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Lydia (Miller) Lackman

Lydia (Miller) Lackman, was born to Eva Katherine and David Miller in Lincoln, Neb., on Jan. 31, 1908, and died Sept. 26, 2003. When she was two years old, her family moved west of Billings, where Lydia was raised on a farm. She attended Elder Grove School. Lydia married Jacob Lackman on Dec. 25, 1926. They lived on the family farm on 56th and Central until Jacob's retirement in the 1950s. They raised three children, Esther, William and Betty. Jacob preceded Lydia in death in 1959.

Lydia lived independently for 94 years; 44 years without the love of her life. She was a member of St. Paul's Evangelical Reform Church; she was a member of the Ladies Aid and AHSGR. Her interests included bowling, gardening, German cooking, traveling, and especially knitting, crocheting and quilting. Lydia thoroughly enjoyed her grandchildren.

Her parents; her brothers, David, Saunder, and baby, Victor; her sister, Amelia Bangert; daughter, Esther Lambrecht; and her granddaughter, Deborah (Lambrecht) Davis preceded her in death.

Her children, William (Marge) Lackman, and Betty Nesson; sister, Clara Lackman; sister-in-law,

Margaret Miller; 15 grandchildren Larry Lambrecht, Audrey (Pierce) Seeley, Ed Lambrecht Tamara (Dewey) Weddle, Jacob (Terri) Lambrecht, Barbara (Ed Argo, Peter Lambrecht, Pau Lambrecht, Steven (Pam) Lackman, Daniel (Valerie) Lackman, Doug (Sarah) Nesson Jack (Eileen) Nesson, Carrie (Ivin) Holmen, Tim (Mary) Nesson, Laura (Ellis) Murdock; 22 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren, survive Lydia.

God saw that she was getting tired,

And a cure was not to be,

So he put His arms around her,
And whispered, "Come with me."

With tearful eyes we watched her suffer,

And saw her fade away.

Although we loved her dearly,
We could not make her stay.

A golden heart stopped beating,

Hard working hands at rest,

God broke our hearts to prove to us,

He only takes the best - Author Unknown

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1 at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary with interment in Mountview Cemetery.

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

WOMAN DIES

APPLE VALLEY, Calif. — Natalie "Tallie" Lackman, 83, formerly of Billings, passed away on Sept. 16, 2003, in Apple Valley.



NATALIE LACKMAN

Natalie was born in Hysham, Mont., on Feb. 3, 1920, one of 10 children born to David and Mary Elizabeth (Michael) Zier. She grew up in Laurel, Mont., and was a graduate of Laurel High School, later receiving her training in business in Billings.

In 1946 she married Ralph Lackman. Together, along with their son Kurt, they lived throughout the western United States, spending the last 40 years in southern California.

Natalie was an excellent bookkeeper and a perfectionist. While working for the Ford Motor Co., she received recognition and awards for her accounting capabilities. Her need for precision was reflected in the numerous porcelain dolls she crafted and collected. She was a caring person, nursing for her husband following a crippling accident, and her mother-in-law as time took its toll. Natalie remembered her extended family on special days with cards and gifts and was a devout member of her church.

Survivors include her son, Kurt (Cindy) Lackman of Hesperia; three sisters, Helene Milkovich of Lodge Grass, Mont., and Lydia Rehms and Molly Maack of Billings; five step-grandchildren Derek, Dennis, Daryl, Daniel and Carlie; along with numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and husband, two brothers, David and Emanuel Zier; and four sisters Mary Hein, Katie Hein, Mabe Frickle and Elizabeth Zier.

Natalie's casket is closed and no visitations are planned. Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 20, at the Smit West Chapel, 304 34th St. W., with interment to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

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Robert Lackman

SHERIDAN: Wyo. — Robert "Bobby" Lackman, 61, of Sheridan, died Wednesday, March 12, 2009, at his home, due to complications from diabetes.

Cremation has taken place. The family is honoring his request for no memorial services. East Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

Beverly Ladvala

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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ROBERTS — Beverly Ladvala, 62, of Roberts, is now at peace, out of pain and in the arms of her Lord. She passed away on Monday, Aug. 4, 2003, at Beartooth Hospital and Health Center in Red Lodge.



**BEVERLY
LADVALA**

Beverly Ann Ladvala was born on June 18, 1941, in San Francisco, a daughter of Albert and Mabel (McAloney) Ladvala. Despite learning disabilities, Beverly graduated from Harry Ells High School in Richmond, Calif., in 1959.

She was very active in the Berkeley Red Cross, and held various service pins. Beverly was also involved with the Creative Living Center in Berkeley.

Survivors include her two sisters, Dona Ladvala of Roberts and Georgine (Ed) VanVleck of Fromberg; one uncle, George (Barbara) Ladvala of Roberts; four nephews; one niece; six grandnieces and grandnephews; cousins and many, many loving friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, grandparents, uncles and her beloved Aunt May.

Graveside memorial services will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, at the family plot in the Red Lodge Cemetery. Cremation has taken place under the direction of Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel.

Memorials may be given to the Ladies of Kaleva Scholarship Fund, c/o 4541 Ryan Ave., Billings, MT 59101.

George J. Ladvala

ROBERTS - George J. Ladvala, 75, of Roberts, formerly of Red Lodge, passed away Thursday afternoon, Oct. 23, 2003, at Bear-tooth Hospital & Health Center Long Term Care Unit.

George was born on Jan. 22, 1928, in Biwabik, Minn., a son of Joel and Senia

Humnakko Ladvala. The family moved to Red Lodge when George was five years old. He graduated from Carbon County High School in Red Lodge where he was an all-star athlete.

George served in the U.S. Army of Occupation of Japan from 1946 to 1948. Following his discharge he returned to the Red Lodge area. On March 24, 1951, he married Barbara Ann Schanck.

George worked himself up from an apprentice carpenter to become a construction superintendent. He built many schools and commercial buildings in the Billings area and throughout Montana. He retired in 1985 due to a work-related disability, and was a member of the Carpenter's



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LADVALA**

Union for 50 years. George loved to hunt, fish and play golf in later years, and spent most of his time in his beloved Beartooth Mountains.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara Ladvala of Roberts; one son, Bill (Cindy) Ladvala of Whitefish; one grandson, Corey of Kalispell; one granddaughter, Kristye (Michael) Coomer of Flower Mound, Texas; and one great-granddaughter, Mikayla Ann Coomer. Also surviving are one sister-in-law, Saima Ladvala; one brother-in-law, Jim (Landra) Schanck; and his nieces and nephews. George also leaves behind many good friends.

"We knew you couldn't stay, but we hated to see you go. We all love you, George."

Cremation has taken place, and in accordance with George's wishes, no public service will be held. A family service will be held at a later date. Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel of Red Lodge assisted the family with arrangements.

Memorials are suggested to Beartooth Hospital & Health Center Hospice, Box 590, Red Lodge, MT 59068.

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George L. LaFever

George L. LaFever, age 75, of Billings, died Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2003, at St. Vincent Hospital and Health Center.

He was born Feb. 13, 1928, at Denver Township, Mich., the son of George Henry and Celia (Kolander) LaFever. George

was raised in Hesperia, Mich., and graduated from high school in Fremont, Mich., in 1947.

In 1949, George enlisted in the U.S. Army and was discharged in 952. He then worked in the oil fields in various places. He married Patty Weed on Sept. 4, 1963, in Sidney. He lived in Sidney until



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LAFEVER**

moving to Billings in 1989.

George liked trapshooting and enjoyed watching the Colorado Rockies baseball team on TV. He was very fond of his grandchildren.

Survivors include his daughter, Gisele (Dave) Harmon of Billings; a son, Henry LaFever of Denver; two sisters, Milli Splitstone of Fremont and Mary Lou Avery of Palm Springs, Calif.; and three grandchildren, Danielle, Jessica and Joshua Harmon.

Graveside memorial service with military honors will be 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 17, in the Veterans Section of Mountview Cemetery.

Smith's Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

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CROW AGENCY — Elizabeth LaForge, 78, of Lodge Grass passed away Friday evening Oct. 31, 2003 in the Crow Agency IHS Hospital.

Linda Lee, as her family and friends knew her, was born in Lodge Grass on Nov. 4, 1924, a daughter of Francis LaForge and Beth Iron Horse. She was



**ELIZABETH
LaFORGE**

raised in the Lodge Grass area and received her education in Lodge Grass and the Flandreau Indian School in South Dakota. She was a member of the Ties the Bundle Clan and a child of the Greasy Mouth Clan.

Linda Lee was a humble lady. She was a beloved mother, grandmother, auntie and sister. She never had a cross word for anyone. A quiet and reserved person, Linda Lee was also known to possess a warm sense of humor. She had unconditional love for family, especially her nieces, nephews and grandnieces whom she raised.

She was noted for her beading ability. In keeping with Crow Tradition, she outfitted her daughters-in-law with beaded buckskin dresses, leggings and

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belts, as well as practicing Crow Cultural traditions. She enjoyed traveling, visiting friends and relatives, but particularly enjoyed watching nephews play basketball. Her faith in God was immeasurable and she professed it wherever she traveled.

Her parents; brother, Ben; sister, Emma; son, Evan; and daughter, Donna Mae preceded Linda Lee in death. Linda Lee is now with those she missed dearly for so long. She leaves us with a legacy of love.

Survivors include her daughter, Denise Bear Ground of Billings; nieces whom she raised, Myrna Small of Lame Deer, Regina Bends, Susan White Shirt and Ellie Rides Horse of Lodge Grass, Mary Castro and Linda Arlene Bird in Ground of Wyola, Kathy Bird in Ground of Garyowen, and Anita Little Bird of Ashland; her sisters, Josephine Brien and Mary Black Eagle of Lodge Grass, Sarah Sings Good and Martha Beaumont of Pryor, Angela Stewart of Wyola, Alice Mae LaForge and Teresa Gun Shows of Crow Agency, Regina Goes Ahead of Black Lodge and Delma Yarlott of Hardin; her brothers, Buckley and Henry Pretty on Top, Cedric Walks Over Ice and Billy Stewart of Lodge Grass; her nephew, Allison Bouyer of Crow Agency. A special place will always be reserved in Linda Lee's heart of her grandnieces, Quinhyn Little Owl and

Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3, in the Lodge Grass First Crow Indian Baptist church. Interment will follow in the Lodge Grass Cemetery.

Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

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Eleanor LaFranier

Eleanor LaFranier went peacefully to be with the Lord on Tuesday, March 18, 2003.

Eleanor was born on Sept. 21, 1927, to Adam and Elizabeth Kortje.

On Nov. 27, 1948, Eleanor married Ernest LaFranier. She worked at The Dude Rancher until she retired.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ernest LaFranier. Eleanor is survived by her two sons, Leslie LaFranier (Teresa), Lawrence LaFranier (Kim), both of Lewistown; and two daughters, Mary Christiansen (Chris) and Lori Bailey (Phillip), both of Billings. She also had 16 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. There was a special grandson,

Preston, who put a sparkle in her eye and always put a smile on her face; and also Jason, who was her companion for 25 years.



**ELANOR
LaFRANIER**

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, March 22, at 11 a.m., at Smith's Funeral Chapel Downtown, 120 N. 26th, with burial to follow at Sunset Memorial Gar-

dens.

Mom, you will be greatly missed and we all love you very much. You were a "one-of-a-kind grandmother."

Bryan Gene Lahaye

WILSALLS GAZETTE

FEB - 6 2003

WILSALL — Bryan Gene Lahaye, 33, of Wilsall, died Sunday, Feb. 2, 2003, after being caught in an avalanche while snowmobiling near Wilsall.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5, at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home in Livingston. A funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Livingston. Cremation will follow.

Glenn 'Bus' Laird, Jr.

MILES CITY — Glenn "Bus" Laird, Jr., 77, died Saturday morning, Oct. 25, 2003, at his home.

Visitation will be 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 31, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Interment will follow at the Custer County Cemetery.

Emma Lambert

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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CULBERTSON — Emma Lambert, 91, died Friday, April 25, 2003, at Roosevelt Memorial Hospital in Culbertson.

A Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m., Wednesday, April 30, at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. Interment will be in Hillside Cemetery in Culbertson. Everson-Clayton Memorial Chapel in Culbertson is in charge.

Elton Lambert

WOLF POINT GAZETTE

WOLF POINT — Elton "Sam" Lambert, 40, died Monday, Aug. 25, 2003, at his home.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 29, with a prayer service at 7 p.m. at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel in Wolf Point. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 30, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Interment will be in King Memorial Cemetery in Wolf Point.

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Laurence Lambert

EEKALAKA — Laurence Lambert, 60, of Eekalaka, died Wednesday, May 7, 2003.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday, May 11, and from 9 a.m. to noon, Monday, May 12, in the Chapel of Stevenson Funeral Home in Eekalaka. Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Monday, May 12, at the Carter County High School Gym. Burial will be in the Beaverlodge Cemetery.

Donald A. Lambrecht

LEWISTOWN — Donald Adam Lambrecht, 72, passed away Tuesday, July 1, 2003, at the Montana Nursing Care Center in Lewistown, where he had been a resident since 1995.

He was born at home on the Billings Bench, Nov. 6, 1930, to Adam and Theresa Lambrecht. The family later moved to Edgar.



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Don will be **LAMBRECHT** remembered for his strong Catholic faith, which helped him through a difficult life.

Don is survived by three brothers, Leo of Miles City, Harold of Billings and Dave of Pompeys Pillar; two sisters, Shirley McJunkin of Red Lodge and Margie Hedges of Billings. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Leonard, Frank, John; and a sister, Dorothy Henson.

A graveside service for Donald will be 2 p.m. Monday, July 7, at Holy Cross Cemetery in Billings.

**Esther Irene (Lackman)
Lambrecht**

Esther Irene (Lackman) Lambrecht, 75, of Billings, died Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2003, at her home.

The daughter of Jacob and Lydia Lackman, Esther was born in the family home on the farm west of Billings, Nov. 9, 1927. She attended schools in Billings, graduating from Billings Senior High. In 1948, she married George A. Lambrecht, a farmer east of Billings. It remains unknown which family farm owned the first tractor.

George and Esther raised nine children. In 1960, they purchased Your Food Bank, a grocery/meat processing business. After the sudden death of her husband in 1992, Esther continued running the family business until Sept. 11, 1997.

Esther was preceded in death by her father, Jacob; husband George in 1992; and her daughter, Deborah (Lambrecht) Davis in 1992.

Survivors include her children, Larry Lambrecht of Billings, Audrey (Dave) Pierce Seeley of Billings, Edwin Lambrecht of Red Lodge, Tamara (Dewey) Weddle of Anacortes, Wash., Jacob (Terri) Lambrecht of Laurel, Barbara (Ed) Argo of Bothell, Wash., Peter Lambrecht of Billings and Paul Lambrecht of Billings; her mother, Lydia (Miller) Lackman of Billings; a brother, William (Marge) Lackman of Billings; sister Betty Nesson of Billings; her grandchildren, John (Heather) Pierce, Daniel (Sara) Pierce, Christopher Pierce, Katrina Davis, Adam Davis, Wynter (Josh) Hatzell, Lydia Weddle and soon-to-arrive Baby Argo; and great-grandchildren Elaina Pierce, Sophia Pierce and Hayden Hatzell.

Esther treasured her family and all the responsibilities that came with them. Family fulfilled her life. Her devotion to her family will live on for generations.

Mom/Grandma/Greatgrandma, you define us.

We love you.

The vigil will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, at St. Thomas the Apostle Church. Funeral Mass will be 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 29, at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, with rite of committal at Mountview Cemetery.

John Lambrecht

KINSEY — John Lambrecht, 76, of Kinsey formerly of Custer, died Friday, Jan. 10, 2003, at the Holy Rosary Health Center in Miles City.

Visitation will begin at 1 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 12, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City, with a vigil service at 6 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miles City. Rite of committal will follow in the family lot in the Calvary Cemetery in Miles City.

JOHN LAMBRECHT

MILES CITY — John Lambrecht, age 64, went home to be with his Lord and Savior unexpectedly on Friday, Jan. 10, 2003.

John was born on Sept. 6, 1938, in Billings to Adam and Theresa Lambrecht. He was the ninth of ten children. He attended schools in Edgar and Columbus, prior to graduating from Huntley Project High School, in 1956.



**JOHN
LAMBRECHT**

John joined the Navy following his graduation. On Dec. 7, 1963, John married Elizabeth R. Clark. Together they had six daughters, Chris (Gary) Barndt of Billings, Jane (John) Adanosky of Houston, Marcy (Chad) Trowbridge of Billings, Susan (Don) Williamson of Missoula, Rachel (Scott) Schroder of Dayton, Wyo., and Jennifer (Joseph) Winkle of Newberg, Ore.

From 1967 to 1974, John farmed and ranched with his brothers Leo, Harold and Dave, in Big Horn. They then bought a ranch in Custer and raised registered Red Angus cattle until all six girls graduated from high school. In 1995, John and Elizabeth decided to purchase a smaller farm in Kinsey, where they enjoyed farming and ranching until the present.

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His passions were the Lord, his girls and 17 grandchildren, Denver Bronco football, Red Angus cattle and reading about General Custer.

John was preceded in death by his parents, Adam and Theresa Lambrecht, his brothers Frank and Leonard, and his sister, Dorothy.

He is survived by his wife of 39 years; his six girls and their families; and his brothers, Lec Lambrecht of Kinsey, Harold (Anne) Lambrecht of Billings, Dor Lambrecht of Lewistown, and Dave (Cindy) Lambrecht of Pompeys Pillar; along with his two sisters, Shirley (Keith) McJunkin of Red Lodge, and Margie Hedges of Billings; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

A Vigil service will be held at 6 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 12, at the chapel of Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 2 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 13, in the Sacred Hearth Catholic Church in Miles City. Rite of Committal will follow in the Calvary Cemetery with full military honors. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge of the arrangements.

Should friends desire, memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Alvin Albert LaMere

Alvin Albert LaMere, 67, of 603 S. 36th St., Billings, died Sunday, April 27, 2003, at his daughter's home in Great Falls, due to heart failure.

A vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 30, at Croxford and Sons Funeral Home in Great Falls. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 1, at Our Lady of Lourdes. Burial will be in Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Alvin is survived by his wife, Charlotte of Billings; mother, Mary Johnson of Great Falls; daughters, Valerie LaMere of Great Falls and Kim LaMere of Billings; sons, Lyle, Rick, Kelly, Duane, Brian and Frank LaMere, all of Billings; sisters, Lorraine Snyder and Yvonne Lawrence,

both of Great Falls, and Ella Hall of Toppenish, Wash.; 12 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his son, Mike LaMere, in 1981; his father, Edward LaMere; brothers, Edward LaMere, Jr., Leroy LaMere and Joe Ellery; and sister, Margaret Ellery.

Alvin LaMere was born April 1, 1936, in Havre. He married Charlotte Falcon in 1957, in Helena. Alvin attended schools in Pierre and Flandreau, S.D. He served in the Army from 1954 to 1957.

Alvin worked as a carpenter, cement worker, and at a Billings refinery. He retired in 1998.

Alvin loved home remodeling and landscaping, watching old westerns, play pool and poker, playing harmonica, and singing and talking about old times and friends.

His greatest joy was being with his grandchildren.



**ALVIN
LAMERE**

Robert B. Lamm

RALSTON, Wyo. — Robert B. Lamm, 79, Ralston, died Thursday, July 17, 2003, at New Horizons Care Center.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, July 21, at Crown Hill Cemetery in Powell. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell is in charge.

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ABSAROKEE — Russell C. Lamm lost his short and courageous battle with cancer on Thursday, Jan. 9, 2003.

He was born in Gering, Neb., on Jan. 6, 1953, to Dick and Pauline Lamm. He attended high school at Billings Senior High and moved with his family to Columbus where he graduated in 1971. Upon graduation Russ worked for Keating ranch and Davey Motor Co. He met his wife, Sandra Rader, and they were married on Nov. 24, 1973. Their first daughter Shannon was born in Billings.

Russ served in the military and was stationed in Hamburg, Germany, where his second daughter, Crystal, was born.

Russ and his family moved back to Absarokee where he worked for J.S. Red Path Mining Corp. for several years. He traveled to many locations due to his occupation such as Nevada, California, Alaska, and Nicaragua. He loved what he did and took pride in his work. He was currently working in Redding, Calif., as a project superintendent for CWM Incorporated.

Russ enjoyed golfing and hunting as well as working with computers.

Russ was a great man who loved his friends and family very much. Although his time with us was short, we feel blessed to have

had him in our lives. He will be greatly missed. During his last few days he was with friends and family where he celebrated his 50th birthday.

He was preceded in death by his father Richard T. Lamm. He is survived by his wife Sandra; daughters, Shannon and Crystal; son in law Jamie Jarvis; mother Pauline Lamm; brother Dick Lamm and wife Shelley; sisters Debbie Vandersnick and husband Pogie, Cindy Braddock and husband Mike.

You may pay your respects to Russ at Smith Funeral Chapel in Columbus from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 12. Memorial Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 13, in Absarokee at the Immanuel Lutheran Church with interment following at the Nye Cemetery. A gathering will follow for friends and family at Immanuel Lutheran Church.

FEB 18 2003**Elisa LaMonaca**

MIAMI — Elise LaMonaca, 101, passed away Feb. 16, 2003.

She was born in Benevento, Italy, Sept. 11, 1901, and came to this country at the age of 6.

She is the widow of the late Caesar LaMonaca. Miami Concert Band Conductor in Bayfront Park for 48 years.

She was an excellent seamstress and cook, but her principal interests were family and friends. She loved music and the arts and was very supportive of those activities from the early years in Miami.

She is survived by her daughter, Jean McNamee; son Caesar and daughter-in-law, Mary; five grandchildren, Elisa Samorajski (Ted), Mark LaMonaca (Machelle), Anthony, Juliet and Matthew; great-grandchildren Blake and Nicholas Whitaker, and Michael LaMonaca. The family greatly appreciates the help provided by Catholic Hospice.

Funeral service 1:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21, at Van Orsdel Funeral Chapel in Coral Gables.

Kathleen Lamont

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Kathleen Lamont, 90, of Sheridan, died Saturday, Jan. 4, 2003, at Sheridan Manor.

At her request, cremation has taken place at Kane Funeral Home and Crematory. No services will be held. Her remains will be interred in the Burlington Cemetery.

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Nellie Mae Lampert

Nellie (Trudy) Beng was born July 17, 1927, near Roscoe on the family ranch.

She married Arthur John Lampert on Feb. 14, 1946, in Billings.

She is survived by her daughter, Carol Brinkman and son-in-law Dean Brinkman; two grandsons, Jason Brinkman and wife Rachelle of Bozeman and Jonathan Brinkman of Billings.

She was baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses in 1948, and has been active in witnessing in Red Lodge and Billings area. She shared the Bible's hope of a resurrection on a paradise earth under God's Kingdom rule.

She enjoyed cooking, gardening and helping family and friends.

A family grave site ceremony is being held at the Roscoe cemetery on Thursday, Dec. 4.

Michelotti-Sawyer's Mortuary has charge of arrangements.



NELLIE
LAMPERT

JUN 26 2003**HUGO LAMPI****Hugo Delvin Lampi****June 8, 1916 — June 24, 2003**

RED LODGE — Hugo Delvin Lampi, 87, of Red Lodge, died at the Montana Nursing Care Center in Lewistown on June 24, 2003. He was born June 8, 1916, in Red Lodge, to Svante and Selma Lampi. He was raised on a farm northwest of Roberts in the Cottonwood area and received his education at a country school there.

Hugo was united in marriage to Irene Nikula on Oct. 1, 1940, in Red Lodge. They resided and raised their four children in Red Lodge, after moving in 1945 from Roberts, where he worked on farms, in trucking, and at the Benbow mine. After moving to Red Lodge in 1945, he worked at several mines, including Foster and Brophy near Bearcreek, Mouat, Butte, American Chrome, Garrison, Jeffrey City and Green River, Wyo. He also worked on the construction of Yellowtail Dam, the nursing home addition of the Carbon County Memorial

Hospital and various construction jobs in Billings and Laurel.

Hugo loved Montana, where he could indulge his passions of fishing and hunting with friends and family, most preferably with his sons. He also enjoyed going into the mountain areas to gather wood for his woodstove. Of Finnish heritage, he traveled twice to Finland. He loved Finnish foods and customs, particularly the sauna. He had an open invitation to friends in Red Lodge to use the sauna he built in his home. He was a member of the Moose Lodge in Billings for many years, as well as the Knights of Kaleva in Red Lodge. He enjoyed watching television programs with political commentary, country music, dancing, playing cards and crossword puzzles. He also enjoyed spectator sports of all kinds and rarely missed one of his children's ball games or other activities.

Mr. Lampi was preceded in death by his wife, Irene; his daughter, Judi Lampi Rowe; sisters, Melba Marshall and Helen

Werholz and brothers, Emil and Leonard Lampi.

Survivors include two sons, Ray (John) Lampi and Robert (Leslie) Lampi, all of Billings. Daughters, Rosina (Rick) Bell of Midland, Mich.; three daughters, Mildred Kansala, Elsie Norman and Norma Lampi of Red Lodge, plus several nieces and nephews, grandchildren, Denise (Michael) Bell of Aberdeen, Wash., Dave Bell of Billings, Janelle (Yak) Bell of Spokane, Wash., Doug Burr of Mesa, Ariz., Dawnna Rae (Gerald) Morton of Spokane, Bryan (Elizabeth) Beitel of Livingston, Daron, Beitel of Denver and Eric, Lindsay, Jessica and Jordan Lampi, all of Billings. Also, 12 great-grandchildren, Eira, Nicholas, Jonathan and Joseph Ylstra, Kenna Hahn and Danielle Durr, Shyan and Grace Morton, and Emma.

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 11, in South-West Federal Chapel. Interment will be in the Red Lodge cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the Knights of Kappa or the Alchemists Association or other of one's choice.

Clella L. Landis

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SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Clella L. Landis, 89, of Sheridan, died Thursday, Jan. 30, 2003, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 3, at First Presbyterian Church in Sheridan. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

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Katharine Prange Lane

Katharine Lane, 90, of Billings, passed away May 17, 2003, at Deaconess Billings Clinic. She was born in Indianapolis, on Oct. 20, 1912, the daughter of Louis G. and Augusta S. Prange.

Katharine moved to Washington, D.C., in 1938, attended George Washington University and was employed by the federal government's National Mediation Board until her retirement in 1972. She moved with her husband Warren S. Lane to Lakeland, Fla. After Warren passed away, she moved to Billings to be closer to her family.

She was a member of Professional Secretaries International, Polk Museum of Art, Ikebana International, Imperial Symphony Guild, Garden Club of Lakeland, LRMC Auxiliary, United Women's Club and St. David's Episcopal Church.

She was a wonderful, loving and very generous person and will be missed by her family and friends.

She is survived by her sister, Jeanne P. Gates of Roundup; stepson Warren V. Lane of Melbourne, Fla.; four step-grandchildren; and eight nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; two brothers, Fred and Louis Prange; and one sister, Meta Louise Watson.

Memorials may be to the Al Bedoo Shrine Children's Hospitals, PO Box 20673, Billings, MT 59104

Cremation or Funeral Gallery is in charge.

Terry Daniel Lane

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 03 2003

CODY, Wyo. — Terry Daniel Lane, 58, of Cody, died Tuesday, April 1, 2003, at his home.

A vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Friday, April 4, at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Cody. Mass of the Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 5, at St. Anthony's Church. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

Patricia "Tricia" Ann Lane

LAUREL — Patricia "Tricia" Ann Lane, 28, of Laurel, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family and special friend, on April 19, 2003, following a brain aneurysm.



**TRICIA
LANE**

Tricia was born in Great Falls on May 8, 1974, to Clifford (Butch) Lane and Linda Lane. She attended schools in Conrad, Shepherd and graduated in Wheatridge,

Colo.

Tricia was gifted with great strengths and many talents. She enjoyed playing softball, volleyball, roller-skating and camping, among other things. Her determined spirit and drive helped her with her many trials in life. She loved working and was presently employed at Hardees in Laurel as a morning shift manager.

She is survived by her parents, Cliff Lane of Layton, Utah, Linda Lane of Laurel; sister Kari (Jim) Tillman; brother Cory Lane; niece Mikayla, nephews Matthew and Austin; and her cat, Troubles, all of Laurel; aunts, Karen (Mike) Wilcox of Kent, Wash., LaRee (Tom) Morris, Seeley Lake, Kim (Phil) Ylitalo, Menasha, Minn., Barbie (Tina)

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Killion, Conrad; uncles, Jim (Robin) Miller, Conrad, Ron (Donna) Miller, Great Falls; grandma Edna Lane, Great Falls; grandpa Ed Jung, Conrad, as well as many other family members and friends.

She was preceded in death by her grandmas Carolyn Jung and Edna Mae Starr; grandpas Larry Miller and Clifford Lane, Sr.; aunts Ann Brammer and Karla Rispen; cousins Bryan Brammer and Molly Ylitalo; and uncle Jason Killion.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, April 22, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 504 W. 11th, Laurel. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel is in charge of arrangements.

Joni Rae Laney

BILLINGS GAZETTE
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W O L F
POINT — Joni Rae Laney was called home on April 9, 2003, surrounded by family and those who loved her.



JONI LANEY

She was born on May 30, 1958, in Plentywood, to Gene and Joan Robinson. She attended school in Scobey and Plentywood, graduating from Plentywood in 1976, then continued on as an undergraduate at Eastern Montana College, now MSU-B. On June 30, 1978, she married the love of her life, John Laney. Together they built a strong marriage and family founded on their deep faith in God.

Joni loved Jesus and lived out her devotion in a very real way. She loved her work as a teacher's aid at the South Side School in Wolf Point. The children were her special ministry, and she relished being there every day. She also worked part-time at Taucher's Optometry Office; her time there was treasured. Other passions included Awana, teaching Sunday school, various bible studies, quiet time with the Lord, card group, and "coffeeing" with her many friends.

She was a wonderful daughter, wife, mother, sister, and friend,

and placed a great importance on closeness. Her life was intimately connected to her three children and husband whom claimed her the "Crown Jewel of the Family." Though she no longer lives in her body, we know she will live on in all of us, because we don't see how we would go on without her.

Survivors include her husband John; daughter Sara; sons Christopher and Patrick; parents Gene and Joan Robinson; sisters Vicki Samuelson (Russ Samuelson), Lori Glover, Cheri Mast (Rich Mast); and various nieces and nephews, all whom she loved dearly.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 12, at the Gospel Fellowship Church in Wolf Point, with Pastor Bruce Bogar officiating. Interment was at Greenwood Cemetery in Wolf Point.

AUG - 5 2003

Adolph Lang, 84, of Billings, passed Sunday, Aug. 3, 2003. He was born June 28, 1919, in Ableman, Wis., a son of Alexander Jacob and Catherina Dorothea Albauh Lang.



He had lived with his parents in Racine, Wis., and moved to Torrington, Wyo., to work in the beet fields, moving to Hardin in the early '30s.

ADOLPH LANG

Adolph

entered the military in 1942, serving overseas until 1945. He married Barbara Costello in 1959 in Billings, where they have resided since.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara; two daughters, Kathy (Tetry) Gillespi, Connie (Craig) Herbert; two sons, Michael (Kristi) Lang and Donald Lang; one brother, Jake; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by five brothers and one sister.

Family and friends will gather at the Moose Lodge, 171 Calhoun Lane, 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, and graveside inurnment with military honors will be 3 p.m. at the Fairview Cemetery in Hardin. Arrangements were by Cremation or Funeral Callery

Virginia Langhausen

BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 22 2003

MARIETTA, Ga. — Mrs. Virginia V. (Simmons) Langhausen, 86, formerly of Billings, died Thursday, July 31, 2003, at Kennestone Hospital in Marietta.

A memorial service will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 26, at Lockwood Evangelical Church in Billings. Burial of her ashes will follow at Mountain View Cemetery. Medford-Peden Funeral Home of Marietta is in charge.

Kenneth W. Langstaff

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL - 6 2003

POLSON — Kenneth W. Langstaff, 97, of Polson, passed away on July 4, 2003, at Home Sweet Home in Polson from natural causes.

Kenneth was born on Nov. 21, 1905, in Billings to Adrian John Langstaff and Edith Maude Langstaff. He grew up and lived in the Bridger, Joliet and Edgar. Kenneth joined the U.S. Army and served during WWII. After the war, Kenneth worked in Edgar at the service station before purchasing the Highway Garage & Standard Station in Joliet. He married Iva Dell Kellogg in September of 1953 in Red Lodge.

The lived in Joliet and Boyd and eventually moved to Dillon. Kenneth had done some gold mining while they lived in Dillon. He and Iva moved to the Ronan and Pablo area, and he most recently lived in Polson.

Kenneth loved wildlife and nature. His hobbies were rocks, gardening and fishing. He was a member of the Jehovah Witnesses.

He is preceded in death by his wife, four brothers and three sisters.

He is survived by his step daughter, Ruby Elshire o Billings; a step-son, Rober Kellogg of Las Vegas, Nev.; several step-grandchildren; a brother, Ronald Langstaff of Bridger and several nieces & nephews.

Memorial services are pending and will be held at a later date.

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

JUN 17 2003

Leonard Lanka

RANCHEDSTER, Wyo. — Leonard Lloyd Lanka, 80, of Ranchedster, died Saturday, June 14, 2003, at the Sheridan VA Hospital.

Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan was in charge of cremation. No services will be held. The family will hold a private burial at a later date.

Lucille May Albert Lannon

THE BILLINGS GAZET.

MAR 04 2003

SCOBEEY — Lu Lannon, age 79, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 27, 2003, at Daniels Memorial Hospital in Scobey.

She was born Jan. 6, 1924, at Mrs. LaRue's Maternity Home in Missoula. Her twin sister, Lucy, was stillborn. She was the fourth of 13 children born to Alexander and Ellanora Albert of Alberton.

She grew up and attended school in Alberton, graduating from high school in 1942. She moved to Missoula and worked at the old Railroad Hospital. In the mid-1940s, Lu came to Scobey with Betty Hillstrom. Working at Reiner's Bakery, she would meet and marry Richard E. "Dick" Lannon.

The newlyweds took up residence at the family farm southwest of Scobey. As a farm housewife, Lu enjoyed being a member of the Silver Star Community.

In the late 1960s, Lu and Dick permanently moved to Scobey and built a new home. Lu worked at the Daniels Memorial Hospital and retired in 1987.

Lu had great joys and sorrows in her life. Her sorrows included the loss of two sons, David John, who died in infancy in 1957; and William Richard "Billy," who was born in 1954 and died in 1966 after



a four-year battle with cancer. Her joys were family, music, fishing, bowling and needlework. She loved music and had an extensive record collection. When the radio station in Scobey was in its infancy, she loaned the station many of her records. She was an avid fisherwoman and spent many hours hoping to catch the big one.

Lu was talented at knitting, crocheting and needlepoint. Her work will be treasured by her family for years to come. She also enjoyed get-togethers with her many sisters and brothers; attending numerous reunions of the Albert clan in Western Montana. Among her special relatives was a cousin, Ethel Reardon. They corresponded for years under the pen names "Hiram" and "Ebenezer."

She is survived by her loving husband of 56 years, Dick; two daughters, Sandra Lee Lannon of Missoula and Mary Catherine Hanley and her husband John of Mountlake Terrace, Wash.; one grandchild, Erin Bronwyn Lannon of Missoula. Surviving sisters include Sally Lundquist of Missoula, Lillian Young and her husband Brownie of Alberton. A surviving brother, Edgar Albert, and his wife Mina reside in Spokane, Wash. Surviving sisters-in-law include Helene Lannon of Portland, Ore., Ida Albert of Troy and Marge Albert of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Lucille May Albert
LANNON

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Lu was preceded in death by her parents and siblings Daniel Albert, Beatrice Bibler, Josephine Albert, Stephen Albert, Edward Albert, Millie Wheeler, Billie Jean Wanner and Clifford Albert.

Lu was a no-nonsense person who went about her life in a quiet, industrious manner. She will be greatly missed.

Services for Lu will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 5, at the Scobey Lutheran Church.

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Dennis G. Lapina

DEATH — Dennis G. Lapina, 62, died Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2003, at the Central Montana Medical Center of an apparent heart attack.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Gloyd Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Gloyd Cemetery. Arrangements are at the Gloyd Funeral Home.

DEC 23 2003

Pamela Jane Lantz**HELENA —**

Pamela Jane Lantz, age 33, of Helena, died Dec. 19, 2003, at her home on Orofino Gulch. She was born Nov. 24, 1970, in Jeannette, Pa., the daughter of Faye and Gordon Slater.



**PAMELA
LANTZ**

Pam graduated high school in Roundup and attended St. Mary's College in Bismarck, N.D. She married Jarrett A. Lantz on Jan. 1, 1996, in Las Vegas, Nev. She worked for seven years at Jorgenson's Restaurant and Lounge for Barb and Steve Morris and two years for Jerry Driscoll at the AFL-CIO union office, both in Helena. She enjoyed fishing, hunting and her family.

She was preceded in death by her father, Clarence S. Brunot. Pam is survived by her husband, Jarrett Lantz and their children, Jesse James Lantz and Kylie Paige Lantz of Helena; parents, Faye and Gordon Slater of Roundup, and sister Amy Jo Shaffer of Billings.

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The family will receive friends between the hours of 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Retz Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation hours will continue for the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. A memorial service in celebration of Pam's life will be held at 2 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 29, at the Liberty Baptist Church on Green Meadow Drive. In lieu of flowers, a Trust Fund for Pam's children has been set up at the First Security Bank; 1721 - 11th Avenue, Helena, Mont. 59601.

DEC 06 2003

Curtis LeRoy Lapp

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. —
Curtis LeRoy Lapp, 71, of
Thermopolis, died Dec. 3, 2003, in
Billings, after a long battle with
cancer.

Memorial services will be at 2
p.m. Monday at the Thermopolis
VFW. Private interment of ashes
will take place at a later date.
Bryant Funeral Home is in
charge.

Peggy Lara

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 13 2003

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Peggy Lara, 45, died Thursday, April 10, 2003, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette of cancer.

Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 15, at the Stevenson Funeral Home Chapel, followed by a Vigil service at 7 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. on Wednesday at the St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Gillette. Interment will follow at the Mt. Pisgah Cemetery in Gillette.

**Maureen Ludell
Laramore**

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Maureen Ludell Laramore, 61, died Thursday, Sept. 4, 2003, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 10, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Mount Plagah Cemetery.

Vance Larkin

CODY, Wya. — Vance W. Larkin, 77, died Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2002, at West Park Hospital in Cody.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 6, at Ballard Funeral Home in Cody. Burial will follow in Mountain View Cemetery.

Ora Elizabeth Warren Larkin

KENNAKE, N.D. — Ora Elizabeth "Betty" Warren Larkin, 85, formerly of Warden and Worland, Wyo., died Tuesday, June 10, 2003, at a Kenmare hospital of a stroke and complications of diabetes.

A private family graveside service was held on Saturday, June 14, at Riverview Memorial Gardens in Worland. Thompson-Larson Funeral Home of Minot, N.D., and Bryan Funeral Home of Worland, Wyo., were in charge.

MAR 20 2008

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Francis LaRock

STANFORD — Francis K. "Peanut" LaRock, 70, of Stanford, died Monday, March 17, 2008, at his home.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, March 21, at the Stanford Lutheran Church. Interment will be later in the Veterans Section of the Lewisport City Cemetery. Cloyd Funeral Home of Lewisport is in charge.

MAR 19 2003**Francis K. 'Peanut'
LaRock**

STANFORD — Francis K. "Peanut" LaRock, 71, of Stanford, died early Monday morning, March 17, 2003, at his home in Stanford, of natural causes.

He was born Dec. 5, 1932, in Hobson, the son of Roy and Hazel (Jackson) LaRock. He received his schooling in Hobson and then entered the U.S. Army, serving in the Korean War. After his discharge, he returned to the Stanford area and began working for the Holzer Brothers Ranch.

In October of 1966, he was united in marriage to JoAnn Worm in Stanford. They made their home in Stanford and he continued working for Judith Basin County Road Department as mechanic. He retired after 20 years with the county as head mechanic.

Peanut enjoyed hunting, visiting and drinking coffee with friends, spending time with his grandchildren and the great outdoors and being a friend to many, always willing to give a helping hand. He will be remembered as having the greenest grass in Stanford and took great pride in his yard.

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He was a member of Judith Basin Post 53 of the American Legion of Stanford.

He is survived by two daughters, Betty Weaver and husband Joe, and Kari Janikula and husband Jim, all of Belgrade; one son, Jerry Ester and wife Pam of Billings; one brother, Roy of Yakima, Wash.; two sisters, Sylvia Keller of Emmett, Idaho, and Mary Becker of Tacoma, Wash.; three grandchildren, Jamie Janikula, Torri Weaver and Casey Cole; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services for Francis K. "Peanut" LaRock will be Friday, March 21, at 11 a.m., in the Trinity Lutheran Church in Stanford, with inurnment to be later in the Veterans Section of the Lewistown City Cemetery. The Cloyd Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Friends may make memorials to Judith Basin Post 53 of the American Legion and they may be left at the Cloyd Funeral Home.

Gary Larsen

TERRY —

Gary Larsen, age 72, lifetime resident of Terry, passed away Sunday, Oct. 5, 2003, at the Holy Rosary Extended Care Unit in Miles City, following a massive stroke he had in July.



GARY LARSEN

Gary was born in Terry on March 9, 1931, the son of Harold and Kathryn (Hamlin) Larsen. He attended schools in Terry, where he graduated from Terry High School. Gary married Carol Brubaker on June 16, 1957, in Terry. Gary worked on several ranches in the area during the summers from a young age. He loved animals, especially horses, and loved children of all ages. He was a teaser and had a great sense of humor. Gary served in the United States Air Force for four years.

In his spare time, he enjoyed doing carpentry, welding, electrical work and plumbing, just to name a few. Gary served as undersheriff for three years and in 1963, he became sheriff of Prairie County, where he served for 30 years until 1993, when he retired. He continued managing his own ranch until the time of his death.

Gary was devoted to his fellow Prairie Countians, working 24 hours a day, seven days a week for them. He was an ambulance driver, chief of the rural fire department, brand inspector and was an honorary member of the Montana Livestock Inspectors, member of the Peace Officer's Association and the Grazing District scale operator.

Gary was a member of the Presbyterian Church, Masonic Lodge #74, Royal Arch, Eastern Star and American Legion. He served on the Clinic Board, Museum Board, was chairman of the Republican Central Committee and was on the Prairie County Development Committee.

Gary is survived by his wife, Carol Larsen of Terry; his children, Del Linda Frost and her children Jamy and Danyl of Missoula; Lorna and husband Jim Younkin of Frenchtown and their children Josh, Jessica and Nick Pettigrew and Tanya, Wendy, Brandon and Britney Younkin;

David Larsen and his wife Kathryn their children, Calder and Ciera of Jefferson, Ore.; and Lorin Larsen and his wife Jamie and their children Chay, Tasha and Shanya of Terry; four great-grandchildren, a brother, Robert Larsen of Terry; his sisters, Diane Falkenstern and her husband Ed of Terry; and Kay Gossett and her husband Al of Mesa, Ariz., and their families. He was preceded in death by his parents and a nephew Robin.

Visitation will be held Thursday, Oct. 9, from 1 to 7 p.m. in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Terry. A Masonic Prayer Service will be held Thursday, Oct. 9, at 7 p.m. in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Terry. Funeral services will be held Friday, Oct. 10, at 2 p.m. at the Community Presbyterian Church in Terry. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Prairie County Cemetery in Terry with full military honors. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.stevensonandsons.com.

Should friends desire, memorials may be made to the Prairie County Museum or to the Community Presbyterian Church in Terry.

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MILES CITY — Walter Christian Larsen, age 72, of Miles City, formerly of Bridger and Watford City, N.D., passed away on Wednesday, March 5, 2003, at Holy Rosary Health Center in Miles City.



**WALTER
LARSEN**

Walter was born in Bridger on July 25, 1930, the son of Paul and Melvina (Blunck) Larsen. He attended schools in Bridger and worked on the family farm. He also worked for Anaconda Copper Mining Co. until he entered the United States Navy where he earned the United Nations Ribbon. He served on the USS Antietam. From May 26, 1948, to May 21, 1952, he served in the Japanese occupation during the Chinese Aggression and Korean Conflict.

Following his honorable discharge, he returned to Bridger where he lived until he began working for the oil fields in Powell, Wyo. Walter married Kathleen Johnson, and to this union five children were born. He then returned to Bridger where he owned and operated the Bridger Standard Station. He also worked for the Bridger School District and drove school

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bus for 20 years. He later moved to Watford City where he worked in the oil fields until 1998 until he retired. Walter married Jeannette Erickson on June 25, 1982, in Powell, making their home in Watford City.

Walter loved to do leather work, play poker, mechanic work, travel, and loved his sunflower seeds. Walter was a member of the American Legion and VFW.

Walter is survived by his wife, Jeannette Larsen of Watford City; three sons, Walter David Larsen and his wife Marcie of Spirit Lake, Idaho, Zachary Wayne Larsen and his wife Barbara of Iron Ridge, Wis., and Stephen Paul Larsen of Minneapolis; two daughters, Pamela Christina Roth of Bend, Ore., and Kathleen Chatty Jones and her husband Donald of Red Lodge; a step-son, Darrell Erickson of Gillette, Wyo.; two brothers, Paul Larsen of Cody, Wyo., and Bob Larsen of Los Lunas, N.M.; a sister Marion Cook of Red Lodge; 12 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, March 11, at 11 a.m. at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Bridger. Family will receive friends from 3 to 8 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Monday, March 10. Interment

will follow in the Bridger Cemetery with military honors. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge of the arrangements.

Should friends desire, memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Ann E. Larson

A memorial service for Ann E. Larson, 89, of Billings, will be held Wednesday, Oct. 1, 1 p.m., at St. Stephens Episcopal Church, 1241 Crawford Drive, Billings.



ANN LARSON

She has been cremated and will be interred at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Ann died in her sleep Friday evening, Sept. 26, 2003, in her apartment at Mission Ridge where, after leaving her home on Avenue E, she has been a happy resident for the previous three years.

She was born to Joseph A. McGinnis and Mary Jane (Clouston) McGinnis on May 5, 1914, in Mandan, N.D. Ann was educated and graduated eighth grade from a one-room country school. She had fond memories of growing up in an extended family that included her six brothers and sisters (Bill, Frank, John, Jean Dahl, Marie McGinnis Burdick, Nellie Hendrickson) and her 12 cousins from the West family.

She and some of her sisters shared an apartment while attending high school "off the farm" in Mandan. After graduation, she attended a business school.

Ann married Harold Holle in 1935 and had a daughter Patricia Ann. Both Harold and Pat preceded her in death. In 1949, Ann married Elmer S. Larson and had a daughter, Pamela O. Larson (Ellis) and her son-in-law, Robert Ellis of Billings. Elmer preceded her in death. Five of her siblings also preceded her in death. Her only living sibling, her sister Jean resides in California.

Ann worked for the Northern Pacific (Burlington Northern) in Mandan and Billings for many years. She loved working for the railroad and enjoyed traveling by train as far east as Washington D.C., and throughout the U.S. to visit family. She was not fond of airplanes as she often repeated the story of "running out of gas" during her first airplane ride or what became a final date with this pilot boyfriend. Ann also loved fly-fishing, hunting, and gardening. She leaves behind an extended family bound by fly-fishing mania and her beloved and very spoiled dog, Sadie.

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Ann is also survived by three grandchildren, Caroline Larson, Barbara Kaald and Stephanie Johnson who are the children of her stepson Donald Larson. "Auntie Ann" has numerous nieces, nephews (great and great-great) as well as extended family that brought her great joy throughout her life.

Ann requested that donations be made to Shrine Crippled Children or a charity of your choice.

DEC 13 2003

Irene Rosenau

McPherson Larson

COEUR d'Alene, Idaho — Irene Theatta Rosenau McPherson Larson died Sunday, Dec. 7, 2003, at Coeur d'Alene. Irene was born on a Saskatchewan homestead Jan. 28, 1915, to William and Emma Rosenau. She grew up on a homestead near Scobey, Mont., and graduated from Missoula High School in 1932.

She is survived by son Staff Sgt. Larry Larson; from her first marriage to the late Douglas McPherson, she leaves daughters Etoile Ziolkowski (Harry), Billie Stewart (Bill) and son Douglas McPherson (Lori.) She will be missed by grandchildren Butch, Denise, Peter, Tim, Ray and Joe Ziolkowski, Etoile and Gabrielle Stewart, Jamie and Kendra McPherson, Rhonda Wilson, and the Larsons: Joshua, Adam, Jeremy, Nicole, Samantha and Drew. Her brother Raymond Rosenau of Great Falls survives her, and she also leaves 16 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband Melvin Larson and son James McPherson, as well as brother Leo and sister Maryetta Froehlich.

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Irene was a child musical prodigy, a pianist, singer and composer, as well as a poet and gifted craftswoman. She raised her first family near Billings where she was a community and church volunteer, piano teacher, and was active in the Billings Water Center in the 1950s. She later worked for the U.S. Forest Service in Montana, Alaska and Idaho. She earned her associate of arts degree in music from Spokane Falls Community College in 1980 and wrote the program notes for the Spokane Symphony for many years. In Spokane, she was also active at Lincoln Heights Congregational Church and the Monday Musicals. Irene published a book of her poetry "My Fancy Flew" in 1987.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service is being planned, and to allow all her family to be there, it will be held in the new year.

An announcement will be made at a later date.

Jean Marie Larson

Jean Marie Larson left this world and went to be with Our Lord on Wednesday morning, June 25, 2003, in Billings. She was born on April 30, 1926, to Joseph Furshong and Ann Manion Furshong in Anaconda. On Aug. 20, 1947, she married Jack M. Larson, the love of her life. The family remained



**JEAN MARIE
LARSON**

in Anaconda, and Jean worked as a beautician for many years. In 1986, Jean moved to Billings and was involved in the St. Pius Catholic Community and Mother Theresa's Circle.

Jean is preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Ann; three brothers, Joe, Jim, and Charlie; one sister, Delores; husband Jack; sister-in-laws, Patsy Chor and Melba Schramm; great-grandchild Bobbie. Those still praying for her include her brother, TJ and Donna Furshong of Missoula; three daughters, Colleen Larson Loshesky of Anaconda, Joe and Jackie Larson Cerise of Anaconda, and John and Collette Larson

Hogenson of Billings; father-in-law, Ralph Fisher Sr.; and brother-in-law Ralph Fisher Jr., of Butte. Grandchildren include, Tamm and Amy Loshesky, Rebecca Cerise, JC and Kindra Hogenson, Derek and Jennifer Hogenson, Luoma and Katie Hogenson. She enjoyed six great-grandchildren as well as many nieces and nephews.

A memorial mass was celebrated in Billings on Thursday evening at St. Pius Catholic Church. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated Monday morning, 10:30 a.m., at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Anaconda, followed by interment in Mount Olivet Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please send memorials to your local Hospital or the charity of one's choice.

Services are under the care of the KT Riddle Funeral Home in Anaconda.

NOV 12 2003

Lucky 'Jerry' Larson

Lucky J. Larson, 71, of Billings, passed away Nov. 12, 2003, at Deaconess Billings Clinic, after a short battle with cancer.

Lucky was born June 30, 1932, in Fergus Falls, Minn., the son of Lucky B. and Helen N. (Olson) Larson.

Lucky served four years in the Air Force. Lucky married Margaret F. Kern in March of 1952; they divorced in 1966.

He worked for the U.S. Postal Service for 36 years, retiring in 1989. He then worked for the Billings Auto Auction until June of 2003. Lucky enjoyed stock car racing and collecting old model cars.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his stepfather Hank Embry. He is survived by son Randy (Sandy) of Belgrade; his daughter Robyn Larson of Billings, three step-grandsons,

Brad (Renee) Cline, Chad (Linda) Cline, Brent Cline; one great-granddaughter, all of Belgrade, and his faithful companions Dusty and Muffin.



**LUCKY
LARSON**

A special thanks to the medical staff at Deaconess hospital, Shirley Mitzner and Phylus Crawford for taking care of our dad.

Cremation has taken place. Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 17, at Yellowstone Valley Memorial Park.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice.

NOV 02 2003

Mae Larue

BOZEMAN — Mae Lucille Larue, 93, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 26, 2003, at Bozeman Deaconess Hospital. She was born on May 25, 1910, in Buffalo, Minn., to John and Annette (Thompson) Lang. When Mae was a child, the family moved from Minnesota and homesteaded in Hoskin's Basin outside of Billings. She spent most of her life in the Billings area, moving to Three Forks with her daughter in 1993.

She is survived by her daughter, Carol F. Morris; son, Thomas E. Beard; two stepsons, Bill and Jim Larue; and grandchildren, Naomi Beard, Linda Ewan, Karen Manley, Darna Copeland, Mae Beard and Thomas Beard Jr. She is also survived by 14 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Mae is preceded in death by five brothers and five sisters.

Family services will be held in Hoskin's Basin next summer. Cremation has taken place. Memorials may be made to the Three Forks Ambulance Service or to the Wild Birds Unlimited.

Anne G. Lasater

Anne G. Lasater, 99, of Billings, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2003, at the St. John's Lutheran Home.

Anne was born April 5, 1904, in Thief River Falls, Minn., the daughter of Richard and Anna Bloedau. She graduated from the Bismarck (N.D.) School where she learned surgical nursing.

In 1928, she was a night supervisor at Deaconess Hospital in Billings. In 1929, she married Webster Lasater, pastor of the Evangelical Church in Columbus. She was active in church and community affairs throughout her life.

Rev. Lasater died in 1969. She moved to St. John's Lutheran Home, July 11, 1988, and was chapel pianist until 1994.

Survivors include a son, Roy Lasater and daughter-in-law Bonnie of Findlay, Ohio; her

daughter, Ruth D'Arcy and son-in-law Charles of Monett, Mo.; nine grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; seven step-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren. Also surviving is one brother, Richard Bloedau of Oklahoma City; and one sister, Loloetta Halverson of Stoughton, Wis.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Marie Anderson; two brothers, Reuben Bloedau and Dr. W.L. Bloedau; one sister, Mildred Moses.

Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 6, at Smith West Chapel. Interment will be in Mountainview Cemetery in Columbus. Memorials to the St. John's Lutheran Home. Visitation will be Saturday, Oct. 4, from noon to 9 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 5, from noon to 8 p.m.

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Our Mother joined the Lord on May 6, 2003. Myrna Louise (Jones) LaSeur was born to Royal C. and Ruth Fern (Bottler) Jones on Sept. 17, 1919, in Livingston. She was raised



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LaSEUR**

on a ranch south of Livingston in Paradise Valley. Myrna graduated from Park County High School in Livingston. She then went to work in Yellowstone Park, which was the meeting place for her and her future husband.

Myrna and Ormond LaSeur were married Sept. 20, 1941, (which was her parents' wedding anniversary date) in Livingston. After living in Nye and Columbus, they eventually settled in Billings, where their two children, Dixine and Jerry, were born.

Myrna was a wonderful cook, as well as a very talented seamstress and artist. As the owner of the Monogram Shop and the Pfaff Sewing Machine dealership, she was able to produce beautiful pictures, signs and lettering in free hand and then embroider them with her sewing machine. She produced many bowling league

shirts and youth baseball uniforms. One of her proudest accomplishments was the intricate arrowhead arm patch worn by the Montana Highway Patrol. She also taught sewing classes to many young women in the Billings area.

Myrna was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, her brothers Roy and Radburn and her sister Marion.

She is survived by her daughter Dixine Pike (Gerald); and her son Jerry (Karen); grandchildren Katie Vandemark (George) and Jeff LaSeur (Maria) and their mother Karen Huntington; great-grandson Alan LaSeur; great-granddaughters Elsa Vandemark and Rebecca LaSeur; her sister, EriL Merrell; and five nieces.

The family wishes to express their appreciation to the staff at St. Johns Lutheran and a special thanks to Karen for her devoted care of Mom in her final hours.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 10, at Messiah Lutheran Church, with a luncheon to follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to St. Johns Foundation or a charity of your choice.

Roger W. Lassey

POWELL, Wyo. — Roger W. Lassey, 55, died Sunday, Feb. 16, 2003, in Powell.

At his request, cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 24, at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Cartwright, N.D. Interment will follow the services in the Yellowstone Point Cemetery. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home of Powell was in charge of local arrangements.

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Anthony R. 'Tony' Latka

GLENDIVE
— Anthony R. "Tony" Latka, age 91, of Glendive, passed away on Sunday, Sept. 7, 2003, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility in Glendive, after a short battle with cancer.



TONY LATKA

A vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 12, at the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, with Father Joseph Ponessa officiating. Interment will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

Tony was born in Dawson County on Aug. 24, 1912, the son of Frank and Agnes (Pietrzak) Latka. He was raised on the farm, which was homesteaded by his parents, and was ranching there when he became ill last March. Tony attended Upper Crackerbox School in Dawson County.

He married Rose Grimes in Glendive on July 20, 1938. Tony and Rose raised eight children and welcomed two nieces and two nephews to become part of the family in 1940, after the death of their mother.

Tony operated a registered Polled Hereford ranch, attending various shows and sales in many states and Canada. Tony worked as a cattle buyer first with Jim Ranger and later with Walter Cress. For many years he did most of the sorting of cattle at the Glendive stockyards from the Svarre and Hanson days through the days when the Venable family owned the yard. With his cattle, he held annual production sales in Glendive and at his ranch for several years. Tony judged livestock shows and was respected for his "eye" for good cattle. He enjoyed working with 4-H members involved in livestock projects served as livestock superintendent at the Spring Exposition and county fairs. He later served from 1966 to 1983 as a member of the Dawson County Fair Board. As a rancher, Tony received various awards for stewardship and conservation practices.

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In addition to ranching, Tony worked in the beet fields in Savage, helped on the Fort Peck Dam project; sold Ceretana feeds, and worked for the government as a surveyor for the ASCS. Special interests included his family, playing cards and visiting.

Tony was preceded in death by his wife, Rose; a daughter, Cecile; brothers, Jake and John; sisters, Anna, Sophie and Rose; grandchildren, Dorraine Latka, Wade Roy and Clint Smalis; and nephew, Tony Pisk.

Survivors include three sons, Paul (Donna) of Glendive, Dennis (Carmen) of Sidney, and Stephen (Judy) of Janesville, Wis.; four daughters, Dolores Roy of Dickinson, N.D., Gail Nagle of Glendive, Jeanne Smalis of Terry, and Diane Slagsvold of Billings; 27 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren. He also leaves behind a brother, Albert of Glendive; a brother-in-law, Robert Olson of St. Charles, Ill.; a sister-in-law, Opal Latka of Glendive; and nephew, Stan Pisk of Miles City; nieces, Julia Hlebichuk of Billings, and Leona Johnston of Billings; and numerous other nieces and nephews.

Memorials are suggested to the charity of donor's choice.

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

Eva M. Laughery

Eva M. Laughery, 99, of Billings, passed away Aug. 1, 2003, at Valley Health Care.

She was born in Fromberg, the daughter of James and Anna (Pokarney) Miller.

She was married to Mark G. Laughery on July 31, 1922, in Greybull, Wyo. In 1923, they moved to Canyon, Texas, and then to Billings in 1946.

They lived in Aurora, Colo., from 1975 to 1977. After Mark died, she moved back to Billings in 1978.

Eva was a charter member of Emmanuel Baptist Church and Trinity Baptist Church, and at the present time, a member of Fellowship Baptist Church. The joy of her life was teaching the Bible to every age.

Survivors include her daughter, Annabelle "Ann" Kosel, of Billings; and her son, Robert (Imogene) Laughery, of Seguin, Texas; two grandsons, Lewis Laughery, of Seguin and Gerald (Brenda) Laughery, of Dallas; great-granddaughter, Tabatha (Charles) Housewright of Baytown, Texas, and great-grandson, Gerald Jr. (Cristi) Laughery of Houston; two great-great-granddaughters, Haley and Jentri Housewright; and great-great-grandson Taylor/Rase Laughery; brother and sisters, Gladys Freitas, Eastside, Ore., Genevieve (Hank) Northcutt,

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Florence, Ore., Elsie Loper Joshua Tree, Calif., and Joseph (Jean) Miller of Shoreline, Wash. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1977; Dorothy in 1940; her son-in law, Joseph M. Kosel in 1983; brothers Theodore and Fredrick Miller; sisters, Ella Treat, Ethel Naccarato, Mary Davenport, L. Jane "Peggy" Miller and Josephine Cummings.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 5, at Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. W., Reverend Richard Covington officiating. Interment at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorial to Yellowstone Baptist College, 1515 S. Shiloh Road, Billings, MT 59106, or to charity of your choice.

Kenneth Lauridsen

POPLAR — Kenneth Lauridsen, 87, died Sunday, Oct. 5, 2003, at Northeast Montana Health Services in Poplar.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel in Poplar. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, at Zion Lutheran Church in North Brockton. Interment will be in the Zion Lutheran Cemetery.

Molly Lauridsen

MOLLY LAURIDSEN — Molly Damm Lauridsen died Monday, Oct. 20, 2008, at Mercy Medical Center in William, N.D.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel in Poplar. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23, at Zion Lutheran Church in North Stockton. Interment will be in the Zion Lutheran Cemetery.

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Charles E. Lauzon, Jr.

Charles E. Lauzon, Jr. passed away on Nov. 24, 2003, at the Valley Nursing Home. He was born on Oct. 18, 1934, in Rapid City, S.D., to Charles and Stella Lauzon.



**CHARLES
LAUZON**

Preceded in death by his mother, father and brother Romauld.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte; his son, Charles III (Annette); daughter Betty Jo (Jan Pentas); son Tom (Carol); his two sisters, Joyce (Tom) Stangle, Bonita (Robert) Reeves; three grandsons, Jeremy, Nathan and CJ; two granddaughters, Shannon and Sara; one great-granddaughter and best friend, Martella Rose.

Chuck was raised in Hermosa, S.D. He graduated from high school in Rapid City. He married Charlotte Marak on Aug. 23, 1953. They raised three children. They moved to Billings in the 1960s. Chuck was self-employed, loved ranching and his family. He was a loved husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend; he will be greatly missed.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, Nov. 28, at 11 a.m., at the First Church of the Nazarene, 805 Alderson Ave., in Billings.

In lieu of flowers, the family would prefer donations were sent to Billings Family Fellowship at PO Box 80986, Billings, MT 59108.

Edwin Lawler

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 11 2003

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. — Edwin Arnold Lawler, 93, of Meeteetse, died Wednesday, April 9, 2003, at his home.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, April 14, at Meeteetse Baptist Church. Afternoon graveside services will be at 2 p.m. at Riverside Cemetery in Thermopolis. Mortimore Funeral Home of Thermopolis is in charge.

Grace L. Lawler

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Grace L. Lawler passed away Aug. 26, 2003.



**GRACE
LAWLER**

She was born Jan. 24, 1921, in Minneapolis, the daughter of Joseph and Anna (Staugus) Palonis. When she was 6 years old, the family moved to Chicago. Anna divorced Joseph Palonis and subsequently married Anthony Zukaus. A son, Donald, was born to this union. After three years in Chicago, they moved to a farm near Eau Claire, Mich. During the Depression of the late 1920s and early 1930s, they lost the farm and moved to Berrien Springs, Mich.

Grace graduated from Berrien Springs High School in 1938. She then attended South Bend College of Commerce in South Bend, Ind., and went to work at Bendix Corp. as a secretary and then to the Office of Price Administration and then to the Gas Rationing Board of OPA. After this office closed, she went to work at the Veterans Administration in Indianapolis, Ind. She married John Lawler in July of 1946 at Baker. To this union were born three sons, who were the pride of her life.

She was an active den mother

for many years, president of the Altar Society for one year, member of the Baker Woman's Club and Baker Homemakers' Club. When they retired, they moved to Billings, where she joined St. Elizabeth Circle of St. Thomas Parish.

She raised her sons with a strong work ethic and a will to succeed. She also worked in the family drug store for 20 years, going to Minneapolis, Chicago and Denver for unusual gifts to be sold in the drugstore. She enjoyed traveling with her family to Ireland, Greece, Washington, D.C., and the Seattle area. Upon retirement, Jack and Grace went on numerous Elderhostel trips in the United States and once to the Baltic States and Russia. She was an avid bridge player and active in the stock market by belonging to the Penney Annes Investment Club at the time of her death.

Survivors include her husband of 57 years; three sons, Dr. Edward (wife Faye) of Billings, John (wife Joni) of Arlington, Va., and Dr. Michael (wife Janet) of Yarrow Point, Wash.; and nine grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Donald and an infant granddaughter.

Vigil services will be 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 29, at St. Thomas The Apostle Church. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 30, at the church. Following a reception in the multi-purpose room of St. Thomas Church, Rite of Committal will take place at Hallowstone Valley Memorial Park.

Memorials may be sent to the Saint Vincent Foundation, 1106 N. 30th, Billings, MT 59101.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Kimberly Lawrence

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 1, 2003

WILLISTON, N.D. —
Kimberly Dawn Lawrence, 41, of Williston, formerly of Billings, died Tuesday, July 15, 2003, at Bethel Lutheran Nursing Home.

Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. Friday, July 18, at Faith United Methodist Church in Williston. Cremation has taken place. Friends may sign a register book at Fulkerson Funeral Home in Williston, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, July 17, and for one hour before service time at the church on Friday.

Gordon James Lawson

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Gordon James Lawson was born in Billings on June 23, 1968, the son of Vera and James D. Lawson. He attended school in Laurel, graduating from Laurel High School in 1986. He then attended DeVry Institute of Technology in Dallas and Phoenix. He was then an employee of Computers Unlimited until his death on Monday, Feb. 3, 2003. His talent lay in the field of music and he also enjoyed the outdoors and camping in the mountains.

He is survived by his mother; a sister, Janet (Clay) Workman, and niece and nephew, Molly and Matthew of Tempe, Ariz.; a sister, Valerie (Bruce) Aigner, and niece and nephew, Katie and Michael of Bellingham, Wash. A special friend, Juanita Dover, also survives.

We will always love you and always miss you, Gordon.

Memorial services will be held 2 p.m. Friday, March 7, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Laurel.

Should friends desire, memorials can be made to Our Savior's Lutheran Church or Help for Homeless Pets, Box 1282, Billings, MT 59103.

Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of cremation.

Irene Laya

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 27 2003

Irene Laya, 83, of Billings, went home to be with the Lord on Friday morning, April 25, 2003. She was born in East Chicago Heights, Ill., on March 5, 1920, the daughter of Andrew and Lily Satkowski.

Irene left home as a teenager and traveled to Detroit to work as a nanny. After a few years, she returned home to work as a machinist in a defense plant during WWII. She also worked as a waitress in local restaurants and ballrooms. It was there that she met Stanley Laya. They were married on Feb. 22, 1947.

In 1948, they moved to Stan's native Montana. They arrived in Miles City where Stan started his masonry apprenticeship; this led to a life of traveling for the couple to many building sites throughout the country. Irene met many people in trailer parks on her travels and helped many families while her husband worked at his trade. She kept in touch with many of these friends until the time of her death.

Eventually Irene and Stan settled in Billings, Stan's birthplace, in 1956. In 1959, their only child, a son, Rene' was born. Work once again



IRENE LAYA

put the family on the road traveling in 1961.

In 1963, Billings became home and the family moved into their present home.

Irene was a devoted wife and mother. The love of her life, Stan, preceded her in death in 1995. Her son remained at the family home until her passing.

Irene was a very devout Catholic. As a member of Little Flower Church, she participated in the Legion of Mary by visiting shut-ins and people in nursing homes. She helped with the annual "Bazaar" until her health no longer allowed it. She canned many hundreds jars of food for the nuns and priests of the parish. Her family and her church were her life.

Survivors include her son, Rene', and his fiancée Tammie Aalgaard; a special cousin, Alta Houser of San Diego; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Irene was preceded in death by her husband, Stan; her parents and seven brothers and sisters.

A vigil service will be at 7 p.m., Monday, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. A funeral Mass will be offered at 10 a.m., Tuesday, at Little Flower Catholic Church.

Rite of Committal will be in Holy
Cross Cemetery. Memorials may
be made to Little Flower Catholic
Church, 209 S. 35th St., Billings,
MT 59101.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary
is in charge of arrangements.

Daisy Pekich Lazetich

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Daisy Pekich Lazetich was born April 29, 1924, in Bearcreek, Mont. Daughter of Anga and Eli Pekich, sister to Steve and Big Dan, she graduated at the top of her class from Bearcreek High School. A talented pianist, she went on to attend Billings Business College and work at Security Bank, Midland Bank and Lori's Dress Shop.



**DAISY
LAZETICH**

Daisy married William "Bill" Lazetich on July 20, 1947. This past year they celebrated 55 great years together. A wonderful wife and mother, Daisy's passion was her family. Her capacity to care was endless. Her competitive spirit will cheer us forever.

Daisy passed away, Friday, Jan. 17, 2003.

"All we are or hope to be, we owe to our Mother. Thanks Mom, for giving us the wings to fly." Sandra and Mel Wattula, Andy and Camila, Pete and Cindy Lazetich, Johnno and Nina, Karen and Mike Moses, Brandy, Lindsey and Tymer, Maria and Jim Kiplinger, Madeline and Wil.

Bill and the children would like to thank each and every staff

member of the Vista and Big Sky Hospice for the extraordinary care and caring given Daisy and the entire family.

Memorial services will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Orthodox funeral services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22, at the Mortuary with interment at Mountview Cemetery.

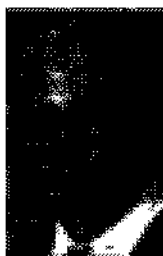
Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, St. Nicholas Orthodox Church or the Billings Public Education Foundation.

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Fredrick William Leader

NASHUA — Fredrick William Leader, 77, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2003, in Valley View Nursing Home in Glasgow.

He was born Sept. 14, 1926, in Archer, the son of William and Sophia (Laverdure) Leader. Fred attended a one-room schoolhouse in Archer and Redstone until the tenth grade.



**FREDRICK
LEADER**

He joined the service in 1944 and served as an MP in the Pacific Theatre after World War II. He came back to Redstone and worked in the area up until his marriage.

Fredrick married Vivian Frances LaFoy of Gray, Saskatchewan, Canada, on Oct. 24, 1953, at Big Beaver. In the fall of 1957, they moved to Nashua where they raised four children. Fred worked at the Grain Elevator in Nashua for 30-some years.

Fred was a member of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Nashua, American Legion, Sons of Norway, Senior Citizens and the Lions Club. He was an active

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Justice of the Peace for many years also.

Fred enjoyed taking care of his kids, grandkids, gardening and helping others through his carpentry work. He loved dedicating his time to the community.

He was preceded in death by his wife Vivian, his father, his mother, sister Ester Martin and brother Harold Leader.

Survivors include his children, Juanita Scott and Arlin of Oxnard, Calif., Rick and Doris Leader of Nashua, Julaine and Joey Reynen of Culbertson and Karleen and Scott Fossum of Glasgow; 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren including Joe Boyum, Kristine and her son Devin and Angela (Scott) Lopez and her daughter Samantha Lopez, Russell Leader, Curtis Leader, and Nicholas Leader, Jake Reynen, Janae Reynen, and Ashley Fossum, Shelby Fossum, Chase Fossum and Keely Fossum; a brother, Leonard Leader of Malta; and sisters, Sami Bedwell of Aberdeen, S.D., and Bernice Bensen and Agnes Wilson, both of Plentywood.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, the Rev. Martin Mock officiating. Interment is in the Nashua City Cemetery. Bell Mortuary in Glasgow is in charge of arrangements.

NOV 20 2003**James R. Leary**

Billings, Wyo. — James R. Leary of Story, died Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2003, at Memorial Hospital in Sheridan County.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. today, Nov. 21, in the Story Women's Club. Champion Ferris Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

Rose Leary

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 05 2003

FORSYTH -- Rose Leary, 90, died Jan. 4, 2003, at the Rosebud Health Care Center.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 7, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Burial will be in the family lot of the Forsyth Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 6 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 6, in the Chapel of Stevenson's Funeral Home in Forsyth.

Lisa Maxine Leaver

BILLINGS GAZETTE

Lisa Maxine Leaver went to be at peace with the lord Thursday, Feb. 20, 2003.

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Lisa was born Nov. 20, 1963, in Missoula to John and Minta Belle "Pat" Leaver. She attended grade school in Missoula prior to moving to Billings, where she graduated from Billings West High School in 1982. She left Montana to live in Denver for several years. She then return-



LISA LEAVER

ed to Montana in 1992 after realizing it was where her heart was.

Lisa will be remembered for her contagious smile and her laughter. She loved to water ski, camp and enjoy life with her friends. She will always be remembered for her artistic abilities and her poem writing.

Lisa leaves behind the love of her life, her daughter Hailey Jo. She is also survived by sister Debbie Mitchell and her children Heather and Lindsey (Billings); her stepmother, Jerry Leaver, and her children, Mark Virts and his son Damon of Missoula, Darla (Brent) Nokleby and their children Jourdan and Amanda of Missoula, Kristy

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(Keith) Wirts-Kominick and their son Austin of Brighton, Colo.; her stepfather Myke Lindsay and his children Robbe (Staci) Lindsay of Missoula, Stace (Lisa) Lindsay and their children Abby and Cain of Cambridge, Mass.; and she also leaves behind a very special friend, Jerry Ziegler of Hilger.

Lisa was preceded in death by her father John Leroy Leaver, her mother, Mirta Belle "Pat" Lindsay, and her stepbrother, Jay Lindsay.

Services will be held at the Cremation or Funeral Gallery, 29 Eighth Street West, Billings, MT 59101 at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4, with a celebration of her life to follow at Sunset Bowl, 1625 Central Avenue, Billings, MT 59102 in the basement reception area.

Family members request memorials in lieu of flowers be made to a memorial fund for Halley M. Powell, c/o First Interstate Bank, PO Box 31317, Billings, MT 59107-3137, attention Deanna Smith.

MAY 03 2003**Steve Mark LeBrun**

Steve Mark LeBrun, 50, of Billings, passed away at his home, April 30, 2003, of natural causes.

Steve was born April 30, 1953, in Billings, the son of Julian and Lila (Oliphant) LeBrun.



**STEVE
LeBRUN**

He was raised in Billings and worked as a mechanic, carpenter and homebuilder.

Steve loved horses, hunting and fishing, building and working on cars.

Survivors include his son, Derek Schmidt of Watertown, S.D.; his daughter, Jennifer Childs of Idaho; two grandchildren; two brothers, John of Casper, Wyo., and Wade of Billings; one sister, Jolie (Jim) Bender of Billings; a niece, Jamie Bender of Billings; and a nephew, Patrick LaBrun of Casper.

Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, at Smith Downtown Chapel. Visitation will begin at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 3. Interment will be at Mountview Cemetery.

James F. Lechner

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 30 2003

James F. Lechner died July 29, 2003, while at home. He was born in Pompeys Pillar, Nov. 1, 1929, to Joseph and Katherine Lechner. Jim grew up on the Huntley Project and farmed in this area all his life.

Jim graduated from Huntley Project School in 1947, he attended Carroll College, Eastern Montana College and then graduated from Rocky Mountain College in 1958. Jim also served his country for several years in the United States Army.

Jim worked for many organizations over the years, including Billings Contractors Council, Montana and Billings Home Builders Associations, Montana Iron Workers JATC, Montana Steel, Billings Area Sheet Metal, Billings Carpenter JATC and Billings Area Master Plumbers.

In 1959, Jim married Beverly Garrin and had three children.

Jim was preceded in death by his daughter, Cynthia Ann Lechner; and two brothers, Marcus and John.



JIM LECHNER

Jim is survived by his wife Beverly of 44 years; two sons, Terry and his wife Shelley Lechner of Shawmut, Kim and his wife Natalie and granddaughter Kinsey Ann of Billings; four brothers, Karl, Charles and Ted, all of Billings, and Glen of Harlowton; three sisters, Mary Baker of Billings, Katherine Haaland of Shepherd and Rosellen Weber of Dana Point, Calif.; and many nieces and nephews.

The vigil service will be 7 p.m. Thursday, July 31, St. Bernard's Catholic Church. Funeral Mass will be 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 1, at the church, with rite of committal at Mountview Cemetery. The casket will be closed at church.

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

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

**Inga Cornelia
(Larson) LeDuc****MAR 02 2003**

Inga Cornelia (Larson) LeDuc, 92, of Billings, formerly of Harvey, N.D., died Friday, Feb. 28, 2003, at her home in Billings.

She was born Aug. 4, 1910, at Eagle Bend, Minn., the daughter of Peder and Lena (Boyum) Larson. She attended high school in Fairfax, Minn.

Inga attended nursing school at Swedish Hospital in Minneapolis in 1932. She worked as a nurse in home care in Minnesota and later worked in Chicago and Texas.

She married Walter J. LeDuc on March 26, 1942, in Sturgis, S.D. After their marriage, they lived at Harvey, where she did clinic nursing. After retirement, they moved to Mesa, Ariz. She had lived in Billings since 1992. She enjoyed doing knitting, tatting and crocheting.

Surviving include her daughter, Mary Lou Fundingsland of Billings; two grandsons, Mark F. Fundingsland of Red Lodge, and Steve F. Fundingsland of Minot, N.D.; and two sisters, Bernice Hanson of Fairfax, Minn., and Palma Sievertson of St. Louis Park, Minn. She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter; two brothers, Stanley and Irwin Larson; and a sister, Orda Anderson.

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A remembrance of Inge's life will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 2, at her daughter, Mary Lou's home, 3570 Granger Ave., in Billings.

Smith's West Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

A memorial service and interment of the urn will be held at a later date in Grant, N.D.

MAR 18 2003

Sharon Bartholomew-Ledvina

ALBANY, Calif. — Sharon Bartholomew-Ledvina died in her sleep at home in Albany, on Jan. 26, 2003.

She was born Sept. 25, 1965, in St. Paul, Minn. She was a graduate of Northern Illinois University and an office manager. Sharon was a loving homemaker and mother. She will be remembered as a kind and goodhearted person.

Sharon is survived by her husband, Stephen A. Ledvina; children Alexandra and Stephen Michael; parents, Gordon Dennis and Janet Bartholomew of Naperville, Ill.; sisters Jean Rehm of Las Vegas and Mary Stark of Montgomery, Ill.; and numerous aunts, nephews, nieces and cousins.

A Memorial Mass was held at St. Raphael Catholic Church in Naperville on Feb. 4.

Memorials may be made to an education fund for the children at Harris Bank, c/o Mary Stark, 124 Rickert Road, Naperville, IL 60563.

Clayton J. Lee

BILLINGS GAZETTE
JUL - 8 2003

Clayton J. Lee, age 67, of Billings and formerly of Richey, died on Saturday, June 28, 2003, in Billings.



CLAYTON LEE

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, July 11, at the Dawson

County Cemetery in Glendive, with Pastor James Hageman officiating. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Clayton was born on Oct. 5, 1935, in Kansas City, Kan., the son of John and Irene (Bourget) Lee. Clayton attended schools in Kansas City. He moved with his family to Worland, Wyo., and attended schools there. He moved to the Glendive area in the late 1950s.

Clayton served in the U.S. Navy until his honorable discharge on Dec. 22, 1958. He married Myrna Smith in June of 1960 in Glendive. He returned to Glendive, where he was employed by various jobs until moving to Richey, where he was employed by West Crude Oil. He became an employee for Dawson County with the Road Department, where he worked for 21 years until his retirement in 1997.

He met the love of his life, Kathleen Price Kronmiller, and

they were united in marriage on Aug. 26, 1989, in Billings. After his retirement, Clayton and his wife traveled south in their motor home for two years until finally settling down in Billings. Clayton then found a new love — driving school bus. He loved and enjoyed those kids!

Clayton enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, fishing and, most of all, visiting with the many friends he and Kathy made on all their travels.

Clayton was preceded in death by his parents, John and Irene Lee; and one brother, Bill Benison.

Clayton is survived by his wife, Kathy of Billings; two sons, Pat Kronmiller and his wife Paula of Glendive and Tony Lee and his wife Glenna of Glendive; one daughter, Shana Kaufman and her husband Doug of Glendive; two sisters, Mary Locken and her husband Leroy of Billings, and Clara Rangel and her husband Benny of Ten Sleep, Wyo.; one brother, Jerry Benison of Billings; 10 grandchildren, including Amanda, Trisha and Cameron Kronmiller, Bobbie Lee, Laci and Nate Kaufman, all of Glendive; numerous nieces and nephews.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at www.silvernale-silhafuneral-home.com.

JUN 28 2003

Dagne Lee

SIDNEY — Dagne Lee, 95, of Sidney, died Thursday, June 26, 2003, at the Sidney Health Center-Extended Care Facility.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 1, at the People's Congregational Church. Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

Harold R. Lee

THEMOPOLIS, Wyo. —
Harold R. "Buck" Lee, 78, died
Thursday, Oct. 23, 2003, at Hot
Springs County Memorial
Hospital.

Funeral services will be at 2
p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, at
Mortenson Funeral Home in
Thermopolis.

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GILLETTE, Wyo. —

Belmonte Ellsworth Leek, 86, died Saturday, April 12, 2003, at the Pioneer Manor Nursing Home in Gillette.

At his request, no services will be held. Private cremation services have taken place. A private family graveside service will take place at a later date. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

Andrew James Leeper

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Andrew James Leeper went to be with our Heavenly Father on Jan. 20, 2003, at the age of 60.

He was born on Nov. 8, 1942, in Billings, the son of Y.F. "Charlie" and Edna Mae Leeper. He attended school in Billings, where he met his childhood sweetheart, Marjean. They married on Dec. 1, 1962. At the age of 14, he started his first job at the Belknap Broiler and worked there for seven years. In 1963, he moved his family to California, where he learned the upholstery and furniture-making craft. In 1972, he moved his family back to Billings, where he thought kids should be raised.

He dedicated 30 years to Ryan Grocery/Super-Valu. He was known at work as "Handy Andy." He was not afraid of hard work.

Andy's first grandchild came into this world on his 43rd birthday. He loved his family, especially his grandchildren. He liked bike riding with them and giving them money to shop at the dollar store.

Andy had many hobbies, which included collecting yo-yos (we called him the "yo-man"). He also loved ice cream and collect-



**ANDREW
LEEPER**

ed unusual ice cream scoops. His love for people showed through his willingness to help anyone who was in need.

He is survived by his wife, Marjean; his children and grandchildren, Connie Sue (Casey Jeane), Joseph Kelly (Kylie Rae) and Tommye Nicole (Cameron James and Kayla Jo), all of Billings; his mother, Edna of Lewistown; sisters, Clara Hawn, Betty (Robert) Cross, Mary Napier of Billings, Ruth (Robert) Hodges of Negaunee, Mich.; and brother David of Billings. He also had 21 nieces and nephews, plus many neighborhood kids who called him Dad.

He was preceded in death by his father and brother, Samuel John.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, at Smith Downtown Chapel. Cremation has taken place.

Everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him will miss him tremendously.

Craig A. Leeper

Craig A. Leeper, 38, of Billings, died of natural causes Sunday afternoon, Oct. 19, 2003, while traveling back to Billings from Sacramento, Calif.

Craig was born in L.A. County, Calif., on July 5, 1965, and as a child, moved to Billings, where he received his education and graduated from Senior High School. Always active in sports, Craig was a state armwrestling and wristwrestling champion in Montana for four years.

The jobs he liked the most kept him outside, like his work with S Bar S in Billings or the one with a company that cleaned swimming pools in Las Vegas. Craig's love of sports and the outdoors made time spent fishing, caring for his yard and garden or watching the sprint cars at the track special for Craig. Very family oriented, he liked to cook for family and friends.



**CRAIG
LEEPER**

Survivors include his mother, Sharon Brua of Billings; two brothers, David Leeper of California and Tom Brua of Billings; a sister, Christina Wilken of Billings; his special dog, J.D.; and numerous other aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 23, at the Smith Downtown Chapel. Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

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Billings, Mont., Nov. 1, 2003. The Billings Gazette, 71, died Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003, at the Billings Senior Center in Montana.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, at the Adams Funeral Home Memorial Chapel. Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, at the Mountain View Cemetery of Valley View, Mont.

Arthur Louis Leet

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PARK CITY — Arthur Louis Leet, 83, of Park City, passed away Friday, July 26, 2003, surrounded by his family. He was born to Lester and Eunice Leet in Utica, Ky., on Oct. 27, 1919.

Louis grew up in the Valier area and graduated from Valier High School. While attending Northern Montana College in Havre, he met his future wife, Florence Kolar. They celebrated their 61st anniversary, July 6.

During WWII, Louis served in the U.S. Merchant Marine. He was in Dutch Harbor, Alaska, during its bombing, for which he received veteran status in 1988. As a young man, he was an avid amateur radio operator, licensed as W7VMA. He was a retired member of the Operating Engineers Union, Local 400.

Louis is survived by his wife, Florence; daughters, Judith Schill and Linda (Kirk) Overby of Las Vegas, Nora (Marion) Johnson and Jo Anne (Jim) Vinson of Cascade and Michele Yeager of Laurel; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; a sister, Jane Scheel of Kent, Wash.; and a brother, James Leet of Edmonds, Wash. He was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters and a brother.

A memorial service will be held at the Smith Funeral Chapel in Laurel on Wednesday, July 30, at 2 p.m., with the Reverend Paul Reeder officiating. According to his wishes, Louis' ashes will be scattered on the Rocky Mountain Front.

Louis is much loved by his family and will be greatly missed. Rest in peace. It has been much earned. Show a special act of kindness for someone else in Louis' memory. Memorials may be sent to the American Heart Association.

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Anna Jean Stands Lefthand

PRYOR — Anna Jean Stands Lefthand, 72, of Pryor, went home to be with her Lord on Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings.



**ANNA
LEFTHAND**

Anna Jean was born May 3, 1931, in Pryor, the daughter of Elkin and Goldie (Dust) Stands Over Bull. She was a member of the Big Lodge Clan and a child of the Piegan Clan. Anna attended grade

school at the Fourth of July Creek School and graduated from St. Charles Mission in Pryor.

All throughout her life, she was a member of the Souls Harbor Pentecostal Church in Pryor.

Anna was well known for her singing of Gospel music and preaching the Word of God throughout various Native American reservations.

She was a skilled beader and an avid Edgar and Plenty Coups basketball fan. She loved to cook and was very hospitable. Anybody that stopped by to visit her home was welcomed with open arms. Anna was a very friendly, caring person throughout her life.

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Survivors include her sons, Eymard (Sarah) Lefthand of Pryor, Gary Lefthand of Billings, Ben (Josie) Stands of Pryor, Darrell (Carlotta) Lefthand of Pryor, a grandson whom she raised as her own son; daughters, Reva (Marlin) Not Afraid, Lavonne (Curtis) Real Bird; grandchildren, Tiara Lefthand, Sarah Faith (Stanley) Rides Horse, Lori Ann (Richard) Crow and Aaron, all of Pryor, Darwin and Richard Lefthand of Lodge Grass, Tyler (Lisa) Gibby, Gilbert Jr., Nathaniel Lefthand of Crow Agency; brothers, Lawrence (Wilma), Pat (Sharon) Stands Over Bull; sisters, Rose Rock Above, all of Pryor, Linda (Larry) Little Owl Sr., Juanita Stands Over Bull all of Crow Agency; special great-grandchildren, Darnell, Darrellyn and Famous of the family home, Latisha, Jariel, Tylym, Tanieshia, Trenay, Haylin, Keyshawn, Talene, Tony, Thomas and, Richard; step-sons, Marlin (Thelma) and Vincent Jr. (Abigail) Goes Ahead; step-daughters, Wyma (Richard) Little Light, Karen, Beulah Goes Ahead, Mary (Todd) Volk and Natalie Little Owl.

Anna Jean was preceded in death by her first husband, Tyler Lefthand Sr., and later by her husband Vincent Goes Ahead Sr.; parents; sons, Tyler Jr., Gilbert Sr., and Lawrence; brothers, Moses Stands Over Bull and Carlton (Big Boy) Nomee; grandson, Darnell

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Lefthand; adopted sons, Starr Not
 Afraid Jr., Dwayne Costa, Billy
 Wall, Myron Goes Ahead and
 Larry Stands Over Bull.

Anna Jean's home was always
 open to her sons, grandsons and
 friends, including Harry Rock
 Above, Jerome and Dallas Hugs,
 Roland Plain Feather, Raymond
 Hill, Larry Boy Plain Bull, Butch
 Nagel and Lance Rock Above. Her
 adopted grandsons are the follow-
 ing: Holland Plain Feather, Clarent
 Stewart, Sponge Sees the Ground,
 Leonard Gardner, Ray Hill Jr.,
 Tyler Lefthand of Billings,
 Lewellyn Greg Nomee, Twins
 Josiah and Joshua Falls Down,
 Kendall Lefthand, Carl Big Hair,
 Brian and George Two Moons,
 Freddie Kills Night, Stephen Little
 Light of Pryor and Byron Other
 Bull of Hardin.

Special friends, Irma and
 Edward Bird Hat, Ruby Iron Goes
 Ahead, Tilli Bird Hat, Ruby
 Plainfeather, Adeline Plain
 Feather, Josephine Whiteman,
 May Hunts the Arrow Stops,
 Gloria Medicine Crow, Mary
 Carpenter, Regina Goes Ahead,
 Alice Hunts the Arrow, Sarah
 Sings Good, Nathelle Jefferson,
 Gladys DeCrane, Gloria
 Cummins, Agnes Pretty Weasel,
 Emaline Rock and Carol
 Whiteman; adopted brother,
 Owen (Rita) Snell Jr.; special
 niece, Theresa (Kenneth) Haur;
 adopted sisters, Leona and Maggie
 Rides the Horse; adopted sons,
 Eugene Eitrov of Bushv. Anthony,

There will be a prayer service 6
 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, at the Dahl
 Chapel in Billings.

The funeral service will be
 noon, Friday, Dec. 5, at Souls
 Harbor Church in Pryor.
 Interment will be in Pryor
 Cemetery.

Frederick and Marshall Lefthand,
 all of Lodge Grass, Eli Stone of
 Wyola. Anna's extended families
 include Roods, Dust, Plenty Hawk,
 Knows the Ground, Ester Walks
 family, Christine Stewart and fam-
 ily.

Lloyd A. Lehman

NEWELL, S.D. — Lloyd A. Lehman, 81, of Newell, formerly of Sidney, Mont., died Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2003, at his home.

At his request, cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be at a later date. Kinkade Funeral Chapel of Newell is in charge.

Minnie Lehman

Minnie Lehman, 92, passed away Monday, Dec. 8, 2003, at Valley Health Care Center in Billings.

Minnie Lehman was born in Billings on Jan. 27, 1911, and lived in the Billings, Belfry and Bridger area all of her life. Since 1989, she has resided at the Valley Health Care Center.

She was preceded in death by her father, William Lehman, and her mother, Elizabeth; brothers, Henry Lehman, August Lehman and William Lehman, and sisters, Sophie Nauman, Jennie Williams, and Hermina Bliss. She is survived by sisters, Amelia Ries and her husband Joe Ries of Powell, Wyo., and Elizabeth Marie Pfeiffer of Windsor, Colo.; and her sister-in-law, Rose Lehman of Port Huron, Mich.; and nieces and nephews, Florence Althoff of Bridger, Betty Beaver of Laramie, Wyo., Carol Crandall of Windsor, Diane Franklin of Indianapolis, Ind., Ed Hana of Bradley, Ill., Bob Lehman of Oregon City, Ore., Carl Lehman of Billings, David Lehman of Bridger, Dean Lehman of Laurel, Leonard Lehman of Midland, Mich., Ted Lehman of Belen, N.M., Dorothy Linderman of Billings, Ronald Ries of Cody, Wyo., Lenora Stevens of Port Huron, and Roy Williams of Laurel, as well as many great and great-great, and even some great-great-great nieces and nephews.

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Minnie was a life-long Christian and a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Bridger. As a young girl Minnie loved horses. Unfortunately, she was kicked in the head by a horse at a young age, and it was thought by the medical authorities of the day that she was left somewhat mentally retarded. After the accident, her formal education was discontinued but she did manage to become confirmed in the Lutheran Church and clung to Jesus with a childlike faith for the remainder of her life.

The family is grateful for the excellent care that Minnie received while residing at the Valley Health Care Center for the many years that she was a resident there.

Funeral service will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Bridger on Tuesday at 2 p.m. with her cremated remains to be interred after the service in the Bridger Cemetery.

Smith Funeral Chapel-Lanrel is in charge of cremation and funeral arrangements.

Memorials may be given to St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Bridger or Valley Health Care Center.

Walter H. Lehman

LAUREL — Walter H. Lehman, 77, of Laurel, passed away on Tuesday, April 15, 2003. He was blessed to have been in his daughter's home at the time of



**WALTER
LEHMAN**

his death, with family members at his side.

Walter was born on April 27, 1925, a son to Alexander and Katherine Lehman and was the eighth child of nine children. He

was raised and grew up on the family farm in Lockwood and was educated in the Billings area.

On Nov. 29, 1952, he married Dianne S. Scharosch, with whom his four children were born. Later, he was married to Elizabeth Herauf of Los Angeles.

He worked for the City of Billings for many years, eventually retiring in 1987. He was a longtime member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Billings, where he was baptized, confirmed and married. At the time of his death, he was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Laurel.

He enjoyed many different pastimes throughout his life, but his favorite was fishing. He spent many satisfying hours along the banks of the Yellowstone River, walking, picking mushrooms

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and asparagus...and fishing.

Walter was a fine and upright man. He was fun-loving and was known for his warm, kind and compassionate nature. It was these qualities that won him a special place in the hearts of those who knew him and loved him. His presence will be sorely missed. While we mourn his passing from us, we rejoice that he now rests in peace with his LORD and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Solomon Lehman; and two sisters, Freida (Lehman) Emmerick and Lillian Lehman. He is survived by a brother, Willie (Bessie) Lehman of Park City; and sisters Elizabeth (Lehman) Roth, Dorothy (Lehman) Ostermiller, Sophie (Lehman) Seiffert, all of Billings, Minnie (Lehman) Kober of Flagstaff, Ariz.; his children, sons, Richard of Billings and Tim (Teresa) of Columbus and daughters, Gloria (Tim) Robertus of Laurel and Colleen (David) Chung of Topanga, Calif. He is also survived by his nine grandchildren, Tobi, Jake and Ricky Lehman, Justin, Sarah

and Paul Robertus, Tyler and Megan Lehman, Jaime Stanford; and three great-grandchildren, Jonathan Lehman and Kellyn, and Conall Stanford.

Cremation has taken place. His memorial service will be on Monday, April 28, at 3 p.m. in the afternoon, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Laurel.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church (417 West Ninth St., Laurel, MT 59044), or Cedar Sinai Hospice (200 N. Robertson Blvd., Beverly Hills, CA 90211).

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William G. Lehmkuhl**ROEMERUP**

— "Bill" was "Geechie" and "Dad" to friends and family. He went to meet the Lord on Dec. 17, 2003.

Born to William and Anna Lehmkuhl in Churchtown, N.D. on June 8,



**BILL
LEHMKUHL**

1919, he lived life to the fullest. He loved his family, fishing and hunting. He was a member of the Moose Lodge, the Retreads, Odd Fellows and Forever Young.

He is survived by his lifetime love, Elaine; daughters, Carlene (Larry) O'Connell of Victor, Cheryl (Charles) Holte of Darby, Wanda (John) Casper of Conner and Erlene Gossitt of Mississippi; 13 grandchildren, and 33 great-grandchildren.

Viewing will be noon to 4 p.m. Sunday at Cremation or Funeral Gallery. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Trinity Baptist Church at 345 Nutter Blvd.

MAR 01 2003

Albert Leibelt

QUINCY, Wash. — Albert Leibelt, 80, of George, former Fairview, Mont., died Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2003, in Las Vegas, as the result of an automobile accident.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 4, at the Lutheran Church in Quincy. Concluding services and interment will follow in the Quincy Valley Cemetery. Scharbach's Columbia Funeral Chapel in Quincy is in charge.

**Kristy M.
Campbell-Leiby**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE
JAN 09 2003**

VANCOUVER, Wash. —
Kristy M. Campbell-Leiby, 34, of
Vancouver, wife of John Leiby,
formerly of Billings, Mont., died
Monday, Jan. 6, 2003, in Portland,
Ore.

A memorial service will be at 1
p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at Hillcrest
Church of the Nazarene in
Vancouver. Memorial Gardens
Funeral Home of Vancouver is in
charge.

Frances Leichner-Smith

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JUL 19 2003

Frances Leichner-Smith, a loving mother of five and grandmother of 12, passed away Tuesday, July 15, 2003, after a brief stay in the St. Vincent Healthcare Center. Frances was born on Oct. 25, 1919, in Winifred, to James and Laura Coleman.



**FRANCES
LEICHER-
SMITH**

Her warm loving spirit touched all who knew her and she will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

She retired after many years of operating and managing various restaurants where she was known for her fabulous family style cooking. She loved playing bridge, working crossword puzzles, exercising and spending time with her grandchildren.

A letter Frances left to her family upon her death:

"To My Children,

I love you all, do not grieve for my passing into the next world.

I have had a good life. I have a wonderful family and am so very proud of each and everyone of you.

I have wonderful grandchildren, whom I love dearly.

Carry on with your lives and be happy, I will always be near.

I love you.

Mother"

She is survived by her sons, Wayne Leichner, John Leichner, Steve Leichner of Billings and James Leichner of Delaware, Ohio; her daughter, Deborah Leichner of Altoona, Wis.; and a half-sister, Dorothy Michels.

Viewing and family greeting was held from Friday July 18, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary and Crematory of Billings. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 19, at Shiloh United Methodist Church, 1810 Shiloh Road, Billings, with interment at Sunset Memorial Gardens. A reception will follow at the church.

JUN 25 2003

Anna Leidholt

MILES CITY — Anna Maria Leidholt, 79, of Miles City, died Monday, June 23, 2003, at the Holy Rosary Health Center in Miles City.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, June 25, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 26, at the First Lutheran Church in Miles City. Interment will follow in the Custer County Cemetery.

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ROUNDUP — Richard Lekse, 69, of Roundup, died 12 days before his 70th birthday at Roundup Memorial Hospital. His big heart finally gave out.

He was born on March 13, 1933, at home at Star Mine, a son of Anton and Adolphina Lekse. He grew up and spent most of his life in Roundup. He joined the Air Force when he was 18 years old.

Richard worked for Getter Trucking for 22 years. He also worked for Byford Trucking as well as S & K Trucking. He had a life long interest in cars and trucks.

He loved boating, water skiing and parasailing at his cabin on Dead Man's Basin.

Richard married Sandee Smith (Moers) on March 1, 1980. They made their home in Roundup.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Anton and Adolphina Lekse; his brother, Frank Lekse; and his sister, Louise Eide.

He is survived by his loving wife, Sandee; sons, Rick and John of Alaska, Daniel Hanson (Jessica Ayers) of Roundup; and grandchildren, Jacob Hanson of Greybull, Wyo. and Skylar Hanson of Roundup. He is also survived by brothers, Tony (Margaret) Lekse of Roundup, and Donald (Ruth) Lekse of Terry; and sisters, Thelma

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Hanley of Roundup and Anna Cross of Billings; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be at 7 p.m. Monday, March 3, at Wier Funeral Chapel. Memorial Service will be 11 a.m. March 4 at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Roundup.

Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Raymond G. LeMasters

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JAN 19 2003

POWELL, Wyo. — Raymond G. LeMasters, 78, died on Saturday morning, Jan. 18, 2003, at Powell Nursing Home.

Per his wishes, cremation will take place and memorial services are pending. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home is in charge.

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Gara L. Lambert

Merry Christmas early, Mom. Your gift came wrapped in pain and opened into the sleep that ended in the peace you wanted. You did wake up feeling good again just as you wished. I was going to give you the fresh strawberries you wanted but God gave you Heaven and a timeless joy with Dad and Jim, your Mom and Dad, brothers, sisters and friends, and even the little girl you never got to know or hold.

Thank you for so much your humor and your love of my children and their children, always caring about what happened in their lives, sewing for them, leaving their little fingerprints till the next visit, caring what they did, remembering their funny stories, reminding me of how sweet they were. The list of thank you's is long. Thank you for being my Mom, for saying I was the highlight of your day at each goodbye we said. You went Home as you wished for Christmas. I say goodbye but not for long. Even 97 years passes in the eye's blink. I wrap myself in your beautiful quilts till we meet again.

GARA L.

Clara Theresa Lenert passed away Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2003, at Valley Healthcare Center in Billings. She was born July 7, 1906, in Cloverdale, Ill., to Henry J. and Otillia (Sittler) Drendel, the oldest of 10 children. On June 30, 1937, she was united in marriage to George R. Lenert.

Clara was preceded in death by her husband; her son, James; her parents; brothers, Raymond, Elmer, Oliver and Berthold; sisters, Dorothy, Henrietta and Ethel.

Clara is survived by her daughters, Ruth Grossi of Billings, and Lois Jeffrey of El Reno, Okla.; nine grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; sister, Edith Bangert of Plainfield, Ill., and brother, Henry Drendel, Jr. of Phoenix.

Funeral services for Clara will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Dahl Funeral Chapel. A funeral Mass will also be held at St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church with burial at St. Peter and Paul Cemetery in Naperville, Ill.

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

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Laura Lutzner

LENNY — Laura Lutzner, 81, died Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2003, at the Libby Care Center.

Visitation will be Thursday, Nov. 20, at Bell Mortuary Chapel in Glasgow. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 21, at the First Lutheran Church in Glasgow. Interment will be in Highland Cemetery in Glasgow.

Ida Lenz

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 22 2003

AURORA, Colo. — Ida Lenz, 96, formerly of Sheridan and Thermopolis, Wyo., died Monday, Oct. 30, 2000, at the Aurora Hospice Care Center in Aurora.

Her body has been donated to the Anatomical Society of Denver and has been cremated. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 25, at the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery in Sheridan. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

Fred G. Leonard

May 8, 1910-April 28, 2003

Fred G. Leonard, 92, of Billings and Culbertson, died Monday, April 28, 2003, at Aspen Meadows Care Center in Billings.

Fred was born at the YZ Ranch, southeast of Bainville, on May 8, 1910, to Fred J. and Ida Mae Bowers Leonard. He attended Lakeside School before beginning various jobs, including working for the WPA hauling gravel with a team and wagon for the new school in Bainville, and farming and ranching. Emily Brodsho of Bainville and Fred were married July 14, 1934, at Wolf Point. They made their home in the Bainville area until moving to their farm east of Culbertson in 1938 where they raised their three daughters, worked the land and raised livestock for 38 years.

The next 18 years found them dividing their time between Culbertson and Mesa, Ariz., where they enjoyed the warm weather, square danced and traveled, often with nephew Chub and Ruth Park. Billings was their home for the past several years.

Fred, with Emily's help, was an active member of the community. Over the years he was a School Board member, Farmers

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Elevator board member and active in the Culbertson Saddle Club. He helped move the Saddle Club barn several miles to its current location and also helped with N.E. Montana Threshers & Antiques Association projects. He belonged to the Elks and Moose lodges for many years and was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Culbertson. As an accomplished horseman, he treasured the trophy he won for "Outstanding Rider" at the Culbertson Diamond Jubilee in 1962.

Fred was preceded in death by his wife, Emily, daughters, Lois and Helen, along with Helen's children, Kim and Curt, half-brother Bunnie, half-sisters Marie and Nova and sister Elma. Survivors include his sister, Elsie Park; daughter, Donna (Chip) Poling of Post Falls, Idaho; grandchildren, Peggy (Mick) Sharkey of Parma, Idaho, Stephanie (Scott) Loomis of Everett, Wash., and Clinton (Dinah) Poling of

Colville, Wash. Also surviving are cherished great-grandchildren, Hanne, Julia and Cora Sharkey, Kelsey, Brianne and Kurt Loomis and Kathryn and Emily Poling.

A memorial gathering will be held in Culbertson Methodist Church fellowship room July 29 at 2:30 p.m. with graveside service to follow at Culbertson Hillside Cemetery.

MAR 03 2009

LAFF MARRAGE
L. Leonard

L. Leonard, Wyo. — Laffey E. Leonard, 76, died Thursday, Feb. 27, 2009, at Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette.

Visitation will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 2, at Frontier Mason in Gillette. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, March 3, at the Lusk Municipal Cemetery in Lusk. Stevenson-William Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

Robert Lepper

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CASPER, Wyo. — Robert "Bob" Lepper, 92, of Casper, formerly of Buffalo and Sheridan, died Thursday, Aug. 7, 2003, at the Lifecare Center in Casper.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Aug. 11, at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Buffalo. Visitation will be from 1 to 10 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, and from 8 to 9 a.m. Monday, at Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo. Burial will be in Willow Grove Cemetery.

Rose Juanita Lervick

Rose Juanita Lervick, age 77, of Billings, formerly of Jordan, passed away on Sunday, Sept. 28, 2003, at her home in Billings.

Rose was born on Oct. 14, 1925, at her parents' ranch in Garfield County. Rose was the sixth of eight children born to George and Clara Shawver. She married her husband, Clifford, on Sept. 12, 1945, and they raised nine children.

Survivors include her husband, Clifford of Billings; three sons, Melvin, his wife Linda and their children, Ryan, Shannon and Kristina of Redmond, Wash.; Leonard, his wife Pat and their daughter Jeana of Billings; Tim and his wife Judy of Jordan and their sons Jeff and John; six daughters, Cathy Redlin, her husband Roger and son Brent and his wife Jennifer of Denver; Evelyn Halvorson, her husband Al from Lake Havasu, Ariz., and their children Thomas, Barbie and Blaine; Roxie Burrows, her husband Bruce of Billings, their daughter Michelle and her daughter Destiny; Sandy Gibson, her husband Joe and their sons Jamie and Ty of Jordan; Connie Miller, her husband Mark and their children Christopher and Sara of Billings; Wanda Beckett, her husband Doug and their daughters Alyssa and Stephanie of Billings.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, Oct. 1, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Jordan. Funeral services will be held Thursday, Oct. 2, at 11 a.m. at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan. Interment will follow in the Butte Creek Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.stevensonandsons.com.

Memorials may be given to the Jordan VFW Auxiliary or the VFW Memorial Fund.

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Robert G. Leroy

Robert G. Leroy, 80, of Billings, passed away Thursday, May 15, 2003, at Billings Deaconess Clinic, of natural causes.

He was born April 4, 1923, in Brussels, Belgium, the son of the late Julian and Maria Leroy, one of five sons and two daughters.

He graduated from Columbia University in New York following the end of World War II, during which he served with the Royal Air Force as a Spitfire pilot in the European Theater.

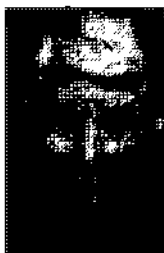
Postwar and after graduating from Cambridge University, he joined J.P. Morgan & Co., and served them both in Paris and New York.

He is survived by one sister and one brother.

MAR 9 0 2003**Josephine Bernice
Lesnik**

FISHTAIL — Josephine Bernice Lesnik died Friday, March 28, 2003, in Billings.

Bernice was born on July 6, 1914, in Fishtail, a daughter of Lily (Bell) Logan and Edward Joseph Logan. She spent her early years on her grandmother Belle Bell's home-
stead near Fishtail and attend-



**JOSEPHINE
LESNIK**

ed Fishtail Grade School until 1925, when the family moved to Columbus. She graduated from Columbus High School in 1932. In the fall of 1932 she went to Billings to further her education at what was then called Eastern Montana Normal School, (now Montana State University-Billings). After attending the Normal School for two years, she taught in rural schools in Stillwater County for six years. On March 30, 1940, she and Leo Lesnik were married at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Columbus. They were married for 56 years until Leo passed away on Dec. 17, 1996.

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and Bernice made their home on the Lesnik Ranch near Fishtail where they raised their seven children. Bernice loved the ranch and she and Leo had one of the first herds of registered Black Angus cattle in Stillwater County. Her time was spent caring for her family, always cooking wonderful things to eat, and growing a big garden. She especially enjoyed her flower gardens and working in her green house. Bernice was a generous friend and neighbor, and there was always room for one more at her table. In later years she spent a great deal of time researching family and Stillwater County history and we are thankful that she preserved that history for generations to come. Bernice moved to the Meadowlark Assisted Living Center at Columbus in November of 2002. The family wishes to thank the staff and her friends at the Meadowlark for their loving care these past four months. She was a charter member of the Dean Community Club, a 60+ year member of the Fishtail Homemaker's Club, a member of the Beartooth VFW Auxiliary, St. Michael's Altar Society and the Stillwater Historical Society.

Bernice is survived by her brother, Ray Logan of Billings; her sisters, Jean (Dale) Gullett of Dierks, Ark., and Clare Smith of Seattle; two brothers-in-law, John Maxwell of Billings and Ervin

"Doc" Bell of Yuba City, Calif.; and a special niece, Kathie (Dave) Dupay of Stillwater, Minn. Her surviving six children and their spouses are Julie (Lynn) Sanders of Big Timber, Mike Lesnik of Helena, Peggy (Ken) Joki of Fishtail, John (Patti) Lesnik of Corvallis, Rita (Rick) Westrum of Fishtail, and Barbara (Ed) Lawson of Billings. Bernice loved and enjoyed each of her 18 grandchildren, Mike, Shane, Linda, Tom and Dan Sanders; Shawn and Katrina Lesnik; Lisa, Mikelle, and Matt Joki; Sarah, Thaddeus, and Drew Lesnik; Justin, Jamie, and Megan Westrum; and Mark and Tim Lannen. Survivors also include her daughter-in-law, Bonnie Lesnik of Ocala, Fla.; ten great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Her brother, Harold Luke Logan was lost at sea when the submarine Argonaut was torpedoed in the South Pacific in World War II. Her beloved son, 2nd Lt. Thad Lesnik, U.S.M.C. died in 1968. We love you now and forever, Mom.

Memorials are suggested to St. Michael's Altar Society, or the charity of your choice. Vigil services will be held at 7 p.m., Sunday evening, March 30, at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Absarokee. Memorial Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m., Monday, March 31, at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Absarokee. Cremation has taken place. Smith Funeral Chapel-Columbus is in charge of arrangements.

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Robert A. Lessman**ROBERT LESSMAN**

PARK CITY — Robert A. Lessman passed away Dec. 17, 2003, at his daughter's home in Billings.

He was born in Lambert, on Sept. 28, 1922, the son of Joseph and Cecelia (Morsek) Lessman and grew up in Sidney. In 1943 he joined the Army and served for three years during World War II as an ambulance driver with Gen. George Patton from Sicily to Berlin and in Normandy.

In 1951 Robert moved to Laurel and worked for Northern Tank and later for Cenex Transportation as a mechanic, retiring in 1984. In 1974 he moved to Park City, where he resided for 30 years. He enjoyed his work as a mechanic, fishing, playing cards, marbles and pool. He was a member of the VFW Post 1634 and the Eagles in Laurel.

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Robert was preceded in death by his mother and father. He is survived by two daughters, Roberta (Bobbie) and her husband Robert Gauthier of Billings and Debra Frank of Molt; seven grandchildren, Lori Gauthier of Billings, Mike Gauthier of Auburn, Neb., Kim Kaiser of Sheridan, Wyo., Christopher Oak of Michigan, Shannon Oak of Park City, Shonna Oak of Park City, Heather Oak of Billings; a sister, Virginia Peterson of Glendive, and two brothers, Ted Lessman of Sidney and Richard Lessman of California.

Funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Monday at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Laurel. Interment with military honors will be in St. Anthony Cemetery. Visitation is 6-9 p.m. Sunday at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel. Memorials: VFW, Liberty House, P.O. Box 5477, Helena, MT 59604-5477.

JUN 11 2003**Marion Marjorie Letcher**

DALLAS, Ore. — Marion Marjorie Letcher, preceded in death by former City Attorney Robert C. Letcher, died on Thursday, June 5, 2003, in Dallas. She was born on June 30, 1911, in Billings, the daughter of Frederick and Ethel Fogelberg Harder. Marion lived in Montana most of her life. She came to Dallas in September of 1997 to live with her daughter and son-in-law.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and Tony Ehresman of Dallas; along with two grandchildren, Yolanda Mann of Palm Springs, Calif., and John Ehresman of Chicago.

Family services will be held in Dallas Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Habitat For Humanity in care of Bollman Funeral Home, 694 Main St., Dallas, OR 97338, who is in charge of arrangements.

Melvin V. Leuenberger

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 30 2003

BELLINGHAM, Wash. — Melvin V. Leuenberger, age 76, passed away on Monday, April 28, 2003, in Bellingham. He was born June 4, 1926, in Vida, Mont., to Caroline (Loendorff) and Martin Leuenberger.

#7 of Bellingham.

Ferndale/Moles Funeral Home & Cremation Service is in charge.

He married Mary Weerts in Miles City, Mont., on Oct. 25, 1947, and remained a loving husband for 45 years. She preceded him in death in 1993. Melvin was a WWII veteran. He was a member of the American Legion Post #7 of Bellingham and the VFW Post #6774 of Billings. Melvin had a great love of music and enjoyed playing his bass guitar in a small country band.

Melvin is survived by special friend, Virginia Gamble of Bellingham; sons, Dale Leuenberger of Ferndale, Lyle Leuenberger of Lynden, Roy Leuenberger of Bellingham and Eddy Leuenberger of Billings; a daughter, Wanda Walter of Red Lodge; brothers, Arnold Leuenberger of Ferndale and Ervin Leuenberger of Billings; sister Arlene Strobel of Bozeman, Mont.; 12 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A graveside service will be held on Thursday, May 1, at 11 a.m. in Woodlawn Cemetery, with Pastor Philip Meher officiating. Military Honors by American Legion Post

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Grace M. Leuthold

MOLT

Grace Martin Leuthold, 90, passed away peacefully, Thursday, May 22, 2003, with her husband by her side, at their ranch home at Molt.



GRACE LEUTHOLD

Grace M. Leuthold was born to John and Rachel Taylor Martin in Alexander, N.D., on Dec. 22, 1912. She came with her parents to the Big Coulee area of Stillwater County. After several years, the family moved to Park City, where Grace graduated from Park City High School. In August 1930, she was married to John H. Leuthold of Molt. They lived on a farm near Molt for more than 72 years in the same home.

She was a longtime member of the Congregational Church of Molt, teaching Sunday School for more than 35 years. Since there was no high school at Molt, she transported their four children to Billings for 11 years until they had completed their high school education. She attended Eastern Montana College for a year and a half.

Her greatest enjoyment was active membership in what were known as "Mother's Clubs" of Key Club, Band, DeMolay, Rainbow and 4-H. She was privileged to see all four of her children selected to attend Boys and Girls State, and also National 4-H Congress at Chicago, 4-H's highest award.

Later it was another extra special time when their three sons each received a doctorate, and in 1981, when she and Mr. Leuthold were awarded honorary doctorates from Rocky Mountain College. Grace enjoyed accompanying her husband to Helena, where he served as representative from Stillwater County for 16 years, followed by the 1972 session of the Constitutional Convention, to which John was a delegate.

Grace served as a board member of the Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch for 13 years, including two years as president of the board. She was a 31-year active member of the Mental Health Association of Montana, and helped organize the Sweet Grass

Stillwater Counties Mental Health Chapter. She was a past matron of Bitterroot Chapter of the Eastern Star at Rapelje and belonged to PEO Chapter E in Billings. Gov. Hugo Aronson appointed Grace Leuthold to the State Child Welfare Committee.

Her parents; sisters Dorothy Avery and Ruth Martin; brothers Howard and Eugene Martin; and daughter Marlon Cash preceded her in death.

She is survived by her husband John; sons David (Carolyn) Leuthold of Molt and Columbia, Mo.; John H., Jr. (Joanne) Leuthold of Billings and Raymond (Jane) Leuthold of Urbana, Ill.; grandchildren, Janet (David) Holt of Leawood, Kan., Johnny (Sarah) Leuthold of Portland, Ore., Connie (David) Cash of Seattle, Julie (J.D.) Jones of Rapelje, Ed (Kari) Cash of Crow Agency, Matthew Leuthold of Billings, Darcy (John) McClenahan of Billings, Tim (Jane) Leuthold of Billings, Kevin (Nancy) Leuthold of St. Paul, Minn., and Gregory (Peggy) Leuthold of Chicago; and eight very precious great-grandchildren, Lauren and Tom Holt of Leawood, Rachel (Joe) Coombs of Billings, Jeff Jones of Rapelje, Sam, Calvin and Jack Leuthold of Billings and Sam McClenahan of Billings.

Family interment services will be at Park City Cemetery. Memorial services will be at Mayflower Congregational Church of Billings, at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, May 27. In lieu of flowers, please make memorials to charity of choice. Visitation will be at Smith's West Chapel, 304 34th St. West, 4 to 9 p.m. Monday, May 26.

MAY 07 2003

C Don Lewis

OKLAHOMA CITY — On May 4, 2003, C Don Lewis went to be with his Lord, surrounded by his family.

He was born Feb. 23, 1911, in Maxwell, Neb., to Harry and Clara Lewis. In his early years, he lived in Broadwater, Neb., graduating from high school in a class of nine. In 1930, he enrolled at Pratt Business College in Hastings, Neb. In 1933, he moved to Bethany, Okla., and attended Bethany Penile College (now Southern Nazarene Univ.) to finish his education. While there, he was the business manager for the Arrow Yearbook. He met Nina Stiverson in Bethany, where they were married March 17, 1935.

The winter of 1936, they moved to Billings, where he was the assistant business manager for a group of doctors who were starting what became the Billings Clinic. In 1940, he left this venture and started his own business of C Don Lewis, Real Estate, Insurance and Accounting.

He was involved in the Boy



C DON LEWIS

Scouts as a young boy and later spent a number of years as commissioner in Montana. In 1940, he was elected president of the Yellowstone Valley Conference and upon retiring, was awarded the Silver Beaver. His love of the outdoors led him to excel in fly fishing, hunting and camping, which he lovingly passed on to his children.

He took up golf at the age of 70 and enjoyed playing with his friends until his knees gave out. He loved his church and was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Billings for 22 years, teaching young people and singing with his beautiful bass voice in the choir. He was presently a member of Oklahoma City First Church of the Nazarene.

He and his wife raised four children in Billings, moving themselves and the twins to Oklahoma City in 1958. He was preceded in death by his father; mother; two brothers, Paul and V.H.; one granddaughter, Susan; and one great-grandson, Stephen.

Left to mourn his passing are his wife of 68 years; his daughter, Lorraine (Pete) Evangeline of Park City, Mont., and their children, Cindy of Oklahoma City, Mark (Therese) of Billings, Helen (Dave) Brown of Park City and Dan (Val) of Missoula, Mont.; twin daughters, Lynda (Bill) Willis and family of Wellston, Okla., Lynette (Clark) Hyde and family of Oklahoma City, and son, Milton (Pam) and family of Surprise, Ariz. He also left a total of 12 grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandson, Gabriel.

Vondel & Smith Mortuary will be handling the services at Oklahoma City First Church of the Nazarene.

MAR 05 2003

Eugene Lewis

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Eugene Weston Lewis, 79, of Sheridan, died Monday, March 3, 2003, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 6, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, March 7, at Kane Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the Sheridan Masonic Cemetery.

Gary William Lewis

EUGENE, Ore. — Gary William "Bill" Lewis, age 62, died at Sacred Heart Hospital, Eugene, after a prolonged illness.

He attended schools in Buffalo and Casper, Wyo., before joining the U.S. Navy in 1958. After four years of military service, he worked in California, Casper, and in Billings, rising to the position of sales manager for the Great Northern Tool Co. at the Billings headquarters. For the past several years, prior to his illness, he lived and worked in California and Oregon. He remained an avid fisherman until his final months.

Mr. Lewis is survived by his parents, Marianne and James Herzog, Billings, and George and Betty Lewis, Yuba City, Calif.; four brothers, Ron of Oxford, Miss., Bob of Elk Grove, Calif., Rick and Jeff of Oregon; one sister, Jan Lewis Moe, Elk Grove; and four children, Gina Lewis Chorniak and Sara Lewis, Casper, Wyo., Daniel of Eugene, Rebecca Lewis Fields, Santa Rosa, Calif. Mr. Lewis was preceded in death by one son, Gary. He also is survived by a grandson, Chase; and numerous cousins, nephews and nieces.

Cremation arrangements were through American Burial and Cremation, Eugene, with interment at Willow Grove Cemetery in Buffalo, Wyo.

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Gwendolyn G. Lewis

Gwendolyn G. Lewis, 91, passed away Friday, Dec. 19, 2003, in Billings at Billings Health & Rehabilitation Care Center.

Gwen was born in Flint, Mich., on Feb. 27, 1912. She was the daughter of Fred and Nellie (Cody) Stull.

She married Arvid Johnson in 1928. From this union, five children were born.

Gwen was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters, four brothers and two husbands.

She is survived by her five children, Arvid (Flo) Johnson Jr., Guy (Lois) Johnson, both of Minnesota, Rodney (Jan) Johnson of Chicago, Jacquelyn Johnson of Kentucky, Charolette (Bob) Ploehn of Billings; 14 grandkids; 22 great-grandkids and three great-great grandkids.

A private inurnment is planned at Absaroka Beartooth Columbarium. Arrangements are by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

DEC 13 2003

Jessie Elizabeth Steele Lewis

ONTARIO, Ore. — Jessie passed away Dec. 3, 2003, with her family at her side in her home in Ontario.

She was born in Billings on Nov. 18, 1914, to Nellie Dickson Steele and former Fire Chief Vincent H. Steele. Jessie grew up in Billings, attended Garfield School, Jefferson Junior High School and Senior High School. She graduated from Eastern Montana Normal School and taught in Wilsall, Mission Creek School and in Kalispell, Mont.

With the start of World War II, she went to Seattle to take civil aeronautics training and became an operator for CAA. After several promotions, she was stationed at North Bend, Ore., for the rest of her 35 years with CAA.

She helped many airplanes find their way safely and warned others of bad weather.

She met Walter Lewis, married him, and they made their home in Coos Bay, Ore.

Later Walter had a stroke, so they moved to Ontario to be closer to their daughter, Linda.

Jessie is survived by her daughter, Linda and her husband Robert Williams, their two daughters, Bobbi Jo and Kristi. She is also survived by her sister, Bessie Wright of Billings; three grandchildren; nine step-grandchildren; two nephews, Lorin Wright (Barbara) and John Steele (Rose); two grand-nieces; a grand-nephew in Germany, and a special friend in Billings, Gladys Sanderson.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Christian Life Fellowship Church in Ontario.

Lins Camper Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

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Morna Lewis

RIVERSIDE, Idaho — Morna
Mae Lewis, 78, of
Riverside, formerly of Montana,
died Thursday, Nov. 5, 2008, at
the Riverside Medical Center in
Riverside following a brief ill-
ness.

A funeral service will be at 11
a.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, at the
Riverside LDS Chapel with
Bishop Randy Rager conducting.
A viewing will be from 7 to 9 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 7, at the Hawker Hill
Funeral Home and for one hour
prior to the services at the
church. Interment will be in
Riverside-Thomas Cemetery.

Williamina "Billie" Lewis

Williamina "Billie" Lewis
Friday, Oct. 10,
at the Sidney Extended
Care Facility.
Services will be at 2 p.m. at the
Sidney Extended Care Facility.
Funeral Home is in
charge of arrangements.

Carroll Langford Liane

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 3 2003

Carroll Langford Liane, 89, of Billings, passed away Saturday, Feb. 1, 2003 at St. John's Lutheran Nursing Home. He was born Oct. 19, 1913, in Buttzville, N.D., to Daniel and Josephine Liane. He grew up in Lisbon, N.D. and graduated from Concordia College, Moorhead, Minn., in 1937.



**CARROLL
LIANE**

On July 13, 1940, he married his college sweetheart, Ruth Malkewick, in Dickinson, N.D. They lived together in Billings until her death in 1997.

Mr. Liane worked for Universal Credit Company in Butte and Billings, Yellowstone Hatchery, McIntyre Motors and 27 years for Colborn School Supply. He retired in 1980.

An active member of American Lutheran Church, he sang in the church choir and served as congregational president and council member. He also served as a member of the National Council of the former Evangelical Lutheran Church Synod, the Christikon Bible Camp Board, the Yellowstone

Valley Branch of the Lutheran Brotherhood Board, the Board of Regents of Concordia College and the Concordia Alumni Board.

Mr. Liane was preceded in death by his wife; parents; brother, Delwin Liane; and sister, June Gauche. He is survived by his sister, Carmen Clemans of Palo Alto, Calif.; daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Max Fields, El Centro, Calif.; and son and daughter-in-law, Stephen and Yolanda Liane, Wilhoit, Ariz. Surviving grandchildren include Jeff and Christy Fields Lamoure, El Centro, Calif.; Sally Fields, San Diego, Calif.; Michael and Debra Liane, LaCenter, Wash.; Shannon and Ashley Liane, Kirkland, Ariz.; great-grandchildren, Kelsey Lamoure, El Centro, Calif.; and Anthony, Angelina, and Chase Liane, LaCenter, Wash.

Memorial services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5, at American Lutheran Church.

In lieu of flowers, it is suggested that memorial gifts be sent to St. John's Lutheran Ministries, 3940 Rimrock Road, or American Lutheran Church, 5 Lewis Avenue, both in Billings.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Stephen Liane

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 28 2003

PRESCOTT, Ariz. — Services for Stephen Carroll Liane, 54, were held at 3 p.m. Friday, June 27, at Hampton Funeral Home, 240 S. Cortez St. in Prescott. Mr. Liane died at Yavapai Regional Medical



**STEPHEN
LIANE**

Center on Sunday, June 22, 2003.

Stephen Liane was born April 10, 1949 in Superior, Mont. He attended schools in Billings, where he graduated from Billings Senior High. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1968, working as an X-ray technician, serving in Vietnam as a medic attached to the 101st Airborne. After being discharged from the Army, he worked in X-ray in Richland, Wash., later moving to Phoenix, where he worked in several hospitals in the area.

Mr. Liane later worked for National Training Institute, a division of Virgo Publishing, Inc., where he wrote articles for Looking Fit Magazine. He also helped regulate the standards for indoor training in all 50 states, and developed and delivered training seminars to workers in the indoor tanning industry. In Montana, Steve served as district

manager for Maxim Health Services, coordinating influenza clinics.

On March 21, 1982, he married Yolanda Ramirez. Together, they lived mostly in the Phoenix area, spending three years in Billings before moving to Wilhoit in 2000.

He is survived by his wife, Yolanda; daughters, Shannon Marie and Ashley Monique Liane, all of Wilhoit; son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Debra Liane; and grandchildren, Anthony, Angelina, and Chase Liane, all of LaCenter, Wash.; sister and brother-in-law, Nancy and Max Fields of El Centro, Calif. He was preceded in death by his father and mother, Carroll and Ruth Liane.

The family suggests that memorial gifts may be given to either: Prescott Samaritan Village, 1050 Scott Dr., Prescott, AZ 86301, or American Lutheran Church, 5 Lewis Ave., Billings, MT 59101.

Hampton Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements.

Harvey Daniel Wayne Lich

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 19 2003

Harvey Daniel Wayne Lich passed away July 17, 2003. He was born February 2, 1936, in Billings to Ed and Lydia Lich. He attended school in Shiloh Elementary and graduated from



HARVEY LICH

Custer High School May 16, 1952. He attended Billings Business College and later enlisted in the Marine Corps, serving from May, 1954, to May, 1956.

He married Shirley Kuntz in 1957. Together they farmed in the Custer area until moving to Billings. Harvey worked for the BIA Indian Health Services office until his retirement. After retiring, Harvey began a second career at Skyview High School. He loved his large Skyview family. The staff and students brought him much joy.

Harvey enjoyed gardening and growing flowers. He was particularly fond of African violets. He was an excellent cook and shared his talent with friends and family.

Harvey is survived by his sons, Derrick, Timothy and Edward; his daughters, Shelly and Lisa; his father, Edward Lich; brother, Melvin Lich (Karen), and sister, Willa McSweyn, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Lyle; his mother, Lydia, and his brother-in-law, Leonard McSweyn.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Skyview High School Student Council, 1775 High Sierra Blvd., Billings, MT, 59105.

Each moment of the year has its own beauty ... a picture which was never seen before and which shall never be seen again. R. W. Emerson.

Thank you, Harvey Daniel Wayne Lich, for all the beauty you brought to our lives.

Jacob Lich

Jacob Lich, age 94, of Billings, died Thursday, July 17, 2003, at Valley Health Care Center.



He was born Sept. 14, 1908, at Madison, Neb., the son of John and Katherine (Idle) Lich. The family moved to Billings and settled on a farm west of Billings. There were five girls and seven boys in the family.

Jacob married Ethel Smith on March 22, 1931, in Billings. They farmed west of Billings until 1944, when they moved into Billings. He worked as a freight clerk for the Northern Pacific and Burlington Railroads, retiring in 1973.

Survivors include his son, Howard Lich of Billings; three brothers, Edward and Rhine Lich of Billings and Robert (Mildred) Lich of Lebanon, Ore.; and a sister, Marie Schroeder of Billings.

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 19 2003

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ethel, on Aug. 29, 1985; four sisters and three brothers.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Monday, July 21, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, corner of Newman Lane and King Ave. East. Interment will follow at Mountview Cemetery.

Visitation will be 12 noon to 8 p.m. Sunday, July 20, at Smith's Downtown Chapel, and before the services at the church.

RED LODGE
— Tenho E. Lieder, 88, of Red Lodge, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2003, at Cedar Wood Villa.

Tenho was born in Red Lodge on April 27, 1914, in Red Lodge, a son of Elmer and Aitha Lieder. In 1932, he graduated from Carbon County High School where he excelled as a pole-vaulter and in track. He received a scholarship to Billings Polytechnic, where he continued his education.

Tenho enlisted in the U.S. Army on Dec. 8, 1941, the day following the attack on Pearl Harbor. He was assigned to the Army Air Corps, and served in the European and African Theaters.

After his discharge in 1945, Tenho worked for 10 years for the City of San Diego. He then began employment as a letter carrier with the U.S. Postal Service in San Diego until retiring.

In 1982, he returned to Red Lodge to care for his elderly father. Tenho was active in the Red Lodge/Roberts Senior Citizen's Center, and was selected Senior Citizen of the Year in



**TENHO
LIEDER**

1997. He was a member of the Red Lodge Community Church and the Kaleva Lodge.

Survivors include his longtime companion, Geraldine Kainu of Red Lodge; and her daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Frank Planichuk and their family. Also surviving are one brother, Tobie Lieder of Deer Lodge; and one sister, Lillian (Edward) Bailey of Spring Valley, Calif.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services with military honors will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8, at Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel. Cremation has taken place, and interment will be at a later date in the Veteran's Section of Red Lodge Cemetery. Memorials may be given to Cedar Wood Villa, Box 430, Red Lodge MT 59068, or to the charity of one's choice.

DEC 19 2003

Florence Liedle

HELENA —

Our beloved mother and grandmother, Florence Liedle, passed away Dec. 14, 2003. She was born Sept. 12, 1912, to Robert and Mable Dorner.



**FLORENCE
LIEDLE**

Florence was raised in Helena, attending Bryant Elementary School and Helena High School. On June 29, 1931, she married Herbert A. Liedle.

Florence worked as a telephone operator with AT&T for 30 years but her life totally revolved around her family. She was so proud of her children and grandchildren. Throughout the years, she attended many memorable family get-togethers.

Florence was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Herbert; her mother and father, Marble and Robert Dorner; brothers, Jack and Robert Dorner; and her son-in-law Lowell Bradshaw. She is survived by her three children, son, Al Liedle and daughter-in-law Tivola of Billings; daughter, Afton Bradshaw of Drummond, and daughter, Diane Laible and son-in-law Duane of Seattle; a sister, Gertie Richeson and brother-in-law Bob Richeson;

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and sister-in-law Dorthy Card. Florence had the enjoyment of nine grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. She touched many people's lives in her 91 years and will truly be missed by all her family and friends.

Visitation will be Sunday from 2 until 8 p.m. at Retz Funeral Home. Funeral services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Monday at the Retz Funeral Home chapel. Interment will follow at Forestvale Cemetery. Memorials in Florence's name are suggested to an organization of the donor's choice.

DEC 29 2003

Alvin Oscar Lien

CULBERTSON — Alvin Oscar Lien went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Dec. 27, 2003.

Alvin was born in Brockton on June 8, 1910, to Ole and Mary Lien and was a lifetime resident of Roosevelt County.

**ALVIN LIEN**

He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith and graduated in 1929 as a member of the first Brockton High School graduating class. He served for a number of years as the Brockton postmaster. He also managed Lien Mercantile Co. for 22 years until he assumed management of the Lien Farms. He loved farming and ranching and retained a deep interest in the farm throughout his life.

Alvin was an active member of the church and served on the council of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Brockton as well as Bethel Free Lutheran Church at Culbertson. He also served on the Brockton Town Council and was instrumental in establishing Brockton's first town water and sewer system.

He married Josephine Qualley Dahlberg on Nov. 17, 1954.

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After farming and ranching in the Brockton area, he and Josie retired to Culbertson where they joined the Bethel Free Lutheran Church.

Alvin loved to read and to travel. His family was very important to him, and he loved spending time with them. He will always have a very special place in our hearts, and we will miss him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Josie; brothers, Woodrow, Oliver and Orphey "Bud"; and sisters, Alma and Myrtle. His survivors include a sister, Lila (Jim) Elgie of Wolf Point; two daughters, Joyce (Don) Anderson of Missoula and Jane (Allen) Evenson of Glasgow; three grandchildren, Lane (Susan) Anderson, Jay (Jennifer) Anderson and Jade (Judy) Evenson; five great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Bethel Free Lutheran Church with Al Martin officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to services with a family service at 9 a.m. Interment will be in Zion Lutheran Cemetery, north of Brockton. Condolences may be sent to the family at csmc@nemontel.net. Everson Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Charles A. Lilley

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Charles A. Lilley, 78, of Sheridan, died Friday, May 23, 2003, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 28, in Sheridan Municipal Cemetery. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

Mary V. Libby

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Mary V. Libby, born Jan. 22, 1915, in Living Springs, Mont., passed away peacefully, Sept. 20, 2003, in the home she shared with her daughter and son-in-law, Betty and Larry Brasen, in Scottsdale.

Services will be held Saturday, Sept. 27, at 11 a.m., at the Federated Church in Harlowton, Mont., followed by interment at the Wheatland County Cemetery.

Mary is survived by three daughters, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be made to Hospice of the Valley, 1510 East Flower St., Phoenix, AZ 85014-5666, or Dr. Robert Schuler, Crystal Cathedral, Glendon Grove, Calif.

Hubert E. Lillis

Hubert E. Lillis, known by most as "Bert," passed away unexpectedly on Monday, Oct. 6, 2003, while away on one of his many travel adventures.

**BERT LILLIS**

He was the son of Burton C. and Zoe Lillis, born June 2, 1921, in Billings. As a child, Bert was very active in scouting and obtained the rank of Eagle Scout and has remained a loyal supporter of scouting. He graduated from Billings High School and went on to graduate from the School of Mines in Butte, with a bachelor's degree in mining engineering. He met and married Janet McLeod in Butte in 1940 and together, they had four children: Kenneth of Palo Alto, Calif., Leone of Santa Rosa, Calif., Kathy, who passed away in 1971, and Donald of Billings. Bert and Janet divorced in 1970.

Bert enlisted in the Army during World War II and served as a first rifleman scout under Gen. George Patton. Upon receiving his honorable discharge, he attended Stanford University and obtained his

master's degree in engineering. The family returned to Billings in 1947.

Bert worked for a local construction company for a time before taking over Lillis Engineering from his father. Because of the cold Montana winters and the difficulty surveying in those conditions, he took advantage of an opportunity to become a State Farm Insurance agent in 1951, but continued his work in engineering, along with several other business endeavors, including real estate. Bert was very fond of his State Farm Insurance career; he loved his clients and serving the public. He celebrated 50 years with State Farm in 2001 and retired in 2002 and turned the agency over to his son Don.

Bert had many hobbies he enjoyed. He liked to try everything. His favorites included playing Duplicate Bridge, at which he was a life master. He also loved to ski and could be found on the slopes of Big Sky at 81 years of age. He painted, he loved to garden and feed the ducks from his yard. Bert was very active in politics and made several trips to Washington, D.C. He worked extremely hard to get Congress to pay off the

national debt, eliminate inheritance tax and to make the Internal Revenue Service responsible for their actions.

He loved to hunt with his sons and would share these stories many times with friends. He participated in the final season that was held on buffalo in the treasure state, taking the world record for bison with bow and arrow in what was then the Absaroka Primitive Area in 1953.

His love of music kept him busy in the choir at First Congregational Church, where he has been a member his entire life. He was a major contributor for the church's pipe organ in memory of his mother Zoe.

Bert made numerous monetary contributions to the Billings community. He founded Campus Chapel Foundation and Fellowship Inc., which contributed funds to both Billings Hospitals towards their chapels, the Big Sky Chapel, The B.C. Lillis Chapel at Mission Ridge, the Ocee Johnson chapel at St. John's Lutheran Home. His most recent donation was to St. John's Lutheran Home to build the Kathy Lillis Chapel. In 2002, he received the Association of Fundraising Professionals, Outstanding Philanthropist of the Year award.

Bert loved to travel and as most people who knew him would ask, "Where have you been? and where are you going next?" Bert had the rare privilege of having visited every continent on the Globe at least once.

One of his greatest joys in life was his dog Buck, who passed away this past May. Survivors include his children, Ken (Sally), Leone (Wayne), Don (Sheila); another daughter, Carol Schlenker (Will) from Bend, Ore.; and his best friend (adopted daughter) Lori Wenckus. Seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren also survive him.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements and the funeral will be Monday, Oct. 13, at First Congregational Church, at 1:30 p.m., with interment at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Billings.

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

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Francis Jeanette Lind

SARPY CREEK — Francis Jeanette Lind, 78, of the Sarpy Creek area, south of Hyattsville, died Thursday, March 13, 2003, at her daughter's home in Billings.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, March 17, at the Beals Mortuary Chapel in Forsyth. Interment will follow in the Forsyth Cemetery.

MAR 16 2003

Francis Jeanette Lind

SARPY CREEK — Francis Jeanette Lind, 78, of the Sarpy Creek area south of Hysham, went to be with her Lord on Thursday, March 13, 2003, at her daughter's home in Billings, surrounded by her family.

Jeanette was born May 12, 1924, in Council Bluffs, Iowa, the daughter of Austin and Edith Stevens Hubbard. She spent her youth and attended schools in Council Bluffs. Following her high school graduation, Jeanette went to work in a war plant in Council Bluffs. Jeanette and her sister traveled to Ocean Park, Wash., to visit their brother. During the visit she met Joe B. Lind, who was stationed at Ocean Park with the Coast Guard.

On July 20, 1944, Jeanette married Joe in Ocean Park. They moved to Montana in 1946, and left Montana in 1952, living in Colorado and Iowa before returning to the family ranch on Sarpy Creek in 1957. Jeanette has continued to live on the family ranch until the time of her death.

FRANCIS LIND

(Lind)

Jeanette loved to sew and read. She was also known as a great cook, had bright blue eyes, generous heart, quiet steadfast faith, and during her years of ill health she showed courage, strength and a great will to carry on.

She is survived by her husband of 38 years, Joe B. Lind of Sarpy Creek; five children, Lance (Edith) Lind of Ballantyne, David (Doreen) Lind of Lamoine, Laveranda Lowry of Billings, Dennis (Gail) Lind of Winston, Ore., Joe D. (Carla) Lind of Elysham; 21 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. Jeanette was preceded in death by her son Daniel Eugene Lind, her parents, two sisters, and one brother.

Funeral Services will be held 11 a.m. Monday, March 17, at the Beals Mortuary Chapel in Forsyth. Burialment will follow in the Forsyth Cemetery. Beals Mortuary will be assisting the family with these arrangements.

Roy Oliver Lind

LAVINA — Roy Oliver Lind, age 70, of Lavina, died Aug. 11, 2003, in Billings.

He was born in Malta June 21, 1933, the son of Raymond and Margaret (Sullivan) Lind, and attended Phillips County High School in Malta.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1952 to 1955, and, while in the Navy, he married Joyce A. Vanhorn on



ROY LIND

March 27, 1954, at Long Beach, Calif. After their marriage they lived in the state of Washington, then moved to Lavina, and he worked for the Garfield Ranch near Cushman for 30 years until his death.

Roy enjoyed ranching and fishing.

He is survived by four sons, Gene (Lilly) Lind, Ray (Leanne) Lind, Chuck (Tammy) Lind and Buz (Paula) Lind; one daughter, Kim (Kevin) Warner; 15 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two brothers, Terry Lind and Bill Lind, and three sisters, Linda, Helen and Carol. Also surviving are close friends Tabby Calvert, Dave McCabe, Dan Olson, Betty and Ellis.

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He was preceded death by his wife Joyce in 1997, his parents, and a brother Fred Lind.

Graveside memorial services will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 16, at the Lavina Cemetery. Cremation has taken place. Smith Funeral Chapels in charge of arrangements.

Lillian E. Lindblom

SIDNEY — Lillian E. Lindblom, 78, died Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2003, at the Sidney Health Center.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Sidney Lutheran Brethren Church with burial in the Sidney Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home is in charge.

NOV 04 2003**Norman Lindo**

GLENDIVE — Norman Lyle Lindo, 80, of Glendive, died Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003, at the Glendive Medical Center.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4, at the Dawson County Cemetery. Stevenale-Silva Funeral Home of Glendive is in charge.

Pearl P. Lindo

LEWISTOWN — Pearl P. Lindo, 79, of Lewistown, died Wednesday, Sept. 10, 2003, at the Central Montana Medical Center.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 15, in the Belt Cemetery. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, in the basement of the 618 Building in Lewistown. Cloyd Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

Ethel Linder

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MAR 26 2003

Ethel Linder, 96, passed away on Friday, Feb. 28, 2003, at St. John's Lutheran Home.

Ethel was born on Oct. 15, 1906, in Cumberland, Wis., a daughter to Charles and Signe (Bergstrom) Swanson. She attended country school, graduated from Cumberland High School and teachers college in Superior, Wis. In 1927, Ethel came to Eastern Montana to teach school.

In 1929, Ethel married Raymond Linder in Scobey. They farmed in Navajo and Flaxville. Raymond died in 1951. In 1955, she moved to Los Angeles, where she was a secretary in the office of Harry M. Lukens, Inc.

Following her retirement in 1968, Ethel moved to Billings, where she has lived since — spending her last years at St. John's Lutheran Home.

She leaves behind her sons, DeWayne (Fay) of Flaxville and Yuma, Ariz., and Gerald (Coralie) of Roundup; nine grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Ethel was a member of Peace Lutheran Church in Billings.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 8, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Cremation has taken place. Interment of her ashes will take place at Flaxville at a later date.

Memorials to St. John's Lutheran Home, 3940 Rimrock Road, Billings, MT 59102, Peace Lutheran Church, 1301 Ave. 1, Billings, MT 59102 or to a charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Ethel Linder

FLAXVILLE — Ethel Linder, 96, died Feb. 28, 2003, at St. John's Lutheran Home in Billings.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 21, at the Flaxville Cemetery in Flaxville. Interment of her ashes will follow the service. Waller Funeral Home of Scooby is in charge.

John G. Linderman

DENVER — John G. Linderman, 52, "Best Land Surveyor in USA," died Jan. 15, 2003, in Denver.

He was born in Billings, Mont., son of Ella (Neil) Kane and John Christian Linderman.

He is survived by wife Dina Linderman and family, John, Dan, Mary Lorene Gallegos, Denver, Arlene Medina (California), Uncle Col. John Joyce Ret., Aunt Helen Joyce (Texas), cousin, Joe Marvel (Gunnison, Colo.); numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, 2485 S. Lowell, Denver, CO 80219.

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Maurice 'Cork' Lindner

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RENO, Nev. — Maurice "Cork" Lindner was relieved of his constant and increasing pain by a merciful God at 10:50 p.m. at Northern Hospital in Reno, Tuesday, Aug. 19, 2003. His oldest daughter's dog marked his passing in Kerrville, Texas, with one mournful howl at exactly 12:50 p.m. His sons Mike and Mark, granddaughter Monique, and grandson Dominique, were holding him in their arms at his death after his wife, Dolores, and each of his out-of-state children were able to say their "I Love You's" by telephone. Cork was born to Regina Jellesma and Carl Lindner, June 1, 1929, in Watertown, S.D.

Cork and Dolores Porter married in Watertown in 1949 and, shortly after a tornado destroyed their house, moved with three young children under the age of 2 years old to Billings. They lived in Laurel, Billings and Great Falls, Mont., for the next years.

Cork was an avid sportsman, gardener and member of the Catholic Church. As a sportsman and gardener, Cork provided the majority of food for his family. During his years of hunting, he supplied his family with wild game from pheasant, sage hen, turkey, geese, duck, venison, elk, antelope, moose, trout and perch. As a side benefit, his wife (also a

hunter) and children were able to walk much of Montana while tracking wild game. They also learned to field strip, hang meat in the garage to cure in the Montana subzero temperatures, make jerky. Extra benefits included a totally wild game Thanksgiving and Christmas ornaments made from the beautiful feathers.

Cork was incredibly imaginative and creative. As a gardener, his family had fresh vegetables in the summer and canned vegetables in the winter. He created his own greenhouse to compensate for the short Montana summers. As a result, he was able to harvest an abundance of vegetables each year.

Although Cork suffered in pain in these final years, his devotion to gardening continued right up to his death. Besides friends, many doctors, nurses and hospital staff received his largess.

Cork was a devoted member of the Catholic Church. He was the kind of man who, without fanfare, always helped with whatever needed to be done. One of his friends here said that they will

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need three people to replace Cork and all the work he did for the Church.

He was the same way with people around him. If someone became ill, he made sure he took them to their doctor appointments, shopped for groceries and did any house repairs that were needed.

Cork worked in trucking and construction in Watertown; Laurel, Billings and Great Falls; Casper, Wyo.; Winslow, Ariz.; Kerrville; and Reno. He is remembered for his imagination and logic as a general manager and vice-president and appreciated for his work in construction.

He is survived by his wife Dolores and their six children: daughter Deborah Lindner Vetter (husband Lany) and grandchildren Patrick and Kristen of Kerrville; his son, Michael (wife Jan) and grandchildren Jennifer and Jonathan of Bend, Ore.; son Mark (wife Susan), grandchildren Dominique and Monique of Reno; son Randall (wife Michelle), grandchildren Dan, Ryan and Joseph of Spring (Houston), Texas; daughter Valerie and grandchildren Nicole and Chantell of Scottsdale, Ariz.; and son John of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Cork's death is a profound loss for his family, but they praise God for his mercy.

Cork is also survived by his brothers, Carl and Jane Lindner of Michigan, Eugene and Sue Lindner of Colorado, Joan (Schaeffer) Drovdal, Lloyd and Gwen Schaeffer of South Dakota, Toni (Schaeffer) and Keith Halverson of South Dakota, Anne (Schaeffer) McCullough of Colorado, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial mass will be held on Monday, Aug. 25, at 12:10 p.m. at St. Thomas of Aquinas Cathedral, Second and Arlington, Reno.

Arrangements are under the direction of Walton's Sierra Chapel, 875 W. Second Street, Reno, NV 89503, (775) 323-7189.

Wilson Lindsay

A graveside memorial service for Wilson Lindsay, 85, Powell, was conducted Monday, Sept. 29 at Crown Hill Cemetery.

He died Tuesday, Sept. 23 at Powell Valley Healthcare Center after a long and happy life.

He was born June 4, 1918, in Byron to David D. and Sarah Bradshaw Lindsay, graduating from Byron High School in 1936.

He joined the Army Air Corps in January of 1942, proudly serving in Sicily, North Africa, India and Burma for nearly four years of World War II. Family and friends heard many a story of his adventures.

On Sept. 3, 1950, he married Virginia Whaley. After 53 years of marriage, he often said, "I found the right lady."

An auto mechanic for 60 years, he had a keen interest in how things worked, loved fixing clocks and whittling treasures for his family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers Delyle and David; sisters Lamar, Theda, Julia and Barbara.

Mr. Lindsay will be sorely missed by his devoted wife, Virginia; daughter Christine Shuffield and her husband, Nick; son Michael Lindsay and his wife Barb; four granddaughters, five great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

At his own request, cremation has taken place.

Alice Lindsley

BELLINGS GAZETTE

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SIDNEY — Alice "Sister" Lindsley, 84, of Sidney, formerly of McKenzie County, N.D., died Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2003, at the Extended Care Facility in Sidney.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 1, at the Ebenezer Congregational Church in Sidney. Interment will be in the Alexander Cemetery near Alexander, N.D. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

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Denise Rae Lindsley

HARLOWTON — Denise Rae Lindsley, 48, of Harlowton, passed away peacefully at her home May 3, 2003, of pancreatic cancer.



**DENISE
LINDSLEY**

Denise was born Feb. 27, 1955, in Harlowton, the daughter of Dode and Palmer Reno. She attended elementary school in Martinsdale and high school in Harlowton. She graduated and joined the Air Force. For three years, she was stationed in New York, in where she was trained to be a dental hygienist. After returning to Montana in 1980, she met and married Roger Lindsley. Denise worked for the city of Harlowton for 10 years and then worked for Dennis Sacry DDS and Midtown Market.

Denise was a member of the Women of the Moose and a member of the American Legion.

Her hobbies included stained glass, gardening, reading, crossword puzzles, and hardanger.

Denise is survived by her husband, Roger Lindsley; her

children, Steven and April Lindsley, Stacy Lindsley; grandchildren, Kareneka, Karrigan Long, and Kaden Healey; mother-in-law, Evelyn Noonan; sisters, Christine Garrick (Clayton), Moyra Lewis, Cindy Cavender (Keith), Letty Crowley (Harold); brothers, Phil Reno (Shelene), Scott Reno (Kerri); sister-in-law, Judy Crowley (John); brothers-in-law, Jerry Lindsley (Sandy), Gene Lindsley; uncles, Roger Sears (Marian), John Sears (Josie); and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 6, 2003, in Martinsdale at the Lutheran Church. A dinner will immediately follow at the Moose in Harlowton.

Anyone wishing to make donations can contribute to the Harlowton Senior Citizen Bus or to the Martinsdale School Reunion. Dahl Funeral Chapel is making arrangements.

MAY 27 2003**G. Duane Lindsey**

WORLAND, Wyo. — G. Duane Lindsey, 71, of Worland, died Saturday, May 24, 2003, at the Washakie Medical Center, of cancer.

Visitation will be from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 27, at Bryante Funeral Home in Worland. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 28, at St. Alban's Episcopal Church. Burial will follow in Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Donald L. Lindstrom

Donald L. Lindstrom, 74, of Billings, formerly of Bellevue, Neb., died Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2003, at Eagle Cliff Manor.

Final services will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5, at the church. Rite of committal will be in Holy Eucharist cemetery. Michelotti-Bawynski Mortuary is in charge.

Dorothy E. Libhart

EXETER TOWN — Dorothy E. Libhart, 82, of Exeter, died Friday, Dec. 12, 2003, at Valle Vista Manor after many years of battling cancer.

Funeral services are at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, with the funeral Mass at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, both at St. Leo's Catholic Church. Burial will be in Mount Carmel Cemetery. Creel Funeral Home is in charge.

MAR 25 2003

Robert R. Holtart

MILES CITY — Robert R. Holtart, 69, of Miles City, died Monday, March 24, 2003, at his home of long illness.

A private funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 26, at the Catholic Church of the Holy Spirit, 200 N. 10th St., Miles City. The Rev. Fr. James J. O'Connell, pastor, will officiate.

Burial will be in the Holy Spirit Cemetery, Miles City.

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Omer Lininger, of Billings, died Feb. 23, 2003, in Aurora, Colo., at age 87.

Born May 26, 1915, in Somers, to George W. and Starlen E. Williams Lininger, Omer went to school in Proctor and spent his youth near the west shore



**OMER
LININGER**

of Flathead Lake. As a young man, he worked in logging and lumber.

On March 27, 1935, Omer and Lorraine H. Sipes were married. Their son Neal was born in 1939. In the early 1950s, Omer became a field representative for Douglas Guardian Warehouse Corporation. During this time, the family moved to Billings, and Omer and Lorraine traveled a five-state area regularly until he retired in 1971. For several years, Omer worked for the Billings school district. He received his license as a boiler operator, and served as head custodian at Bitterroot and Ponderosa schools. After another retirement in 1977, he continued to work as a painter for Pierce Trailer Sales.

Omer was a proud member of Mayflower Congregational Church, the Rimrock Masonic Lodge, and the Scottish Rite. For

more than 25 years and continuing until one month ago, Omer enjoyed offering his volunteer services throughout the community. As a dedicated member of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program, he served more than 40 nonprofit organizations, including most recently the H.O.S.T. program with elementary students.

Surviving family members include his son Neal, daughter-in-law Sharon, two sisters-in-law, and several nieces and nephews. Omer was preceded in death by his beloved wife Lorraine, and his two brothers, Everett and Wilton.

Funeral service will be held 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 28, at the Mayflower Congregational Church, 2940 Poly Drive, Billings. Interment will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mayflower Congregational Church or to the Billings Masonic Center 1101 Broadwater Ave., Billings, MT 59101. Arrangements were by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

DEC 30 2003**Richard R. Linnell**

MINNEAPOLIS CITY — Richard R. Linnell, 98, died Sunday, Dec. 28, 2003 at the Holy Rosary Extended Care.

Visitation will be on Tuesday with funeral services at 11 a.m. Wednesday, all in the Holy Rosary Healthcare Center Chapel. Interment will be held on Monday, Jan. 5, at 11:00 a.m. at the Holy Rosary Cemetery in Duluth, Minn. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home is in charge.

DEC 02 2003

Orville Frederick Linrooth

Orville Frederick Linrooth celebrated his 80th birthday on Nov. 11, 2003, at a surprise birthday party with his entire family. On Saturday, Nov. 29, 2003, Orville lost his battle with cancer and went peacefully with his three daughters and best friend by his side!

Orville Frederick Linrooth was born Nov. 11, 1923, to Frederick and Ruth (Watts) Linrooth in Cresco, Iowa. He graduated from Cresco High School and, shortly after, met Juanita Lee Rettinghouse in January 1943, was engaged in February 1943 and married on March 16, 1943.

Orville was drafted into the Army on April 6, 1943, volunteered for the paratroopers and served overseas during WWII. He froze his feet during the Battle of the Bulge and returned home to the United States. Orville was honorably discharged from the Army on Nov. 12, 1945. Orville farmed and built houses in Iowa. During this time, he was blessed with two daughters, Connie (Jim) Snead of San Diego and Becky (Greg) Pekovich of Billings.

Orville and family moved to Missoula, then to Kalispell, where Orville built houses and later was hired by Retail Credit Co. He was transferred to Billings in 1954. A third daughter arrived, Beth (Bill) Hammond of Bozeman.

Orville was active in Masonry and Shrine, where he was a member of the Provost Guard. He was also associate guardian of Bethel #3, International Order of Job's Daughters, of which his daughters were members.

Orville was blessed with five grandchildren, Jeff (Carrie) Popp, Troy Popp and Casey (Christy) Popp of San Diego, Wendy (Darren) Munson and Stacey (Scott) D'Ambrosia of Billings; and eight great-grandchildren.

Orville and Juanita bought a cabin on the Stillwater in 1972, where they enjoyed many years with family and years of retirement, which came in 1980. Orville and Juanita also spent winters in Arizona and Las Vegas until 1999, when Juanita was stricken by a stroke and eventually passed away on May 22, 2001, in Billings. Orville has been fortunate to spend the last few years with his significant other, Betty Fox.

Betty — "Hon, thank you for being my friend and soul mate." "Grandpa, thank you for never saying no!" Connie — "Dad, thank you for all your words of wisdom and for passing on the same lessons to your grandsons." Beth — "Dad, thank you for putting up with my free spirit and my husband's corny jokes." Becky — "Dad, thank you for all you did and all you were to me. I will always feel loved in a special

way." We are your daughters and to us, that is the most important thing anyone could ask to be! We will always have a smile in our hearts when we think of you!

At the request of Orville, cremation has taken place and a private ceremony will take place at a future date.

Daphne Ann Linscott

Daphne Ann Linscott, 69, of Billings, died Friday, Jan. 10, 2003, at Horizon Hospice Home in Billings.

Visitation will be 5 to 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13, at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel Graveside services will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, in Mountainview Cemetery at Columbus.

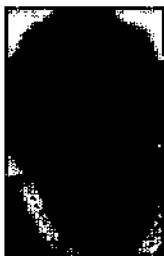
Irene Linthicum

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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POPLAR — Irene Linthicum, 74, of Poplar, passed away Monday morning, Dec. 22, 2003, at the Trinity Medical Center in Minot, N.D.

Her Mass of Christian Burial will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Poplar. A vigil prayer service will be 7 p.m. Friday at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church.



**IRENE
LINTHICUM**

Irene was born on May 23, 1929, in Flaxville to Raymond and Amy (Martin) O'Brien. She attended elementary school at the Gray school north of Poplar and graduated from Poplar High School in 1947. On June 4, 1949, she married Don Linthicum. They made their home in Poplar and this summer celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary.

Irene is survived by her husband, Don of Poplar; three sons, Don Linthicum and Robert Linthicum of Culbertson and Clinton Linthicum of Poplar; four daughters, Shirley (Gene) Marchwick of Culbertson, LaRene (Larry) Park of Casper, Wyo., Joanne (Jay) Cummins and Judy (Frank) Linthicum of Poplar; 22

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grandchildren; three great-grandsons; three brothers, Steven (Patrica) O'Brien of Billings, Raymond (Saralou) O'Brien and Pat (Ann) O'Brien of Poplar; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Amy Lou Beth; her parents, Raymond and Amy; granddaughter, Chelsey Marchwick; grandson, Landon Park, and sisters, Marianne, Driemeyer and Lorraine Gatlin.

Friends may call at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church for visitation Friday from 2 to 7 p.m. and Saturday for the hour before service time. Everson-Clayton-Stevenson Chapel of Culbertson is in charge of the arrangements.

DEC 25 2003

Irene Linthicum

POPLAR — Irene Linthicum, 74, of Poplar, passed away Monday, Dec. 22, 2003, at the Trinity Medical Center of Minot, N.D.

Visitation is from 2 to 7 p.m. Friday and from 10 to 11 a.m. Saturday at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Poplar. A vigil prayer service is at 7 p.m. Friday and Mass of Christian Burial is at 11 a.m. Saturday, both at the church. Interment is in the Poplar Cemetery. Everson-Clayton-Stevenson Chapel of Culbertson is in charge.

MAY 08 2003

Warren Nathan Linville

BROADUS

— Warren Nathan Linville, age 84, of Broadus, passed away at Holy Rosary Hospital in Miles City Tuesday, May 6, 2003.



**WARREN
LINVILLE**

Warren was born in Miles City on May 17, 1918, the son of Francis Warren "Jake" and Ilah Ames Linville. He married Catherine Shumacher and one daughter, Catherine Ann "Cathy," was born to that union. She drowned in the Powder River when she was nearly 4 years of age. Warren married Elna Kohlstedt in 1966 in Sheridan, Wyo. She passed away April 9, 2001.

Warren spent most of his life in or near Broadus with the exception of living with his parents near Boulder for a couple years in the '30s and serving in the U.S. Army Air Corps from 1942 to 1945 as a tail gunner on B-17s. He received air medals and a citation for the European Theatre of Operations, including the Distinguished Service Award as a member of the 303rd

Bombardment Group (H) "Hell's Angels" Combat Team. He was honorably discharged as a staff sergeant and returned to the family ranch and continued with ranch work until his appointment to the Montana Department of Fish and Game as a game warden in March of 1948. Warren received an award as a wildlife officer in 1972. He retired from the Fish and Game Department in 1978 and continued to ranch on the Powder River until he sold the ranch at the age of 80 in the year of 1998.

Warren is survived by a stepson, Allen Sickles of Portland, Ore.; three stepdaughters, Barbara Archer and her husband Tom Tully of Billings, Betty Cheeseman and her husband Bob of Hardin and Caryl Semmler and her husband Maynard of Mesquite, Texas; a sister-in-law, Gladys Linville of Broadus; 14 step-grandchildren, including: Dave Archer, Renee Higgins, Rob Cheeseman and Kim Cheeseman; eight step-great-grandchildren; a

1122E Linda Robinson and her husband Dennis and their children Chad, Nicole and Michele of Lewistown. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Faye Beville; a brother, Royce in 1958; a niece, Lana Liville Beville and her son David Beville.

Interment will be held Wednesday, May 8, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Butkus. Funeral services will be held Friday, May 9, at 11 a.m. in the Powder River Congregational Church in Butkus. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Valley View Cemetery with full military honors. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge of the arrangements.

Should friends desire, ministrations may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Erving L. Lipke

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 8 2003

HILGER — Erving L. "Bud" Lipke, 80, of Hilger, died Friday, Feb. 7, 2003, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 10, at the Cloyd Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow in the Lewistown City Cemetery.

Henry C. Little

BILLINGS GAZETTE
FEB 2 2003

MESA, Ariz. — Henry C. Little, age 71, of Mesa, Arizona, said goodbye to his family on Jan. 6, 2003, after fulfilling a quiet life of outstanding achievements and genuine friendships.



HENRY LITTLE

Hank, as his friends and family knew him, graduated from Atkinson High School, Illinois, 1949, as an All Star athlete in football, track and basketball, even being named as a First Team All Star Basketball Player, 1948. As a Korean War veteran, Hank served in the Army Military Police stationed in Landstuhl, Germany, where he was a winner in the Western Area Command Track competition, chosen on the All Star team for the USAUER finals and competed in the pre-Olympic trials in 1955. Afterwards, he went on to gain his teaching certificate, 1958, complete a master of arts at Colorado State College, 1962, and earn his pilots license, 1976. Since then, Hank taught many subjects and spent much time coaching track, basketball and golf. He was most proud of his girls' basketball team of Billings many of whom have remained friends over the years. Hank began introducing

Ping products to the Montana golfing community in 1967. Known to many of Montana's pro-golfers as Mr. Ping, he felt truly honored to have been a representative for Ping golf clubs for 20 years. His respect for the Solheim family, their creativity in golf products and integrity in business was beyond measure. Although his love for the game outweighed any trophy, Hank has to his own golfing credit many local, county and state titles including the Montana State Senior Golf Champion, 1987. Hank was an avid fly-fisherman, most often tying his own flies. His humble honest and sharp dry humor endeared him to his family and friends. He will be greatly missed.

Hank was preceded in death by his son David, his brother David and his parents Edythe and Edward. His is remembered by his wife Susan; brothers Ed and Dick Little; daughters Willow Diaz and Karen Little; stepson and daughter-in-law Randy and Jill Burrington; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

To those he has taught, coached, golfed with, fished with and competed against, he remembered you fondly and was thankful for the presence each of you had in his life. Anyone wishing to make a

making donation in memory of
Hank, the family asks that you
contact O'Grady House at (430)
333-2020 in honor of their remark-
able service to our family and
Hank in his last hours. A memori-
al service in celebration of his life
will be held at 7 p.m. Feb. 4 at the
Lafayette Country Club, Lafare,
Mont.

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Lela M. Little

LEWISTOWN — Lela M. Little, 90, died Saturday, Nov. 8, 2003, at the Valle Vista Manor.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 17, at the Creel Funeral Chapel in Lewistown. Cremation has taken place. Burial will be in Central Montana Memorial Gardens at a later date.

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Annis A. Johnson

LAMAR, WYO. — Annis Joyce (King) Johnson died Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2003, at the Crow-Northern Cheyenne Hospital in Crow Agency.

A wake will be held at her home at 7 p.m. Sunday. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at the Sons and Daughters Club of the Northern Cheyenne Nation Gym in Lamar, Wyo. Burial will be in the family lot of the St. Labre Cemetery near Ashland. Beach Funeral Home of the Northern Cheyenne Nation is in charge.

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David Little Head

WOLF POINT -- David O. Little Head, 52, of Wolf Point, passed away Dec. 15, 2003, in Bismarck, N.D.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at the United Dakota Presbyterian Church. Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel is in charge.

Anna Belle Little Light

CROW AGENCY — Anna Belle Little Light, 58, of Crow Agency, passed away Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003, in the Deaconess Billings Clinic.

She was born July 13, 1945, in Billings, a daughter of Frank Plain Bull and Elizabeth Bear Cloud. She grew up and received her early education in the Pryor area before graduating in 1968 from Chilocco Oklahoma High School. She later completed college courses and various training sessions for elementary education for two years. She was one of the first Community Health Representatives in Pryor.

Anna Belle married Edmund "Eddie" Little Light, III on Feb. 28, 1974, in Sheridan, Wyo., and the couple made their home in Crow Agency. He died in 1999.

She was a member of the Pentecostal Church, Big Lodge Clan and was a child of the Big Lodge Clan. She enjoyed beading, making dresses and moccasins, but particularly enjoyed being with her children and grandchildren.

Her parents; two sisters, Meta Gun Shows and Amy Plain Bull; and a brother, Everett Plain Bull, preceded Anna in death.

Survivors include her sons

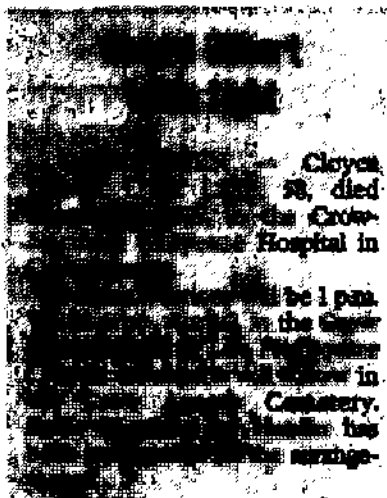
Marc (Phalene) Little Light, John Turns Plenty, O'Shon Old Elk and Frank Gun Shows; her daughters, Tami Little Light of Idaho, Joy Plain Bull of Hardin, Nissi and Amaris Plain Bull, Natasha Stanfield and Koren Plain Bull of Crow Agency; her sisters, Lenora (David) Turns Plenty of Pryor, Addlee (Steve) Eckhart of Crow Agency, Lavanna (Adrian) Bird of Hardin, Carmelita (Grant) Ordway of Ohio and Edwina Beaumont of Germany; her brothers, Gordon (Phyllis) Plain Bull of Pryor, Ori and Alvin Plain Bull of Crow Agency; 14 grandchildren; two great-grandsons. Children she raised as her own, Rhonda (Floyd) American Horse, Stanna (Ron) Craig, Jonathon Costa and Te'Are Plain Bull; her godchildren, Amy Jordon Old Coyote, Tyrell Crazy Mule and Sanaa Blessing Ricker, as well as numerous nieces and nephews, also survive her.

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow in the Crow Agency Cemetery.

Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

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Cloyce
58, died
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will be 1 pm.

Cloyce Little Light

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GARRYOWEN — Cloyce Gilbert Little Light, 58, of Garryowen, died suddenly March 29, 2003, in the Crow-Northern Cheyenne Hospital.

He was born Oct. 3, 1944, in Crow Agency, a son of James Scott and Pauline Little Light. He was raised by his aunt Lydina Karlson with his nephew, Ronnie Big Man.



**CLOYCE
LITTLE LIGHT**

He received his early education at the Flandreau Indian School in South Dakota, attended a business college in Sioux Falls, attended the University of Montana in Missoula and received an associates in arts degree from Everett (Wash.) Community College.

Cloyce was employed by the Everett Community College as an Indian studies coordinator, was administrator of the Everett Food Bank and was associated with the Indian Health Service in Seattle. He was a certified paralegal and was hired as a public defender for the Crow Tribe. At the time of his death, he operated a business known as C & A Paralegal from his home in Garryowen.

He was a member of the Spirit of Life Foursquare Church in

Crow Agency, Ties the Bundle Clan and a child of the Whistling Water Clan. He was an accomplished artist, musician and woodcarver. His carvings are exquisite and detailed. He was near completion of a mural of Christ for his church.

Cloyce married Avis Whitis on Feb. 14, 1998, in Bellevue, Wash., and the couple made their home near Garryowen.

His mother, Pauline; and a brother, Norris, preceded Cloyce in death.

Survivors include his wife, Avis of Garryowen; two stepdaughters, Kimberly Chaney and Karla Gumm of Ohio; his father, James Scott of Billings; his sisters, Marla Fritzer, Roberta Henman, Althea (Clifford) Foote, Linda (Thomas) Little Owl, Karen (John) Old Elk, Ava (Carson) Bellrock; Shirley (Thomas) Badbear, Rosella (Marvin) Stewart, Latonna (Lloyd) Long Soldier, Vanessa Little Light, Berthina (Michael) LaForge, Peggy (Aden) Big Man, Una (Gene) Smith and Pauline (Robert) Doyle; his brothers, Shobe (Janet), Myron (Kaylene), Theodore (Stephanie), Richard (Wyma), Orland (Lou) and

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Henry Light; his adopted brother, Keith Black Hawk; uncles, Gilbert Scott, Jr., and Edmund Light; his aunts, Madeline Comes Up, Donna McCurdy, Lydia Carlson and Theresa Gim Shows; four grandchildren, Janae, Kyla, Alex and Isaac; his sister-in-law, Doretha Adams; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 2, in the Crow Agency Multi-purpose Building, with Rev. Kenneth Freely of Top officiating. Interment will follow in the Crow Agency Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Georgia Not Afraid Little Nest

LODGE GRASS —

Georgia(Mama Geno) Not Afraid Little Nest passed away Feb. 8, 2003 in Billings.

She was born Sept. 6, 1949 in Crow Agency to Edward Sr. and Ethel (Morrison) Not Afraid. She received her education in Lodge Grass.

She married Bernard Little Nest, Sr. in 1979 and the couple made their home in Lodge Grass. Mr. Little Nest died in 1988. Georgia was a member of the Lodge Grass Pentecostal Church of God. She was a member of the Peigan Clan and a child of the Greasy Mouth. She worked at the Lodge Grass Arts and Craft where she used her talents in knitting, beading and crocheting. She loved to sing and listen to gospel music.

Her parents, Edward and Ethel Not Afraid, Sr. and her husband, John Bernard Little Nest, Sr., precede her in death.

She is survived by her children, Robert and Kathy Brien, Jr., Hannah Little Nest Driftwood, John and Sarah Little Nest, Leslie and Garilyn Nomee, Dee and Loretta Nomee, Martha and



**GEORGIA
LITTLE NEST**

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Aaron Alden, Berthina Nomee, Bill Old Crow, C.J. (Jana) Not Afraid, Knute and Darreldene Old Crow; as well as adopted children, Gary Jo Whiteman, Marie Jefferson, Claude Dawes, Jocelyn Falls Down, Tasha Nomee, Clement Nomee, Carlton Nomee, Jr. Clinton (Sarge) He Does It, Vince Black Hawk, Eli Stone, Marsha Not Afraid, Annie Couture, Gary Gardner, Pat Nomee, Elton Backbone, Janet Big Lake, P.J. Jefferson, Bobbi Jo Old Coyote, Grace Morrison, Tara Bird Stewart, Brian Blaine, Ethel Not Afraid, Eliza Not Afraid, Randy Not Afraid, Mark Nomee, Terra Medicine Top, Carrie Medicine top, Gwen Little Nest, Tanya Falls Down, William Driftwood, Sr. Chris Horn, Lewellyn Dawes, Victoria A. Hogan, Deserae Rock Above, Mary Ann Hogan, Sherri House, Barbara Amyotte, Carlene Jefferson, Felicia Nomee; her brothers, Ed (Shirley) Not Afraid and Alvin (Tina) Not Afraid; sisters, Adella Spotted Horse, Melvina Jefferson and Bertha (Paul) Nomee of Lodge Grass, Lorraine (Joe) Bear Cloud, Gail Redwolf; adopted father, Donald Stewart, Sr., adopted mothers, Frances Bends, Bonnie Hawk and Emma Don't Mix; adopted sisters,

Sherrie Lou LaForge, Sharolyn Nomee, Shirley Stewart, Cora Teeth, Lavina Old Bull, Georgiann Pisano, Benadicta Day Child, Charlotte Spotted Horse, Magdaline Bonko, Delmyrne Yarlott, Linda Ten Bear, Marsha Brown, Rosella Stewart, Mary French, Donna Stewart, Marjorie Hoops, Janet Stewart, Nadine Dawes, Maude Williamson, and Tori Half; adopted brothers, Edgar Old Bull, Myron Old Bull, Robert Stewart Aaron Yarlott, Alvin O. Yarlott, Charles Yarlott, Francis Springfield and Marshall Left Hand; as well as aunts, Mary Carpenter, Caroline Morrison Miller, Julia Not Afraid, and Gloria Medicine Crow; uncles, Cyril (Flora) Not Afraid, Art (Lenora) Plenty Hawk, Star (Hazel) Not Afraid and Kenneth (Christine) Yellowtail; and numerous grandchildren. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews whom she took as her own. She leaves an extended family and circle of friends too numerous to mention but not forgotten.

Mama Geno was well known for her sense of humor and her ability to stick with us through thick and thin. She left us to be with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. She will be greatly missed.

Funeral Services will 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10 in the Lodge Grass Catholic Gym. Interment

will follow in the Lodge Grass Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary is entrusted with the arrangements.

LTC Allen "Scott" Livingston

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LARAMIE, Wyo. — LTC (Ret) Allen "Scott" Livingston died July 15, 2003, at his home in Laramie, after a two year battle with melanoma.

Services will be Saturday, July 19, at 1:30 p.m., at St. Matthew's Episcopal Cathedral in Laramie, with inurnment in St. Matthew's Columbarium.

Scott was born to Allen Monroe "Livy" Livingston and Frances Ruth (Sanderson) Livingston in Billings, Feb. 20, 1947. The family moved to Cody when he was two weeks old. He graduated from Cody High School in 1965 and attended the University of Wyoming, graduating in 1969 with a degree in sociology.

Upon graduation, he was commissioned into the U.S. Army Medical Service Corps as a second lieutenant and attended rotary wing flight school. He married Lynne Smith at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Thermopolis on Feb. 7, 1970. A medical evacuation pilot, his career included assignments as commander of the 571st Medical Evacuation Unit at Fort Carson, Colo., executive officer of the 421st Medical Evacuation Battalion in Nelligen, West Germany, and commander of the 128th Combat Support Hospital in Ludwigsburg, West Germany. He flew a tour of duty in South

Vietnam as a medivac pilot and served in Korea as the executive officer of the 2nd Med. Battalion. He graduated from Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

He retired with several commendations and medals, including the Vietnam Service Medal, Air Medal with Oak Leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal, Meritorious Service Medal and Legion of Merit. He held a master's degree in public administration/health care.

Upon retirement, he returned to University of Wyoming and obtained a second bachelor's degree in secondary education/social studies. He was the social studies teacher at Cathedral Home for Children until January 2001, when he was hired by the Wyoming State Department of Health as Area Resource Specialist for the Developmental Disabilities Division.

Scott was active in Laramie Lions Club and served as its president. He was also a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and UW Cowboy Joe Club. He was instrumental in Special Olympics programs wherever he was stationed and enjoyed coaching the Laramie teams whenever the opportunity arose.

Scott was fond of theatrics, acting in local productions of "Music Man" and serving as the MC for the "Millennium USO Show." Most recently, he played the part of "Everyman" in the St. Matthew's production of that classic medieval morality play. Scott was an active member of St. Matthew's Cathedral, singing in the choir and participating in their special community productions. He also served on the Vestry as junior and senior warden. Scott loved being with and supporting his extended family, being outdoors, remodeling their 100-year-old house, and especially enjoyed his garden and yard.

He is survived by his wife, Lynne, of 33 years; son, Todd, of ARK of Laramie; daughter, Cody Lynne, a student at Eastern Wyoming College; his mother, Frances Livingston of Cody and Laramie; sister and brother-in-law, Lynne and Pete Simpson of Cody and Laramie; a brother, Jeff Livingston, of Cody and Laramie. Also surviving are his mother-in-law, Dorsey Hensel of Rockwall,

Texas; his father-in-law, Allen Shaw of Bethesda, Md.; a sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Shannon Smith and Ken Gray of Castle Rock, Colo.; a sister-in-law, Casey DiGaetano of Denver; a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Marty and Sandy Shaw of Tucson, Ariz.; a sister and brother-in-law, Ryan, and Chris Lockard of Plano, Texas; a sister-in-law, Morgan Shaw of Frisco, Texas. Nieces and nephews include Milward and Amy Simpson and children Sara, Alex and Hunter of Sauk Rapids, Minn., Maggie Simpson Crabaugh and Jeff Crabaugh of Laramie, Pete Simpson, Jr. of New York City, Tess Livingston of Colorado Springs, Scott Brandon Livingston of Steamboat Springs; Kyle, Keefe and Kipling Gray of Castle Rock, Colo.; Autumn Fedoruk of Scottsdale, Ariz., Beckon and Camon DiGaetano of Denver, Jadon Jellis of Denver, Chris Brouwer of Sterling Heights, Mich., and Holly Brouwer of Phoenix.

He was preceded in death by his father and his paternal and maternal grandparents.

Memorials may be made to St. Matthew's Cathedral, 104 S. Fourth St., Laramie for the Clothing Cottage, St. Matthew's Choir, the "Everyman" Performing Arts Fund, St. Matthew's General Fund or Cathedral Home for Children.

Constance G. Livingston

CODY, Wyo. — Constance G. "Connie" Livingston, 65, died Friday, Aug. 8, 2003, at her home.

Memorial services are at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Beck Lake Park in Cody. Cremation has taken place. Ballard Funeral Home is in charge.

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Lorraine H. Livingston

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Lorraine H. Livingston, 91, died Friday, Sept. 5, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings.

Memorial services will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, at the First Baptist Church in Sheridan. Compassion Ferries Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Robert Kasper Lix

BELLINGS GAZETTE

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SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Robert Kasper Lix, of Lodge Grass, Mont., passed away at Sheridan Manor on Monday, Feb. 24, 2003, at the age of 84.

Robert was born on July 14, 1918, in Sturgis, S.D., to Rose (Vogel) and Kasper Lix. He was the valedictorian of his graduating class at the St. Labre School in Ashland, Mont. Following high school, Robert enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and served in the South Pacific during World War II from 1941 to 1945 and also served in Korea for one-and-a-half years.

On May 17, 1946, Robert married another returning veteran, Jane Mefford, in Hardin, Mont. The couple made their home in Lodge Grass, where Robert again served his country as a clerk for the U.S. Postal Service, a position he held for the next 35 years. When Robert wasn't serving others, he enjoyed gunsmithing, gardening, hunting and woodworking. He was an all around handyman, his favorite place to go was the family ranch in Decker, Mont.

Robert was a member of Our Lady Of Loretta, Catholic Church, Elks Lodge 520 (Sheridan) American Legion Post 116 and other service clubs.

Robert was preceded by his parents; two brothers and six sisters; and is survived by his wife, Jane of Lodge Grass; their adopted children, Marjorie Seader and husband, Don and John Neatherly of Custer, Mont.; a brother, Harry Mefford and his wife Gayle and all of his nieces and nephews who were special to him.

Cremation has taken place and services will be held on Saturday, March 1, at 2 p.m. at Kane Funeral Home, with Father Jim Antoine officiating.

Memorials may be made in Robert's name to the Elks Youth Rodeo, Elks Building Fund or the donor's choice in care of Delphine Toner at First Interstate Bank, PO Box 2007, Sheridan, WY 82801.

Frances Locke

LEWISTOWN — Frances May Locke, 64, died Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2003, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center, of cancer.

A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, at the Central Montana Memorial Gardens. Cremation has taken place. Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

Raymond N. Locke

LEWISTOWN — Raymond N. Locke, 65, died Tuesday, June 3, 2003, at his home, due to complications of cancer.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 6, at the New Life Assembly of God. Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

Gregory L. Locken

Gregory L. Locken, 48, of Billings, passed away June 28, 2003, as a result of an automobile accident.

Greg was born to Mary and LeRoy Locken on Sept. 21, 1954, in Stanley, N.D. After high school, Greg joined the Air Force, where he earned an honorable discharge. Greg married LouAnn, and out of this union, a son, Greg Jr., was born.

Greg was employed for Empire Steel in 1985 to present. Greg was a hard worker and enjoyed his coworkers.

Greg loved the outdoors, whether it was fishing on the Stillwater, hunting for bear in the Pryor Mountains or turkey in the Little Snowies, elk in the Beartooths. Whatever the season, Greg was always ready to go, come the weekend. Greg loved to have breakfast with his best friend, Dave Dupea every Saturday or Sunday out at Riverfront Park, Cooney or Tongue River Reservoir. He could always be counted on to help out no matter the task at hand. Greg loved the Kansas City Chiefs and enjoyed going to Kansas to visit his relatives and take in a Chiefs game.

Greg was preceded in death by his son, Greg Jr. in July of 2000. Survivors are his parents, LeRoy and Mary Locken of Billings; brother Darrel (Wanada)

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GREG LOCKEN

Locken of Billings; sisters, Pat (John) Adams of Kansas City and Linda Ruffatto of Billings; good friends, Dave, DeAnna and Josh Dupea, Mike Lesniak, Bob and Leann Degele of Kalispell any many more here in Billings.

Greg, our son, brother and close friend, will be sadly missed by all, but never forgotten.

Fish on, Friend..

Andy W. Lockrem

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LAKE OF THE PINES, Calif.
— Andy W. Lockrem, 89, of Lake of the Pines, formerly of Billings, died July 3, 2003, at Auburn Faith Hospital.

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Burial will be in Hardin (Mont.) Fairview Cemetery. Hooper & Weaver Mortuary of Grass Valley is in charge.

Elizabeth Lockwood

MILES CITY — Elizabeth "Liz" Margaret (Garr) Lockwood, 89, of Moberly, died Tuesday, June 24, 2003, at the Holy Rosary. Extended visitation in Miles City.

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, at Grace Bible Church in Miles City. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Custer County Cemetery.

Jaryd K. Logan

UCON, Idaho — Jaryd Kristopher Logan, 19, of Ucon, died Jan. 1, 2003, near Ucon of injuries received in an automobile accident.

He was born March 20, 1983, in Billings, son of Kevin B. Logan and Michelle A. Normile Logan. He grew up in the Idaho Falls area. He went to Little Peoples Academy for pre-school, Ucon Elementary, Rocky Mountain Middle School and graduated from Bonneville High School in 2001.



**JARYD
LOGAN**

He was an accomplished pianist and had been a member of the Bonnevairens for three years. His choir was one of seven invited to sing in Washington, D.C. He graduated with high honors and was business manager of the Bonneville Student Council. He was the feature page editor for the Bonneville Buzz and won many awards in writing. He was also a member of Health Occupations and Science Association and received several awards at the state level. He attended Boise State University for a year.

He loved to play the piano and wrote poetry. His room was a shrine to Marilyn Monroe. Jaryd wanted to become an actor. He

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was a friend to everyone he had met and wanted to make everyone happy. He had a contagious laugh and the best smile. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by parents, Kevin and Michelle Logan of Ucon; brothers, Jacob Logan and Tucker Logan of Ucon; sisters Alexandra Blee and Olivia Blee of Chico, Calif.; grandmother, Juanita Blee of Billings; grandparents, William and Louise Normile of Yuma, Ariz., and Neil and Lois Logan of Billings; friends, Kris and Ellen Blee of Chico, Ada Bennette of Ucon, Jacqueline Orr of Ucon, Zachary Girls of Idaho Falls, and too many others to name.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Dick Blee; grandmother, Patricia Normile; and sister, Aiyana Blee.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 6, at Hope Lutheran Church, 2071 12th St., in Idaho Falls, with Reverend William E. Shimkus officiating. Arrangements are by Coltrin Mortuary in Idaho Falls.

The family suggests in lieu of flowers contributions be made to the Jaryd Kristopher Logan Scholarship Fund, U.S. Bank, attn: Katie Hicks, 585 First St.; Idaho Falls, ID 83401.

John N. Logan

WYOMING GAZETTE

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GILLETTE, Wyo. — John N. Logan, 54, died Friday, Jan. 17, 2003, at the Sheridan VA Medical Center.

At his request, cremation has taken place locally with Kane Crematory, and no memorial services will be held.

Lucile McD Logan

June 29, 1908-July 2, 2003

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS

—There will be funeral services Thursday, July 10, at 2 p.m. in the Lutheran Church for Lucile McD Logan. She died in the nursing home July 2 at the age of 95.

Rev. John Gronli will officiate, with music by Jean Ellison as organist and David Voldseth as vocalist.

Burial will be at the side of her husband, Jim, in the Mayn Cemetery.

Lucile was born in White Sulphur Springs June 29, 1908, to Frederick and Katherine Kumppe McDonald. She graduated from the local high school and began college at Montana State University (now University of Montana) in Missoula studying pharmacy. A cousin, Louise King, talked Lucile into attending the University of Tennessee where she had relatives close by. She got her degree there and also met her future husband, James O. Logan.

After their marriage, they came to White Sulphur Springs to be with her family during the illness and death of her father. Then they were in Anaconda for two years where they managed two pharmacies.

After that, they were in Denver where Jim went to medical school and Lucile worked in a pharmacy, then to Charleston, S.C., where she

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began her studies in microbiology, earning her degree.

She worked in an Army hospital there before returning to White Sulphur Springs while Jim was sent overseas during World War II. He became ill and was shipped home from France to Salt Lake City. Lucile joined him there and went on to get her master's degree in microbiology at the University of Utah, and Jim became a radiologist. They lived and worked in Los Alamos when the atomic bomb was being developed.

Later they moved to Long Beach, Calif., where she joined the staff of Cal State University teaching hematology. There she was awarded the distinctive honor of professor emeritus. She taught hematology for 30 years before retiring in 1978 and moving back to White Sulphur Springs. Jim had died in 1962.

Back home, she became very active in the community, serving on the board of directors for the First National Bank and Mountainview Memorial Hospital.

and was treasurer of the Meagher County Historical Association. She was a 50-year member of Martha Chapter No. 11, Order of the Eastern Star and served as secretary at one time and belonged to the Presbyterian Church here. She was one of the founders of the Meagher County Arts Council and belonged to the Meagher County Archives Association.

June 29, 199, was declared as Lucile McD Logan Day in the county with many tributes given. The following year, she was grand marshal of the Fourth of July Parade.

Survivors are a cousin, Susan Delony of Tusculumbia, Ala, and a niece and husband, Joyce and Larry Marberry of Henderson, Nev., as well as a close and special friend, Marga Johnson and her family.

Memorials are suggested to the Meagher County Historical Association, PO Box 389, Meagher County Senior Citizens, PO Box 682, both White Sulphur Springs, Mont. 59645 or the American Cancer Society. Twichel Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Ruth Agnes Sidman Logan

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Ruth went to see her Heavenly Father on Saturday, April 26, 2003, after a long battle with diabetes and other illnesses. She was surrounded by her loving family, her pastor and his wife.



RUTH LOGAN

Ruth was born to Samuel and Rosa (Bernard) Sidman on March 8, 1925, two miles south of Billings.

Ruth was a lifetime resident of Billings, having resided at 639 Logan Lane, then moved on to 3148 Becraft Lane, then on to her daughter's house, where she lived until she passed away.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Archie K. Logan; three children; her parents; a half-brother; two sisters; two grandchildren; and a step-father whom she loved dearly.

She is survived by one sister; two half-sisters; her daughters, Shirley and Wayne Stewart of Tromberg, Loretta and John Lopez of Billings, and Darlene and Carl Carlson of Roundup; 17 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and numerous other family members and friends.

After a short courtship, she married Archie K. Logan on Oct. 4, 1943, at the First Baptist Church in Billings. Ruth loved to go hunting, fishing, gardening, camping and vacationing at least once a year. She attended church when she was feeling able at the Gospel Baptist Church.

Ruth never turned her back on any creature, either living animal or human. Her door was always open, and she would always have a wonderful meal ready for anyone who was hungry. She was a marvelous cook.

She was loved not only by her family, but by all who knew her. She had a beautiful smile ready for anyone and everyone.

Our dear and precious mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother, we will miss you terribly, but we all know that you are now in the arms of your Heavenly Father and loved ones, and are suffering no more. We all love you.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 30 at the Smith Downtown Chapel. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Wilda Grace Logan

Wilda Grace "Willi" Logan, 92, was born Feb. 7, 1911, to Orin and Elsie Meador in Thompson, Iowa. Willi passed on April 7, 2003, at the Billings Health and Rehabilitation Center.

She married Harold G. Coombe in Miles City, in November of 1930. They had two children, Lora Neva and James (Jim) Coombe.



WILLI LOGAN

Willi was a ranch wife. She married Everett Russell Logan on Sept. 14, 1946. "Pops" was the love of Willi's life. Mr. Logan passed away on May 7, 1993.

Willi was a lady, no doubt about that; she loved her hats and gloves, and dressing to the "T." Willi owned and operated "Willi's Fashion Shop" on First Avenue North for 30 years. She was a very successful businesswoman who loved her clients and her business. She had a good heart and gave presents to those who didn't have a lot of money.

Willi loved fishing and the outdoors; she especially loved her home, flowers, gardening and canning. She was a member of the Ladies Arab Patrol and Daughters of the Nile.

Willi is survived by her son

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Jim Coombe; three grandchildren, Christopher, Buck and Jennifer; two great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. Special condolences are offered to Conrad Sandaker, her nephew, who watched over her faithfully; DeAnna Jones, loving friend to the end; and many friends who may not be mentioned, but were remembered always.

Willi also wanted to mention Muffie, her angel cat; and her other family members, Harold Meador, Lealand Meador, Doris Lasch, and Mickelson and Florence Fredrickson.

A funeral service in celebration of Willi's life will be held Thursday, April 10, at 10 a.m. at Smith Downtown Chapel. Interment will be at Mountview Cemetery. Memorials can be sent to the Billings Humane Society in memory of Willi Logan.

JAN 12 2003

Arne Loge

BISMARCK, N.D. — Arne Loge, 70, formerly of Billings, died Thursday, Jan. 9, 2003, at St. Alexis Hospital from heart failure.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held at the Bismarck Funeral Home at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 15.

JUN 05 2003

Mabel A. Lohman

GLASGOW — Mabel A. Lohman, 64, of Glasgow, died Sunday, June 1, 2003, at Francis Marion Deaconess Hospital in Glasgow, of cancer.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 6, at Bell Mortuary Chapel in Glasgow. Burial will be in Kenyon Cemetery in Kenyon, Minn.

James B. Lohof

POWELL, Wyo. — James B. Lohof, 40, of Powell, died Sunday, March 3, 2003, near Rock Springs, in a traffic accident.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, at Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home in Powell. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 6, at St. Barbara's Catholic Church. Burial will follow in Crown Hill Cemetery.

DEC 30 2003

Dorothy Long

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Dorothy Long, 60, died Monday, Dec. 29, 2003, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Cremation has taken place with Kane Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Memorial services will be held in Mississippi in May.

MAR 20 2004

**Lorraine Mildred
Fleming Carl Long**

SPOKANE, Wash. —
Lorraine Mildred Fleming Carl
Long entered into rest Jan. 28,
2003, in Spokane.

She was born Nov. 26, 1923,
the daughter of John Lyle
"Jack" Fleming and Bertha
Mildred Fairbanks Fleming.
She married Joseph E. "Bud"
Carl and had children, Lloyd J.
(Bud) Carl, Carolyn J. Carl and
Cheryl D. Carl. She later mar-
ried Harley M. Long and had
children, Linda L. Long, John
Gary Long and Patricia M. Long
Sneyd.

Lorraine was sister to James
C. Fleming, Morris B. (Darrell)
Flemming, Deanna Flemming
Shoesmith.

Lorraine was preceded in
death by daughters Linda,
Carolyn and brother Jim.

Lorraine worked for many
years at Billings hotels. After
retiring, she moved to Portland,
Ore., to be with daughters
Linda and Patty. Later moved
to Port Orchard, then to
Spokane.

Lorraine leaves behind four
children, 21 grandchildren and
many great-grandchildren.



A memorial service will be held in the Lavina, Mont., Methodist Church on Saturday, March 22, at 11 a.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Hospice of Spokane, PO Box 2215, Spokane, WA 99210.

George W. Long

MAY 27 2003

George William Long, 89, of Billings, died Sunday May 25, 2003, at Primrose Personal Care Home.

Cremation has taken place at Cremation or Funeral Gallery. A memorial will held 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 28, at Our Savior Lutheran Church. Inurnment will be at Jefferson Memorial Park in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Kevin M. Long

BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 23 2003

FORT PECK — Kevin M. Long, 44, of Fort Peck, died Thursday, Aug. 21, 2003, in Nashua, of cancer.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 24, at Bell Mortuary Chapel in Glasgow.

Marvel Loop

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Marvel Loop died Saturday, Oct. 4, 2003, at Sheridan Manor.

At her request, cremation has taken place and there will be no memorial services. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

Gary J. Loran

Gary J. Loran, 57, of Billings, died Friday, Oct. 3, 2003 at the Deaconess Billings Clinic.

The son of John J., and Doretta (Zenner) Loran of San Antonio,

Gary was born Aug. 20, 1946 in Missoula. His family moved to San Antonio when he was two. After graduating from Central High School in San Antonio, he enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserves. In 1967, Gary moved to Missoula.



GARY LORAN

In 1973, Gary married Nancy E. McCoy in Missoula. In 1976, Gary and Nancy's son, David was born and four years later, in 1980, their daughter, Nikki was born.

Gary loved to work in his garage with wood. He was a true craftsman. Gary also enjoyed his family life. He was involved in every aspect of his children's lives right up to the time of his death. From Boy Scouts and baseball with David, to watching Nicole play the cello and perform on the football field as a West High Majorette.

At the time of his death, Gary had been employed by Deaconess Billings Clinic for 13 years.

Survivors include his wife of 30 years, Nancy; his two children, David (Jill) Loran, and Nikki Loran; and grandchildren, Andy and Ellie Loran. He is also survived by his sisters, Peggy (Steve) Garner and Linda (Harold) Wakers; along with in-laws, Bill and Angeline McCoy, Billy, Bobby, Jackie McCoy and Julie Banschbach; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Gary was loved very much and will remain in the hearts of those who knew him.

Those wishing may send memorials to the Deaconess Foundation or Boy Scouts of America.

Vigil Services will be 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, at St. Pius X Church. The Funeral mass will be celebrated at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, at St. Pius X Church with Rite of Committal at Calvary Cemetery.

We love and miss you now and always.

Dakota Gamble-Lorenz

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 05 2003

Dakota Wayne Russel Gamble-Lorenz, infant son of David Lorenz and Melissa Gamble of Alexander, N.D., passed away Thursday, Jan. 2, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 8, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Burial will be in the family lot of the Forsyth Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 7, in the Chapel of Stevenson's Funeral Home in Forsyth.

Leo Lorenz

GERALDINE — Leo Lorenz, 60, of Geraldine, formerly of Terry, died Sunday, May 11, 2003, at his home, of cancer.

A prayer service will be at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 15, at the St. Margaret Church in Great Falls. Mass of Christian Burial will be at

1 p.m. Friday, May 16, at the Geraldine School in Geraldine. Interment will be at 11 a.m. Monday, May 19, at the Prairie County Cemetery in Terry. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Sunday, May 18, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Terry.

Wayne Russel Gamble-Lorenz

BILLINGS GAZETTE
JAN 06 2003

Alexander, N.D. — Dakota Wayne Russel Gamble-Lorenz, infant son of Melissa Gamble and David Lorenz, was born on Dec. 16, in Sidney, and passed away on Jan. 2, 2003, at the St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings. Though he had only a few days with his family, he was loved greatly.

Dakota is survived by his parents Melissa and David of Alexander, N.D., formerly of Forsyth; his maternal grandparents, David and Mary Gamble of Forsyth; paternal grandmother, Janet Lorenz of Billings; one uncle, Jared Gamble of Sheridan, Wyo.; and one aunt, Yvonne Thornberg of Colorado. He is also survived by his great-grandparents, Art and Erna Zeiszler of Sidney, Helen Gamble of Moses Lake, Wash., as well as Art and Cecilia Kaiser of Hardin.

Dakota was preceded in death by his grandfather, Steven Wayne Lorenz and his great-grandfather, Art Gamble.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday Jan. 8, in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Burial will be in the family lot of the Forsyth Cemetery. Visitation will be on Tuesday Jan. 7, from 1 until 6 p.m. in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth.

The family would like to thank all of the medical staff that had a part in Dakota's care at the St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings.

Memorials may be made to the Ronald McDonald House in Billings.

Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth is in charge of the arrangements.

Paul A. Lose

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 29 2003

BEARCREEK — Paul Albert Lose, 55, died at his home on Saturday, July 26, 2003, of lung cancer.

Paul was born on Nov. 6, 1947, in Billings to Paul S. and Helene (Frandsen) Lose. He and his sister, Cindy, were raised in Belfry.

Paul graduated from Belfry High School in 1965. He attended Northwest Community College in Powell, Wyo., and Eastern Montana College in

Billings, and then joined the U.S. Army in 1968, serving until 1970.

In June of 1968, Paul joined in marriage with Ann Grace Shandy in Joliet. To this union three children were born: Paul Mark, Matthew Clyde and Dana Michelle.

Paul worked at various jobs, but he was primarily a self-taught carpenter who had the ability to build a home from start to finish.

He enjoyed family snowmobiling trips to Cooke City, and he loved to drive all over the county hoping to visit and have coffee with a friend. Paul was also a devoted fan of Roberts and Belfry High School sports — rarely missing a tournament.



PAUL LOSE

Paul was a member of the board of directors of the Beartooth Hospital & Health Center. Always interested in local politics, he served on the Bearcreek town council and helped establish the Bearcreek Volunteer Fire Department. Paul will be remembered for his love of older Mopar vehicles, and his ability to keep them running.

Paul was preceded in death by his wife, Ann, and his father, Paul S. Lose.

Survivors include his mother, Helene Lose of Billings; his sister, Cindy (Steve) Pfeiffer of North Richland Hills, Texas; his sons, Paul (Star) Lose and son Mike of Shepherd, and Matthew Lose of Bearcreek; and his daughter, Dana (Raymond) Castellani and their children Quentin and Shandy, all of Red Lodge.

Memorial services are pending, and will be announced in the near future. Cremation has taken place, and interment will be in the Joliet Cemetery next to his wife, Ann. Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel of Red Lodge is in charge of the arrangements.

Memorials may be given to Beartooth Hospital & Health Center Hospice, Box 590, Red Lodge, MT 59068.

"We will always love you and miss you, Dad and Papa."

MAR 03 2003

Patricia Lynn Lott

HARTENA — Patricia Lynn (McAvey) Lott, died Friday evening, Feb. 28, 2003.

Funeral services will be 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, at the First Assembly of God Church. Interment will follow at the Montana State Veterans Cemetery at Fort Harrison. Retz Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Ray E. Loudan

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 28 2003

WORLAND, Wyo. — Ray E. Loudan, 76, of Worland, died Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2003, at Washakie Medical Center.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, March 3, at the Worland Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to service time at the church. Burial will follow in Riverview Memorial Garden Cemetery. Bryant Funeral Home of Worland is in charge.

Dwight L. Knutzen

PLEVNA — Dwight L. Knutzen, 81, of Plevna, died Friday, May 23, 2003, at the St. Vincent's Healthcare in Billings.

A Prayer Service will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 27, at the Stevenson Funeral Home in Baker. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 28, at the American Lutheran Church in Hovak. A luncheon will follow the funeral service at the Baker Masonic Lodge. Burial will take place after the luncheon at the Sunset Jones Cemetery in Willard.

Dwight L. Loutzenhiser

PLEVNA — Dwight L. "Slim" Loutzenhiser, 81, of Plevna, passed away Friday, May 23, 2003, at St. Vincent's Health Care in Billings after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born Dec. 30, 1921, at Calumet, the son of Lewis and Irene (Brown) Loutzenhiser. Dwight grew up and attended county schools near the Lane Jones area. He worked various jobs in Baker before entering the service in 1942. Dwight was an airplane mechanic with the US Army Air Force during WWII. He was honorably discharged in 1946.

Dwight then moved to Oregon to take up work in forestry as a logger. He moved back to Baker and married Erna Mae Wang on March 10, 1953. Dwight was employed with Standard Oil for a brief time and then hired on with MDU for the next 30 years. After his retirement in 1986, they moved to Plevna to make their final home. Dwight was very active in many of the local organizations throughout his time spent here. Some of which included the Plevna Fire Department, Masonic Lodge, American Legion, Scottish Rite, Eastern Star, Shrine, and Knights

Templar. He was proud to be apart of these associations.

Dwight loved painting, wood-working, and helping people. Those who knew Dwight will remember him driving bus for the school kids and seniors around the community. He loved and cherished his seven grandchildren as well.

Dwight is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Erna Mae in 1999; two brothers, Ivan and John; and a sister, Nedra Griffin. He is survived by his two children, Laura (John) Brewer and LaVerne Loutzenhiser (friend, Tina Mann), all of Baker; seven grandchildren, Shannon (Andy) Personel of Lincoln, Neb., Michael (Kristia) Loutzenhiser of Plevna, Brice Kinsey (friend, Karlene Giezer) of Glendive, Shane and Levi Brewer of Baker and Brittany and Jakob Loutzenhiser of Baker; four great-grandchildren, Alex, Sean, and Ivan Loutzenhiser and Dominick Kinsey; a sister-in-law, Alice (Al) Spika of Delta, Colo.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 27, at the Stevenson Funeral Home in Baker. Funeral Services will take place on at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 28, at the Sandstone Masonic Lodge in Baker. Burial will follow at the Lane Jones Cemetery in Willard. A luncheon will be served after the graveside services back at the Masonic Lodge. Stevenson Funeral Homes, Inc. of Baker and Elkalak are in charge of the arrangements. Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at stevensonfuneralhome.com.

JUN 05 2003

Clayton J. 'Sarge' Love

Clayton J. "Sarge" Love passed away the evening of June 2, 2003. He was born on May 14, 1922, in Washburn, Wis., to Arthur and Walberg Love.

**CLAYTON
LOVE**

After graduating high school, Clayton enlisted in the Army in 1942. After World War II, he separated from the Army and worked as an aircraft assembly man and in the mines of Arizona. He returned to military service, enlisting in the Air Force, where he married his wife Sue in 1966. Upon his retirement from the Air Force in 1969, he gathered up his family and moved to Billings. He worked at the Post Office until he retired in 1988. He enjoyed spending time with his family and grandchildren. He also enjoyed the outdoors, traveling, and the company of their dog Charly.

Clayton is survived by his loving wife Sue; son Scott, stationed at Vandenberg AFB, Calif.; and daughter Bonnie Pennell of Great Falls. He is also survived by five

grandchildren and two brothers, Bernard and Ronald of Washington.

Visitation will begin 9 a.m. Thursday, June 6, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Graveside services with military honors at the Montana State Veterans Cemetery, Fort Harrison, will be held for the family.

Memorials may be made to the American Legion.

JUN 03 2003

Lisa L. Love

Lisa L. Love was born to Matthew Randel and Penny McGallen on the 12th day of July, 1967, in San Antonio. Lisa has four sisters, Laura, Becky, Sarah and Robin; and two brothers, Christopher and Gabriel.



LISA LOVE

Lisa moved to Billings in 1994, where she met and married Cristopher L. Love on Feb. 9. Cris and Lisa were married nine years before she preceded him in death on Friday, May 30, 2003.

Lisa will be missed dearly by her husband, Cris Love; in-laws Tom and Sherrie Norman; sister-in-law Shyla Norman; mom Penny McGallen; and her brothers and sisters.

At her request, no services will be held.

Safe journey, Lisa. We love you.

Smith Funeral Chapel of Laurel is in charge of the arrangements.

Thomas D. Love, Sr.

BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 24 2003

Thomas Daniel Love Sr., went home to be with the Lord, early in the morning, Dec. 22, 2003. He was born in Red Lodge on April 23, 1920, the son of Thomas N. Love and Caroline Tarro Love.

He was raised in Billings where he met and married Alberta Pulver in 1937. In May of 2003, Tom and Alberta celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary. He retired in 1983 from his position as a court bailiff and special marshal for the federal court system.



**THOMAS
LOVE SR.**

He is survived by his wife, Alberta; his three children, Tom Love Jr. (Bernadette), Fred (Sally) Love and Robin (Tom) Grinsteiner; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. He is also survived by five brothers, Charles Love, Paul Love, Joe (Jeri) Love, Carl (Donna) Love and Jim (Margaret) Love; three sisters, Jewell (Bob) Forshee, Sharon Love and Carol (Melvin) White, and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and by his beloved grandson, Tyson Grinsteiner. We love you and we're glad that you're home for Christmas.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Friday at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Visitation is from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday. Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

Ella Mae Loveland

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 12 2003

POWELL, Wyo. —Ella Mae Loveland, age 77, passed away at the Powell Nursing Home on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 9, 2003.

She was born on April 4, 1925, in Greybull, to Vaughn A. and Nellie Mae Grace (Glover) Hodson. She graduated from Burlington High School in 1943. On April 28, 1943, she and Robert (Bob) Loveland were married in Basin. In 1946, they moved to Powell, where they made their home.

She was a wife, mother, clerk, and along with her husband, owned and operated Powell Auto Repair. She was a member of Hope Lutheran Church and the Big Horn Basin Boat Club.

She is survived by her daughters, Billie Kasinger and husband Dale of Powell, Judi Spomer and husband Carl of Thermopolis and Bobette Smith and husband Ray of Powell; brothers Jerry Hodson and Griffin Hodson, both of Cody; nine grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Bob in 1998; her parents; three brothers and a son-in-law, Duard Thronburg.

Per her wishes, cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held on Thursday, Feb. 13, 11 a.m. at Hope Lutheran Church, Powell, with Pastor Clyde Seifert officiating. Burial will follow in

Crown Hill Cemetery. Should friends desire, memorials might be made to Hope Lutheran Church or the charity of donor's choice.

Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home, Powell, is in charge of arrangements.

Helena Lovick

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Helena E. Lovick, 85, of Sheridan, formerly of Missouri, died Monday, Sept. 8, 2003, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Visitation will begin 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 14, at Bowlin-Cantrel Funeral Home in California, Mo. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 15, at the California City Cemetery.

Dorothy Drewry Lowe

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 12 2003

WOLF POINT — Dorothy
dna Drewry Lowe, 96, of Wolf
oint, died Sunday, Feb. 9, 2003,
t Faith Home in Wolf Point.

Visitations will be from 1 to 7
.m. Sunday, Feb. 16, at the
layton Memorial Chapel in
Wolf Point, with a prayer service
t 7 p.m. Funeral services will be
t 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 17, at the
irst Lutheran Church in Wolf
oint. Interment will be in
reenwood Cemetery.

NOV 08 2003

Ray D. Lowe

WORLAND, Wyo. — Ray D. "Pappy" Lowe, 90, of Worland, died Thursday, Nov. 6, 2003.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 10, at the Worland Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Visitation for family and friends will be from 9:30 a.m. to service time at the church. Burial will follow in Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Bryant Funeral Home of Worland is in charge.

NOV 26 2003

Merle Lowery

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Merle Lowery, 83, died Nov. 12, 2003, in Arizona.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 27, at the Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 28, at the Presbyterian Church in Gillette. Interment will follow at Gillette's Mt. Pisgah Cemetery.

Larry L. Lowman

Larry L. Lowman passed away Sept. 8, 2003, while on vacation in Seattle, after a long illness and a year-long battle with cancer. He was born in Billings, the only son of Loyd and Myrtle Lowman. Most of his education was in Billings.



**LARRY
LOWMAN**

He married Dorothy Matthes on Sept. 27, 1954; later in life he remarked often it was one of the few smart things he ever did. She was his lifelong companion and best friend. They started their family in Billings, but moved many times following his career and returned to Billings in 1969.

He worked in the tire business most of his life. Some of the companies he worked for were Firestone, Dayton Tire, Northern Mobat Retread, B.L.&M. Tire (where he was vice president and general manager) and Hi Mile Tire, and ended his career working for Brad Ragan Tire. He was forced to retire due to poor health in 1996. He achieved great success

in the tire business, winning many prizes, contests and trips. He was listed in Who's Who in the West for many years. He and his wife also had owned Action Career Employment and inter mountain business forms.

Larry was preceded in death by his mother and father; his son, Randy Grant Lowman; and sister, Wanita Linnell. He is survived by his wife, Dotty; their daughter, Linda Locke of Bozeman; his sisters, LaVon Smith, Deloras Glenney and Wanda Jovick, all of California. He is also survived by his nephew, Nick Giardina (whom they helped raise); nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Surviving are 15 wonderful and caring nieces and nephews.

Larry loved the outdoors, hunting, fishing and camping with the family, and he always enjoyed his grandchildren. He was a life member of the Yellowstone Rifle Club, where he currently served as the president and editor of the newsletter. He belonged to many clubs and associations during his working years and served as an officer in many of them.

Funeral services will be held on Sept. 20, at Smith's West Chapel, at 11 a.m. Burial will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, graveside, Mountview Cemetery.

MAY 02 2003

Lionardo Loya Jr.
 Lionardo Loya Jr., 49, of
 Billings passed away April 30,
 2003.

Lionardo was born Jan. 16,
 1954, at Deaconess
 Hospital, son of Margarita Loya
 and father Lie-
 onardo Loya, Sr.
 The family had
 moved to Bil-
 lings in 1944
 from Texas. Lie-
 onardo attended
 school here in
 Billings.



**LIONARDO
 LOYA**

After school,
 Lionardo mov-
 ed to Denver.
 There, he joined
 the Army and served four years.
 He then moved back to Billings.
 He gave his life to the Lord and
 attended First Life Assembly
 Center located at 590 32nd Street
 West.

His father preceded him death.
 He has five aunts and two
 uncles, and his 92-year-old grand-
 mother, all in Aurora, Ill.; mother,
 Margarita Loya of Billings; brother
 Angel Loya of Billings; and sister
 Consuelo Maciel of Billings.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m.
 May 6, at Smith's
 Chapel. Interment
 will follow at
 the same place.

Cleston Lubken

BILLINGS GAZETTE
APR 16 2003

MOORCROFT, Wyo. — Cleston Derold Lubken, 82, of Moorcroft, died Saturday, April 12, 2003, at Pioneer Manor Nursing Home in Gillette.

Graveside funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 17, at the Moorcroft Cemetery in Moorcroft. Visitation was held on Monday, April 14, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette.

Victor Emanuel Lucara

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 01 2003

FROMBERG. — Victor E. Lucara, 93, of Fromberg, passed away Sunday morning, Dec. 29, 2002, after a short stay in Billings.



**VICTOR
LUCARA**

Born April 23, 1909, in Hartford, Ark., he was the son of Joseph and Anna Lucara (of Tyrol Austria), Italy. Victor moved with his family to Red Lodge when he was 11

years old and lived in Carbon County the remainder of his life, except for a short time in 1928, when he and his older brother, John Richard, moved to Chicago to seek work during hard times and then again in September 2002 for assisted living in Laurel. He married Lempi Amanda Rautio on Dec. 17, 1932, in Red Lodge. They were together for 48 years when she passed away on April 19, 1981.

From 1935 to 1947, Victor worked for Ed Nordstrom and Wally Columbus at the Texaco station in Red Lodge. In 1948, he ran the Shell/76 Station for five years for owner Harley Wyatt.

The 76 Station was most notable for two bear cubs that lived there for locals and visitors to enjoy. Victor then worked for the Mouat chrome mine until its close in 1957. He and his wife then

moved from Red Lodge to their home on five acres in Fromberg, and he worked for Fichtner Chevrolet in Laurel until retiring at the age of 65 in 1974.

Living through tough times, Vic maintained a genuine kindness and helped others when he could. He died knowing the repayment for his hardships was the love of his family and the friendship of his neighbors.

Victor was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Laverne and Catherine; and brother John Richard. Survivors include sister Elizabeth (Henry) Hodnik of Billings; brother Francis (Vivian) of Polson; daughter Marlene Lucara Donelson of Red Lodge; two sons, Patrick (Karen) Lucara of Billings and Richard (Teri) Lucara of Brandon, Vt., 12 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Red Lodge at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11. A reception will follow services and interment will be at Rockvale Cemetery. Memorials may be made in Victor's name to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Montana Division, 1242 N. 28th St., Billings, MT 59101.

Frank Lucas

PLENTYWOOD — Frank Lucas, 79, died Friday, Sept. 12, 2003, of congestive heart failure at Sheridan Memorial Hospital in Plentywood.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Medicine Lake Lutheran Church. Burial is in the Plentywood Cemetery.

Falkerson Funeral Home is in charge.

DEC 11 2003

Gladys M. Lucas

Gladys M. Lucas, 94, of Billings, passed away Dec. 7, 2003, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

As Gladys requested, no services are planned and cremation has taken place. Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

Earl M. Ludwig

BAKER — Earl M. Ludwig, 87, of Baker and the Plevna area, passed away Thursday, Oct. 16, 2003, 14 days short of his 88th birthday at the Fallon Medical Complex. He was born Oct. 10, 1915, on the family farm north of Plevna, the son of John and Adeline (Allen) Ludwig. Earl grew up on the farm and attended school through the eighth grade.



EARL LUDWIG

He married Magdalena M. (Maggie) Wenz on Sept. 25, 1939 in the Plevna Congregational Church. To this union Earl and Maggie raised their four children, Ethel, Earlene, Marilyn, and Alvin on the family farm. In 1956, they left the farm and Earl managed several elevators around Montana. After he suffered a heart attack in 1966, they moved to Helena where he graduated from Capitol School of Business. He worked as a bookkeeper for nine years at the St. Labre Mission and was office manager from 1977 to 1980. They then moved to Billings where he

was office manager at Magic City Plumbing for six years. Earl and Maggie returned to Baker in July of 1987 to retire. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife Maggie of 51 years; two brothers, Melvin and Earl's twin, Roy; and a sister, Grace.

Earl is survived by his loving children, Ethel (Eugene) Brost of Sidney, Earlene (Wally) Sexton of Wolf Point, Marilyn (Jerry) Heitz of Bozeman, Alvin Ludwig of Flower Mound, Texas; very good friends Ed and Myra Wickstrom; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

A Prayer Service will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, at the Chapel of Stevenson Funeral Home. A Funeral Service will take place on 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 20, at the Emmanuel Evangelical Church, in Plevna. Burial will follow at Plevna Community Cemetery. Stevenson Funeral Homes, Inc. of Baker and Ekalaka are in charge of the arrangements.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at www.stevensonfuneralhome.com.

DEC 31 2003

Hazel Gerrie Lueck**Jan. 28, 1915-Dec. 29, 2003**

LAUREL — Hazel C. Lueck passed away Dec. 29, 2003, in Laurel at the age of 88.

Hazel was born in Vananda to Orly and Allie Cartwright. She was the fifth of nine children. Hazel graduated from Vananda High School in 1934.

She married Edward L. Lueck June 4, 1934, and had one child. They spent most of their lives in the Fourth and Colstrip area before moving to Laurel.

Preceding her in death are her husband, Ed; brothers, Dick, Lee, William and Dell; sisters, Eva Johnson and Mabel Daley.

Hazel is survived by her son Tony (Lael); one sister, Gert Johnson; one brother, Andrew (Merle) Cartwright of Lynden, Wash.; and three grandchildren, Ted (Monica), Terri (Todd Larson) and Dean. She also has six great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place. Private services are planned for a later date. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of arrangements.

Frederick 'Fritz' Lueneburg

WORDEN — Fritz Lueneburg passed away peacefully in his sleep Jan. 26, 2003. He was born Dec. 31, 1915, to Charles and Lydia Lueneburg in Brown Deer, Wis.

Fritz became enamored with airplanes at an early age. He had his own airplane-washing business at age 11 and would work for rides and, later, flight time. He instructed British RAF pilots at the beginning of WWII and joined the Army Air Corps when the U.S. entered the war. Fritz crossed the Atlantic many times, ferrying military planes. He was stationed in India and flew "the Hump" into China, supplying troops.

After his honorable discharge, Fritz and his brother, Rod, built an airport in their hometown and Fritz went on to manage the airport in West Bend, Wis., where his future wife, Clara "Putzy" Langenbach, was also a pilot. After their marriage in 1947, they moved often between Wisconsin, South Dakota, Alaska, Texas and Kansas, before settling in Billings in 1963. They raised two children, Susan of Ballantine and David of Littleton, Colo.

Flying was Fritz's lifelong passion and he is still well known in aviation circles. He was preceded in death by his wife, Putzy, and brother, Rod. He has gone to join them in the presence of his

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beloved Lord.

Fritz is survived by his daughter; son; daughter-in-law, Linda; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 29, at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Worden. In lieu of flowers, please send any donation to the charity of your choice.

Donald Lufborough

MILES CITY — Donald "Don" Lufborough, 58, of Miles City, died Monday, Sept. 1, 2003, at the Holy Rosary Health Care in Miles City.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3, at the Eastern Montana Veteran's Cemetery in Miles City. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

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Bertie Lund

Bertie
Lund, 83, of Story, Wyo. died Monday, Dec. 8, 2003, in Sheridan Manor.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Champion Ferris Funeral Home in Sheridan. Private family committal services will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery in Big Horn.

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TUCSON, Ariz. — A beloved laughter, mother and friend, Dixie Lundby, 74, passed away peacefully on Saturday, Nov. 29, 2003, at her home in Tucson. Dixie, born on Feb. 28, 1928, in Billings, Mont., was the youngest of three daughters to Albert Dixon and Marion Blee of Billings.

Dixie Lundby was a loving mother and friend to many. She taught her children many great lessons about life. She was always helpful to others and strived to do her best in everything.

Dixie is survived by her five children, Dana Bay and Derek Simmons, both of Sierra Vista; David Simmons of Tucson; Darla Simmons of Prescott and Dennis Simmons of Vancouver, Wash.; her sister, A. Dixon Gleason of Pacific City, Ore.; two granddaughters, Ashley Simmons and Haley Simmons of San Antonio, Texas; one grandson, Daniel Jones of Vancouver, Wash.

The family will hold a private service in Tucson. There will be a service held in Dixie's memory this summer at the family plot in Musselshell, Mont. Those wishing to pay their respects may call Darla Simmons at (602) 369-3164.

Jay E. Lundquist, 53

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PHILIPSBURG — Services for Mr. Jay E. Lundquist, age 53, will be held at a later date. Cremation has taken place.

Jay took his life by a self-inflicted gun shot wound Tuesday evening, July 29, 2003, near Moose Lake, south of Philipsburg.

He was born on Jan. 15, 1950, in Billings, a son of Frank E. and June Ann (Wismeyer) Lundquist. He was reared and educated in Billings, graduating from Billings Senior High School in 1968. He continued his education at the University of Montana, where he was majoring in Philosophy.

On July 11, 1973, he married Donna Martin in Missoula, where they lived until moving to Philipsburg in 1983. They later divorced.

Jay loved the outdoors.

Survivors include his daughter, Kasandra Lundquist, attending the University of Montana in Missoula; mother, June Ann Pierce of Billings; ex-wife Donna of Philipsburg; three sisters, Judy Lundquist of Kansas City, Kan., Diane and husband Jerry Jasmer of Billings, Irene Lundquist of Portland, Ore.; several aunts, uncles and cousins. He is preceded in death by his father.

Cremation arrangements are under the care of the KT Riddle Funeral Homes, Philipsburg.

Schafnitz Lunneberg**FEB 25 2003****ORLAND PARK, ILL.**

Claudette Lunneberg, 60, passed away Saturday morning, Feb. 22, 2003, at her son's home in Orland Park, Ill., from cancer.

Claudette was born in Baker, Mont., on April 11, 1942.

She was the daughter of Ruth and Virgil Lester. She married Louie Schafnitz in 1959. They had one daughter and three sons; they later divorced. Claudette married Nick Lunneberg and they had one daughter and one son.

Her biggest joys in life were her children and grandchildren.

Claudette is survived and will be greatly missed by her five children, Ted (Dorrine) Schafnitz of Otis Orchards, Wash., Mark (Debbie) Schafnitz of Orland Park, Rodney (Bonnie) Schafnitz of Brookings, S.D., Kalona Lunneberg and Tim Lunneberg of Clearfield, Utah; also, 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; two sisters, Jessie Kramer and Karin (Kenny) Kaiser of Billings, Mont.; two brothers, Raymond Lester of Billings and Jay (Doris) Lester of Rio Rancho, N.M.

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She was preceded in death by her infant daughter, Tammy Schafnitz; her parents; and two brothers, George and Jim Lester.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery. Cremation will follow service. Memorials may be made to charity of one's choice.

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John Lutsch

John Lutsch passed away June 14, 2003. He was one of 13 children.

He is survived by his wife, Sarah Tippo Lutsch; sons, John (Connie) Lutsch of Ohio, Walt (Janice) Lutsch of Massachusetts, Susanne Birac (Adam) and Katrina Brown (Bob) of Billings; 12 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 18, at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Interment will follow.

James H. Lutz

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — James H. Lutz, 85, of Sheridan, died Saturday, Aug. 30, 2003.

A viewing will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, at the Elks Cemetery.

Hazel Nora (Branchflower) Lux

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SPOKANE, Wash. — Hazel Nora (Branchflower) Lux, of Spokane, formerly of Issaquah, entered into rest on July 7, 2003, surrounded by her loved ones.

Hazel was born on Feb. 23, 1917, to William and Catherine (McCusker) Branchflower, in the family home in Starkweather, W.D. She was the fifth of seven children in her family.

Hazel was the child of immigrant parents from Canada, and took great pride in her Canadian ancestry. She was raised on a farm outside of Starkweather. She and her siblings would ride a horse-drawn buggy through the cruel North Dakota winter to and from school each day. She graduated from high school at the age of 16. In 1936, she married Thomas R. Lux, in Aberdeen, S.D. They lived throughout the state of Montana: Great Falls, Livingston, Butte, Missoula and Billings; as well as Albuquerque, N.M., Tucson, Ariz., and Seattle. She has been a resident of Spokane for the last 23 years.

While living in Montana, she had two children: Jeanine and Thomas. She was a "four-star" homemaker, well known for her pasties, "cinni's," and especially her pies, of which she was in charge for the family holidays. Because she believed that pies are

only good on the day of partaking, she would wake at the crack of dawn on Thanksgiving and Christmas to start baking. Additionally, she was a perfectionist in sewing, crochet and knitting, making many of her children's and her own clothes. She loved to garden, fish and golf, and do crossword puzzles. She was a master bridge player, starting a local club that met weekly for decades. As an avid sports fan, she religiously followed the Mariners, Sonics and Seahawks, and even attended a game at Safeco Field with her grandson Cory.

Hazel was first and foremost a loving member of our family. She was most proud of her children, grandchildren and "little greats." We enjoyed her humor and barbs during family gatherings and holidays. She had special relationships with each of her grandchildren, whether lunching with them in Spokane, or visiting with them in Seattle, San Diego and Montana.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas R. Lux; an infant sister; sisters, Harriet Wagoner and Katherine Besse; and brother, Lester Branchflower.

She is survived by her sister, Olive Ludke; and son Thomas Lux and his wife Judy of Spokane; her daughter, Jeanine Kimble and her husband Jerry of Sammamish; her grandchildren, Cory Lux (Spokane), Cristi Migliaccio and her husband Chris (Florence, Mont.), Ken Kimble and his wife Molly (Sammamish), Kimberly Kimble (Newcastle), Rochelle Perkins and her husband Chad Kirkland); and eight "little treats," Gianna, Alec, Peter, Claire, Ryan, Shane, Danielle and Eric; as well as her extended family, Ray and Dorothy Judd and family.

A memorial service is planned for July 19, at 2 p.m., at Riplinger's Funeral Home.

Her family is forever indebted for the loving care received at Northpointe Retirement Community.

Donations may be made in Hazel's name to Horizon Hospice, 123 W. Cascade Way, Suite E, Spokane, WA 99208, and/or Northpointe Retirement Community, Employee Appreciation Fund, 1110 E. Westview Ct., Spokane, WA 99218.

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Joan Lyle

MISSOULA, Wyo. — Joan S. Lyle, 78, of Missoula, died Sunday, Nov. 23, 2003, at the Annie Holt Care Center.

Visitation will be from 1 to 10 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1, and from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel. Services will also be held in Park Ridge, Ill., with committal services in the Mt. Tamalpais Cemetery in San Rafael, Calif.

William B. 'Bill' Lyons

William B. "Bill" Lyons, 87, of Billings, passed away Monday evening, Nov. 24, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare.



BILL LYONS

Bill was born on Oct. 11, 1916, in Denver, to John and Delia (Waldron) Lyons. He was raised and educated in Denver.

Bill married Mary Tonozzi in Immaculate Conception Cathedral in Denver on Nov. 8, 1943. She preceded him in death on April 20, 1998.

He served in the U.S. Army in the South Pacific in the invasion of Saipan in the Mariana Islands. During the summer of 1945, following his honorable discharge, he returned to Denver. He worked for the C & S railroad in November 1935 and worked for the railroad for 46 years and enjoyed every minute of it.

He belonged to the Elks, American Legion, Knights of Columbus and the Golden K Kiwanis.

Survivors include two sons, John (Susan) Lyons of Billings, Jim Lyons of Havre; and one daughter, Mary Anne (Jim) Marx of Madison, Wis.; 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

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A vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 27, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. A funeral mass will be offered at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 28, at St. Pius X Church. Rite of Committal will be at Holy Cross Cemetery. The casket will be closed.

Memorials may be made to St. Pius X Church, 717 18th St. W., Billings, MT 59102.