SIDNEY — John E. "Jack" Cook, 73, of Sidney, died Sunday, April 6, 2003, at his home.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, April 14, at the Fulkerson Funeral Home Memorial Chapel in Sidney. Cremation has taken place.

APR 11 2003

Margaret R. Cook

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 9 2003

Margaret Ruth Bowman Cook, 92, of Billings, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2003, at Aspen Meadows in Billings. She was born on Dec. 7, 1910, in Adair, Iowa, the daughter of Ralph and Anne Fraser Bowman. She graduated from high school in Glen Rock, Wyo., and the Capital City Commercial College in Des Moines, Iowa.

Margaret was a member of the Central Christian Church of Billings and was a long-time volunteer at the Deaconess Billings Clinic gift shop. She had been a resident of Billings since 1946 and was noted by her family as a talented painter; she loved to paint pictures of flowers and mountains. Margaret has been preceded in death by her first husband, Harold Bergman, and her second husband, Maurice Cook.

Survivors include daughter Barbara (James) Lewis of Billings; son James (Elizabeth) Bergman of Anchorage, Alaska; step-son Robert Cook of Casper, Wyo.; sister Mildred Thomas of Billings; and a brother, Ross Bowman of Billings; and eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A celebration of her life was held at the Elks Lodge on Saturday. Cremation has taken

place and inurnment was held at Sunset Memorial Gardens cemetery. Memorials may be made to the charity of ones choice. Arrangements were by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Phillip Cook Jr.

SENTINEL BUTTE, N.D. — Phillip T. Cook Jr., 81, of Sentinel Butte, died Monday, Sept. 1, 2003, at the Fallon County Medical Center in Baker, Mont.

A vigil will be at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Golva. A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Rite of committal will follow services at Sentinel Butte Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Beach is in charge.

Raymond T. Cook

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 24 2003

ABSAROKEE — Raymond T. Cook, a longtime resident of the Stillwater Valley, passed away July 22, 2003, at his home. He was born Jan. 8, 1912, to John T. Cook and Annie Caroline Miller Cook at their home ranch north of Absarokee.



**RAYMOND
COOK**

He attended local county schools and graduated from Absarokee High School in 1931. Ray served in the U.S. Air Force during WWII and was honorably discharged. Ray returned to the home ranch after his service.

He married Olga Klepich in Red Lodge on Jan. 3, 1959. They bought land along the Stillwater, west of Absarokee adjacent to land Ray owned, and made their home. Their daughter, Carolyn, was born May 22, 1961.

Ray was a lifetime rancher raising cattle and sheep. He was always quick to help friends and family when they need an extra hand. Ray loved his garden and always had a large corn patch. In later years he enjoyed raising pumpkins for his grandchildren. Ray was famous for his popcorn and was a western history buff.

His family was especially important to him, his wife of 44 years, Olga; his daughter Carolyn and son-in-law Donald and grandchildren, Thomas and Carla Hutson; in addition, he is survived by his sister-in-law, Atha Cook, close relatives, a nephew and his special gals that took care of him in his later years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Frank Cook and Harlan Cook; and sisters Valerie Foote and Elsie Cook.

Memorials can be made to the Beartooth Museum in Columbus or the Cobblestone Preservation Society in Absarokee.

A memorial for family and friends will be held at his home Sunday, July 27, at 1:30 p.m.

Smith Funeral Chapel-Columbus was in charge of cremation.

Richard A. Cook

LEWIS GAZETTE

FEB 28 2003

POWELL, Wyo. — Richard A. "Dick" Cook, 65, of Powell, died Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2003, at his home.

At his request, cremation will take place. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 1, at First United Methodist Church in Basin. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home of Powell is in charge.

JAN 24 2003**Leon D. Cool, Jr.**

FORSYTH — Leon D. Cool, Jr., 86, of Forsyth, died Wednesday, Jan. 22, 2003, at the Rosebud Health Care Center in Forsyth.

Cremation has taken place, with services planned for a later date. Beals Mortuary of Forsyth is in charge.

MAR 14 2003

Grace Cooley

DAYTON, Wyo. — Grace Cooley, 89, of Dayton, died Tuesday, March 11, 2003, at Sheridan Manor.

Graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 15, in the Dayton Cemetery. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

Steven Earl Cooley

BILLINGS GAZET

APR 29 2003

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Steven Earl "Steve" Cooley, 40, of Gillette, died Friday, April 25, 2003, at his home.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until service time, Tuesday, at Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home. A private burial will be held at a later date in the Gillette-Mt. Pisgah Cemetery.

NOV 30 2003

Robert 'Bob' Coon

SIDNEY — Robert "Bob" Coon, 66, died Thursday, Nov. 27, 2003, at the Sidney Health Center.

Funeral Services will be 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 1, at the Peoples Congregational Church in Sidney. Visitation will be Sunday, Nov. 30, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Bob and his family have requested that everyone dress casual for the service.

AUG - 2 2003

SPOKANE, Wash. — David D. Coop, age 59, born Jan. 9, 1944, in Billings, passed away July 28, 2003, in Spokane.

David is survived by his significant other, Marilyn Mowry of Spokane; son, Conrad D. Beatty of Butte, Mont.; daughter, Davitia C. and her husband Travis Robbins of Spokane; granddaughter, Kadon of Spokane; mother, Lorryann Warren of Spokane; brother, Kurt M. Warren of Spokane; sisters: Cindy Coop Ledo, Kelly Jo Warren, Jonalee Haats, all of Spokane; four nieces, Lori Lynn Warren, Felicia Haats, Amanda Warren, Kelley Warren; four nephews, Johnny Warren, Jason Layne, Jameson Haats, Kristofer Warren; and his special friend, Brandy, the Schnauzer.

David was a resident of the Spokane area for 30 years and a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church. He was a member of DAV Post 45, life member of VFW Post 1634, Eagles Aerie #2, past member of Elks in Billings, and the American Legion of Billings.

David received a commendation award by President Richard Nixon in the 1970s for saving people from a sniper on I-90 west of Spokane. He performed numerous other acts of bravery. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam era. David

enjoyed the outdoors, fishing, piloting, sailing. He had a wonderful insight into human nature and was always helpful to people in need.

Visitation was Thursday, July 31, at Hennessey-Smith Funeral Home, 2203 N. Division, Spokane. Visitation in Billings will be Sunday, Aug. 3, from 12 noon to 5 p.m., at Smith Funeral Home, 120 North 26th. A committal service will be held Monday, Aug. 4, at 10 a.m. at Huntley Project Cemetery in Huntley, Mont.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, Attn.: Memorial Dept., 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105.

Crystal Lynn Cooper

MINNESOTA GAZETTE

APR 29 2003

DALTON, Minn. — Crystal Lynn Cooper, 19, of Dalton, formerly of Elizabeth, died Saturday, April 26, 2003, near Dalton, as a result of a motor vehicle accident.

Visitation will be 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 29, at the Olson Funeral Home in Fergus Falls, with a public prayer service at 6:30 p.m. Visitation will resume one hour prior to the service at the church. Services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 30, at Grace United Methodist Church in Fergus Falls.

Crystal Cooper

DALTON, Minn. — Crystal Lynn Cooper, 19, a resident of Dalton, formerly of Elizabeth, died Saturday, April 26, 2003, near Dalton, as a result of a motor vehicle accident.

Crystal was born on Aug. 29, 1983, in Fargo, N.D., the daughter of Charles Tomlinson and Dawn Cooper-Dunker.

She was baptized and confirmed at Grace United Methodist Church. She attended school through the ninth grade in Fergus Falls. She then moved to Las Vegas, where she attended her sophomore year of high school. She returned to Elizabeth and graduated from Pelican Rapids High School in 2001. After graduation, she returned to Las Vegas and later returned to the Elizabeth area.

Crystal loved life and spending time with friends. She had two best friends whom she knew since birth, Melissa Thorsen and her cousin Amanda Lindberg. She loved her little sister, Dakota, more than anything in life. Crystal enjoyed NASCAR racing especially following Jeff Gordon. She was an avid bowler, a sport in which she won several trophies, and she loved collecting frog figurines. It was important to Crystal that she was an organ donor, with the hope that she could give the gift of life to other children.

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Crystal is preceded in death by her great-grandmother, Gladys; grandparents, Larry and Betty Birch; aunt, Angel; two cousins, Dale Lindberg Jr. and Paul Dunker.

She is survived by her parents, Dawn and Deron; and sister Dakota of Elizabeth; stepsister, Andrea Springer of Fergus Falls; grandmother, Evangeline Cooper of Fergus Falls; grandparents, Robert Sr. and Edna Dunker of Billings; grandmother, June Tomlinson of Fergus Falls; great-grandmother, Sara Reigenborn of Colorado; aunts and uncles, Jamie Cooper of Fergus Falls, also her godfather, Robert Jr. (Barb) Dunker of Billings, Doug Dunker of Billings, Rodney (Tina) Dunker of Battle Creek, Iowa, Scott (DeeDee) Dunker of Billings, Diane (Mark) Jaskot of Billings, Nikki (Al) Downer of Colstrip, Mont., Kelly (Mary) Birch of Elizabeth, Duane Birch of Fergus Falls; cousins, Glenn, Jake, Coral, Ciera, Jordan, Joshua, Ryan and Zachary Dunker, Jessica, Jason and Aric Cooper, Alyssa and Lacey Jaskot, Shannon Manning, Libby and Shelby Birch. She is also survived by her golden retriever, North; special friend,

Dan Rittenour, along with numerous extended family and friends. Other survivors include Charles and Kimberly Tomlinson, and their children Justin, Joshua and Brittany.

Visitation was held Tuesday, April 29, at the Olson Funeral Home in Fergus Falls. Visitation will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 30, at Grace United Methodist Church in Fergus Falls, with Reverend Daren Flinck officiating.

Gloria Hope Cooper

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 2 2003

SPOKANE, Wash. —Gloria Hope Cooper, 78, departed Jan. 19, 2003. She was born June 18, 1924, in Butte, to Kristina and Ole Fallan.

She graduated Montana State University in June, 1954, with a degree in home economics and therapeutic dietetics. She was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi. On June 8, 1947,



**GLORIA
COOPER**

she married Robert B. Cooper at the American Lutheran Church in Livingston. Gloria and Bob were both Elders of First Presbyterian Church in Billings, and were both active members of First Presbyterian Church in Butte, and Spokane, Wash., where Gloria was also an elder and on their Mission Commission. While residing in Billings, Gloria shared the position of director of Food Services at Will James Jr. High. She and Bob raised four children: Debbe, Dana, Kristin and Carson, who all graduated from Billings West High School. She was also active in her church youth ministry and a Girl Scout leader. Since 1990, she has directed most of her mission efforts to the Spokane affili-

ate of Habitat For Humanity. Memberships include P.E.O. (50 years) and Whitworth Auxiliary.

Memorial service will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, at First Presbyterian Church, Spokane. She had requested memorial gifts be directed to Spokane Affiliate of Habitat For Humanity.

MAR 06 2003

Jimmie Jack Cooper

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Jimmie Jack Cooper, 70, died Sunday, March 2, 2003, at the Sheridan VA Medical Center.

Cremation has taken place. No memorial services will be held at this time. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

Nona Nye Cooper

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 26 2003

Nona Nye Cooper, 80, of Billings, passed away Wednesday evening, July 23, 2003, at her home, surrounded by her family.



The daughter of Paul and Leila Linfield Nye, Nona was born in Bozeman on Dec. 3, 1922. She grew up in **NONA COOPER** Billings and graduated from Billings Senior High School in 1940 and attended Eastern Montana College.

She married John D. "Dan" Cooper in 1941.

She was a member of PEO, Chapter E, for over 50 years and a member of First Congregational United Church of Christ for 60 years and a full time homemaker and mother. She enjoyed knitting, crocheting and traveling.

Survivors include her daughters, Virginia Brix of Woodinville, Wash., Laurie Vill of Sparks, Nev.; her son Tom Cooper and his wife Kim of Montana; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; sisters, Margery Gordon of Billings and Nancy and husband John Heine of Billings; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband John "Dan" Cooper, parents and granddaughter Christine Vill.

Cremation has taken place. Family memorial services are planned and interment will be at Mountview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to First Congregational United Church of Christ, 310 N. 27th, Billings, MT 59101.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Cody Lynn Coordes

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 13 2003

LARAMIE, Wyo. — Cody Lynn Coordes, 25, of Laramie, died Wednesday, March 26, 2003, in Laramie.

He was born Sept. 25, 1977, in Laramie, the son of Jerry and Barbara (Vanlaningham) Coordes. He spent his early life in Laramie, moving with his parents to Cheyenne in 1991, and attended junior high in Cheyenne, returning to Laramie in 1997, where he finished his schooling. Cody married Lynnet Smith, the daughter of Robin and Betty Smith of Bridger, Mont., and Janis and Dan Woodards of Butte, Mont., on Sept. 4, 1999, in Laramie.

He was an avid sportsman and enjoyed hunting, fishing, ATVs and boating. He was the owner and operator of Summit Towing. He enjoyed life to the fullest and will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his wife, Lynnet Coordes of Laramie; his parents, Jerry and Barbara Coordes of Laramie; his grandmother, Georgia Vanlaningham of Hastings, Neb.; two sisters, Chris Haglund and her husband Rich of Laramie and Dawn Price and her husband Donald of El Paso; a brother, Monty Coordes and his wife Michelle of Corona, Calif.; six nieces, Heidi Coordes, Candice Coordes, Brandi Coordes, Austin Coordes, Ashley

Price and Mikaela Price; and one nephew, Travis Price.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cody Coordes Summit Towing Memorial Fund, in care of First Interstate Bank, all Laramie branches.

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Norman Cope

BASIN, Wyo. — Norman Ross Cope, 86, died Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2003, at the South Big Horn County Hospital, between Basin and Greybull.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, at Atwood Family Funeral Chapel in Basin. Funeral services will be at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 10, at the United Methodist Church in Basin. A graveside committal service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, at the Twin Falls, Idaho, Cemetery. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc. are in charge of Basin services and Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home is in charge of the burial in Twin Falls.

JUN 01 2003

William H. 'Bill' Cope

LEWISTOWN — William H. "Bill" Cope, 74, died at his residence on Wednesday, May 28, 2003.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, June 3, at the Creel Funeral Chapel. Interment with Military Honors will be at the Lewistown City Cemetery. Creel Funeral Home is in charge.

Helen Coppinger

MAY 02 2003

Helen Coppinger, 85, of Billings, passed away Wednesday, April 30, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare, from complications of surgery.

Helen was born Oct. 13, 1917, to Edward and Flora (Newman) Cammock in Hardin.

During her early years, she lived in Lodge Grass; Gebo, Wyo.; and then Joliet, where she graduated high school.

In 1936, Helen married Hugh Coppinger in Billings. They resided in Joliet until 1944, when they moved to Billings. Hugh and Helen had 67 wonderful years of marriage. Hugh preceded her in death three months ago, on Jan. 28, 2003.

Helen was very active in the First Christian Church, being the church secretary for 36 years and the organist for 42 years.

She played the organ for the Miss Montana Pageant, and more weddings and funerals than can be counted.

Church and times spent with her family and especially the time spent with her children, grand-



**HELEN
COPPINGER**

children and great-grandchildren were the joys of her life.

Survivors include her daughter, Karen Cook of Billings; three sons, Gordon (Juanita) of Riverside, Calif., Robert (Patricia) of Sumner, Wash., and Glenn (Patty) of Gardiner; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Hugh, three brothers and one sister.

Visitation will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 4, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Monday, May 5, at First Christian Church, with burial to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to First Christian Church or a charity of one's choice.

Hugh E. Coppinger

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 29 2003

JAN 29 2003

Hugh E. Coppinger, 95, of Billings, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2003, at Eagle Cliff Manor. He was born Aug. 15, 1907, in Tellico Plains, Tenn., the son of Andrew and Minnie Linderman Coppinger.

ents, three brothers and one sister.

Funeral service will be 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 31, at the Funerals Gallery, Eighth and St. Johns. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to the First Christian Church, Big Sky Hospice or to the charity of choice.



**HUGH
COPPINGER**

He had lived in Akron, Ohio; Durango, Colo.; Bridger, and then moved to Joliet, where he met Helen Cammock. They were married Feb. 13, 1936, in Billings. Hugh and Helen moved to

Billings, where he worked as a trucker until his injury in 1988. He had worked for Morrison-Knutson during the construction of the Cooke City Highway and had worked all over the country building highways and driving truck. He loved the holidays so he could plan to have his Tom & Jerry's with family and friends.

Survivors include his wife, Helen; one daughter, Karen Cook; three sons, Gordon (Juanita) of Riverside, Calif., Robert (Patricia) of Sumner, Wash., and Glenn (Patty) of Gardiner; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his par-

Joan L. Corbin

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 04 2003

WORLAND, Wyo. — Joan L. "Jo" Corbin, 77, of Worland, died Tuesday, April 1, 2003, in Worland.

A vigil/rosary service will be at 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 4, at St. Mary Magdalen Church. The casket will be open from 4:30 p.m. until after the rosary at the church. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 5, at the church. Rite of committal will follow in Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Veile Mortuary is in charge.

DEC 18 2003

John A. Corbin

GLENROCK, Wyo. — John A. Corbin, 47, died Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2003, at his home, due to an accident.

Memorial services are at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 20 at Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home.

Jodi Ann Corbridge

MAR 17 2003

Jodi Ann Corbridge, 44, of Billings, passed away on the night of March 12, 2003, at her home. She is survived by her immediate family, mother, Mary (Pryde) and her father, Devon (Dave) Corbridge; brothers,



**JODI ANN
CORBRIDGE**

Douglas and his wife, Elizabeth, Jeff and his wife, Darcy, and daughter, Katrina Ann Sprankel. Also missing her will be many aunts and cousins and last but certainly not least, her best friend, Ronda.

Jodi was born in Billings, Nov. 24, 1958. She attended elementary school in Casper, Wyo. Littleton, Colo. was her next venture in her academic career where she attended Isaac Newton Junior High and Arapahoe High School, also in Littleton. She did, however, move to Billings to be a proud graduate of Billings West High School. Jodi then attended Eastern Montana College (MSU-B) for two years before entering the workforce.

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On Aug. 6, 1983, Jodi married Dennis L. Sprankel at the Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch Chapel in Billings, where they resided. Together they were the very proud parents of Katrina on Sept. 8, 1990.

Upon Jodi's passing, she was employed by Albertsons in Billings, as a cashier and also the Disney Store for four years.

Jodi loved life and loved to help people as well as being very family oriented. The world was much better with her than without. She will be missed dearly.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. March 18, at the Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter-Day Saints, Monad Ward. Interment will be at Yellowstone Valley Memorial Park.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Sylvia Cordileone

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 12 2003

SAN DIEGO — On Feb. 3, 2003, after fighting breast cancer for four-and-a-half years, Sylvia Cordileone, formerly of Billings, passed away. Her 15-year-old daughter, Jennifer and a close friend were by her side. She was 44 years old.



**SYLVIA
CORDILEONE**

Sylvia was a complex and extremely intelligent individual. She was very independent. She worked her way through college. Her own comfort was never her primary concern. She was always the first to help a friend in need. She was devoted to her daughter Jennifer. She considered the job of being a mother a very important one, and also the greatest accomplishment of her life. She constantly sought out new ways to expose Jennifer to every opportunity for growth and experience. A duty she willingly accepted was finding some special class or training to broaden her daughter's horizons. She was always on hand to help with the endless special projects that Jennifer took on for school. She was wonderful with children. She was a "second mother" to many. Sylvia's home was a common

hangout for all of her daughter's friends. She enjoyed helping out at her daughter's school, Blu Creek Elementary. There, she worked on many projects. Her favorite PTA project was coordinating the Reading i Fundamental Program. At her own expense, she purchased several books for the school library. Sylvia herself was an avid reader who enjoyed mysteries and science fiction stories.

Although she struggled with one adversity or another most of her life she never gave up on life no matter how challenging it was for her. She loved adventure. On her wedding day, she and her husband Joe literally climbed a mountain exchanging vows at the top of a nearly vertical 1,000 foot granite cliff. It was a technical climb requiring ropes for protection and experienced rock climbers as guides. What makes it unique is that Sylvia did it in spite of her fear of heights. Her idea of a vacation was a tandem bicycle tour in Vermont, panning for gold in the Yukon, watching whales from a tent on the shore of Glacier Bay, Alaska, herding cows on a working cattle ranch on the Wyoming/Montana border, spending a weekend on horseback retracing the same path

Custer took to the Little Big Horn, skiing with her daughter; her nieces and nephew, or the family riding their tandem bicycle (daughter in tow in a child carrier) through Yellowstone National park past huge grazing buffalo.

The last few months before she died, Sylvia was finally at peace. Her only regret was leaving her daughter. She loved the quote from Desiderata, "You are a child of the universe, no less than the trees and the stars. You have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt, the universe is unfolding as it should." It put life's struggles into context for her.

She is survived by Jennifer Ruddock Cordileone, daughter and joy of her life; nephews and nieces, Christina, Tyler, Shasta, Jared, Julia, Mark and Blair Ruddock, step-niece Summer Rane; and honorary nieces, Rari and Ragen Hawks; husband, Joe Cordileone; stepson and daughter Nick and Amy Cordileone; and new granddaughter Hero Cordileone. Sylvia is also survived by all her siblings, Irene, Paul, Margaret Anne and John Ruddock, and her mother, Eugenia Ruddock.

In lieu of flowers or donations, Sylvia requested that mourners volunteer one day of their time to any nonprofit organization that provides assistance to children, aged or terminally ill patients.

**Bradley 'Brad' Wilson
Corey**

WHEATON, Ill. — Bradley "Brad" Wilson Corey, 39, formerly of Rapid City, S.D., died Tuesday, April 15, 2003, in a tragic motorcycle accident in Chicago.



BRAD COREY

He was born Jan. 21, 1964, in Billings, to Daniel W. and Yvonne D. Corey. He moved to Rapid City with his family in December of 1975 and graduated from Stevens High School in 1982. Brad was an outstanding trumpet player. Many will remember him representing South Dakota in the McDonalds All-American Band. He attended Oral Roberts University in Tulsa, Okla., where he met Elizabeth Tucker. They were married in August of 1989 and presently lived in Wheaton. Three precious children were born to that marriage. Brad was the Chief Financial Officer for Man Financial, an international commodities corporation with an office in Chicago.

Survivors include his wife Elizabeth; daughter Rachael, age 9; daughter Meghan, age 5, son Douglas, age 2-1/2, all of Wheaton; his parents, Yvonne and Dan Corey; and brother Terry of Rapid City; brother Alan of Des Moines, Iowa; sister Faith Godfrey of Sioux Falls, S.D.; three nephews; one niece; and his paternal grandparents, Richard and Lorraine Chyles of Mandan N.D.

Brad was a much loved son, brother, husband, father and grandson.

Services were at 11 a.m. Monday, April 21, at Hultgren Funeral Home in Wheaton. Cards and memorials can be sent to 3346 Pinewood Drive, Rapid City, S.D. 57702 and all memorials will be forwarded to Focus on the Family ministries for a living memorial to Brad.

NOV 12 2003

Francis R. Corner

PLENTYWOOD — Francis R. Corner, 83, died Monday, Nov. 10, 2003, in the Sheridan Memorial Hospital.

The funeral liturgy will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 14, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Plentywood. Interment will follow in Plentywood Memorial Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood is in charge.

Agnes N. Cortez

Dec. 12, 1953 — June 11, 2003

JUN 12 2003

Agnes N. Cortez, 49, of Billings, passed away Wednesday, June 11, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare.



**AGNES
CORTEZ**

The daughter of Neil and Mary Duddy, she was born Dec. 12, 1953, in Butte, where she was raised and educated.

Agnes married Ricardo Cortez in Butte on Sept. 9, 1972. They have made their home in Billings for the last 19 years. Agnes has worked at St. Vincent Hospital and the War Bonnet Inn.

Family was especially important to Agnes; she enjoyed spending time with her children and grandchildren. She also enjoyed country music and the outdoors.

Survivors include her husband Ricardo Cortez; son Ricardo Cortez, III, and his wife Tina; daughter Tammy Garcia and her husband Leon; grandchildren, Leon Jr., Isaac and Tanner; brothers and sisters, Anna Mischkot (Frank), Mary Sukovsky (Ed),

John Duddy, Neil Duddy (Dorothy), Teresa Cottrell (Darrell), Dan Duddy (Carol) and Margaret Robbins; and many other family and friends.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial Mass will be 11 a.m. Saturday, June 14, at St. Bernard's Parish.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Felipa Cortez

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 31 2003

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Felipa Cortez, 90, of Buffalo, died Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2003, at the Johnson County Health Care Center.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 2, at Adam Funeral Home in Buffalo. A rosary will be at 7 p.m. Sunday, at the St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Buffalo. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 3, at the church.

A graveside service with interment will follow in Willow Grove Cemetery.

NOV 06 2003

LEWISTOWN — Leona Belle Corth, 97, of Lewistown, passed away at New Horizons Assisted Living in Lewistown, on Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2003, of natural causes.

She was born April 6, 1906, in Sioux City, Iowa, the daughter of Frank and Emma (Madison) Bare. The family moved to Montana in 1912 and homesteaded east of Roy. She attended Valley View School in the Roy area and Fergus High School in Lewistown. On Sept. 14, 1926, she was united in marriage to Fred Corth in a double wedding ceremony with Grace Olsen and Louie Rindal in Harlowton. They lived in the Roy area and she was employed with the U.S. Postal Service in Roy for 23 years, retiring as assistant postmaster.

Following her husband's death in 1971, she moved into Lewistown, living in the Eagles Manor for 29 years. She moved to New Horizons Assisted Living in October of 2002.

She is survived by two daughters, Shirley and husband Bud Grindheim of Roy and Betty Corth of Billings; seven grandchildren, Lyle Grindheim of Danvers, Marilyn Gervais of Roy, Janet Fink of Raymond, Karen Cicero, Cathy Messina and Kimberly Knight, all of Houston, and Dr. John Tate of Lebanon, Tenn.; 15 great-grandchildren, four great-great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

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She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, son Clayton, daughter Pauline Knight, brother Elmer Bare, sister Violet Proffer and great-granddaughter Jessica Fink.

Memorial services for Leona Cortth will be Saturday, Nov. 8, at 11 a.m., in the Cloyd Chapel, with inurnment to follow in the Lewistown City Cemetery. At her request, cremation has taken place. The Cloyd Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Friends are asked to make memorials to the Central Montana Hospice or the charity of their choice and they may be left at the Cloyd Funeral Home.

Kelly Lynn Corwin

BILLINGS GAZET
APR 23 2003

WOLF POINT — Kelly Corwin, 36, of Wolf Point, passed away on Saturday, April 19, 2003, in Billings.

Kelly was born on Jan. 7, 1967, to Leo and Sandra Corwin in Billings.



**KELLY
CORWIN**

He was raised in Billings and graduated from Senior High in 1985.

Kelly married Camie Smith of Wolf Point on July 11, 1992. They

continued to live in Wolf Point, where they had three children together.

Kelly loved the outdoors. Fishing, hunting and watching eagles soar were his favorite pastimes. He enjoyed eagles so much that he had quite the collection of eagle memorabilia. Kelly enjoyed old cars and driving truck, just like his dad.

Kelly was a good son, brother, loving husband and father. He will be truly missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his parents, Leo and Sandy Corwin of Shepherd; in-laws, Bill and Marlyn Smith of Hampton, Iowa; grandmother, Ann Corwin of North Dakota; wife, Camie and children, Barbara,

Allan and Rayna Corwin of Wolf Point; sisters, Tammy Sannes and her daughter Ericka of Helena, Susan Corwin and brother David Corwin of Billings, also.

Kelly was preceded in death by his daughter Samantha; brother, Kenneth; maternal grandparents and paternal grandfather.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday, April 24, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery, with interment at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

W.M. 'Mark' Corwin

MESA, Ariz. — W.M. "Mark" Corwin, of Mesa, passed away June 16, 2003.

Mark was born in Pomeroy, Wash., on Oct. 10, 1914, to Mark T. and Mary S. Corwin. He was raised in the Redmond/Bend, Ore., area, and graduated from high school in Bend in 1933. He graduated from Oregon State University in Corvallis in 1938. After graduation, he went to work for Burroughs Corp. He served in the Army from 1941 to 1945, and then returned to work at Burroughs until he retired in 1968.

He married Ann Nelson in September of 1940, and they had two children: Roger and Karin Lee. The family moved to Billings in 1960. In 1968, Mark began a successful career in investment savings. Ann died in 1977. A successful blending of two families occurred on May 16, 1990, when, after a long courtship, Mark married Doris Goodwin Coon. Together, Mark and Doris retired and moved to Mesa in 1995.

Mark was very active in the Masonic organization. He was a life member of Rimrock Lodge #149 in Billings. He was a member of Al Bedoo Shrine Temple in Billings, where he was a past president of the Uniformed Units and was an assistant to the poten-

tate. He was also an associate member of El Zaribah Temple in Mesa. He enjoyed the Orienta Band, was a member of the Greeters, and was active in the Jesters. Mark and Doris could often be seen enjoying an evening at the Elks Club, where Mark was a lifetime member.

His brother Harold preceded Mark in death. He is survived by his wife, Doris; children, Karin Lee and Terry Twedt of Pacific City, Ore., David and Marcia Coon of Portland, Ore., Roger Corwin of San Luis Obispo, Calif., Jim and Barbara Coon of Puyallup, Wash., Patty and Ron Martin of Albuquerque, N.M.; grandchildren, Ken and Kendal Twedt, JoAnna and Dale Wilson, Melissa Corwin, Kathy and Robin Coon, and Kelsey Martin; and great-grandchildren, Heather, Stacy and Kayla Wilson, and Morgan and Aaron Twedt.

A memorial service was held at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Mesa on June 21. Memorial services will be held in Billings at a later date.

Contributions may be made in Mark's name to the Shrine Hospital-Portland, 3101 SW Sam Jackson Park Road, Portland, OR 97239.

Hilda C. Coster

LIVINGSTON — Hilda C. Coster, 93, of Livingston died early Friday morning, Oct. 24, 2003, at Livingston Health and Rehab Center. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, at American Lutheran Church, at F and Lewis Streets in Livingston. The Rev. Cliff Gronneberg, interim pastor, will officiate. Graveside committal and burial will be 2 p.m. Tuesday at Mountainview Cemetery in Big Timber. Arrangements are under the direction of Franzen-Davis Funeral Home, 118 N. 3rd St. in Livingston.

Hilda was born June 14, 1910, in Big Timber, the daughter of Seval and Lena (Olson) Warp. She attended grade school in Big Timber and graduated from Sweet Grass County High School on May 27, 1927, as salutatorian of her class. Following graduation, she moved to Great Falls and was employed by the Commercial Credit Corp.

While there, she met Harry A. Coster and they were married on Aug. 24, 1931, in Choteau. They returned to Big Timber where Hilda was employed by the Selective Service Office during the years that her husband was in the military. She later worked for the Sweet Grass County Clerk and Recorder's office. In 1954, the cou-

ple moved to Billings and Hilda was employed as a legal secretary for the Coleman, Lamey and Crowley Law Firm until her retirement. They moved to Livingston in 1978 to be near their daughter. Mr. Coster died in April of 1994.

Hilda was a member of the American Lutheran Church and the Luther Circle. She was a 59 year member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion and a member of the Past President's Parley. She was an avid bowler and golfer and made many good friends in Billings and Livingston. She was also an avid Atlanta Braves fan.

Hilda was blessed with good health, which enabled she and her husband to take numerous senior citizen bus tours during their retirement. She had a great love for her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved to knit, and crochet and made beautiful afghans for all of the grandchildren.

Survivors include two daughters, Margie Walton of Livingston and Barbara Avent of Billings; grandsons, Gary (Sarah) Walton of Butte, Jim (Tracy) Walton of Carlsbad, Calif., and Ron (Deanna) Avent of Billings; granddaughters, Lori Kelim of Billings and Joni Fusick of Tigard, Ore.; great-grandsons, Ryan and Rick Kelim, Ian Avent, Brian Walton, Charlie Walton, and Samuel and Corey Fusick; great-granddaughters, Katie Walton, Seana Avent and Mandi Sonjo; a brother, Barney (Maxine) Warp of Big Timber; a sister, Mabel Brewer of Missoula; a sister-in-law, Lucile Warp of Big Timber; nieces, Dixie Shallenberger of Sheridan, Mont., and Linda Berg of Big Timber; and a nephew, Jerry Brewer of Missoula. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Arnold Warp.

If desired, memorials may be directed to American Lutheran Church, F and Lewis Streets, Livingston; MT 59047, or to Christikon Bible Camp, 1108 24th St. W., Billings, MT 59102-3810.

Evelyn A. Cotton

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 16 2003

SCOBAY — Evelyn A. Cotton, 80, died Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2003, at Daniels Memorial Nursing Home in Scobey.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 17, at the Zion Lutheran Church in Flaxville. Burial will be in Tucson, Ariz., at a later date. Waller Funeral Home of Scobey is in charge.

Evalyn Floe (Frisvold) Cowell

HARLEM —
Evalyn Floe (Frisvold) Cowell, 72, who farmed and ranched near Harlem with her husband, Gene, died Sept. 17, 2003, at Northern Montana Hospital in Havre due to natural causes.



**EVALYN
COWELL**

Funeral services will be Saturday at 11 a.m. in the Harlem High School Little Gymnasium with burial following in the Harlem Cemetery.

Evalyn was born in Sidney, Mont., on Nov. 3, 1930, to John and Nellie (Knauts) Frisvold. She was the youngest of their four daughters. Since her father worked for the Great Northern Railroad and moved frequently, she lived at various times in Richey, Hobson and Hogeland.

By 1942, she was living in Harlem, and she graduated from Harlem High School in 1948. Evalyn married Gene Cowell on Sept. 1, 1948, in Chinook. While he was overseas in the U.S. Navy, she lived with her sister in Auburn, Wash., returning to Harlem in 1950.

Evalyn was a charter member of the American Lutheran Church of Harlem and served for many years on the board of the Harlem Public Library.

Survivors include a son, John Cowell of Harlem; daughters Gerri (Al) Sternberg of Havre, Pattie Cowell of LaPorte, Colo.; sister, Dorothea (Don) Taylor of Mesa, Ariz.; grandchildren, Jenny (Adam) Jelinek of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Luke Sternberg of Ann Arbor, Mich. She was preceded in death by her husband Gene in November 1993; sisters Marge Miller and Imogene Watson, and daughter-in-law Patty (Bruss) Cowell.

Alyson Elizabeth Cox

BOZEMAN — Surrounded by family and love, Alyson Elizabeth Cox, 37 days old, passed away in her mother's arms on Thursday, Oct. 16, 2003.

Alyson was born Sept. 9, 2003, in Denver, to Maurissa (Parker) and Phil Cox of Bozeman. Though so perfect and beautiful, Alyson fought a tough battle of Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia.

Alyson Elizabeth blessed so many lives. She had the strong spirit of a true fighter. A pink plaque that stated "DIVA" decorated her isolette and nurses and doctors alike couldn't agree more.

Aly loved her mother's kisses on her forehead and light caresses through her soft hair. Alyson also loved her daddy's voice and would reward him with big smiles that will forever touch his heart. She was not a morning girl, but loved keeping her parents by her side at night by keeping her eyes open for hours. She loved a good leg stretch to show off her long legs and wrinkled knees and spread her tiny toes. Alyson had her father's ticklish feet and would let you know by crinkling her eyebrows like her mother's. She blew many beautiful bubbles and loved to tease the nurses by tugging on her ventilator tube.

Aly like to snuggle and stare at her favorite toy, a green and yellow fish given to her by her favorite nurse. Alyson Elizabeth will forever be the sunshine, moon and stars in her parents' lives.

Her family is forever thankful to the staff of The Children's Hospital in Denver for their amazing support, love and empathy. Special staff members to be noted are Dr. J. Kinsella, Dr. J. Barry, C.N.P.D. Rogers, R.N's Lori, Andi, Kara L. and Jeannine of the NICU.

Alyson is survived by her parents, Maurissa and Phil Cox; grandparents, Elizabeth and John Patefield of Kalispell, Robert Parker and Jan Gellein of Whitefish, Star Evans of Spokane, Wash.; aunt and uncles, Robyn Forsythe and family of Bozeman, Ayisha Montgomery and family of Spokane, Altera Wright and family of Idaho, Adrien and Sarah Thomas and families of Boulder, Colo., Jennifer Clough and spouse of Seattle; great-grandparents, Gerri Dye of Billings, Gloria Parker of Dallas, and Wally and Delores Patefield of Great Falls; and many loving great-aunts, uncles and cousins.

Alyson joins her closest friend, Braeden Holmes (38 days old) of Wyoming. Our families are forever intertwined and blessed by these special souls who could only visit us for a short while. But God knows, we are so very thankful for the little while.

Memorial services will be held at 12 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 1, at Grace Bible Church. Interment will be in Sunset Hills Cemetery. Donations are greatly appreciated and can be made in Alyson Cox's name to the Ronald McDonald House of Missoula, PO Box 1119, Missoula, MT 59806. (406) 541-7646.

Doris Jane (Buzard) Cox

YOUNGTOWN, Ariz. — Doris Jane (Buzard) Cox was born Feb. 25, 1923, in Poland, Ohio, and went to be with her Lord and her

beloved husband Hank on Oct. 5, 2003. She had been in declining health for several months, finally succumbing from complications of diabetes and heart disease following surgery for a broken hip. She was living in Youngtown at the time of her death.



DORIS COX

Doris was raised in northeastern Ohio, where she distinguished herself in music and scholastics, particularly spelling. As a 14-year-old, she won the Ohio State Spelling Bee in 1937 and represented the state at the National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C. Doris could spell virtually any word without having to use a dictionary and excelled at crossword puzzles!

Doris met her lifelong mate, Hank Cox, at a county music festival when they were both high school students. Their mutual love of music continued throughout their courtship and marriage. Doris and Hank were married in 1944 and celebrated nearly 57 years of

life together before he passed away in March 2001. Throughout the odyssey from Ohio to Wyoming, Montana, they made many sacrifices to raise their five children on two basic principles: have faith in the Lord and get a good education.

To help support their large family, Doris worked for more than three decades as a legal secretary, first in Laramie and Basin, Wyo., then in Billings. She served for 2 years at the firm of Wiggens Hutton, Schiltz & Sheehy, and later worked for the firm of Davidsen Veeder, Baugh, Broeder, Popple & Michelotti. Doris achieved much success and recognition as a leader at local, state and national levels of the National Legal Secretaries Association (NALS). In the late '70s, her peers and NALS named her "Montana State Legal Secretary of the Year." Doris often served as a spokesperson on behalf of NALS throughout the country. At the local college level, she also taught courses on Legal Procedure for Secretaries. Many first-year practicing attorneys credited Doris for training and mentoring them.

She also endeared herself to a number of State and Federal judges and their staffs, all of whom she knew on a first-name basis. Doris also put her legal skills to use in Helena when she served as Secretary to State Senate Minority Leader Bill Mathers while her husband Hank served in the Montana House of Representatives.

Except for winters in Hemet, Calif., following their retirement in the mid-'80s, Doris and Hank had lived continuously in Billings since 1956. Doris moved to the Phoenix area in June 2002. Both Doris and Hank were well known in the Billings area and throughout Montana through their support of youth and sports, their interest in politics and their longtime involvement in senior golf activities.

Doris is survived by her five children, Karen Rasmussen of Phoenix, David Cox (Kim) of Scottsdale, Jeanne House (Leon) of Mandan, N.D., Mary Kimber (Miles) of Washington, D.C., and Danny Cox (Mary) of Missoula, Mont.; 11 grandchildren; nine step-grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and a nephew.

Doris will always be remembered for her calm acceptance of many situations and people, her gentle nature, her steadfast devotion to her husband, children and grandchildren, and her strong, living faith.

A celebration of her life will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15 at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 1108 24th Street West in Billings, where Doris and Hank were members for 44 years. Memorials may be directed to Lutheran World Relief c/o Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd.

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Joseph Francis Cozzens

POWELL, Wyo. — Joseph Francis "Francie" Cozzens, 83, of Powell, passed away Saturday, Dec. 28, 2002, at the Powell Nursing Home.

Francis was born in Byron, on Aug. 3, 1919, to Joseph and Bertha (Fawcett) Cozzens. He graduated in 1937 from Powell High School. After training at Aero Industries Technical Institute in California,



**FRANCIS
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he worked at Douglas Aircraft in Santa Monica and helped build the wings on the first DC-3 airplane.

Francis married his high school sweetheart, Beula Fay Good, on Dec.

15, 1940, in the Methodist Church in Powell. They were sealed in the Idaho Falls Temple in 1966.

Francis and Beula Fay worked on the family farm and in 1946, moved with their three children to Bellflower, Calif. They then returned to Powell, where Francis operated a crankshaft grinding business. Francis was co-owner with his brother Mel of Cozzens Motors, the Chrysler-Plymouth dealership, for 22 years. He then became a police officer, retiring from the Powell police force in 1984.

Francis was an avid fly fisherman who enjoyed writing poetry, telling stories, public speaking, and making humorous gadgets. He had a great love for all children. He was a devoted member of the LDS Church and served as a primary and Sunday School teacher, dance director and guide at the Cody Murals. He and Beula Fay published the ward newsletter for many years and in 1993 they served a mission in Salt Lake City.

Survivors include daughter Carol (Dorn) Thornberry of Portland, Ore.; sons, Melvin Cozzens of Denver and Saudi Arabia, and Donnie (Teri) Cozzens of Powell; six grandchildren, Tad (Colleen) Thornberry, Tanya (Bob) Atkins, Terri (Rick) Weberg, Kara (Ed) Edwards, Karissa Cozzens and Molly Cozzens; and 12 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by sister, Olive (Charles) Hawkins of Powell; brothers, Mel (Betty) Cozzens of Cody, John (Minnie) Cozzens of Powell and Matt (Vesa) Cozzens of Powell; brother-in-law, Dale (Jeannie) Good of Cody; sisters-in-law, Lucy Cozzens of Powell, Deloris Good of Powell and Sarah Good of Casper; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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Francis was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Beulah Fay, in 1998; his parents; brother Fred Cozzens; granddaughter Kim (Michael) Bertagnole; great-granddaughter, Kendra Edwards; and brothers-in-law, Ernie and Irvin Good.

Funeral services were Thursday, Jan. 2, at the Powell LDS Church, with burial at Crown Hill Cemetery following the service. Memorials may be made to Powell Valley Hospice or the charity of one's choice. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home of Powell was in charge of the arrangements.

Loa Bassett Cook Cozzens

DEC 05 2003

COWLEY, Wyo. — Loa Bassett Cook Cozzens, 75, of Cowley, died Sunday, Nov. 30, 2003, at North Big Horn Hospital in Lovell.

Loa was born March 9, 1928, in Lovell, to Chancy and Jacie May Nicholls Bassett. She attended school in Lovell, graduating from Lovell High School. She was married to Jim Cook from June 8, 1946, until his death on Sept. 10, 1974. She lived in Thermopolis over 40 years until she married Larry Cozzens on Nov. 3, 1999; they resided in Cowley until her death.

Loa worked, until her retirement, at the Wyoming Pioneer Home in Thermopolis. Loa enjoyed playing cards, going for drives with her husband and viewing mountain scenery in the fall.

Loa will be remembered for the great mother, grandmother and friend that she was to so many. Her family and friends meant the world to her and she was always available to lend a helping hand.

Loa was preceded in death by her parents; her husbands, Jim A. Cook and Homer LeBlanc; a son, Eldon Michael Cook; two granddaughters; three brothers and sisters.

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Loa is survived by her husband, Larry Cozzens of Cowley; daughter, Linda (Glen) Bruner of Watford City, N.D.; sons, Lance Cook of Laramie, Kelly Cook of Thermopolis and Joe (Janice) Cook of Thermopolis; a stepdaughter, Angie Patton of Riverton; brothers, Davie Bassett of Portland, Ore., and Allen Bassett of Casper; sisters, Holly Pruettt of Byron and Erma Hibbard of Mayflower, Ariz.; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday, Dec. 8, at 10 a.m. at the Cowley LDS Chapel. A short memorial service will be held in the LDS Chapel in Thermopolis at 1:30 p.m.; burial will be in Monument Hill Cemetery in Thermopolis following the service. Casket bearers for the services will be Joe Cook, Kelly Cook, Lance Cook, Glen Bruner, Josh Hardin and J.P. Slagle. Honorary bearers are Jared Cook, Billy Cook, Jonah Cook, Jim Hardin and Travis Weiss. Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell is in charge of arrangements.

Mable Cox

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 30 2003

POWELL, Wyo. — Mable Cox, 85, formerly of Cowley, died Friday, April 25, 2003, at the Powell Nursing Home.

Services will be at 12 noon, Saturday, May 3, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Interment will be in the Cowley Cemetery.

Melvin Cozzens

CODY, Wyo. — Melvin Cozzens, 81, died Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2003, at the West Park Hospital.

Memorial graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, at Riverside Cemetery. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

NOV 21 2003

Elva Leora Crago

Elva Leora Crago, age 80, passed away peacefully, Nov. 21, 2003, at Valley Health Care & Rehabilitation Center, Billings.

Elva was born in Detroit Lakes, Minn., Jan. 23, 1923, the firstborn child of Alfred and Esther Helmer. At the age of 4, she moved to Thornton, Wyo., where her parents homesteaded. She was educated in Thornton, Gillette and Upton, Wyo.

By taking high school normal training, and college classes at Spearfish (S.D.) Teachers College, she was able to teach school at the age of 17. Her first teaching assignment included living in a 6' x 9' single board shack. Following her marriage, she road horseback several miles a day to teach all grades in a one-room, rural schoolhouse.

Elva married Bill Crago, April 29, 1942. Bill and Elva spent 57 loving years together.

In 1956, Bill and Elva became foster parents to two boys, Bill and Lon. One year later, Bill and Lon were officially added to the family as adopted sons. During the boys' school years, Elva drove school bus and was very involved in 4-H and sports activities.

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Elva was a very talented woman and had many hobbies and interests of which sewing, crocheting and embroidering were just the start. She made beautiful quilts and did oil and watercolor paintings. Many long winter evenings were spent with Bill and Elva doing woodcarvings.

Elva's carving of a meadowlark even won national awards. She was also involved in ceramics, operating a ceramics shop in Upton for several years, where friends like to gather. Any new hobby or craft that appeared was quickly mastered by Elva.

Elva was a member of the Crook County Extension Homemakers, the Carlisle Livewires for over 40 years. In 1989, she was honored with the prestigious Susan Quealy Award for outstanding leadership in the County Extension Home Economics Program. Election years found Elva serving on the Election Board and each year she could be counted on to participate in some aspect of the Crook County Fair, whether serving on a board or supervising a department.

Elva was preceded in death by her husband, Bill, and son, Lon. She is survived by her son, Bill, his wife, Charlotte and two granddaughters, Andrea Bassett and Michelle Cragg.

Elva was a fun-loving, enthusiastic and warm individual who valued all her friendships and always put family first. The hours and days she spent being a grandma will always be cherished by her granddaughters.

Funeral services will be held Nov. 29, 10 a.m., at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Sundance, Wyo. Interment will follow at Greenwood Cemetery, Upton.

Eleanora E. Craig

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 06 2003

Eleanora E. "Ellen" Craig, 85, of Billings passed away Thursday morning, April 3, 2003, at the Horizon Hospice Home.

Ellen was born on Feb. 6, 1918, in Beulah, N.D., a daughter of Wilhelm and Elizabeth (Heihn) Speidel. As a child her father taught her to read and speak German and later Ellen wrote German letters to her new stepfather whom she adored and who loved her.

She received her education in Billings and on Aug. 21, 1943, enlisted in the Army. Ellen was honorably discharged on Jan. 20, 1946, and immediately enrolled in the Chicago School of Nursing, where she received a Practical Nursing Degree. On June 28, 1947, she married Pete Craig and together they lived and raised a family in Billings. She retired as a medical receptionist in 1972.

Ellen was a talented woman, enjoying music, crossword puzzles, crocheting, and working with children. She liked reading and history and was a published poet. The last surviving charter member of the Tree of Life Wesleyan Church, Ellen was devoted to her church and a member of the Missionary Society. She loved the Bible and was known by her family as their "prayer warrior"

Along with her husband Pete, Ellen is survived by two daughters, Sharon (David) Reighard and Mary Ellen Dyer; a son, William D. Craig; two sisters, Bertha DeVoe and Echo Olson; a step-sister Emma Ostermiller; 17 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and numerous nephews and nieces. Preceding her in death were her parents; a son, Jack C. Craig; and eight brothers and sisters.

Visitations will begin Sunday afternoon at the Smith Downtown Chapel. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, April 8, at the Tree of Life Wesleyan Church with military honors and interment to follow at Mountview Cemetery. Memorials may be sent to the Horizon Hospice Home or the Tree of Life Wesleyan Church. Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

John S. Craig

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 15 2003

RATHDRUM, Idaho — John S. Craig, age 74, of Rathdrum, died Monday, Jan. 13, 2003, at Kootenai Medical Center. He was born April 4, 1928, in Columbus, Mont., to William and Hazel (Jenkins) Craig. He grew up and graduated from high school in Columbus. He married LeAnn Isakson on June 20, 1948, in Columbus.

John worked at Vaughn & Ragsdale Clothing Store and later went to work for Northern Pacific/Burlington Northern railroad and retired from there in 1988. LeAnn died in February of 1992, in Livingston, Mont., where they had lived and raised their family. John moved to northern Idaho in October of 1993 and in November, he married Carroll Crane Shorthill in Kona, Hawaii. They moved to Rathdrum in 1995.

John was a member of the Livingston Lodge #32 AF & AM, and he was also a Shrine clown for many years. He belonged to the Rathdrum Senior Center, and the Calvary Chapel Rathdrum Prairie was their church home. John was a collector of many things, and he enjoyed fishing and talking with family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Carroll at the home in Rathdrum; son, Don Craig of Billings; sons and daughters-in-law, Doug and Tina Craig of Dublin, Calif., Dennis and Lisa Craig of

Richmond, Va., David and Robin Craig of Billings, Duane and Shanon Craig of Idaho Falls, Idaho, and Dwight and Brigett Craig of Benecia, Calif.; a daughter and son-in-law, Bev and Maynard Hanel of Burlington, Iowa; a brother and sister-in-law, Charles and Danni Craig of Longview, Wash.; a sister, Betty Loring of Lakewood, Wash.; 19 grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers and a sister.

A memorial service will be 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 17, at the Calvary Chapel Rathdrum Prairie, 1510 Mill St., Rathdrum. Yates Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. The family prefers memorials to the Rathdrum Senior Center, 802 W. Montana St., Rathdrum, ID 83858. Please visit John's memorial and online guest book at www.yatesfuneralhomes.com.

Florence E. Cram

RENO, Nev. — Florence Evelyn Eastwood was born to Rueben and Tomena Eastwood in Fairfield, Mont., on April 26, 1920. She passed from us on Nov. 28, 2003, in Reno.

She often told stories of growing up on the family dairy farm and attending school with her sister Betty. Florence married Gordon Monkman in 1939 and was blessed with two daughters, Lanny and Nancy. Florence graduated from cosmetology school in Great Falls, Mont., and later moved to Billings, where she lived for more than 50 years. In 1949, she married Earl Hedden and had two children, Betsey and William. She was very fond of stepson Dick Hedden, big brother to the others.

Florence was active in Eastern Star and Rainbow for Girls. She was proud of her Norwegian and English/Irish heritage and spent many hours charting our genealogy. She owned and operated Hi-Lite House of Beauty from 1967 to 1974, when her eyesight began to fail. She attended the Montana School for the Adult Blind in Bozeman and later served as president of the Yellowstone Chapter of the Montana

Association for the Blind. She was an avid reader and was so grateful for talking book audio-tapes.

In 1971, she married Howard "Doc" Cram, welcoming his daughter Vicky to the family circle. Mr. and Mrs. Cram were members of the First Presbyterian Church and the Elks Club. Doc preceded Florence in death in 1995. Together, they cherished a total of eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Her sister, Betty McCone, died in 1998; and daughter Lanny R. Thomas passed in 2000.

She is survived by Nancy R. Granata and husband Charles of San Jose, Betsey J. Hedden and husband Robert of Reno, William E. Hedden of Seattle, Vicky and Max Miller of Laurel, Mont., Dick and Sharon Hedden of Billings.

Services will be held in Billings at a future date. Arrangements are pending with Reno Memorial Funeral Services and Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorial donations may be made to the Montana Association for the Blind or Talking Books Library in Helena.

Thomas Cramblet III

PHOENIX — Thomas Ellsworth "Tim" Cramblet III, formerly of Billings, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2003, of natural causes. He was 86. He was born Sept. 5, 1916, to Mildred and Wilbur Haverfield Cramblet. His father was the president of Bethany College, a tie that he held very close to his heart.

Tim went on to graduate from Bethany College in 1939 and was a Sigma Nu. He also attended the Columbia School of Journalism, never losing his love of writing or his love of reading. His other loves were fly fishing and hunting. He was an avid walker and outdoorsman all of his life.

He was also a multi-engine bomber pilot in the U.S. Army during World War II, flying B-24s. He had a passion for airplanes and made many friends over the years, young and old, who shared his passion and lis-

tened to his many stories and memories of his pilot days.

Tim is survived by his son, Chris Cramblet and his two daughters, Ellen Cramblet Edwardson and Karen "KC" Cramblet Kern. He had six grandchildren, Wib Cramblet, Rob Cramblet, Shay Cramblet, Katie Gilbert, Sarah Gilbert and Mackenzie Kern.

Other survivors who loved him and will miss him are his brother, Wilbur H. Cramblet, Jr.; his wife, Jeanne Cramblet; and his many wonderful nieces and their children.

Tim was preceded in death by his father, mother and sister, Joan Cramblet Vodrey and her husband, Oliver Vodrey "Vod."

"Dad, we hope you had time to make one last cast into the Clark's Fork River in your beloved Montana before the long shadows of evening called you home. We love you and will miss you."

James A. Cramer 'J.G.'

James A. Cramer, 52, of Billings, passed away on Dec. 28, 2002, at his home, after an extended illness.

Jim was born in Helena on March 27, 1950, to R.F. and Peaches Cramer. He attended Lincoln Elementary School, Helena Junior High and Helena Senior High prior to joining the U.S. Marines on May 5, 1967. After boot camp, Jim was trained at Twentynine Palms, Calif., before going to Vietnam. He served three tours in Vietnam, in 1968, 1969 and 1970. After returning to the States, Jim was stationed at both Treasure Island Calif., and Twentynine Palms.

Following his retirement from the Marines, Jim moved back to Helena and married Terry Cottingham in December 1978. In January 1979, they moved to Santa Rosa, and then to Petaluma, Calif. In 1982, Jim and Terry moved back to Montana and settled in Billings. Jim worked various jobs in Billings, including TV and VCR repairs, bartending, and working as a forklift mechanic.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include Terry Cramer and their three children, James "Gabriel," Tamara and Christopher Cramer, all of Billings; a grandson, Colin Cramer of Billings; a sister, Marion Hanson and her two sons, Jake and Blair Hanson, all of eattle.

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JAN 04 2003

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 6, at the Smith Downtown Chapel. Military honors and interment will follow at Mountview Cemetery. No public visitations are scheduled. Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Kenneth Ward Grandall

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. — Kenneth Ward Grandall, 73, died Saturday, May 24, 2003, at Hot Springs County Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 28, at Mortimore Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Monument Hill Cemetery.

DEC 28 2003**Leila Ruth Cranston**

Leila Ruth Cranston, age 81, of Billings, passed away at her home on Dec. 25, 2003. Leila was born to Fredrick and Ruth Linfield on Dec. 15, 1922, in Washington, D.C., where her father was working.

On June 24, 1943, Leila and Ralph Cranston were married in Bozeman. Together, they raised four children. There was no greater joy to Leila than her family. She stayed at home while the children were growing up. After they had left the house to start their own families, Leila went to work as bookkeeper. Her last employment was with her son's firm, Cranston & Wright CPA.

Leila was a graduate of Montana State College in 1946, a member of First United Methodist Church, Chapter AN-P.O.E. and AOB Sorority.

Survivors include her children, Kathryn Ann Williamson of Billings, Karen Lee Bertelsen of Wibaux and Kolleen Wynne McKenna of Casper, Wyo.; brothers, Robert F. Linfield of Boulder, Colo., and William B Linfield of Billings; sister, Margeret L. Lyons of Boise, Idaho; nine grandsons, and 17 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her parents, her husband Ralph, and one son, Kenneth Allen Cranston.

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Leila's true loves in life were her family and her pets, and that was obvious to all who knew her. She will be greatly missed.

Memorial services will be held 1 p.m. Tuesday at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Private family interment will take place prior to the service.

Memorials may be made to Senior Helping Hands, 3310 2nd Ave. N., Billings, 59101, or to Meals on Wheels, 1501 14th St. W., Billings, 59102.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

John Munn Crawford

MAY 10 2003

RANCHESTER, Wyo. — John Munn Crawford, 55, of Ranchester, died Wednesday, May 7, 2003, at the VA Medical Center in Salt Lake City.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

MAR 31 2003

Terry Lee Crawford

LONGMONT, Colo. — Terry Lee Crawford died Friday, March 28, 2003, at Longmont United Hospital following a brief illness. He was 58 years old.

Mr. Crawford was born Nov. 9, 1943 in Boulder, Colo. to Lawrence Crawford and Roberta Barnes Crawford. He grew up in Boulder and graduated from Boulder High School in 1961.

He married Betty Johnston in 1962 in Boulder County. They later divorced.

Terry traveled the country for many years as a truck driver. He enjoyed the mountains, racing cars and working on his hot rods.

Mr. Crawford is survived by his mother, Robert Crawford of Billings; a son, Shane L. Crawford of Longmont; two daughters, Terry D. Koester and Karry J. Brady of Longmont; a sister, Joan Kostelecky of Billings; five grandchildren, Amanda, Heather, Kyron, Jenny and Cassandra; and two great-grandchildren, Nathaniel and Skylur.

Terry was preceded in death by his father.

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Visitation will be from 4 until 7 p.m. on Monday, March 31, at the Howe Mortuary, Longmont. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. at LifeBridge Christian Church on Tuesday, April 1. David Bradshaw will officiate. Burial will follow at Mountain View Memorial Park, Boulder.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Crawford Memorial Fund in care of Howe Mortuary, 439 Coffman St., Longmont, CO, 80501.

Carrie A. Creager

GLENROCK, Wyo. — Carrie A. Creager, 91, of Glenrock, died Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2003, at Sheridan Manor.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at the Glenrock Assembly of God Church. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, at the Glenrock Assembly of God Church. Burial will be in the Glenrock Cemetery. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

BILLINGS GAZETTE


JAN 10 2003

DEC 29 2003

Vivian L. Creathbaum

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Vivian L. Creathbaum, 65, died Saturday, Dec. 27, 2003, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 30, at Kane Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.



NOV 23 2003**Leroy R. Critchfield**

POWELL, Wyo. — Leroy Renwick "Lee" Critchfield, 69, died Friday, Nov. 21, 2003, at Powell Valley Healthcare Center.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 24, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday, in the Relief Society Room at the church. Burial will be in Crown Hill Cemetery in Powell. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home of Powell is in charge.

Jeremy Joe Croft

LOVELL, Wyo. — Jeremy Joe Croft, 21, died Sunday, Sept. 14, 2003, in a pickup rollover accident, east of Billings.

Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17, at the LDS Stake Center in Lovell. Burial will be on the family ranch, northeast of Lovell.

Alfred H. Croonquist

MAY 22 2003

SEATTLE — Alfred H. Croonquist was born Aug. 17, 1924, in Red Lodge, Mont., to Alfred and Senia (Pollari) Croonquist and died May 8, 2003, in Seattle. Alfred spent his childhood with his sister, Senia Mabel (Croonquist) Hart in Red Lodge and at Camp Senia, a dude ranch on the banks of the West Fork of Rock Creek in the Beartooth Mountains.

The family moved to Billings in 1932. Upon the death of his father in 1938 when Alfred was 13, he became the head of the household and started working various jobs to help support his mother and sister. He attended Billings High School, where he was active in athletics. He graduated in 1942. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy and joined the Naval Aviator Program, where he attained the rank of Lieutenant and earned his Naval Aviator Wings of Gold flying the PV4Y2, a four-engine patrol bomber.

After WWII, he enrolled at Montana State College. He was active in the Sigma Chi Fraternity. He played football for Montana State and was elected to the MSU Football Hall of Fame. He met Shirley Mehlhaff at Montana State College. They were married in 1947 and divorced in 1975.

In 1948, Alfred transferred to

the School of Architecture at the University of Washington. He received his architectural license upon graduation in 1950. He worked for the firm of Decker and Christensen before starting his own business, Alfred H. Croonquist — Architects, AIA. His firm was in operation for over 50 years in the Seattle area. He did work for the U.S. Navy, the University of Washington, Boeing Co., Northwest Building Corp., Corporate Properties Inc. and Triland Development. Notable projects included the Baranoff Hotel restoration in Pioneer Square, Seattle, and the addition to the School of Art at the University of Washington; he also designed many commercial building projects in the Seattle area and western states.

Alfred lived his life with passion and inspiration. He loved the out-of-doors. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed sailing, skiing, photography and jewelry design.

He is survived by his three sons and their wives, David and Judy Croonquist of Sequim, Tom and Elsa Croonquist of Vashon and

Mark and Kris Croonquist of Seattle; six grandchildren, Karyn Gorgart of West Seattle, Amy Croonquist of Denver, Taylor, Max and Mia Croonquist, all of Vashon and Kate Croonquist of Seattle; and two great-grandsons, Carter and Jackson Gorgart. His aunt, Olga Middleton of Big Timber, Mont.; his sister, Senia Hart of Red Lodge, Mont., and her family; and his dear companion of the past 13 years, Diddy Cullity, also survive him.

Services were held Tuesday, May 13, at Plymouth Congregational Church, Seattle. Memorials may be made to: Carbon County Historical Society, PO Box 881, Red Lodge, MT 59068.

Phyllis Ione Crosby

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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GALLATIN GATEWAY —

On the Sabbath morning of Feb. 9, 2003, at 10:30 a.m., surrounded by her family, Phyllis returned to her father in heaven. She was born Dec. 23, 1925, in Felt, Idaho, to Clement and Della (Richards) Robinson.



**PHYLLIS
CROSBY**

Phyllis grew up in Ashton, Idaho, and graduated from high school there. On Dec. 16, 1946, she married Stacey Crosby in Butte. They lived in West Yellowstone; Ketchum, Idaho; and finally in Gallatin Gateway. She was a waitress, housewife, and later bought and ran Stacey's Bar with her husband for 40 years. She performed in the Ladies Aid Plays annually and was active in the Gateway Community. She liked her trips with her sisters and friends, playing cards, watching football and playing keno machines.

Phyllis is survived by her daughters, Cody (Ron) Morton of Gallatin Gateway, Toni (Matt) Donnelly of Kennewick, Wash., and Marti (Mark) Klette of Gallatin Gateway; sisters, Norma Schuldies of St. Anthony, Idaho, Connie Corlingley of Ashton, Idaho, and Deanna Hogan of Ashton, Idaho; grandchildren,

Destry and his wife Kendy, Jade, Kaycee, Stacey, Darcy, Kash, Dillon and Alex; and great-grandchildren, Jordan, Kaylee and Kendree. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; two daughters, Connie Jo and Stacey LaDawn; and sister Wanda Cordingley.

Phyllis was a doting mother, sister and grandmother. She loved her family above all else. Phyllis considered all of her friends her extended family, she loved and looked forward to seeing them daily at the family bar (Stacey's), and at the Gateway Market. As a family we would like to thank each and every one of you for being such good friends to our mom, grandmother and sister.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 16, at the Gallatin Gateway Community Center. Memorials may be made in her name to the charity of one's choice.

Mabel C. Cross

ROUNDUP — Mabel C. Cross joined the Lord on Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2003, at the age of 84, surrounded by her family.

Mabel was born near Belmont on Nov. 10, 1918. She was the daughter of Norwegian immigrants Carl and Elise Rue. She graduated from Belmont High School.

She married Virgil Cross in Roundup on April 8, 1939, and spent the next 64 years as a loving wife, mother and grandmother. Mabel had three daughters and one son. She was also book-keeper for the family mine. She was an avid bowler, loved to fish and play with her grandchildren. She was a member of the Moose Lodge, SNPJ Lodge, Eastern Star and the Baptist Church.



**MABEL
CROSS**

Mabel was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers, three sisters and two grandchildren.

Mabel is survived by her husband Virgil; son Bob (Lynn Cross of Fremont, Calif.; daughters Darlene (Cliff) Gatchell of Billings, Sharon McHenry and Susan (Alan) Goffena of Roundup. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren, with two more on the way. Mabel has two surviving brothers, Ernest (Betty) Rue of Absarokee and Carl (Helen) Rue of Portland, Ore. There are also many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Emmanuel Baptist Church of Roundup, the Roundup Memorial Nursing Home or the charity of your choice.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, at the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Roundup. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Elma Doris Crow

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS
— Elma Doris Crow, 85 of White Sulphur Springs, died Saturday, May 31, 2003, at Mountainview Medical Center in White Sulphur Springs.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 5, at Christian & Missionary Alliance Church, with graveside committal following in Mayn Cemetery. Twic'el Funeral Home is in charge.

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Gary Robert Crow

Gary Robert Crow, 55, died Feb. 14, 2003, at his home in Billings.

He was born Nov. 24, 1947, in Moline, IL, the son of Louis and Evelyn Crow. His family moved to Billings in 1953 and to Laurel in 1962.

Crow graduated from Laurel High School in 1965 and received a bachelor's degree in business from Denver University in 1969. He lived in Colorado until 1986 when he suffered a serious accident which left him physically impaired.

He is survived by his brother, Steve (Wendy Weiland) Crow, his nephew, Harold Crow and niece, Beverly Crow all of Laurel; a paternal uncle, Robert (Phyllis) Crow of Florida; and two maternal uncles, Vernon Bliven of Idaho and Wayne (Juanita) Bliven of Virginia.

A memorial service will be held at 10 am. on Saturday, Feb. 22, at Laurel United Methodist Church.

Richard Charles

Crow, Sr.

'Dickie'

July 31, 1943 - Feb. 11, 2003

COLSTRIP — The love of his life, Faith Nina Crow was always be her husband's side through sickness and good times. I love

you husband, and when you left me to go to a better place, a part of me went with you. We will all see one another in heaven, until then ... peace, love.

We will always be islands in the stream and love you more than I can say.

Survivors are Mother-in-laws Cecelia Big Back, Bertha Limberhand, the late Orajune Edwards, and his favorite Mom-in-law, Nancy, whom Dickie loved and respected, and the other person who knew him well, Chris; Sister-in-laws Suzanne (Daniel) American Horse and children Lori (Isaac) Walksalong and children, Mabelline (Emmett) Timber and son, Esther (Will) Williams and son, and Sherol Williams and children of Newton, Kan; Brother-in-laws Kenny (Tenaya) Big Back and



**RICHARD
CROW, SR.**

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children, Tim (Melinda) Limberhand and children, Elmore (Tina) Limberhand III and children, William Walksalong and daughter, Jonathan (Michelle) Long Sioux and son, Brett Beckman, Kevin Beckman, Daniel Limberhand and children; and the many many more of his true friends that are too numerous to mention, thank you for always caring for my husband when he was visiting. Special ha-ho to Preston and Sandy Grand and family for loving my husband. His special brother, Cheato, who went down many roads with him.

Thank you God for introducing this wonderful, kind-hearted, generous man named Dickie into my life - I will always cherish the days you gave to us and until we all meet one another in the Kingdom of Heaven, I will always miss you and love you. No more pain, love-peace be with you.

Richard Charles Crow, Sr.

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COLSTRIP — Richard "Dickie" Charles Crow, Sr., 59, died peacefully at the St. Vincent Hospital, Feb. 11, 2003, in Billings, after a long illness.

He was born July 31, 1943, in Poplar, to Bea (Belton) and Quentin Crow, Sr. Dickie attended schools in Poplar and Stephan, S.D. He worked as a carpenter, firefighter, in forestry and was a certified butcher. He married his constant companion, Faith Big Back, on May 5, 1995, in Lame Deer.

Dickie was a very kindhearted man who was devoted to his family and friends. He liked to hunt, fish, travel and drive up in the hills.

He is survived by his wife, Faith in Colstrip; mother, Bea Belton of Poplar; brothers, Ronald (Stinker) Crow, Bill (Babes) Prichard and Robert Belton of Poplar, Mike Crow of Grand Canyon, Ariz., Warren (Kathy) Crowe of Great Falls and Mickey Crow of Browning; sisters, Rhonda Mason of Wolf Point, Terry (Jim) Barrons of Poplar, Jo Ann Nevins and Alma Carlson of Browning. His children are Richard Crow, Jr., of Pryor, Jonas, Macon and Jesse of Rocky Boy; daughters, Michelle (Dennis) DeMarrias of Ft. Belknap, DeAnna (Marvin) Shields of Poplar, Tiki

(Willie) Crow, Sunny (Wayne) Crow of Tucson, Ariz., Beatrice "Munchie" Crow of Rocky Boy, Lindy (Ronald) Crow of Poplar.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Florence Davis; father, Quentin Crow, Sr.; brothers, Quentin "Butch," Leonard, Duane and Merlin Crow; and daughter, Tina Crow.

A wake will be held in Lame Deer, Saturday, Feb. 15, 7 p.m., at Nancy Big Back's (his very special mother-in-law's) home. Services will be held at the Mennonite Church at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 16. He will then be brought back to Fort Peck, where he was born and raised. Rosary will be held at the Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Poplar on Sunday, at 7 p.m. A Mass will be held at 10 a.m. Monday morning, Feb. 17, at the Church. Dickie will be laid to rest where he requested to be buried, at the Riverside Cemetery. Dinner will be served after the funeral at the Church Center.

APR 06 2003

CODY, Wyo. — James Mark Crowder, 40, of Cody, formerly of Burlington, Wyo., died Thursday, April 3, 2003, in Cody.

Funeral Services will be at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, April 7, at the Burlington Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, with interment to follow in the Burlington Cemetery. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

Dorothy Crump

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Dorothy H. Crump, 76, of Sheridan, died Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2003, at her home.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Burial will be in the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

Warren Cabbage

POWELL, Wyo. — Warren C. Cabbage, 71, of Powell, died Friday, Oct. 17, 2003, at his home.

Visitation will be from 3 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21, at Mirsky-Easton Funeral Home in Powell. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, at The Powell Church of Christ. Burial will follow in Crown Hill Cemetery in Powell.

Warren Cabbage

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, for long-time area farmer Warren Cabbage.

Services will be held at the Church of Christ east of Powell, where he was deacon for many years. He died peacefully at the family farm home in Garland, surrounded by his loving family on Friday morning, Oct. 17.

He was 71. Visitation will be held at Miratsky Easton Funeral Home in Powell from 3 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 21.

Warren was born June 11, 1932, at home on the farm, the only child of lesse and Ruth Cabbage. He attended Powell



Warren Cabbage

schoools, graduating from high school in 1950. In 1953, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and served in the Signal Corps as a powerman until 1955.

Upon returning to Garland, he began his life-long occupation of farming with his father. He loved the land and became

a good steward of it. On July 16, 1961, he married his life companion Johanna Louise Schultz at her parents' home in Cody. They were married 42 years. They

were parents of four sons and a daughter. Because they believed a farm is the most wonderful place to raise children, they also served as loving foster parents to 50 other children. During his lifetime, he enjoyed being on the Shoshone Irrigation Water Board as a member and eventually as president. Longtime board member of the Homesteader Museum, he also had a keen interest in and knowledge of antique firearms. Along with a group of like-minded friends, he built a highly accurate rifle, and, for his enjoyment, proved it on range targets as distant as 1,000 yards.

Survivors include his wife Johanna of the family farm at Garland, sons Scott (wife Marlene and daughter Linna) of Laguna Niguel, Calif., Mike (wife Tracy, daughter Taylor and son Joshua) of Friendswood, Texas, Tom (wife Tina and daughter Hannah) of Great Falls, Mont., Andrew (wife Anna and daughter Abigail) of Powell and daughter Sara also of Powell. Many other relatives, neighbors and friends loved him and will miss him too.

For those who would prefer, memorial donations in lieu of flowers can be made in Warren's name to the Homesteader Museum or Powell Valley Home Care and Hospice.

Katherine E. 'Kay' Cummings

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LEWISTOWN — Katherine E. "Kay" Cummings, 76, died Friday, July 25, 2003, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

Kay was born Feb. 28, 1927, to Ferdinand and Rosamond (Wendell) Fischer in Chicago. Kay was raised and



**KAY
CUMMINGS**

educated in Wilmette, Ill., and graduated from New Trier High School in Wilmette.

In 1946, Kay was united in marriage to Raymond H. Cummings and they made their home at Regina, south of Malta, where the family resided.

Kay was a housewife and very involved in her children's activities. Kay and Ray later divorced. Kay moved to Lewistown in 1992 and enjoyed bowling, bingo, dancing, card games, crafts, reading, piano and singing.

Kay enjoyed her life, her many friends, and always had a smile for everyone she knew. Mom's greatest joy was being with her family, who will miss her deeply.

Kay is survived by her children, Pat (Brook) Johnson of Seattle, Jim (Deborah) Cummings of Lacey, Wash., Debbie (Neil) Fleming of Absarokee and Diana (Scott) Brockway of Fremont, Calif.; and granddaughters, Andrea and Jamie Fleming of Absarokee. She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Rose.

Graveside memorial services for Katherine "Kay" Cummings will be at Rosebud Cemetery in Absarokee on Saturday, Aug. 2, at 10:30 a.m. Cremation has taken place.

Memorials may be made to the charity of donor's choice. Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown is assisting the family with arrangements.

Richard Walter Cummings

GREYBULL, Wyo. — Richard "Dick" Walter Cummings, 80, of Greybull, died Sunday, Jan. 5, 2003, at the Hot Springs County Memorial Hospital in Thermopolis.

Cremation has taken place. No services are planned. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc. of Basin is in charge.

Wilburta Mae Cummins

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Wilburta Mae Cummins, 81, went to be with her Lord on Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003.



**WILBURTA
CUMMINS**

Wilburta was born on Nov. 1, 1922, in Billings, to Wilbur and Margaret Barkley. She attended school

in Billings and was in the first graduating class from Billings Senior High School in 1941. She later attended Billings Business College for two years.

In June of 1941, she was united in marriage to Robert DeRoeck. They were blessed with three daughters and one son. They were later divorced.

On Sept. 5, 1950, Wilburta married Simeon "Pat" Cummins. Pat preceded her in death in 1983.

Wilburta grew up in Billings and has resided in her home on Old Hardin Road since 1950. She worked one year at the GTA Elevator until it burned down, and then the Farmers Union Distribution Center/Cenex, retiring after 20 years of service.

In her younger years, she enjoyed dancing, hunting, fishing and floating the Yellowstone River. She enjoyed the outdoors and working in her yard.

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She was a devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, always putting their needs ahead of her own. She will be greatly missed by her children and grandchildren.

Wilburta is survived by three daughters and one son, Juanita Broderson, Sandra (Gary) Pearsall, Robert (Carla) DeRoeck, all of Billings, and Diana (Wade) Brown of Broadview; one sister and one brother, Ruth (Doug) Egan of Billings and Robert (Jackie) Barkley of Federal Way, Wash. Also surviving are 16 grandchildren, 45 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Arthur "Bud" Barkley.

Wilburta loved the Lord and went to be with Him on her 81st birthday. What a glorious way to celebrate your birthday, in the presence of the Lord.

Memorials in her memory may be made to the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children, PO Box 20673, Billings, MT 59104, or a charity of your choice.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, at Smith's Downtown Chapel. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children, PO Box 20673, Billings, MT 59104, or to the charity of one's choice.

Francis Marion Cuning

Francis Marion (John) Cuning, 77, Gothenburg, Nebr., died Tuesday, Oct. 14 at the Tri-County Hospital in Lexington, Nebr.

He was the father of Powell postmaster Johnnie Cuning.

He graduated from Gothenburg High School in 1944. He served in the U.S. Navy aboard the aircraft carrier USS Commencement Bay during World War II.

He married Joyce Margie Rothrock Oct. 3, 1947, at Gothenburg. He drove truck for many years, retiring about 10 years ago.

He enjoyed his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He also enjoyed the outdoors, hunting and fishing, working in his yard, his roses, feeding and taking care of his squirrels and the birds.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce, of Gothenburg; two sons, Johnnie Cuning and wife Beth of Powell and Michael Cuning and wife Brenda of Sutherland, Nebr.; one sister; one brother; one sister-in-law; five granddaughters, Heather Cuning of Billings, Mont., Brandy (Grant) Walstrom of Portland, Ore., Amber (Dustin) Smith of Wayne, Mich., Chelsea Cuning of Wayne, Nebr., and Jessica Lyon of Powell; and three great-grandsons.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Linda; and two

brothers.

Funeral services are scheduled Friday, Oct. 17 at 10:30 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Gothenburg. Burial is in the Fort McPherson National Cemetery, Maxwell, Nebr.

Memorials may be given to the First Presbyterian Church or the Shriner's Children's Hospital.

H.E. Curlee

ROUNDUP — H.E. Curlee, 84, of Roundup, died Thursday, Oct. 16, 2003, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Cremation has taken place. Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge.

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Dr. Robert E. Currie, MD

RACINE, Wis. — Dr. Robert E. Currie, MD, 83, the beloved husband of Mickey O. Currie and dear father of Cristi Lyn Currie, Robin Lee Hansen and Scott Currie, died of heart-related complications.

Robert was born on Aug. 9, 1920, in Roundup, Mont. He grew up in Roundup and in Cody, Wyo. He attended Gon-



**DR. ROBERT
CURRIE**

zaga Jesuit School for one year to learn boxing and play football. Robert began his military career at Fort Logan, Colo., in 1942. Later that same year he entered the Medical Corps Officers Candidate School in Grant, Ill. He also spent 90 days in Anti-Aircraft (AAOCS) training and two months in Anti-Aircraft Artillery (AAA Regiment) in El Paso, Texas. In 1943, he trained as a paratrooper at Ft. Benning, Ga., and attended Artillery Officers School at Ft. Sill, Okla.

Robert married on Nov. 4, 1944, at Chicago Temple (First Methodist Church) in Chicago. Also in 1944, he was attending Marquette University in Milwaukee as an electrical engi-

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near. In 1946, he switched his major to pre-med at Marquette and then transferred these studies to the University of Denver, receiving his bachelor of science on June 12, 1948.

In 1952, he graduated from the University of Colorado School of Medicine. From 1952-1953, he had an internship at Murphy Army Hospital in Waltham, Mass., and Boston Army General Hospital. From 1953-1954, he was a medical officer for basic army troops and the 101st Airborne Infantry paratroopers. From 1955-1956, he was in general practice in Scobey, Mont.; Spooner, Wis., and Menominee Falls, Wis.

In 1958, he returned to school to specialize in anesthesiology. He studied at UCLA-Wadsworth Veterans Hospital and Children's Hospital. He served his residency in Los Angeles from 1959-1960. In the summer of 1960, the family moved to Kenosha, Wis., where Robert began his anesthesiology practice at St. Catherine's Hospital. In 1966 he transferred to St. Luke's Hospital in Racine where he became head of anesthesiology.

In 1982, Dr. and Mrs. Currie returned to his home state of Montana. He practiced anesthesiology at Deaconess Hospital until 1985. After the death of his wife Mickey in 1991, Robert moved back to Racine in August 2001 to be near his daughters, Robin and Cristi.

Memorial services for Robert will be held at St. Rita's Catholic Church on Saturday, Jan. 3, 2004, at 1 p.m., celebrated by Rev. Joseph Stobba, O.S.A. Relatives and friends may meet with the family at the church on Saturday morning from noon until the time of Mass. In lieu of flowers, please contribute to the Southern Poverty Law Center, 400 Washington Ave., Montgomery, AL 36104

MAY 13 2003

Stuart James Currie

ROCK HILL, S.C. — Stuart James Currie, 29, of Rock Hill, formerly of Big Horn, Wyo., died Friday, May 2, 2003, as the result of a motorcycle accident.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 5, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Burial was in Forest Hills Cemetery in Rock Hill.

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Barbara Curry

Barbara Curry, 59 of Billings, died Monday morning, March 10, 2003, at her home. She was born April 27, 1943, in Seattle, the daughter of George and Charlotte Reini.



**BARBARA
CURRY**

Barb earned her bachelor's degree at Rocky Mountain College and taught for a short time in Cody, Wyo., until she married her husband, Scotty Curry, on Sept. 11, 1965.

Later, Barb continued on with her education and got her master's degree at Eastern Montana College in Billings.

She taught in and around Billings up until her death.

She had a great love for crafts, gardening, pets, visits to her daughter in New England, where she loved the covered bridges and lighthouses, and her multitude of friends who will remember her as one of the most warm, loving, and caring people ever. She will also be remembered by her daughter as a loving mother and best friend.

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She leaves her only daughter, Wendy, of Keene, N.H., but is joining her beloved husband Scotty, who preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, March 12, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Interment will be in the Fairview Cemetery, Hardin. Memorial to Northern Rockies Cancer Center, PO Box 369, Billings, MT 59109-0369.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Henry C. Curtis

Henry C. (PeeWee) Curtis, our beloved father and friend, was called home to be with his Eternal Father at 12:15a.m., Jan. 18, 2003. He passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his family. He married Ruth Biggs, Feb. 10, 1979, in Oakland, Calif.

He was born Oct. 24, 1931 in Jonesville, La. to Washington Curtis and Eunice Cotton Curtis. He moved to Oakland, Calif., at the age of 14. He graduated from McClymonds High School and then served in the United States Army from August 1952 to August 1954. Upon his discharge from the military, PeeWee worked at various jobs. Eventually he went to work for Ransome Construction Company and was a member of Local Union 304 for 27 years. Henry was an original member of Oakland's famous gospel group, The West Coast Corinthians. After retiring, PeeWee and Ruth moved to Billings in 1992. During his short time in Billings, Henry and Ruth did volunteer work for the Montana Rescue Mission, was a foster parent, volunteer police



**HENRY
CURTIS**

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chaplain and a member of various community committees.

PeeWee is survived by his beloved wife and children, Leroy Stanfield (Brenda), Erma Love, Geraldine Frederick (C.L.), Sharon Curtis, M.A. Malik (Michael Dunn), Gabriel Dunn (Marlena), Argola Ruth Mayfield (Duwayne), Saint Samuel Stanfield, all of California, Cynthia A. Murphy (David) of Bremerton, Wash.; Robert N. Brown, Jamar C. Curtis, Ernest Blackwell, Kain Whalen, all of Billings; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Helen Stanfield; and a grandson, Terry Caron Love.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21, at Smith's West Chapel, 304 34th St. W. Interment will take place in California.

Jillian Ross Curtis

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Funeral services for Jillian Ross Curtis, infant daughter of Donald W and Shannon K. (Kiever) Curtis, will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette, with Pastor Dan Morgan of New Life Wesleyan Church officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Pisgah Cemetery.

Jillian Ross Curtis was born silently on Sunday, Sept. 7, 2003, at Campbell County Memorial Hospital.

Jillian Ross is survived by her parents Donald and Shannon Curtis; her 3-year-old brother, Justin Curtis, all of Gillette; maternal grandparents, George and Karen Grassell of Sunsites, Ariz., Jim and Dee Kiever of Daniel; paternal grandparents, Dick and Shirley Curtis of Chico, Calif., Gene and Susan Eversull of Pinedale; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Condolences may be sent via the Internet to Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home at www.stevensonandsons.com or to 210 W. Fifth Street, Gillette, WY 82716.

Marcellus 'Mark' Robert Curtiss

The Bradenton Press

MAR 05 2003

Marcellus "Mark" Robert Curtiss, loving husband, father and brother, passed away March 2, 2003, after a short illness.



**MARK
CURTISS**

Mark was born in Circle on April 30, 1926, to Francis and Christine Curtiss. After graduating from Circle High School with four letters in football and basketball, Mark enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served in the Pacific Theater aboard the APA 214 USS Natrona. He and his crew were known as Kamikaze Survivors, after three engagements.

While home on leave, on Aug. 13, 1945, Mark married the love of his life, Lois Jean Stone. After being honorably discharged from the service, Mark worked with his father as a mechanic in Circle, was active in the local Masonic Lodge, enjoyed his role as a Boy Scout scoutmaster, and played three years in the Circle city basketball league.

In 1951, Mark was offered the job as plant superintendent for the fledgling Mid Rivers Telephone Co-operative in

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Circle, which he accepted, thereby starting a career in the telephone industry which would span five decades. Mark would be instrumental in the development and expansion of two other co-operatives in Montana, before finally starting Curtiss Communications in 1961.

After moving to Billings in 1975, Mark worked for Associated Engineers and continued to operate Curtiss Communications with his sons until his medical retirement in 1984.

Mark enjoyed retirement by "farming" on his "ranch," handling the phones, doing the paperwork and generally assisting in the running of Curtiss Communications.

Mark is preceded in death by his parents; his brother DuWaine; and his nephew Gary Southern.

Mark is survived in death by Lois, his wife of 57 years; brothers Vance (Peggy) and Luverne (Corky); and sisters Eunice (Frank) Southern and Iola (Pat) Pierson; sons, Brad (Jean) of Missoula, Larry (Sandy) of Havre, Ron (Teri), Steve, Dan (Lynette), and Mark (Kim), all of Billings. Mark and Lois are also blessed with 16 grandchildren, two grand-kitties, seven great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

We love you Dad and God bless you.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, March 7, at Dahl Funeral Chapel. Graveside services with military honors will follow at Terrace Gardens. In lieu of flowers, the family asks memorials to be made to Big Sky Hospice or VFW Post 6774.

Charles David Cushman

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Charles David Cushman, 68, died of cancer, Sunday, Jan. 12, 2003, at St. Joseph Sandia Hospice Center in Albuquerque.

He was born Feb. 5, 1934, to John H. and Marjorie B. Cushman in Oklahoma City, Okla. The family later moved to Montana and settled on a ranch near Joliet. David graduated from Joliet High School in 1953, and served two years in the United States Army.

He married Louise Jensen Broxson on Aug. 12, 1958, at Joliet Christian Church. He was employed by the Farmers Union-Cenex Refinery in Laurel, Mont., until his retirement in 1991.

After retiring, David lived in Phoenix, Kansas City, Kan., and finally in Sun City, Ariz. He was in Albuquerque with his youngest daughter at the time of his death.

David enjoyed visiting with family and friends, playing country western music, working with horses, and the companionship of his dog, Lady.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a grandson. He is survived by four daughters, Debra Morris, Oak Harbor, Wash., Lea Martin, Chehalis, Wash., Jena Fitzpatrick, Kansas City, Kan., and Lori Myers, Albuquerque; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and several cousins.

Mr. Cushman chose to be cre-

mated and no funeral or service is planned. It is suggested that any donations or memorials be sent to: St. Joseph Sandia Hospice, 60 Martin Luther King Boulevard NE, Albuquerque, NM 87106, or to the American Cancer Society.

Frank M. Custer

Frank Custer, 86, died Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2003, at Edgewood Vista in Billings, with family at his side throughout his illness.

Frank was born in Belfield, N.D., on Nov. 29, 1916, to Mike and Annie (Wertepny) Custer. Frank grew up and attended school in the Billings County, N.D., area. He joined the CCC in the 1930s and served in camps in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Frank taught himself how to play guitar and harmonica and enjoyed dancing as well. While dancing, Frank found the love of his life, Ellouise Finch. They married on Oct. 12, 1940, in Eugene, Ore. They lived in Eugene for a while, then moved to North Dakota and farmed in the Belfield area until 1966. They then moved to South Heart, N.D., where he worked on the railroad. Frank worked as a crane operator. His work took him from home a lot, but he always made it home on weekends to be with his wife and family.

Frank enjoyed doing work around the yard and was a very loving and dedicated man. He



**FRANK
CUSTER**

spent much time restoring two old pickups, which he really enjoyed. Frank lost Ellouise to an illness in 1995 and lived in Dickinson, N.D. for several years with a very special friend. The family then moved him to Billings to help take care of his special needs while in an assisted care facility, Edgewood Vista. Edgewood was truly a "home." The staff was extraordinary. Frank enjoyed friendly people and family until the Lord took him home.

He is survived by four sons, Larry (Ardie) Custer of Dickinson, Roger of Vallejo, Calif., Bruce (Cathy) Custer of Billings, Terry (Kathy) Custer of Maryville, Tenn.; four daughters, Louise (Ray) Frank of Eugene, Ore., Patti (Nolan Schaff) of Salem, Ohio, Nancy (Larry) Hibel of Billings, Sandy Oliszczak of Billings; 28 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Frank was preceded in death by his wife, parents, a brother, two sisters, a grandson, daughter-in-law and a son-in-law.

In complying with Frank's wishes, cremation was done in Billings. Services will be held in Dickinson at St. Joseph's church, 10 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 16, with burial and luncheon to follow at St. Mary's church in South Heart. Dad, you can dance with Mom again.

James Edward Cutts

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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PHOENIX — Longtime Billings resident James Edward Cutts passed away in Phoenix, July 18, 2003, at the age of 70.



JIM CUTTS

Born in Anaconda, Mont., on Feb. 21, 1933, Jim moved to Billings in 1934, where he spent his childhood and graduated from high school in 1951.

He served in the Korean War from 1952-54. He then attended the University of Montana and earned a BA degree in English and teaching. After college, he taught school in Sunburst, Billings and California. He changed careers in 1979, moving to Truckee, Calif., to become the chief examiner for the City of Reno, Nev. When he retired in 1999, Jim exchanged his mountain home for a pickup truck and trailer, traveling and visiting family and friends.

Jim is survived by his brother Charlie; sons Jim, Jason and Jeff; daughters Janette, Jennifer, Joanna, Juliette and Jessica; and grandchildren Jehnie, Joshua, Logan, Michael, Ryan and Abigail. He is preceded in death by his son, Jon; and sisters Betty (Wilder) and Martha (Stepp).

A celebration of Jim's life will be held on Aug. 29, at 6 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Truckee. Please contact Jan Cutts at (760) 873-7065 for more information.

Ann Marie Cyrus

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GILLETTE, Wyo. — Ann Marie "Annie" Cyrus, 72, of Gillette, died Tuesday, April 22, 2003, at her home.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, April 25, at the Pioneer Manor in Gillette, with visitation beginning at 11 a.m. until service time at the Manor. An additional funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday, April 28, at the Green River Methodist Church in Green River, with visitation beginning at 9:30 a.m. until service time at the church. Interment will follow at a later date at the Lakeview Cemetery in Cheyenne. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

Larry J. Czywczynski

SCRANTON, N.D. — Larry J. Czywczynski, 42, of Scranton, died Monday, Sept. 22, 2003, at Rapid City (S.D.) Regional Hospital.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, at the Bowman Lutheran Church, Bowman. Burial will follow in the Gascoyne Cemetery, Gascoyne. Krebsbach Funeral Service of Bowman is in charge.