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Ray C. Paasch, 87, of Belfield, formerly of Billings, died Wednesday, June 4, 2003, at St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center in Dickinson, N.D.

Ray Paasch was born July 31, 1915, to Henry and Amanda Paasch of Rural Billings County, the second of four children.



**RAY PAASCH**

He attended Billings County schools and graduated from Belfield High School in 1930. Prior to WWII, he worked on the same place, in Washington state turing harvest, at the Billings County Extension office and for the Farm Security Administration. He was married to Tena Gusth in 1941, entered the Army Air Corps in 1942, and was discharged in January 1946, as a staff sergeant. He and Tena bought the Jhi Otto Ranch south of Medora, N.D., in 1947, where he lived for 20 years. Tena died in an auto accident in 1953. He married Martha Porter in 1982, and they continued to ranch until 1997, when they moved to Belfield. He was a member and past president

of the Medora Grazing Association (1950-51), a 22-year member of the North Dakota Stockmen's Association, served on the Billings County School District Reorganization Committee and School Board and was active in community affairs. He was a Past Master, 50-year and life member of Roosevelt Memorial (Masonic) Lodge in Belfield, and was a member of the Bismarck-Mandan Scottish Rite, York Rite and El Zagal Shrine of Fargo. In December of 2002, he received the Medora Cowboy Christmas Veteran's Award.

Surviving are his wife, Martha, of Belfield; one son, Dave (Renee) of Dickinson; a daughter, Karen (Gary) Obrigewitch of Wibaux and rural Medora, N.D.; two sisters, Ione Paasch, Phoenix, Ariz., and Ruth Hart, Palm Coast, Fla.; stepson, Dennis (Kathy) Porter, New Salem, N.D.; stepdaughter, Kathaleen (Carter) Kleinsasser, rural Carrington.

With four grandchildren: Dey,  
M. Jay (Jolene) and Rest (Kelly)  
Obrigewitch; four step-grandchild-  
ren; Cole Porter, Leslie (Darin)  
Schiff, Sberi (Stuart) Stockmoe  
and Jimmy Kleinsasser; and four  
great-grandchildren. He was pre-  
ceded in death by his wife, Tena,  
and one brother, Robert. Ray's  
wish was to be cremated. A  
memorial service will be held at 2  
p.m., Tuesday, June 10, at  
Roosevelt Memorial Lodge in  
Belfield. William C. Blair Post  
#144 will provide military honors.

Memorials are preferred to  
Roosevelt Memorial Lodge #129,  
PO Box 785, Belfield, N.D. 58632.

View the obituary, folder,  
flowers and sign the guest book at  
[price-murphy.com](http://price-murphy.com). Price-  
Murphy Funeral Home is in  
charge.

## **Murel Packard**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

ARVADA, Wyo. — Murel Jean Packard, 82, of Arvada, died Wednesday, July 23, 2003, at the Amie Holt Care Center in Buffalo.

A funeral service will be a 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 29, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Interment will be in Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

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## Flora Baird Packer

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**  
**APR 04 2003**

WORLAND, Wyo. — Flora Baird Packer, 93, of Worland, died Monday, March 31, 2003, in Worland.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 5, at the First Baptist Church in Worland. Burial will follow in Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Veile Mortuary is handling the arrangements.

## **Johnny Padilla, Jr.**

POWELL, Wyo. — Johnny Padilla, Jr., 36, of Powell, died Sunday, March 30, 2003, in Powell.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 2, at Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home in Powell. Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 3, at First Southern Baptist Church.

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**APR 02 2003**

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Leona Marcella Pahl, 85, of Billings, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 1, 2003, at her home. She was born on March 13, 1917, in Breckenridge, Minn., a daughter to Joseph W. And Anna R. (Voyek) Pahl.

Leona was raised and educated in Great Falls. In 1943, she joined the U.S. Marine Corps, becoming the first woman Marine from the State of Montana. She served during WWII, and following her discharge in 1945, she returned to Great Falls. In 1949, she joined the U.S. Air Force and served during the Korean Conflict. Following her discharge in 1953, Leona started working for Sabena Airlines, United Airlines and Lufthansa Airlines. While working for United Airlines, she opened their first ticket office in Honolulu.

Leona retired from Lufthansa Airlines in San Francisco and moved to Billings to live with her brother, Arthur.

She loved to travel, spend time with her friends and enjoyed the time she spent with her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother Art.

Survivors include her brother Joseph of Denver, and 9 nieces and nephews and their children.

Cremation has taken place.

Private family services will be held. Memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

## Amy C. Painter

Amy Catherine Painter, 29, passed away with her infant son, Kolby Ethan Thomas Painter on Sept. 12, 2003, in Billings. She was born Feb. 12, 1974, in Tulsa, Okla. On July 11, 1992, Amy was united in marriage to Kenneth E. Painter III in Humble, Texas. Amy and Kenneth's children were the most important part of her life. She loved drawing and also enjoyed going fishing with Kenneth.



**AMY PAINTER**

Amy leaves behind her beloved husband, Kenneth; her children, Brandi Michéle, age 10, Kenneth Earl Christopher IV, age 8; Elizabeth Dortebea, age 2; her father and step-mother, Charles and Barbara Hamilton of Houston, Texas; her mother and step-father, Dorothea and Roger Kidney of Tulsa, Okla.; sister, Angela Dooley of Tulsa; step-brothers, Todd and Mark Kidney of Houston, Texas; niece, Amanda Dooley; and nephew, Patrick Dooley, both of Tulsa, Okla.

Visitation for Amy and Kolby will be from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Tuesday. Funeral Services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17 at the Dahl Funeral Chapel. A reception will be held in the Dahl Hospitality Room following Amy and Kolby's burial.



# John Edward Paisley

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 27 2003

CODY, Wyo. — John Edward Paisley passed away Feb. 24, 2003, at home, after a courageous battle with cancer.

John was born Dec. 14, 1927, to Joseph Nevels Paisley and Jennie Helen Dupre Paisley in Springfield, Mo.

Shortly after his birth, he moved to Tulsa, Okla., with his parents and siblings. At age 6, after the death of his father, John, his twin brother Joe and their sister Ann Rita were placed at St.



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PAISLEY

Joseph's Orphanage in Bethany, Okla. Four years later, they were reunited with their mother and lived in Tulsa. John joined the Navy at age 16. He served in WWII in the Pacific Theater on the battleship USS North Carolina and participated in one of the greatest battles of the war, known as the Turkey Shoot. John was a medical corpsman on the battleship and at Navy hospitals in Bremerton, Wash., and Farragut, Idaho.

After discharge from the Navy, he returned to Tulsa, where he attended school. John married Arlyne Coughlin on June 15, 1947, in Helmville, Mont. The couple moved to Spokane,

Wash., where he attended Kinman Business University and where all eight of their children were born. After graduation, John worked for 20 years at Big West Oil Co. as chief accountant.

In August 1967, John and his family moved to Cody, where he was employed for 18 years by Husky Oil Co. He held positions in the accounting, tax and executive departments. In March 1985, John and Arlyne moved to McLean, Va., where John was employed by the Department of Energy as executive assistant to the undersecretary of Energy for financial affairs. In March 1987, the couple was transferred to Portland, Ore., with the Bonneville Power Administration, where John accepted a position as manager, compliance review program, to oversee a \$200 million subsidy program. He retired from Bonneville in March 1995 and the couple returned to their home in Cody.

During his lifetime, John served as president of the Holy Name Society at St. Anthony's Church in Spokane; as a lector at St. Anthony's Church in Spokane and at St. Anthony's Church in Cody; on the Cody

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School Board; as a Silver Haired Legislator for Park County; as a board member of the Wyoming Senior Citizens, Inc.; and as the secretary/treasurer for the USS Battleship North Carolina Association. He was also a lifetime member of the Elks.

John is survived by his wife, Arlyne, of 56 years; his daughters, Audrey (Bob) Baumann of North Bend, Wash., Janice (Dan) Connors of Helena, Mont., Karen (Al) McCreery of Cody, Mary (Lamoine) Sell of Sundance; his sons, Joe (Paige) Paisley of Meeteetse, Mike (Kathy) Paisley of Orlando, Fla., Paul Paisley of Cody, Tom (Jacque) Paisley of Spearfish, S.D.; 15 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; his sister, Ann Rita Boudreau of San Antonio, Texas; sisters-in-law, Billie (Paul) Greany of Drummond, Mont., Adele Coughlin, Helmville, Mont.; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and twin brother.

At the time of his death, John was an active volunteer with the Spirit Mountain Hospice program. Those wishing to do so may send contributions in his memory to: Spirit Mountain Hospice, Home Health, West Park Hospital, 707 Sheridan Ave., Cody, WY 82414.

Vigil service will be Friday, Feb. 28, at 7 p.m., at St. Anthony's Church. Mass of

Christian Burial will be Saturday, March 1, 10 a.m., at St. Anthony's Church.

## Ernest M. Palin, Jr.

BILLINGS GAZETTE  
JAN 08 2003

LEWISTON, Idaho — Ernest M. Palin, Jr., 70, died Sunday, Dec. 29, 2002, at his Lewiston home, after a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born Oct. 5, 1932, in Billings, to Ernest M. Palin, Sr., and Edith (Schleining) Palin.

Ernie and Helen Smith were married Aug. 29, 1984. She survives at her home in Lewiston.

In addition to his wife, survivors include four daughters and two sons-in-law, Gail and Tom Thompson of Fremont, Neb., Cindy and Allan Hanson of Laurel, Mont., Chelle Watson of Worland, Wyo., and Sandra Edwards of Syracuse, Neb.; two stepsons, Scott and wife Theresa Lee of Ellensburg, Idaho, and Leslie Lee of the family home; also eight grandsons; five granddaughters; two great-granddaughters; and three brothers, his twin brother George and Sharon Palin, Lee and Karen Palin and Robert and Nadene Palin, all of Billings.

Ernie was preceded in death by his parents.

Cremation has taken place. Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at the Mountview Cemetery on Central Ave. in Billings.

**FEB 18 2003****Glen Leroy Palmer**

**BUFFALO, Wyo.** — Glen "Buck" Leroy Palmer, 62, of Buffalo, died Saturday, Feb. 15, 2003, at the Johnson County Health Care Center, after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo. Visitation will be from 1 to 10 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 18, at from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, at Adams Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Willow Grove Cemetery.

## Helen Palmer

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 29 2003

**CULBERTSON** — Helen Palmer, 93, of Culbertson, died Sunday, Jan. 26, 2003, at Roosevelt Memorial Hospital in Culbertson.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 31, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Culbertson. Friends may call at the Trinity Lutheran Church from 1 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 30, at for one hour before service time at the church on Friday. Cremation will take place and burial of cremated remains will be in Lone Butte Cemetery at Girard, Mont., in the spring. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Williston, N.D., is in charge.

## Leota Fern Palmer

LOS LUNAS, N.M. — Leota Fern Palmer, 64, of Los Lunas, N.M., formerly of Miles City, passed away Oct. 3, 2003, in Albuquerque, N.M.

She was born June 20, 1939, in Miles City, a daughter of Homer and Dorethea Sensiba Walden. She received her education from local schools and graduated from Custer County High School. Following her education, she worked several area jobs.

Leota met and married Leo A. Palmer on Aug. 11, 1961, in Cottonwood, Idaho. The couple made their home in Idaho, where Leo was stationed while in the Air Force. For the next 31 years, she traveled throughout the United States and Europe. During her travels, she developed a love for England, which influenced her for the rest of her life.

Leo retired from the Air Force in 1992 and the couple moved to Los Lunas, N.M., where he found employment with the Veterans Administration Hospital.

She worked as a Licensed Practical Nurse, at the Adelant Development Center for two years until ill health forced her into retirement. She kept in touch with many of her former clients and liked nothing better than spending time with them. When time and health permitted, she enjoyed crocheting, gardening and reading.

A son, Tyler Allen Palmer; a sister, Pamela Dawn Still; and a brother, Homer Leslie Walden Jr. precede Leota in death.

Survivors include her husband, Leo, of over 40 years; five sisters, Sandra Kostli, of Albuquerque, Leslie Olson and Paula (Buck) Ambrose of Cohasset, Minn., Sharon Wiebers and Dee (Ernest) Ashworth of Miles City.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, in the Bullis-Graves Memorial Chapel in Miles City. Interment will follow in the Custer County Cemetery. Bullis-Graves Memorial Chapel has been entrusted with the arrangements.

# Lynton Palmer

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JAN 10 2003

RANCHESTER, Wyo. —  
Lynton Palmer, 90, of Ranchester,  
died Thursday, Jan. 9, 2003, at the  
Sheridan VA Medical Center.

At his request, cremation has  
taken place at Kane Funeral  
Home and Crematory in  
Sheridan, and private family  
memorial services will be held at  
a later date.

## Lloyd D. Palmour

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 1 2003

CODY, Wyo. — Lloyd D. Palmour, 92, died Thursday, Jan. 30, 2003, at the West Park Long Term Care Center.

Visitation will be 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 3, at the Ballard Funeral Home in Cody. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, at the funeral home. Interment will follow in Riverside Cemetery.



# Marie 'Louise' Pangburn

WILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 18 2003

WORLAND, Wyo. — M. Louise Pangburn, 91, of Worland, formerly of Jordan and Cat Creek, Mont., died Thursday, Jan. 16, 2003, at the Washakie Medical Center in Worland.

Visitations will be from 9 to 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 20, at the First Southern Baptist Church in Worland, with funeral services following at 10 a.m. at the church. Burial will follow in the Riverview Cemetery in Worland. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc., of Basin are in charge.

**Dorothy M. Parizek**

Dorothy Mae Parizek, 93, of Billings, died Thursday, Sept. 11, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare. She was born May 3, 1910, in Wyndmere, N.D., the daughter of Anna and Charles Parizek.

The family moved to Ryegate, where they lived for many years. Later, they moved to California where Dorothy graduated from John C. Fremont High School in Los Angeles.

Dorothy enjoyed teaching and taught school in various places, including Hysham, San Antonio, Portland, Helena and in the Billings school system for 32 years.

She received her education from Montana State College, where she was a member of Phi Beta Phi Sorority, Eastern Montana College, Rocky Mountain College and The University of Southern California.

Dorothy was a member of Billings and Montana Education Associations, National Education Association and several service organizations. She was a member of First United Methodist Church.

Dorothy is predeceased in death by her parents and her brother Charles. She is survived by two nephews, Richard (Robin Parizek and Douglas (Betty Parizek; and one niece, Doris Ann Upton.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 25, at First United Methodist Church. Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, 2800 Fourth Ave. N.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

**Landon Alan Park**

**CULBERTSON** — Landon Alan Park, 17, a Culbertson Senior High School student, formerly of Williston, N.D., passed away in Deaconess Billings Clinic, on Saturday, Sept. 6, 2003, as the result of an automobile accident.

His Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday morning, Sept. 12, at 10 a.m. at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Culbertson, by Father Francis Schreiber. Interment will follow in Hillside Cemetery in Culbertson.

A wake celebrating the life of Landon, open to the public, will be held on Thursday evening, Sept. 11, at 7 p.m., in the Culbertson High School gymnasium.

Landon Alan Park was born to Larry and LaRene (Linthicum) Park in Williston on Nov. 25, 1985, the third of four children. He was raised in Williston from 1985 until 1999, and while the family lived there he attended St. Joseph's School through the fourth grade and thereafter, Hagen Elementary and one year at Williston Junior High School. He belonged to the Squire's of the Knights of Columbus at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. He was also a member of the T.A.G. (Talented and Gifted) Program.

The family then moved Farmington, N.M., in June 1999, and in July of 2001, Casper, Wyo. Landon attended schools in those two locales and also worked at Taco Johns in Casper. Wanting to play football and more happy with the school in Culbertson, Landon stayed with the special family of Gene and Shirley Marchwick and their children, and attended Culbertson High School.

Landon enjoyed sports in general; but especially football where he played for the Cowboys. The New England Patriots were his favorite team. He was also on the drama club and played basketball. He always enjoyed music and was recently learning to play guitar. He was also very mechanical having been around his dad for years working on this and that. His goal was to attend WyoTech in Laramie, and someday hopefully be an auto designer. He was a gifted student. But mostly, this good hearted loving young man enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

Surviving Landon are his father and mother, Larry and LaRene of Casper; two brothers and a sister at home in Casper, Haydon, Brendon and Kayla; his maternal grandparents, William and Irene Linthicum of Poplar; and numerous uncles, aunts, and cousins.

Preceding him in death were his paternal grandparents, Harvey and Marie Park.

Friends may call at the Everson-Clayton-Stevenson Memorial Chapel in Culbertson Thursday, from 2 until 6 p.m., at the school at 6:30 p.m., and Friday at the church for one hour preceding the funeral.

## Alyce Parker

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 30 2003

LIVINGSTON — Alyce Parker, 92, of Livingston, died Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2003, at Pioneer Medical Center in Big Timber.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 1, at St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Livingston. Graveside committal and burial will follow in Park View Gardens Cemetery. Franzen-Davis Funeral Home of Livingston is in charge.

# Claudia 'Tody' Parker

BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 17 2003



## CLAUDIA PARKER

"Tell me a story, mama. Tell me the story of the day you were born."

Claudia Mildred Medbery Parker (aka Tody) was born on her mother's kitchen table on a rainy afternoon, June 18, 1913, in Stanley, N.D. She was a survivor. She survived birth, which her twin did not, she survived polio, and the antics of her brother Bill who frequently locked her in the root cellar or outhouse.

In the middle of the depression, she graduated from Stanley High School and joined her brother Bill at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks. She lived at the Delta Zeta house, worked as a clerk, and thrived on the social life on campus. Unlike most women of her era, she earned a B.S. in meteorology and completed postgraduate studies at the University of Detroit. It was while living in Detroit with her Aunt Mildred and Uncle Fred that she became an Episcopalian.

Claudia married Charles Wm. "Bill" Parker at the Church of the Incarnation in Great Falls on July 14, 1940. In 1942 Bill enlisted in the Army, and she went to work for the Army Air Corps as a weather specialist at Fort Pendleton, Ore. She was the only woman in the officers headquarters which she found an honor and lonely.

After WWII, Bill and Claudia opened their first variety store in Harlowton. In 1955 they opened Parker Variety Store in the brand new Broadwater Shopping Center in Billings. After the store closed, Claudia went to work at The Clothes Horse, an upscale fashion store for women. The last 17 years of employment was for R.L. Polk & Co. She was a directory supervisor until her retirement in 1989.

Claudia's best friend was her daughter Nancy. They loved traveling and working together. Claudia was a marvelous cook, a loving grandmother, an active member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church and the Yellowstone Country Club. Her favorite past time was planning and decorating for parties at the club. She and Bill didn't miss a step — they would dance the night away. Mom was a storyteller. Anyone who knew her can attest to the fact that she would entertain you with her memories.

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Tody was the daughter of Edna (Fladland) and Frederick Wm. Medbery. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband of 58 years, and her brother, Frederick Wm. "Bill" Medbery II.

She is survived by her daughter, Nancy O'Hara McManus; son-in-law, James Charles McManus; grandchildren, Frederick Wm. Wilder (Gina), Kerensa Claudine McManus-Funk (Ryan) and James Ryan McManus, and three great-grandchildren, Drake Wm., Ariel Dakota and Brooke Seeley Wilder.

Mom always said, "Den tunga verde sumpo men undum pressar — The world is hard on my youth." We pray that she is now at peace with her Lord and family.

In celebration of her life, a memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 119 N. 33rd St., on Monday, Dec. 22. A reception will follow.

Memorials can be made to St. Luke's Preschool or Senior Helping Hands.



# Louis Parker

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 6 2003

RED LODGE — Louis Parker went to be with the Lord, Feb. 3, 2003, of cardiac failure. His family was blessed to all be with him at his death. Louis was born in Riverton, Wyo., on July 7, 1924, to Robert and Josephine Parker. He was on his own by the age of 13 and cowboied in Wyoming (after making his way back from Kansas). His family loved his colorful stories about breaking horses, hunting coyotes with greyhounds with his brother, Dick, and his cousins and uncles.

At the age of 16, Louis joined the 116th Cavalry Unit, and was honorably discharged after his age was revealed. Later, he served his country in World War II, and was called back during the occupation of Japan and also served in the Korean War.

He married Shirley Cortner on Oct. 19, 1952, in Red Lodge. After marrying, Louis worked as a skilled heavy equipment operator in Wyoming, Idaho and Montana while his family traveled with him. In 1963, they settled in Red Lodge, where he worked in the Brophy Mine until 1966, then he was hired by Dr. Kane to run Kane's Ranch west of Red Lodge. The years at the ranch became a loved family affair and were some of the best years of Louis' and his family's life; showing cattle, going to O-Mok-Sees, Play Days and helping their dad on the ranch.

In 1972, the family moved to Roberts, where Louis worked as one of the best road operators in Carbon County and then at the Roberts Grain Elevator. He retired in 1980 due to illness.

Many great times were spent camping, hunting, fishing, working with horses and cattle and enjoying his family.

Besides his love for his wife Shirley, and his extended family one of his greatest joys was watching them grow up and going to all of their many sporting events. He had just begun to enjoy his great-grandchildren, and they lit up his life as his health deteriorated over the last few years.

One of his most recent joys was their 50th anniversary in October when their whole family was present for the celebration of their love and life together.

He is survived by his wife Shirley, of Roberts; children, Pam (Jerry) Schiffer of Billings, Cathy (Bob) Hall of Boyd, Joyce (Lyle) Wright of Roberts and Chuck (Vicky) Parker of Billings, 16 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Louis was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, two sisters and two grandchildren (Lacey Wright and Paul Nutting).

Dad, knowing you loved Jesus and asked him into your love gives

is the assurance that we will all ride together" again. We know that you fought the good fight and you will be there to greet us. No more pain. You are loved and you loved us back. Thanks, Dad, Granddad and Great-granddad and Husband.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Feb. 7, at 11 a.m., at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Red Lodge. Burial will be at the Roberts Cemetery. Memorials may be sent to Chase Hawks Memorial, PO Box 31333, Billings, MT 59107 or the Roberts Community Foundation, Box 284, Roberts, MT 59070.

**DEC 27 2003**

**Myrva LaVonne Parker**

**MILES CITY —** Myrva LaVonne Parker, 76, of Miles City, passed away on Dec. 24, 2003, at her home.

Visitation begins Monday until 8 p.m. at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home with services at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Interment will follow in the Custer County Cemetery.

## Violet Parmeter

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 03 2003

WACO, Texas — Violet Leora Cox Parmeter, 94, of Waco, formerly of Lewistown, Mont., died Saturday, March 29, 2003, at a care center in Waco.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, April 6, at the Creel Funeral Home Chapel in Lewistown. A graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Monday, April 7, at the Lewistown City Cemetery.

## **Gladys Parncutt**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**AUG - 6 2003**

**BUFFALO, Wyo. — Gladys Parncutt, 77, of Buffalo, died Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2003, at the Johnson County Health Care Center.**

**A celebration of life will be at 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, at the New Life Assembly of God Church. A private family interment will take place at a later date. Adams Funeral Home of Buffalo is in charge.**

## Lois Parr

LIVINGSTON — Lois Marguerite Taylor Parr, 91, of Livingston, died Saturday, Sept. 20, 2003, at her daughter's home.

Celebration has taken place at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory in Livingston. Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home. Due to construction on Third Street, the funeral home parking lot is only accessible from the alley between Second and Third Streets. Graveside committal and burial of the cremated remains will follow in Mountain View Cemetery.

**APR 10 2003**

TOTEM LAKE, Wash. — Helen "Tootie" Parris, 76, passed away on April 8, 2003, in Totem Lake. A family reception is scheduled for Saturday, April 12, at her residence in Woodinville. Her ashes will be interred in Wenatchee near her mother and sister.

Tootie was born in Harvey, N.D., on May 7, 1926, the daughter of Elizabeth Cocking and Claude Padgett. She attended school in Wolf Point, Mont., and graduated from high school there in 1944. She married her husband, Wayne Parris, in Minot, N.D., on Sept. 12, 1948.

Tootie attended secretarial school and worked at several different jobs before settling down to become a full-time mom and housewife.

Tootie was known for her love of children. She took special joy in watching her granddaughters grow up. And she loved other children as well. She always had a ready supply of suckers for children she met — often replacing a crying child's tears with a smile.

Tootie was loved and will be missed by her husband Wayne; her son Scott and his wife Rosemary and daughter Lauren; her son Mark and his wife Kim and daughter Kirsten; her sister Mabel Weinrich and brother Ray Padgett; and her extended family and friends.

Remembrances for Tootie can be sent to Children's Country Home in Woodinville or to Evergreen Hospice in Totem Lake.

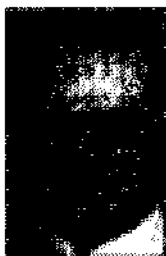
# Harold Mosley Parrott

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Harold Parrott, 80, of Billings, passed away on Nov. 7, 2003, at Parkview Care Center.

He was born May 30, 1923, in Roundup, the youngest of three children of Margaret and Irven Parrott.



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He grew up on family farms near Roundup, Roberts and Red Lodge. He graduated from Carbon County High School in 1941. He worked in the shipyards in Tacoma, Wash., before he joined the Navy Air Corps and served as a tail-gunner in the South Pacific during WWII. He was honorably discharged from the Navy in March of 1946.

In 1947, he met and married Charlotte Hobbs Ward. They moved from Billings after he and his parents purchased the DeSoto/Plymouth dealership in Lewistown. While in Lewistown, their two children, Nikki and Hal, were born, joining stepsister Sandra Ward. Harold enjoyed hunting in the area and fly fishing in Spring Creek. And each Memorial Day, he would return to Billings for the stock car races, which were a favorite pastime. The family sold the car dealer-



ship and moved back to Billings in 1957.

After returning to Billings, Harold drove a taxi for the Yellow Cab Company for several years before going to work in the mid-1960s for the Yellowstone County Sheriffs' Office as a deputy sheriff. He was most proud of his career in law enforcement. He was fond of pointing out that he was one of the last of the deputies who had worked in the Sheriffs' Office when the jail was located atop the Yellowstone County Courthouse. After leaving the Sheriffs' Office, he worked in the parts department of Selover Buick until a back injury forced his retirement in 1983. In retirement, he was heavily involved in his church and frequently taught Bible study.

He and Charlotte were divorced in 1972. He married Mabel Trythall in July, 1976. He and Mabel enjoyed dinner and dancing at the Elks Club and spending time with their respective families. Because she didn't drive, he was able once again to be the "taxi" driver.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Dewey; and Mabel. He is survived by his sister, Manila McGuire of Phoenix; daughter, Nikki Parrott (Dan Richards) of Seattle; son, Hal Parrott (Diana) of Billings; stepchildren, Sandra Corey, Janis White and Jim Trythall, all of Billings; grandchildren, Staci

Robison, Heath Corey, Frank Parrott, Chase Parrott, Tristan Parrott and Sydney Stoch; great-granddaughter, Frankie Marie Parrott; and nieces and nephews.  
10-4 Dad!!

A memorial service will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, in the chapel of Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Memorials may be sent to the Diabetes Foundation.

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**Margaret Parrott**

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Margaret Lulu Parrott, 85, of Campbell County, died Thursday, Nov. 6, 2004, at the Pioneer Manor Nursing Home in Gillette.

Funeral services will be held at a later date. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

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**Bernie R. Paschall****HENDERSON, Nev. —**

Bernie R. Paschall, 61, of Henderson, formerly of Hardin, Mont., died Monday, Dec. 1, 2003, at Odyssey Health Care, Inc.

Bernie Paschall was born Oct. 29, 1942, in Franklin County, N.C. He was a veteran of the Air Force, serving in the Vietnam War. He was a shop foreman in heavy equipment maintenance.

Bernie Paschall is survived by his wife, Ella Mae Paschall of Henderson; daughters Gail Paschall of Houston and Gina Paschall of Henderson; sisters, Lelaue Perry of Greensboro, N.C., Linda Paschall of Youngsville, N.C., Cynthia Paschall of Wake Forest, N.C.; brothers, Bobby Paschall of Frederick, Md., and Barney Paschall of Plant City, Fla.; mother Mae Knott of Youngsville and stepfather P.W. Knott of Youngsville.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, at Palm Mortuary in Henderson. A private graveside service will be held.

## Rose Parshall

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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BARTLESVILLE, Okla. — Rose Parshall, age 88, died Thursday, July 3, 2003, in a Bartlesville convalescent nursing center.

A memorial has been established in her name for those who wish to contribute to the St. John Catholic School, 121 W. Eighth St., Bartlesville, OK 74006.

A rosary will be said on Monday, July 14, at 7 p.m., in the St. John Catholic Church. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 15, with Father Stephen Austin and Deacon Dan Willis officiating. Burial will be in the Memorial Park Cemetery, under the direction of the Walker-Brown Funeral Home.

Miss Parshall was born on June 11, 1915, in Wyoming. She was employed with Phillips Petroleum Company for 35 years before her retirement in June 1985.

She was a member of St. John Catholic Church.

Miss Parshall is survived by family and a host of close and special friends.

# Clarence H. 'Bud' Parsons

## BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Our beloved husband, father and grandfather passed away on Aug. 4, 2003, surrounded by his family, and joined company with the Lord and many of his loved ones. He was 79 years old.



**BUD  
PARSONS**

Bud was born on Feb. 3, 1924, the son of Henry H. and Minnie W. Adams Parsons in Pilot Rock, Ore., in a teepee while his father was there working on the dam.

He attended school in Buffalo, Wyo., and Bozeman, graduating from Gallatin County High in 1943. He joined the Army on Oct. 2, 1943, and served in the 604th Field Artillery Battalion and the 121 Hq 10th Mountain Division. He served in battles and campaigns in the North Apennines, Po Valley and Central Europe, and was subsequently awarded many medals. He was discharged from Fort Logan, Colo., on March 17, 1946, as a Master Sergeant.

He returned to Bozeman and worked at the Bozeman Flour Mills, Nash Finch Co., Gallatin Co-op Dairy, J & E Grocery and also ran a dairy out by the Corner Club near Gallatin Gateway.

He married Shirley M. Spiet on June 22, 1951; they recently celebrated 52 years of marriage. They were blessed with two daughters, Deborah Lynn (Pat Todd), and Patti Jean (JD) Godfrey, and two lovely granddaughters, Ashlee Anne and Amber Jean Knight.

Bud and Shirley moved to Billings in 1952, where Bud was assistant manager at Dixon Paper Company until 1959. At that time, he went to work as a sales representative for Warner Lambert Pharmaceutical in the American Chicle Division, retiring in August of 1988.

His hobbies were landscaping, home movies, fishing, camping, and later on in life, he raised Morgan horses on his Kayokee Morgan Horse Ranch east of Billings.

Bud is survived by his wife and daughters, along with their families. He is also survived by one sister, Leona Mae (Marvin)

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Donahue; and four brothers, George (Rusty) Parsons, David (Barbara) Parsons, Dick Parsons and John (Dixie) Parsons; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; an infant brother, Paul; sister Pauline; brother Clifford; grandparents Naomi and John Parsons and Georgia and Victor Adams; plus his in-laws Iola and Bill Spieth; and several nieces and nephews.

### "Gates of Heaven"

Grandpa, when you reach the gates of heaven Parade will be there; go ride him through the fields of the heavens. Along the way, find Charley and give him a kiss for me, and your Mom and Dad and the grace inside. And, if you find Grandpa Jess, tell him he is missed in all our hearts. But, I want you to go find God and get your wings and fly through the air, now you have no pain, you're free. I just want you to know your love will always and forever be in all of our hearts.

Love,

Amber J. Knight

We were blessed with the best

Dad that could ever be.

He loved us all the same way

But now came the time that he must go away.

God saw that he was getting tired, and a cure was not to be

So He put His arms around him and whispered "come with Me"

With tearful eyes we watched him fade away

Although we loved him dearly we could not make him stay.

A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands to rest.

God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best.

And think of him still as the same and say,

He is not dead, he is just away,

We all love and will miss you every day.

We want to thank Big Sky Hospice for all their help and caring in the last days of Bud's life. Cremation has taken place at Cremation or Funeral Gallery, and as per his request, no services are planned. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to the Gallatin County Historical Society, 317 West Main, Bozeman, MT, 59715 or to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT, 59107.

## John B. Partington

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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SHERIDAN, Wyo. — John B. "Johnny" Partington, 79, of Sheridan, died Friday, March 28, 2003, at the VA Medical Center.

Graveside services were held 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 2, at the Black Hills National Cemetery in Sturgis, S.D. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan was in charge.

## William 'Bill' Partington

BILLINGS GAZET

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Bill Partington passed away Friday, April 4, 2003, in his home with his daughter and beloved dog Zoey at his side. He was born Nov. 4, 1929, in Billings, to Jack and Vivian Partington.

Bill will be fondly remembered for his colorful and witty sense of humor, his love of animals and his affection for sun, sand, and surf — a trait he passed on to his daughters.

Thanks, Dad; the Caribbean cruise was a father-daughter trip of a lifetime.

His wife, Connie, preceded Bill in death. He is survived by his children, Patti (Kevin) Conroy, Joni (Bruce) Aronson, and Bill (Liz) Fulton; grandchildren Kourtney Conroy, Kirby Conroy, Danelle Weaver, Glen Aronson, Sarah Aronson, Emma Fulton, Maria Fulton, Ryan Austin, Kasey Austin; and cousins Suzanne and Barbara. His dear friends, Evelyn Stinson, Mimi Parkes, Carl Hanson, and Zoey will also miss him. A family gathering will be held at a later date to celebrate Bill's life. Memorials may be given in Bill's name to the Humane Society or Big Sky Hospice.

*Tw'as not in terror*

*Not in wrath...*

*The reaper came that day,*

*But an angel visited the earth*

*And took a flower away \**



## **Thomas Phillip Pasek**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUL 11 2003**

**LIVINGSTON —** Thomas Phillip "Tom" Pasek, 56, of Livingston, died Monday, July 7, 2003, as the result of injuries he sustained in a two-vehicle automobile accident south of Livingston.

Cremation has taken place at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home & Crematory in Livingston. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 12, at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home.

# George Pastian

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 11 2003

**PARK CITY**  
— George Pastian, 64, of Park City, died Wednesday, July 9, 2003, at his sister's home in North Dakota, following a long battle with cancer.



**GEORGE  
PASTIAN**

George was born Oct. 11, 1938, in Burt, N.D., the son of Jacob and Mary Pastian. He moved to Billings in 1955.

George married Diane Oakers in Billings on Aug. 20, 1983, and they lived happily until her death in 1994.

George worked for Salt Creek and Beal until retiring from Beal in 2001. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and camping.

George will be missed by everyone who knew him.

He is survived by four brothers, Victor Pastian and Rieny (Esther) Pastian of Mott, N.D., Dave Pastian of Billings and Bill (Mary) Pastian of Phoenix; three sisters, Martha Edwardson of Minneapolis, Rose (Albert) Hawn of Mott, N.D., and Frieda Jacober of Mandan, N.D.; his children, Scott (Tina) Pastian of Fromberg and Betsy (Rob) Krueger of Park City, Utah; three grandchildren,

Curtis, Beth and Dillon; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his wife Diane; his parents; brother, Johnnie; and two sisters, Alice and Elsie.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be 1 p.m. Saturday, July 12, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society for cancer research.

# Brandon James Patch

## 'Forever #1'

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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MILES CITY — Brandon James Patch, age 18, of Miles City passed away Saturday, July 26, 2003, at Benefis Healthcare in Great Falls, after being struck by a batted ball while pitching for the Miles City Mavericks baseball team.



**BRANDON  
PATCH**

Brandon was born Sept. 10, 1984, in Miles City, the son of Duane "Spud" and Debbie Janssen Patch. He grew up and attended Highland Park Elementary, Lincoln Elementary and Washington Junior High before graduating in 2003 from Custer County District High School. He was very active in baseball and football. He enjoyed playing golf and was always present for a poker game with his friends. He always enjoyed it when his Aunt Peanuts came from Bozeman to cook his favorite Italian pasta for our family dinners. He was noted for late-night snacks and spending time with his girlfriend, Lacey. Brandon helped umpire many Little League and Babe Ruth baseball games. Because baseball was

his first love, he would spend hours on the pitching mound practicing. He was an avid New York Yankee fan. Brandon never knew a stranger, making the list of friends he leaves behind immense. He was always the bright spot in any situation and his candle will burn in our hearts long after these days are gone.

He is survived by his parents Spud and Deb of Miles City; a brother, Brady Patch of Miles City; his grandparents, Jim and Barbara Janssen, also of Miles City; numerous uncles, aunts, cousins; and his special friend, Lacey Reid.

Brandon was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, James and Frieda Patch.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. on Monday, July 28, at the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 29, at Denton Field in Miles City with Rev. Grover Briggs officiating. Interment will follow at Custer County Cemetery.

If desired, memorials may be sent to the family, c/o Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home, 1717 Main Street, Miles City, MT 59301 to be determined later.

Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City has been entrusted with the arrangements. To send condolences to the family please visit: [www.stevensonandsons.com](http://www.stevensonandsons.com).

**William G. Patek**

William G. Patek, 56, of Billings, died Tuesday morning, Sept. 9, 2003, at St. Vincent's Healthcare, surrounded by family. He succumbed to multiple myeloma cancer after a courageous six-year battle.

He was born Dec. 1, 1946, in Billings, to George and Maxine Patek of Bridger. He lived in Bridger until the age of 13, then moved with the family to Billings, where he attended Lewis and Clark Junior High and graduated from West High School in 1965. After graduation, he attended Northern Montana College in Havre, receiving a bachelors and masters degree in vocational education.

In June of 1966, Bill married Susan Nelson in Billings. Bill and Susan made their home in Billings, raising their four children.



**WILLIAM  
PATEK**

After graduation, Bill was employed 32 years as an automotive technology instructor at the Billings Vo-Tech Center/College of Technology. He retired from this position in May 2002. While in this position, he also served a department chair of trade and industry.

He enjoyed playing handball at the YMCA for 25 years and made many lifelong friendships there. He was past president of the Billings Handball Club.

As a member of Evangelical United Methodist Church, Bill spent many hours working on the church bus and transporting kids to camp on the Boulder.

He spent countless hours repairing friends and families vehicles. He also enjoyed camping in Red Lodge with family and friends. He was an avid fly fisherman who enjoyed fishing the streams around the Carbon County area. Another hobby that he enjoyed was woodworking. He made many special gifts for friends and family.

His life was centered around family and his faith. He lived a selfless life and was always willing to help others, even during his illness. He was kind and generous to all.

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He is survived by his wife, Susan; his children, Paul (Deana) Patek of Billings, Marci (Jeff) Herriford of Powell, Wyo., Greg (Amy) Patek of Rowland Heights, Calif., and Jami (Tim) Wight of Soldotna, Alaska.

He is also survived by his mother, Maxine Patek of Billings; and his sisters, Sharon (Will) Lovell of Columbia Falls, Georgia Swanson of Denver and Vicki (Phil) Christman of Great Falls; one niece, four nephews and numerous aunts and cousins. He had four grandchildren who thought he was the best grandpa ever: Melissa and Britney Patek and Garon and Callen Herriford.

A celebration of Bill's life will be held Saturday, Sept. 13, at 10:30 a.m. at Faith Chapel, corner of Broadwater and Shiloh. Interment will be 2:30 p.m. at the Bridger Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Bill Patek Leadership Award, c/o MSU-B Foundation, 1500 University Drive, Billings, MT 59101, or to the charity of one's choice.

# Patricia Marie Patrick

BILLINGS GAZETTE

Patty Patrick, 53, was taken home to be with her Savior on March 11, 2003. We can truly say she courageously fought the good fight, finished her race, and kept the faith. (II Tim. 4:7) She now is with the One she served. We will miss her greatly!



**PATTY  
PATRICK**

Patty was born on Dec. 10, 1949, in Casper, Wyo., the daughter of Ted and Albena Anéris. She grew up in Billings and graduated from Senior High in 1968. She graduated from Seattle Pacific University with honors in 1972. She taught and coached at Redmond High School (six years), Whitefish High School (one year), Billings Central (two years), and settled in at Billings West High School, where she taught math and coached for 14 years.

Coaching volleyball was something she loved to do. She personally started the volleyball programs at Redmond, Whitefish and Billings Central High. She coached 18 years, instilling character as well as skill in her team.

She loved young people and lead many groups at Billings Bible Church through the years. wanti-

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ng them to hear the message of Jesus. Patty was always active.

She had four wonderful children (Rachel, Aaron, Josh, Rebekah). She loved all four dearly and it showed. From baking and sending monster cookies in care packages to celebrating their successes to putting thousands of miles on her car for their many athletic events, she gave freely to them.

To see her yard, you would know she loved gardening. Her roses and other flowers speak of her green thumb, "Mom loved to play plants." Later, she was involved in Bible study groups where she encouraged others through Christ-like fellowship. She was always finding ways to encourage and uplift others, finding just the right book or writing the right words. She loved life!

Patty is survived by her mother, Albena of Billings; her daughters, Rachel (Justin) Pearce of Billings and Rebekah of Portland, Ore.; her sons, Aaron of Denver and Josh of San Diego; her brother, Ted (Coleen) Andrus of Denver; her sisters, Linda (Ewan) Watkins of Seattle and Kay (Dan) Padilla of Portland, Ore., and her grandchildren Taycee and Alyssa.

A memorial service will be held at Billings Bible Church, 807 N. 27th, on Saturday, March 15, at 2 p.m. Memorials may be made to Care Net, 2321 Broadwater Ave., Billings, MT 59102 and Clvdehurst Christian Ranch, 802

Special thanks to Big Sk Hospice.



## J. Michael Patrick

CODY, Wyo. — J. Michael Patrick, 51, of Cody died Thursday, May 8, 2003, near Lander, Wyo., as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Mike was born Jan. 27, 1952, in Cody. He was raised on the Diamond Bar Ranch and Belknap Ranch on Southfork, participating in all aspects of ranch life. Mike competed in high school rodeo, excelling in the event of team roping. One of the greatest pleasures of his life was team roping with his beloved dad, Jim. Mike graduated from Cody High School in 1970 and attended the University of Wyoming on an academic scholarship where he studied journalism.

Mike lived an exciting and adventurous life, experiencing it to the fullest. In 1971 he traveled to Kenya to visit his mother, Lucille, and spent several months managing a large African cattle ranch there. In 1973 he spent four memorable weeks horse-packing through Yellowstone National Park and the surrounding area with his brother Nic and close friends Jerry Hodson, Que Mangus and Tom Anno. Mike also traveled throughout South America with friend Tom.

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Mike married Virginia Livingston in 1981. They one had son, Jim, in 1985. Jim was the greatest source of joy in Mike's life and his greatest treasure.

Mike founded New West Furniture in 1986, and built it into the premier western furniture business it is today. His peers recognized his artistry and creativity with many awards, including the Buffalo Bill Historical Center 1998 Switchback Ranch Purchase Award, Western Design Conference People's Choice Award in 1994 and 1995, WDC Best Exhibit Award in 1995, and Metropolitan Home Magazine Design 100 Award in 1992. He was featured in a HGTV program, "Your Home with Kitty Bartholomew" in 1998, and recently completed filming for a second HGTV program, "Sensible Chic," which will air later this year. Mike was the driving force behind the development of the Western Design Conference, never backing away

from his strong belief that bringing artisans together to share ideas and philosophies would benefit all.

The recent renovation of the Plains Hotel in Cheyenne, Wyo., was a source of pride, because it combined historic preservation goals and state-of-the-art design elements.

As a third generation rancher, Mike understood the critical importance of continued sustainable use of natural resources. He was an advocate for wild places and dedicated many volunteer hours to the cause of maintaining environmental balance through organizations such as Northwest Resource Council, Park County Planning and Zoning, and Corporation for the Northern Rockies, which he co-founded.

Mike is survived by son Jim Patrick, by his biggest fan, his mother Lucille Patrick, brother Bill Patrick, and wife Joyce; sisters Pat Harter and Jo Knight; Virginia Livingston and by many loving and caring nieces, nephews and friends.

Mike was a creative, artistic, intense man, passionate about many things: New West Furniture, the environment, and most important, his son, Jim.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church in Cody on Wednesday, May 14. Donations may be made in his memory to Crisis Intervention Services.

## Arthur Patterson Jr.

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 16 2003

WORLAND, Wyo. — Arthur Vern Patterson Jr., 80, of Worland, died Sunday, July 13, 2003, at Washakie Medical Center, of cancer.

Visitation will be from 6 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 16, at Bryant Funeral Home Chapel in Worland. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, July 17, at the Big Horn Independent Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Riverview Memorial Gardens.

# Dana Jo Patterson

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Dana Jo Patterson, beloved wife, mother, and friend, passed away Dec. 27, 2003, unexpectedly at the age of 51.

Dana was born Jan. 5, 1952, in Hardin, to Harold and Johanna Ruby. She attended Senior High School where she met her lifetime companion, Monty Patterson. Dana and Monty married in 1969 and had two children, Ami and Lee. Dana Jo had a special love for her family which she freely extended to many, many friends who became her extended "family."



**DANA JO  
PATTERSON**

Although Dana had given her life to caring for her family, she found her calling when she entered the healthcare profession in 1981. Dana shared her unconditional love through her service at Deaconess Hospital and Big Sky Hospice. She developed a special love for the elderly and dedicated her career to long-term care. She joined Eagle Cliff Manor where she shared dignity and personal service with many people. In 2003, Dana joined Grand Park Vintage Suites where she extended her special love to all.

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Dana touched countless lives serving the needs of others, regardless of circumstance, and became known for her homemade cookies which she offered like her love to anyone and everyone. Often, she would deliver cookies unannounced to family and friends.

She is survived by Monty Patterson; her daughter, Ami (Douglas) King of Seattle; son, Lee (Jessica) Patterson of Kansas City; grandchildren, Wade and Cole Patterson; her brother and his wife, Robert and Eunice Ruby; her brother-in-law and his wife, Robert and Mary Patterson; nieces and nephews; and countless close friends, co-workers, and the people for whom she cared, who were so very important to her. In her heart, her "children" were many and she loved each with equal passion.

Services will be held 11 a.m. Friday at First Congregational Church, 310 N. 27th St. For those who desire, memorials are suggested to be made to the Alzheimer's Association of Montana Chapter, 3010 11th Ave. N., Billings, MT 59101. The Patterson family extends heartfelt gratitude to all those friends and family who visited Dana Jo and offered their thoughts and prayers, and the many who have offered their help.

# Minnie Ellen Paugh

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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BOZEMAN — Minnie Ellen Paugh, 83, of Bozeman died Thursday, March 20, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings.

She was recovering from back surgery at the time of her death. She lived in Bozeman since 1961, and was a resident of Hillcrest -Aspen Pointe since 1998.



MINNIE  
PAUGH

Minnie Ellen was born in Virginia City on April 7, 1919, to George and June Bubite Paugh. They lived on the family ranch at Jack Creek. She graduated from Ennis High school in 1937. She attended Montana State College for two years, and Montana State University in Missoula, graduating with a BA in 1941. Her Master of Education Degree was awarded at University of Montana in 1952. In 1961 she received her MA in Library Science from the University of Denver.

She joined the MSU faculty in 1961 as reference librarian and instructor. Prior to her faculty appointment, Paugh taught high school history and English in Loving, Edgar, Laurel, Havre, Cut Bank, Glasgow and Whitefish over a period of 20 years. During most of her years at MSU, she was the

special collections librarian in the Renne Library. Under her guidance, the Special Collections Department was created to feature collections about Montana, Yellowstone National Park, agricultural history and Montana Indian history. For these and many other contributions to the university, state and nation, the Board of Regents conferred upon her the rank of Associate Professor Emeritus of Library Science.

The Blue and Gold Award was given to her during Homecoming in 1987. The award was given to Paugh for bringing national distinction to MSU and in recognition of her dedicated service to MSU and Montana.

She was also a long time member and friend of the Museum of the Rockies and a dedicated museum volunteer. In 1986, Minnie and other members of the Paugh family provided support necessary to develop the permanent history hall at the museum, which is today named The Paugh History Hall in the family's honor. Minnie was also a member of the Museum of the Rockies Heritage Society.

Minnie was a member of many professional and historical associations. She was a volunteer and former member of the board of directors of the Bozeman Senior Center. She gave many hours as a volunteer at Bozeman Deaconess Hospital.

Minnie was a faithful and active member of St. James Episcopal Church for many years.

# MINNIE ELLEN PAUGH

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She enjoyed traveling during her retirement, visiting China, Russia, Spain, Portugal, South America, Australia and Africa and many locations in the United States. She was truly a world traveler!

Survivors include cousins Robert (Barbara) Paugh, James (Marlys) Paugh, John (Donna) Paugh, Patricia Paugh of Bozeman, and George Paugh of Seattle. Other survivors include 15 second-cousins and their families and many friends. Although Minnie was small in stature, she was a great influence to her family, friends and community. She will be missed.

Her parents, four uncles, and an uncle Theodore, who lived with her after she moved to Bozeman, preceded her in death.

Cremation has taken place. Services will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, March 25, at Dokken-Nelson Funeral Service. A reception will follow the services at Aspen Pointe at Hillcrest.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Bozeman Deaconess Foundation for Gifting, Heart Unit, 931 Highland Boulevard, Bozeman, Montana 59715, or to the charity of one's choice.

Interment of ashes will be in Madison County Cemetery at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 5.



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**Paula Jo Hodik Paulson**

LEWISTOWN — Paula Jo (Sharp) Hodik Paulson, 47, died Wednesday, April 30, 2003, at Benedicent in Great Falls, of cancer.

Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 1, at Creel Funeral Home in Lewistown. Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Friday, May 2, at St. Leo's Catholic Church. Burial will be in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

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# Philmore Paulson

Philmore Paulson, 86, of Billings, passed away on March 15, 2003. He was born in Portland, N.D., and moved to Montana as a young man to his family home- stead north of Havre.



**PHILMORE PAULSON**

He was an electrician by trade and owned Paulson Hardware in Chinook for many years with his brother LeRoy. Phil served as mayor and was active in many civic organizations: Chinook Rod and Gun Club, Golf Association, Volunteer Fire Department and others.

Phil left Chinook to work as a cost estimator on many large electrical construction projects, the ABM Missile Programs, nuclear generating plants and others.

In 1936, he married Marcella Weiss and they had three children, Shirley Anderson of Billings, Jack of Bigfork and Bonita Walczak of Kent, Wash. He is also survived by: six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and three sisters, Lila Pritchard of Cut Bank, Margaret Averill of Everett, Wash., and Ada Harlen of Helena.

Cremation has taken place there will be no services as requested by the family. Interment will be in a family plot in the Highwood Mountains. Memorials may be sent to Peace Lutheran Church, 1301 Ave. D, Billings, MT 59101.

## **Kathleen Paumer**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**  
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**BASIN, Wyo. — Kathleen Paumer, 81, of Basin, died Wednesday, April 16, 2003, at the United Medical Center-West, in Cheyenne.**

**Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, April 21, at the Greybull Alliance Church in Greybull. Burial will follow in the Mount View Cemetery in Basin. Visitation will be from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 19, at the Arwood Family Funeral Chapel in Basin, and one half hour prior to services at the church on Monday.**

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**Albert August Pautsch**

**WOLF POINT** — Albert August Pautsch, 83, of Wolf Point, died Saturday, May 31, 2003, at the Horizon Hospice Home in Billings, of cancer.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, June 6, and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 7, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel in Wolf Point. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Wolf Point. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Greenwood Cemetery.

## Thomas D. Pavich

BILLINGS GAZETTE  
APR 05 2003

RENO, Nev. — Thomas D. Pavich passed away Friday, March 28, 2003, at his residence in Reno.

Tom was born in Klein, Mont., on May 6, 1922, to Steven Pavich and Mary Tomich Pavich. He entered the U.S. Navy in June of 1943 and served until March 1946, earning the Asiatic Pacific Area Campaign Medal (2 stars) and the Philippine Liberation Medal. After moving to Anchorage, Alaska, Tom married his wife of 47 years, Floye.

In 1962, Tom moved with his family to Stateline, where he worked in the hotel/casino business. In 1974, Tom returned to Alaska to work with many old friends as a Teamster foreman on the Trans-Alaskan Pipeline. Tom and Floye moved from Lake Tahoe to Reno in 1977, where he retired, and made it their permanent home.

He was preceded in death by his wife Floye in December 1999; and seven brothers and one sister. He is survived by all three sons, Terry Cates, Tony and Nick Pavich (wife Lillian and granddaughter Dominique), all of Reno; grandson Patrick (wife Bonnie and great-granddaughters Shelby, Elizabeth and Ryan) of Washoe Valley; brother John Pavich

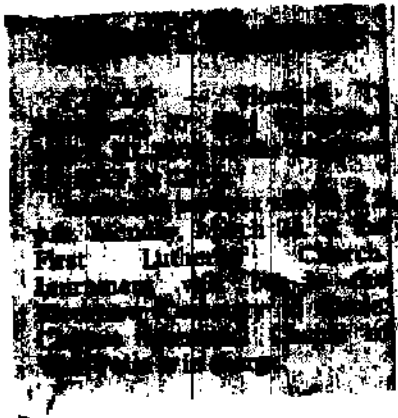
(wife Elaine) of Billings; and numerous nephews and nieces in Montana and Alaska.

At his request, there will be no service.

Tom was a great husband, father, grandfather and friend to all, and he will be sincerely missed.

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## **Paul Joseph Pawlus**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Paul Joseph Pawlus, 89, died Monday, Aug. 11, 2003, at Westview Health Care Center.

Services are at 10 a.m. Thursday at Kane Funeral Home with burial in the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

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# Jackson Jerome Payer, Sr.

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— Jackson Jerome Payer, Sr., age 81, of Forsyth, passed away March 24, 2003, in Oregon City, Ore.



**JACKSON  
PAYER**

Jackson was born June 27, 1921, in Broken Arrow, Okla., to Henry Charles Payer and Elizabeth Katherine Brechtel Payer. In 1922, Jackson arrived in Montana with his parents, brothers George, Francis and sister Helen when his family came to Montana to homestead. The Payer family moved to the Dean, Mont., area in 1925. Jackson was raised near Dean, and educated in Dean. He started high school in Absarokee and graduated in Amit, Alaska. He then studied chemistry at Louisiana State University.

Jackson married Lorraine Pagel, September 1943, and later divorced. He later married Jeannette Mary Giulio, Dec. 27, 1948, in Helena. Jackson and Jeannette traveled a great deal and lived in many Western states, making their home in Forsyth since 1983.

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Jackson was baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses March 15, 1942, and has been a zealous proclaimer of God's Kingdom ever since.

He was loved by his family and friends for his easygoing and kind-hearted nature.

Jackson is survived by his son, Jackson J. Jr. and Micki Payer of Forsyth; his daughters, Norma Jean and Larry McKee of Salt Lake City, Penn and Tim Slough of Oregon City; and stepdaughter Marian Jenkins of Ely, Nev.; brother, Francis and wife Viola of Billings; sister, Helen Stanley of Great Falls; grandchildren, Jackson J. Payer III (Jimmy) of Cedar Springs, Mich., Heather Bell, Brandy Gutierrez, Joshua Slough, Colton Slough, all of Oregon City, Joel McKee of Salt Lake City, Nicolette McKee of Santa Fe, N.M., Serena Hanks of Seaside, Ore., Bethany Freimuth, Lynn McKee, both of Las Vegas, Mike Knisley of St. Charles, Mo., Dale Jenkins of Ventura, Calif., Ron Jenkins Jr. of Ely, Julie Jenkins of Needles, Calif., Kim Estes of Destin, Fla.; one nephew and two nieces, 16 great-grandchildren, one great-great-granddaughter.

Jackson was preceded in death by his wife Jeannette, July 29, 1999; his parents; and by his brothers, George and Robert; and his grandson Rick Jenkins.

Jackson will be missed by who knew him. A memorial service will be held at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses Forsyth, Sunday, March 30, 2 p.m. A private interment will be at a later date.

## **Richard L. Payne**

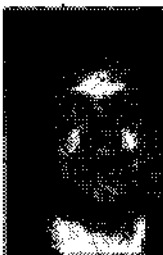
CODY, Wyo. — Richard L. Payne, 72, died Saturday, June 28, at his home in Cody.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

MAY 31 2003

# Canada "Tex" Payovich

**ROBERTS —**  
Canada "Tex"  
Payovich, 17,  
died Monday,  
May 26, 2003.



**TEX  
PAYOVICH**

Canada was born on April 28, 1986, in Lufkin, Texas, the son of John and Laura Payovich. He moved with his family in 2001 to the state that he loved...Montana. He attended Roberts High School, where he warmed the hearts of every student with his Texas accent and great sense of humor, gaining friends too numerous to count. He loved all sports, especially football. His mom was his biggest fan, as she cheered the Rockets on to victory.

Canada was big-hearted and lived life to the fullest. He went after life as if it were something that had to be roped before it got away. He loved to hunt and ride around in trucks with his buddies, to ride horses and help neighbors in need. Little children were drawn to his fun-filled, caring personality.

He is survived by his parents John and Laura, and brother Cody of Roberts. Other siblings include Sarah and John Payovich of Nebraska, Melanie (Larry) Short, and Jenny Miller and families. Surviving grandparents are Bill and Dorothy Register of Lufkin, Texas, and Faye and Jim Allen of Roberts. He is also survived by aunts Theresa (Roy Lee) Lyles, Billie Jo Riley, Debbie (Chris) Holcomb, Bev (Edwin) Draper, Darlene Payovich, and Arlene (Bob) Lentz; and numerous cousins, great aunts and uncles.

"We love you, Canada, and we are proud of you."

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 1, at the Roberts School Gymnasium, with cremation to follow. Visitation will be 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday May 31, at Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel in Red Lodge. Following services, a potluck will be held at the Roberts United Methodist Church. Memorials may be made to the Roberts School for the Kenny DeVries Scholarship Fund.

NOV 18 2003

## JANE L. POWELL

POWELL, Wyo. — Jane L. Powell died Saturday, Nov. 15, 2003, at her son's home in Cheyenne.

Viewing will be from 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, at the Powell Family Funeral Chapel in Cheyenne. Burial will be from 10 to 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, at the Union Presbyterian Church in Powell. Burial service will be 11 a.m. Thursday at the Union Presbyterian Church. Burial will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, in the Powell Cemetery in Greybull.

MAR 08 2003

# Brandon Hays Pearson

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. — Brandon Hays Pearson, 17, died Friday, Feb. 28, 2003, in a small-plane accident in California. He was flying with his girlfriend's father, Ronald Jarrett, when the plane went down for unknown reasons south of Yuba City.

Brandon was born June 30, 1985, in Casper, to James Pearson and Bonnie Hays. Two years were spent in Thermopolis, where he attended eighth and ninth grade. A junior at Mira Loma High School in Sacramento, Calif., he was a wide receiver and linebacker on the varsity football team and a forward on the varsity basketball team. Brandon was described by his coaches as one of the best athletes they had.

His hopes and dreams were to attend college, play football and to one day become a pilot. He will be greatly missed and remembered for his love for life and his loving and caring nature.

Survivors include his mother, Bonnie Hays of Sacramento; father, James Pearson of Wheatland, Wyo.; grandmother, Eva Hays of Thermopolis; and many loving family members.

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Funeral services will be Monday, March 10, 2 p.m., at Montmore Funeral Home in Theopolis, with burial to follow at Riverside Cemetery. Earl Allen will officiate. Funeral services have been held in Sacramento.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to the Loma Loma Booster Club.

## Ethel B. Pease

Ethel B. Pease, born Feb. 26, 1917, in Alexandria, S.D., to John and Elizabeth Sinning, passed into the Lord's hands, Sept. 10, 2003, at Roundup Memorial Nursing Home.



ETHEL PEASE

A memorial celebration of her life will be held at Zion Lutheran Church, Roundup, 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 13; luncheon follows.

Ethel leaves her devoted husband, Joseph Donald, who has walked with her in life for the last 66 years; her "favorite" son Joe (Charleen) Pease; "favorite" daughter Penny (Herb) Conyers; grandchildren Wyna (Jay) Woodford, Angie (Keith) Hanson, Susan (Gordon) Thompson, Jonathan Rittierodt, Joseph Adam (Cassie) Rittierodt; nine great-grandchildren and sisters Elizabeth (Bob) Wright and Margaret Aus; and numerous nieces and nephews.

~~Ethel's youth was spent with~~ six brothers and sisters in Canton, S.D. She began a career as a telephone operator and noticed the handsome lineman with the dark curly hair. The lineman was eyeing the pretty blonde operator and their years together began.

Life and opportunity brought them to the prairies of Montana in the '40s. Ethel's life centered around her faith and her family. Her sense of humor, mischievous spirit and feisty personality made her loved and respected. "Fiesty Grandma" never hesitated to keep you in line with a back hand or a broomhandle goose.

Don and Ethel found their niche in the ownership of Melstone Drug and Hdwr, purchased in the late '50s. Ethel made millions of ice cream cones, always insisted on please and thank you and if you used the phone, "keep it short and simple."

WELL DONE GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT

Memorial contributions may be sent to Roundup Memorial Nursing Home, Zion Lutheran or a charity of your choice.

MAY 17 2003

## Al Pederson

Al Pederson, 72, of Billings, passed away Wednesday afternoon, May 14, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare.

Al was born on Sept. 6, 1930, in Minnesota, a son of Carl and Anna (Melby) Pederson. He left home at an early age and was an over-the-road truck driver for many years.

Around 1970, Al settled in the Huntley area, where he met Lois Nordahl. In December of 1977, they were married in Cody, Wyo. Together, they owned and operated the Huntley Bar for five years, where they made many friends. After selling the bar, Al and Lois enjoyed camping and fishing. Al worked two years for Myrhe Outdoor Advertising.

In 1984, they moved to the Fort Smith area, where they enjoyed fishing the Bighorn before moving to Billings in 1992 for retirement. Al was an avid TV fan of "old westerns."

Survivors include his brothers, Richard of Billings, Phillip (Jackie) of Onamia, Minn., and Gary of Minneapolis; a sister, Ione Wadnizak of Fridley, Minn. Along with his wife Lois, Al was known as "Pa" and "Grandpa" to Sally and Jerry Best of Phoenix, Dale Stoll of Huntley, Stan S.

(Christy) Stoll of Stephen Sharon (Jim) Amisk of Livingston a daughter-in-law, Denise Stoll of Mesa, Ariz.; 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters and five brothers.

Cremation is planned and a private family service will be held. Smith Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.



**MAY 03 2003**

**Wade Y. Peeler**

**CODY, Wyo.** — Wade Y. Peeler, 87, died Thursday, May 1, 2003, at the Beehive Home. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 2, at the Beehive Home in Cody. Burial will follow in the Beehive Cemetery.

**BUFFALO, Wyo.** — John G. Pehringer, 38, of Buffalo, died Thursday, Aug. 21, 2003, at his home.

Visitation will be from 1 to 10 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 26, and from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 27, at the Adams Funeral Home in Buffalo. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, at Adams Funeral Home. Burial will be in Willow Grove Cemetery with graveside services to follow the funeral.

**AUG 23 2003**

## Norma Jean Pelo

CASTLE ROCK, Colo. — Norma Jean Pelo, 68, of Castle Rock, formerly of Billings.

Wife of Robert Dale Pelo; mother of William, Thomas (Linda), Daniel (Joni) and Michael Pelo; sister of Judy K. Parker (Donald); grandmother of five.

Boury is at 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, and Funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 31, both held at St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 8025 S. Quebec St., Centennial.

In lieu of flowers, donations to The Douglas County Educational Foundation, of which Norma was an avid volunteer, 620 Wilcox St., Castle Rock, Colo.

**DEC 31 2003****Florence Pemberton**

**SIDNEY** —Florence Hildred Pemberton, 87, died Dec. 29, 2003, in Sidney from cancer.

Cremation has taken place, and a memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Jan. 9 at Perkins Funeral Home in Harlowton. Graveside services will follow.

## Ruth Pemberton

## BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG - 2 2003

Ruth Pemberton, 101, passed away July 31, 2003, at St. John's Lutheran Home in Billings.

She was born Sept. 13, 1901, to Ole and Fredekka (Storö) Restad in Minneapolis. Ruth married Thomas E. Pemberton, Nov. 27, 1926, in Billings, where she made her home the rest of her life. They had one son. Ruth was a charter member of Atonement Lutheran Church. Her husband, Tom, died Jan. 9, 1971.

Ruth is survived by her son Tom of Marysville, Wash.; two grandsons, Robert and Donald; four brothers, Felix, Lawrence (Irene), Lee (Mary) and John (Catherine); and many special nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents and two sisters, Marge Pippin and Nell Billings.

There will be a private family graveside service at Mountview Cemetery, followed by a Celebration of Ruth's Life at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 5, at the Ocee Johnson Chapel at St. John's Lutheran Home. A reception will follow. Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Home or Atonement Lutheran Church. Dahl Funeral Chapel is making the arrangements.

Ruth's family would like to thank St. John's Lutheran Home for the excellent care Ruth received while a resident there.

**MAR 26 2003**

**Elsie Ann Penner**

**WOLF POINT** — Elsie Ann Penner, of Wolf Point, died on March 24, 2003, at the Faith Home.

Visitations will be from noon to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 26, at the Clayton Memorial Chapel in Wolf Point. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 27, at the First Lutheran Church. Interment will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

eties, but her passion was roses which she shared with her many friends.

Throughout her life in Billings, Penny worked as a bookkeeper at Montgomery Wards, Mildred Hazel Shop and the Montana State Liquor Store, retiring in 1980. As a young mother, she was a Brownie and Girl Scout leader with her late friend, Mildred Rudio. She was very active in Eastern Star (Friendship Chapter), OES Electa Club, Daughters of the Nile, White Shrine, Exxon Annuitant Club and later as a Pink Lady at Billings Deaconess Hospital.

One of the family's favorite memories of her were her fantastic Tom and Jerry's at holiday time, as well as her witty sense of humor. After visits with Penny, her daughter would tell her, "to be a good girl." Her instant reply would always be, "There's no demand for good girls!"

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arthur Michael in 1968; her brothers, Clem, Matt, Ed, Nick and Chet; and her beloved cat, Smokee.

The last few years of her life, she was a resident at Aspen Meadows (Assisted Living), Magnolia Place and Billings



PENNY PENNERS

## Vina 'Penny' Penners 'Gee Gee'

"Penny" Penners died Monday, Feb. 17, 2003, at St. Vincent Hospital, after living a full and energetic life. She was born Feb. 1, 1910, in Kewanee, Ill., one of six children and the only daughter of Katherine (Batour) and Paul Macioroski.

Penny grew up in Illinois, moving to Terry with her family in 1915. She graduated from high school in Terry and then moved to Billings, where she graduated from Johnson's Business College. On June 16, 1935, Penny married Arthur Michael Penners, a dashing, young, professional musician who was also employed by the Yale Oil Company (which later became Exxon). Of this union, their only child, a daughter, Sheri, was born.

Penny enjoyed gardening and had a "green thumb," which she passed on to her daughter and granddaughter. She loved flowers of all vari-

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Health and Rehabilitation Center. A special thanks goes out to all of those people, especially those at Magnolia Place, who gave her such loving care and special attention.

She is survived by her daughter, Sheri (Thomas) Moffet; granddaughter, Jodee (Mike) Patrick; and grandsons, Britt (Darcy) Moffet and Blake Moffet, all of Billings. She held a special place in her heart for her great-grandchildren, Braydon and Devan Hoiness, April and Ashley Moffet, and Preston and Ariel Moffet, all of whom lovingly called her, "Gee Gee." Penny is also survived by three sisters-in-law, Mrs. Stitt Kidd of Portland, Ore., Claire Penners of The Dalles, Ore., and Pearl Macioroski of Circle. She kept in constant touch with her nieces Joan Dixon, Shannon Macioroski and Nikki Sisson. Many happy hours were also spent with special friends, Lu and the late Art Nelson and Maggie Ellingsen.

A memorial service in memory of our wonderful mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary.

Memorials may be made to the Shriner's Crippled Children's Transportation Fund, PO Box 20673, Billings, MT 59104; The Moss Mansion, 914 Division St., Billings, MT

59101; or the Yellowstone County Humane Society, 4902 Hauser Road, Billings, MT 59101.



DEC 07 2003

### **Lois L. Pense**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Lois L. Pense, 84, died Saturday, Dec. 6, 2003, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

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

**NOV 18 2003****Florinda Perez**

**SIDNEY** — Florinda Perez, 67, of Sidney, died Saturday, Nov. 15, 2003, at the Sidney Health Center.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, at the St. Matthew's Catholic Church. Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

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**Daniel Joseph Perisic****Aug. 2, 1915 — May 11, 2003**

Daniel Joseph Perisic, 87, of Billings, passed away at his home on May 11, 2003. He was born on Aug. 2, 1915, in Miller, S.D., to Nick and Catherine (Stydahar) Perisic.

**DANIEL  
PERISIC**

He graduated from high school in Miller, S.D. On June 3, 1941, he married Hildegard Wunder of Milbank, S.D. Together, they had one daughter, Patricia Ann.

Dan served during World War II in the U.S. Army in the European Theater. After the war, he worked for Buckingham Transportation. He enjoyed flower gardening and taking care of his yard.

He is survived by his wife and daughter.

Memorial services will be held at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral on Thursday, May 15, at noon. Burial of ashes will follow at Holy Cross Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the charity of your choice. Dahl Funeral Chapel is making the arrangements.

Deaths - Perkins Sr.

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Billy Dee Perkins Sr., 66, died Thursday, Oct. 2, 1903.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, at the Central Baptist Church in Gillette. Interment will follow at the Mount Pisgah Cemetery. Visitation will be Sunday, Oct. 5, from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel.

**DEC 23 2003**

**Ida Perkins**

**SHERIDAN, Wyo. —** Ida Perkins, 93, formerly of Sheridan, died Sunday, Dec. 21, 2003, at the Bonnie Bluejacket Memorial Nursing Home between Basin and Greybull.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Atwood Family Funeral Directors Inc. is in charge.

NOV 02 2003

**Elzene H. Parsha**

On Saturday, Nov. 1, 2003, our mom and "Gram" left us. She has been ill for so long, and God said "it's time."

Elzene was born in Dixon, Wyo., April 20, 1910, the daughter of Albert Lincoln Hutchison and Martha Jane Findley Hutchison. She was one of nine children.

Each of Elzene's grandchildren and great-grandchildren has had a favorite quilt made by "Gram". Some of the best Christmas decorations are the ones she made long ago and still lovingly used each year by all of her family. She had talented hands and a magic needle.

Elzene is survived by her two children, Rod (Penny) Castle and Marlene (Tom) Paxinos; six grandchildren, Debra Terry, Curtis (Carole) Castle, David (Debbie) Paxinos, Dennis (Kim) Paxinos, Diane (Mike) Model, Dana (Tom) Whinihan; 10 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. Elzene has one surviving sister, Florence Dorothy of Sheridan, Wyo.

Finally the struggle with broken bones and the pain of osteoporosis is over.

Elzene kept diaries for many years. This line is from one of them: "Count your life by friends and family, not tears".

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We will miss you. You had a loving family and many wonderful friends.

Cremation has taken place. A Celebration of Her Life Service will be held at a later date for her friends and family.

The family requests that you send a donation in her name to a charity of your choice.

Michels-Sawyer's Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

## **Aspen Jean Pertuit**

Aspen Jean Pertuit, beloved daughter of James and Kira Pertuit, died Saturday, April 12, 2003, at the University of Utah Hospital in Salt Lake City.

Aspen was born May 24, 2002, in Billings. She loved to take every single dish out of every drawer, feeding her food to the dogs, playing in the toilet, opening and closing doors, and giving big wet kisses. When she was born we were given an angel, and God saw how truly special and wonderful she really was, and took her up to heaven where she could play with her favorite dog and never be unhappy. She'll always be in our hearts, our minds, and in the stars.

She is survived by her parents of Billings; grandparents, Don and Geraldine Dunham and Don and Mary Pertuit, all of Billings; great-grandparents, Helen Earley, and Floyd and Fern Totten of Billings and Goldie Dunham of Honolulu, Hawaii; and 13 aunts and uncles, John, Oliver, Thomas, Nick, Jacob and Bridget Pertuit, Donny, Pat, Ron, Michael, and Casey Dunham, Dale Young and Carrie Gibson.



**ASPEN  
PERTUIT**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**APR 15 2003**

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 16, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary with interment in Sunset Memorial Gardens.



NOV 27 2003

**Angela Rae Peters**

SYDNEY, Australia — Tragically, on Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2003, Angela Rae Peters was involved in an accident resulting in her passing away in a city she loved, Sydney. Mercifully, her death was immediate and painless.

**ANGI PETERS**

Angi was born Aug. 16, 1971, in Glendive, Mont., to Jim and Evelyn (Kessler) Peters. The family, which included big sister Audra, moved to Billings in September 1971. Sister Allison joined the family in 1973. Angi's family grew in 1979 to include stepmother, Ann Kirwan Peters, and brothers Oliver in 1985, and Simon in 1989; stepfather Mark Ruth in 1989; nephews Trenton Peters in 1994, and Devin Busey in 1997.

Angela graduated from Billings West High School in 1989, attended college in Edmond, Okla., and obtained a degree in marketing from Montana State University. She worked in the movie theater business throughout her last seven school years.

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Immediately following graduation, Angi set off on the first of many adventures...Europe. Angi was married in Red Lodge, Mont., Oct. 30, 1993, to Franco Blaser. Angi and Franco made their home in the Chicago area, where she worked for CommuniTech, Inc. After divorcing in 1998, Angi relocated to Maryland and began working as director of marketing at Eyretel in Calverton. While at Eyretel, Angi loved working in all the great cities of North America. Angi's sense of adventure called again and she transferred to Eyretel Australia in Sydney and was appointed vice president of marketing for its Asia Pacific/Latin America region. She had just begun doing volunteer work for the Rugby World Cup 2003 currently being held in Sydney.

One of Angi's greatest gifts was her genuine interest in others and the opportunities each encounter presented. Angi looked forward to the births of her brothers and nephews and getting to know them. She greatly influenced and molded their lives. Her sisters were always foremost in her mind and their well being and happiness were paramount. Angi treasured all her family and delighted in sharing their life's adventures. She enjoyed absolutely any activity that

would put her in the company of her many good friends (and making new ones of anyone who stood too close!); she relished a good competition.

Angi was preceded in death by grandmother Dorothy Kesler and great-grandmothers Lora Moses and Rosina Kesler; and uncle Carlos Quiroz.

Angela is survived by her parents, Jim and Ann Peters of Billings, Evelyn and Mark Ruth of Salem, Ore.; sisters, Audra Busey and husband David and son Devin of Beaverton, Ore., Alison Peters and son, Trenton of Streamwood, Ill.; brothers Oliver Peters and Simon Peters of Billings; grandparents John and Jo Peters of Edmond, Bill Kesler of Miles City, and Marion and Ken Colman of Billings; many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends around the world.

A Celebration of Angi's life will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday Nov. 29, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Meadowlark House, c/o Northern Rockies Cancer Center, 1041 N. 29th, Billings, MT 59101; or Children's Cancer Research Fund, Donor Service Center, PO Box 971, Wilton, NH 03086-0971, 1-888-422-7348; or Friends of the Garden, Cottage 6, Mrs. MacQuarries Road, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia. Tel: 011-61-02-9-2931-8182.

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**WADE PETERS**

## Wade D. Peters

DICKINSON, N.D. — Wade D. Peters, 44, of Dickinson, died Saturday, July 20, 2002, at his home. Funeral services were Tuesday morning, July 30, 2002, at 10 a.m., at the Bowman United Methodist Church in Bowman, N.D. The Reverend Val Rush officiated, and burial followed the service in the Bowman Cemetery.

Wade D. Peters was born July 2, 1958, at Stanley, N.D., the son of Eugene and Laura (Soderstrom) Peters. He attended elementary school in Miles City and Bowman, N.D., graduating from Bowman High School in 1976. Wade attended Montana State University for 1/2 years, and then enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. While in the military he received extensive medical training, becoming a Medical Service Specialist. He received an

Air Force Training Ribbon and an Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, and worked at the Wilford Hall United States Air Force Medical Center at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.

He was active in the local chess club, representing the Air Force in many chess matches. Following his honorable discharge from the Air Force, he returned to North Dakota, living in Bowman, and since the late 1980s, had lived in Dickinson. He married Janie Flohr in 1990 at Dickinson. He was a devoted father to little Rudie, and later to their two sons, Dayton and Taylor. From a very young age he had a great interest in medicine, and always worked to advance his knowledge of medicine. He worked with the family seismic drilling business and several oil field drilling companies. He was a stay-at-home dad for years, devoting every minute to his children. He was involved in local chess clubs, and enjoyed a good game of golf. He had a great love for motorcycles, and at one time encircled the United States on his motorcycle.

He was a very devoted father and will be greatly missed by his family and friends. He was predeceased in death by his grandparents. Survivors include three adopted children, Rucie, Dayton and Taylor Peters of Dickinson, N.D.; his parents, Eugene and Laura Peters of Bowman, N.D.; three brothers, Larry Peters of Ft. Laramie, Wyo., John (Roberta) Peters of Casper, Wyo., and David (Tresha) Peters of Denver; seven nieces and nephews; and several aunts and uncles.

We love you and miss you.

OCT 05 2003

**ELIZABETH Wyo. —** Marian  
 Elizabeth Wyo. died Friday, Oct. 3,  
 1991, in Johnson County

Funeral services will be 10 a.m.  
 Oct. 7, at the Adams  
 Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation  
 will be from 1 to 10 p.m. Monday  
 Oct. 6 to 9:30 a.m. Tuesday. Burial  
 will be in the Willow Grove  
 Cemetery.

**William Peterson**

**BUFFALO, Wyo.** — Bill Peterson, 84, of Buffalo, died Thursday, Sept. 25, 2003, at the Johnson County Health Care Center.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 29, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo. Visitation will be from 1 to 10 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, and from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Monday, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will be in the Willow Grove Cemetery, with graveside services to follow the funeral.

**MAR 17 2003**

**Agnes C. Peterson**

**WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS**  
— Agnes C. Peterson, 83, died Saturday, March 15, 2003 in Mountainview Nursing Home.

Memorial services will be 11 am, Thursday, March 20, at Twichel Funeral Home with interment of ashes following in Mayn Cemetery.

## **Arlene F. Peterson**

Arlene F. Peterson, 67, of Billings, died Thursday, July 31, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare.

At her request, cremation has taken place and no services are planned. Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge.

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**Clifford N. Peterson**

**GLENDIVE** — Clifford N. Peterson, 80, died Friday, May 2, 2003, at the Eastern Montana Veterans Home in Glendive.

Funeral services will be held 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 6, in the Chapel of the Silvernale Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Interment with Military Honors will be in the Dawson County Cemetery.

# Pastor David Gerald Peterson

# BILLINGS GAZETTE

## APR 01 2003

Pastor David Gerald Peterson, 86, passed away on Saturday, March 29, 2003, at the Billings Deaconess Clinic.



**DAVE  
PETERSON**

Dave was born on Nov. 19, 1916, in Vida, son of homesteaders Walter and Bertha Peterson. On May 24, 1940, he married Marjorie Vogel in Glasgow. Dave and Marge lived in several different communities throughout Montana and Wyoming, spending 45 years as Billings residents. They raised three daughters.

After completing his formal education, Dave spent 21 years in sales and the life insurance business. While doing this, Dave dedicated himself to the study of the Scriptures and became an ordained minister under the guidelines of the Associated Bible Churches of Montana in January 1963. Dave pastored several churches, including the Grace Baptist Church of Laurel, First Baptist Church of Baker, and the Evangelical Free Church and the Yellowstone Independent Bible Church, both of Billings.

For the past 10 years, Dave has

been associated with the Westside Baptist Church in Billings, retiring in July 2000. Dave also served as a field representative for the Big Sky Bible Institute of Montana. He conducted a weekly Bible radio program on KURL radio station for 35 years. Dave's passion in life was to make the name of the Lord and the plan of salvation known to everyone he met. He was a very gifted teacher of the Scriptures. A gift he received from God, especially teaching the word of God.

He is preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Sidney and William.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Marjorie; three daughters, Lois (Mel) Cole, Jean (Frank) Galica of San Jose, Calif., Geraldine (Henry) Jimenez of San Diego; six granddaughters; three grandsons; four great-granddaughters and four great-grandsons; one brother, Conrad (Pauline), Billings; and one sister, Lauraine Olson of Wolf Point; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 2, at the Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St.

Walt, and graveside service will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to the Westside Baptist Church, 323 S. 32nd St. West or the Gideon's International, 2807 Second Ave. North, or the charity of your choice in lieu of flowers.

## Donald K. Peterson

**BIGFORK** — Donald K. Peterson, 76, of Bigfork, died of natural causes June 13, 2003, at Kalispell Regional Hospital. Born in Cut Bank, on Nov. 13, 1926, to Emma and Carl William Peterson, he was the youngest of nine children.



**DONALD  
PETERSON**

Don graduated from Cut Bank High School and joined the U.S. Army Air Corps during WWII. After his military service, he graduated from the University of Montana. On Nov. 25, 1949, Don wed Dorothy Marie Eide of Cut Bank. Don taught and coached in Florence-Carlton, Frenchtown, Belt (twice), Choteau, Laurel and Bigfork. He taught high school chemistry, mathematics and physics, coached boys basketball, golf, football, track and cross-country, and also served as athletic director during his educational career. Don was named Coach of the Year in 1960, 1969 and 1971, and was honored with enshrinement in the Montana Coaches Hall of Fame. His final years were spent in Bigfork with

family and friends.

Don is survived by Doroti his wife of more than 53 years and their six children, B (Cindy) and children Katrin Erica and Stefan of Lancaster Texas; Lon of Cut Bank and children Alon, Kirt, Bret and Tou Dee (Bob) Baxter of Laurel and children Ryan and Brandon; Rand (Vicki) and children Miranda and Jamie of Boiling Springs, S.C.; Lori (Mark Valgardson and children Lexi and Andrew of Mount Vernon Wash.; and Rolf (Kathleen) of Laramie, Wyo. Additionally, he is survived by his sister Heler Schuette of Cut Bank and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at Bethany Lutheran Church in Bigfork on June 16, with interment at Crown Hill Cemetery in Cut Bank on June 17. A public memorial gathering for family, friends and townspeople is planned for 7 p.m., July 3, at the Laurel High School gym.

## Dorothy Katherine Peterson

On Saturday, Sept. 6, 2003, Dorothy left her family and friends with our fond memories of the uniquely wonderful person we all knew and loved.

Dorothy was born on Jan. 20, 1947, in Aberdeen, S.D., the daughter of Clane and Emma Roesch. She spent her childhood in South Dakota, North Dakota and Montana, graduating from Billings West High in 1965. Dorothy went to MSU-Bozeman, graduating with honors in business education. She then went on to San Diego and began a career in the legal field. Dorothy was lured by her greatest love, Gordon Peterson, back to Montana where they married and she continued her legal career. She and Gordon celebrated their 20th anniversary this Aug. 20.

Dorothy was very proud of her son, Josh Leete, a lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force, stationed in Altus, Okla.



**DOROTHY  
PETERSON**

Dorothy is preceded in death by her mother, Emma Roesch. Survivors include her husband Gordon; son, Josh (Mary) Leete; father, Clane Roesch; stepchildren, Todd Peterson and Nadine (Tim) Scoville; her sisters, Lynn (Mark) Maki, Paulette Nooney, and her brother, Kenny (Dianne) Roesch. She took great joy in her nieces and nephews and most especially her grandchildren, Nicole, Skyler, Megan and Samantha.

Dorothy so loved spending time with her family. She cherished her many friends; some of whom she remained close to from high school and college. Dorothy was known and loved for her sharp wit and sense of humor. She loved to decorate her home, cook for her family and help her husband keeping track of the finances with their annual fireworks stand. She had beautiful collections and proudly displayed them and her many family photos throughout her home. Dorothy loved watching her favorite television shows with Gordon and her two cats, McKenzie and Muffin. Her favorite holiday was Christmas, where we all looked forward to her creative gift wrapping and homemade bows. She was a generous gift giver and loved every part of it.

**DEC 18 2003**

**Eva Rea Peterson**

**CULBERTSON** — Eva Rea Peterson, 92, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2003, at the Roosevelt Memorial Medical Center.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. (MST) Saturday at the United Methodist Church. Everson-Clayton-Stevenson Chapel is in charge.

JUN 08 2003

## **Evan Seattle Peterson**

ST. GEORGE, Utah — Evan Seattle Peterson, 10, grandson of LeRuse Peterson of Cowley, Wyo., died Wednesday, June 4, 2003, at his home in St. George.

Visitations will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday, June 8, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell, Wyo., and from 9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. in the Relief Society room of the Cowley LDS church. Funeral services will be held in the chapel at 10 a.m. on Monday, June 8. Interment will be in the Cowley Cemetery. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell is in charge of arrangements.

**NOV 09 2003**

**Irene Peterson**

Irene Peterson, 87, of Billings, died Thursday, Nov. 6, 2003, at Billings Health and Rehab.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 10, at Cremation & Funeral Gallery. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.



**MAR 04 2003**

## **John D. Petersen**

**LEWISTOWN** — John D. Petersen, 50, of Lewistown, died Saturday morning, March 1, 2003, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center, of liver failure.

He was born Oct. 6, 1952, in Great Falls, the son of Herman A. and Betty (Thomson) Petersen. He received his education in Lewistown, graduating from Fergus High School in 1971. He then entered the U.S. Army, serving in Germany from 1972 to 1974.

After his discharge, he returned to Lewistown and was united in marriage to Suzan McLaughlin. They made their home in Lewistown with their two children, Nick and Carrie. He began working for UPS when they started in Lewistown, working for them for 27 years.

In 1993, he was united in marriage to Melissa Wood. She has two daughters, Sarah (Daniel)



**JOHN  
PETERSEN**

Corbett and Tammy (Jeff Miller); and three grandchildren McKenzie and Zachary Lange and Taylor Corbett, all of Billings.

John loved to boat, camp and fish and work on wood craft projects in his shop.

He is survived by his wife Melissa of Lewistown; son Nick of Lewistown; daughter Carrie of Billings; and one sister, Peg Rodgers of Lewistown; several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a nephew, Shane Rodgers.

Funeral services for John D. Petersen will be Thursday, March 6, at 10 a.m. in the Cloyd Chapel, with interment to follow in the Veterans Section of the Lewistown City Cemetery with Military Honors. The Cloyd Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Friends are asked to make memorials to the Diabetes Association or the charity of their choice and they may be left at the Cloyd Funeral Home.

John, your family and friends love you and we always will miss you.

DEC 17 2003

## Louise Peterson

BASIN, Wyo. — Louise Peterson, 87, died Saturday, Dec. 13, 2003, at the Bonnie Bluejacket Memorial Nursing Home.

Viewing is from 9 to 10 a.m. Friday before the service at 10 a.m. Friday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints between Basin and Greybull. Burial will be in Mount View Cemetery. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc. is in charge.

**DEC 30 2003**

**Madeline (Tolman)  
Peterson**

**GREYBULL, Wyo. —**  
Madeline (Tolman) Peterson, 74,  
died Saturday, Dec. 27, 2003, at  
Deaconess Billings Clinic in  
Billings.

Services will be at 2 p.m.  
Tuesday in the Basin-Greybull  
Chapel of the Church of Jesus  
Christ of Latter-day Saints with  
burial in Hillside Cemetery.  
Atwood Family Funeral  
Directors Inc. is in charge.

**JUN 03 2003**

**Marcia Avis Peterson**

**BEACH, N.D.** — Marcia Avis Peterson, 89, of Beach, died Sunday, June 1, 2003, at the Wibaux County Nursing Home in Wibaux, Mont.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 5, at the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Beach. Interment will follow at the Beach Lutheran Cemetery.

**MILDRED C. PETERSON****BILLINGS GAZETTE**

Mildred C. Peterson, 81, formerly of Poplar, died March 27, 2003, at Aspen Meadows in Billings.

Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Monday, April 14, at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Poplar. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 15, at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church. Interment will be in Poplar City Cemetery. Clayton Memorial Chapel is in charge.

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# Mistidawn Nicole Peterson

BEAVER CREEK GAZETTE  
JAN 11 2003

LIVINGSTON — Mistidawn Nicole Peterson died Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2003. She was born in Livingston on Sept. 4, 1971, and graduated from Park High School in 1990. She continued her education at Montana State University and graduated with honors in 1994 with a degree in theater arts. She was chosen Miss Teen Montana and was selected as the third runner up for Miss Teen of America. She was very involved with the Montana State FFA and served as its State President and "FFA Sweetheart."

She spent three years in Los Angeles working in the movie and film industry and returned to Livingston to work in the "Horse Whisperer" and other feature films. She worked as a sales representative for KPRK from 1999 where it gave her the time and opportunity to share her love of Livingston with the people in her community. She was an active member of Holbrook United Methodist Church in Livingston.

Her love for others extended far beyond herself. Her love for children was total and complete. Like one of her favorite characters, Peter Pan, she didn't want to grow up, she wanted to live in the creative, colorful life of children. The open honesty of children, and their uninhibited and unbridled

love of life filled her with such joy. You could always find her with the children wherever there was choice between them and adult. Like Peter Pan's friend, Tinkerbell, she spread fairy dust and magic wherever she went.

Mistidawn's love for our Lord was complete as well. She never pushed her faith on anyone, but those who experienced her came to realize that God was a vital part of her being. She lived her life through Jesus Christ, in all his Grace, Honor, Splendor and Beauty.

In knowing Mistidawn, we are challenged to continue her magic. Find joy in children. Discover glory in sunrises and sunsets. Make each day your best. Fill a room with brightness and joy just by walking into it. Be determined to make someone's day better because you were part of it. Count your blessings. Really listen. Be a best friend.

She is survived by her mother, Helen Peterson; her brother Shawn, his wife, Lisa and their three children, Katya Christine, Nicholas Eugene (Cole) and Natasha Rose Peterson. She was preceded in death by her father, Eugene M. Peterson.

Memorial services will be on Saturday, Jan. 11, at 11 a.m. at

Holbrook Church in Livingston,  
with interment following at  
Mountain View Cemetery in  
Livingston.

Memorials may be sent to the  
Eugene and Mistilawa Peterson  
Scholarship Fund at the  
Livingston Federal Credit Union,  
PO Box 1690, Livingston, MT  
59047; or to Park High School FFA  
Memorial Fund c/o Kevin Fochs,  
View Vista Drive, Livingston, MT;  
or to Holbrook United Methodist  
Church, "The Children's Corner,"  
Fifth and Lewis, Livingston, MT.

DEC 19 2003

## Pamela Jo Peterson

HALIFAX, Va. — Former Billings resident Pamela Jo Peterson, 43, of 260 Academy St., Halifax, died Dec. 11 at the home of her parents after a courageous battle with cancer.

Miss Peterson was born in Rapid City, S.D., on June 25, 1960, daughter of Wilton A. Peterson and his wife, Madeline Peterson. She was a member of Crystal Hill Southern Baptist Church and graduated from Billings Senior High School in 1978. Survivors include her parents of Crystal Hill, her brother Marty Peterson and wife Mary, of West Plains, Mo.; sister Paige Peterson and husband Gary Tyson, of Billings.

Funeral services for Miss Peterson will be held Friday, Dec. 19, at 2 p.m. at Crystal Hill Southern Baptist Church. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Those wishing to give memorials are asked to consider Halifax County Cancer Association, PO Box 875, South Cotton, VA 24992.



MAY 13 2003

## Patricia Montoya Peterson

IRVINE, Calif. — Patricia Montoya Peterson, 51, died at her home in Irvine on April 20, 2003. She had been in a coma following a severe head injury after a fall at Western Medical Center in Santa Ana.

She was born Oct. 4, 1952, in Powell, Wyo., the daughter of Emiliano and Celza "Sally" Montoya. She attended Powell schools and Northwest College. She obtained a bachelor of science degree in anthropology from the University of California at Riverside in 1978 and performed fieldwork from 1979 through 1981 in Sri Lanka.

At the time of her death, she was working on her master's degree in archaeology. She was employed by the Chambers Group as senior archaeologist and laboratory director.

Patricia married Joe Singer in Powell in 1971. They later divorced, and in July 1985, she married Mark Peterson of Irvine.

In December 2002, she was diagnosed with stage four colon cancer. She was responding very well to chemotherapy at the time of her death.

Patricia will be remembered

as a gifted archaeologist with great strengths and many talents. She was loved dearly by her family, archaeologist comrades and friends throughout California and Asia.

She is survived by her husband, Mark Peterson of Irvine; mother Sally Montoya of Powell; sister Susan Cowles (Henry) of Ontario, Calif.; brother Michael Montoya (Sarah) of Bent, N.M.; uncles Manuel Olveda (Enriqueta), Dale Montoya (Delores), Albert Montoya (Ramona), all of Powell; Duff Olveda (Mary) of Marrero, La.; Fermin Olveda (Linda) of Texas; and a favorite aunt, Concha Guardado of Santa Ana; another favorite aunt Eve Lee (Walt) of Santa Monica; and many cousins, nephews and nieces.

She was preceded in death by her father and maternal and paternal grandparents.

A family remembrance gathering was held April 27 in Irvine. A memorial service is planned for May 17, at Pacific View Memorial Park Chapel in Corona Del Mar, Calif.

Cremation has taken place.

## Ralph O. 'R.O. Pete' Peterson

**LIVINGSTON** — Ralph O. "R.O. Pete" Peterson, 80, lifelong Livingston resident, died suddenly at his home Sunday, May 11, 2003.

Cremation has taken place at Franzen-Davis Crematory. Memorial service will be 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 20, at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home, 118 N. 3rd St. in Livingston. The Rev. Harlan Durgan of Livingston Congregational Church will officiate. Graveside committal with military honors and burial of the cremated remains will follow in Mountain View Cemetery.

Ralph was born June 20, 1922 in Livingston, the son of Swedish immigrants Oscar and Naomi (Stahlhandska) Peterson. He attended Livingston Schools, and after graduating from Park County High School, he worked as a fireman for Northern Pacific Railroad. In January of 1943, he entered the U. S. Army and served in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater of Operations during WWII. Following his honorable discharge at the rank of sergeant in January 1946, he returned to Livingston and resumed his work with the railroad. He eventually became a highly respected loco-

motive engineer. On March 15, 1947, he married Margaret Chapman in Livingston. She preceded him in death Oct. 7, 1988.

After his retirement in 1981, he pursued his many interests and hobbies. He was a passionate fly fisherman and bird watcher. As an accomplished handyman and carpenter, he created blue birch boxes, which grace many trees and posts throughout Montana. His handiwork is also visible at the family's cabin, which he built on Mission Creek and where he and his family spent many happy hours. He was an active member of the American Legion and was privileged many times to help provide military honors at the burials of fellow veterans. Ralph was also a talented story teller and took great pleasure in reminiscing with family and friends.

He is survived by his two sons, David C. Peterson and his wife, Mary Lou Taylor of Boise, and Dean J. Peterson and his wife, Dorothy Beck Peterson of Missoula; four grandchildren, Erik Peterson, Ross Peterson, Elin Peterson and Hallie Seronko; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his

wife, he was preceded in death by his parents.

If desired, memorials may be directed to the Montana Chapter of the National Audubon Society, P. O. Box 595, Helena, MT 59624, or to Livingston Depot Center, 200 W. Park St., Livingston, MT 59047.

# Wilbert Wesley Phares

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DEC 10 2003

COLUMBUS  
— Wilbert Wesley "Bill" Phares, father and best friend to Richard, David and Michael Phares, passed away on Dec. 7, 2003.



Bill was born on Jan. 17, 1915, in **BILL PHARES** New Rockford, N.D., to William W. and Alice (Clapper) Phares. Bill attended school and graduated from Lambert High in 1934.

After graduation, Bill helped build Fort Peck and Grand Coulee Dams. Bill then worked as a mechanic and in sales for Allis Chalmers and International Harvester.

In 1940, Bill married Hazel Bosshard. Bill and Hazel moved to Salt Lake City, Utah, and Bill was employed by P.L.E. Trucking as their first mechanic. Then, Bill became maintenance superintendent of Consolidated Freightways in Calgary, Canada.

Bill also owned two taverns, one in Livingston and the Rodeo Bar in Columbus.

After working as a mechanic on various highways throughout the Northwest, Bill owned and operated a mechanic shop in Laurel. The next stop on his journey was employment with the Big Stone

Canning Co. of Red Lodge and  
Arlington and Ortonville, Minn.

After a satisfying career in  
mechanics, Bill retired in 1981 to  
Columbus where he pursued his  
passion for working on old cars  
until his death.

Bill was preceded in death by  
his wife, Hazel Phares; his sisters,  
Louise (Phares) Perry and Ruth  
(Phares) Muschera, and his brother,  
Arthur Phares.

Bill is survived by his sons,  
Richard of Billings, David (Susie)  
of Big Timber and Mike (Janice) of  
California; one sister, Amanda of  
California; three brothers, Ralph,  
Wayne and Daryl, all of  
Washington; 16 grandchildren and  
11 great-grandchildren.

We will miss Bill's quick wit  
and endless humor, his loving  
and giving heart, his comforting  
hands, the way he always was tin-  
bering on cars or building at his  
home, but most of all we will miss  
his smile.

Services will be held at Smith  
Funeral Chapel in Columbus on  
Saturday, Dec. 13m at 10 a.m.  
Because of Bill's love for animals,  
we ask that memorials be sent to  
any animal shelter of your choice.

**Margaret A. Pettersen****JAN 17 2003**

GLENDIVE — Margaret A. Pettersen, 92, of Glendive, died Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2003, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 18, at Our Savior Lutheran Church. Interment will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is in charge.

JAN 07 2003

**Kathleen Anne Petrich**

LOVELL, Wyo. — Kathleen Anne Petrich, 50, died Friday, Jan. 3, 2003, in Dickinson, N.D.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Cowley. Interment will be in the Penrose Cemetery.

## **Valentine Pfau, Jr.**

**GLENDIVE** — Valentine "Val" Pfau, Jr., 84, of Glendive, died Friday, Jan. 17, 2003, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility.

Memorial mass will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Interment will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery.

Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is in charge.



# Peter Pfingsten

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JAN 19 2003

DEAN Peter Andre

passed away on  
Jan 15, 2003.

He is survived by his wife,  
Lara and Ty; his  
brothers, Steve, Sr. and  
Tim; his brothers,  
Garrett and Jeff  
Gasper; a sister,  
Mona.

He was a member to some  
of our family. He was an  
father and husband  
and a loving partner  
who loved him best. He  
was a good man but never  
let us all change be  
in our hearts.

Funeral will be held from 2  
to 4 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 20, at  
St. Columba's Church, Columbus.  
A Mass will be held at  
St. Columba's Church, Columbus.  
A Mass will be held at Smith  
Funeral Home, Columbus.

Memorial services for Peter  
will be held at Children's  
Hospital, c/o  
P.O. Box 10,  
Columbus.

## Reba Phalen

DEATH NOTICE

JAN 05 2003

HENDERSONVILLE, N.C. —  
Reba Stepp Phalen, 88, of  
Hendersonville, formerly of  
Miles City died Thursday, Jan. 2,  
2003, in Hendersonville.

Visitation will be held  
Monday, Jan. 6, in the chapel of  
Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home  
in Miles City. Funeral services  
will be held at 1 p.m., Tuesday,  
Jan. 7, in the chapel of Stevenson  
& Sons Funeral Home. Interment  
will follow in the family lot of the  
Custer County Cemetery.

**MAY 04 2003****Grace Marie  
(Graham) Phillips  
1902 - 2003**

Grace Marie (Graham) Phillips passed away at Aspen Meadows on Wednesday, April 30, 2003. She was born Sept. 10, 1902, in White Sulphur Springs, the eldest child of Joseph and Emily (Date) Graham. When she was six weeks old, she and her parents traveled by horse and buggy to the Fromberg area. Except for brief periods, she lived in or near Fromberg until she moved to Billings in 2001.

She graduated from Fromberg High School in 1921, and from Intermountain Union College (now Rocky Mountain College) in 1926. She taught at Stanford High School until her marriage to Charles L. Phillips on Jan. 11, 1930, in Helena. Mr. Phillips was an area beekeeper and farmer for many years. He died in 1979.

Mrs. Phillips was an active member and supporter of the Fromberg community until ill health prevented her participation. Her particular interest was in the Fromberg Methodist Church. The organizational meeting of the church was held in her parents' home in 1905. Over

the next 97 years, she served the church faithfully in many ways.

She was preceded in death by her husband and by her two younger brothers, William and Stanley Graham. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Donald and Betty Phillips of Fromberg; and her daughter and son-in-law, Jo Ann and Ben Nielsen of Spokane, Wash. Also surviving are five grandchildren, Stanley Phillips of Seoul, South Korea, Christopher Nielsen of Seattle, James Nielsen of San Francisco, Doni Phillips of Ottawa, Ontario, and Valerie Robertson of Fromberg. Great-grandsons Sam Phillips, Donny Robertson, Thomas Nielsen; a great-granddaughter Dacey Robertson; two nieces and a nephew also survive.

Memorial service will be 11 a.m. Friday, May 9, at the Fromberg United Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial remembrances be sent to the Fromberg Methodist Church, c/o Debbie Elton, Box 72, Edgar, MT 59026.

# Jacqueline 'Jackie'

## Lee Rose Phillips

# BILLINGS GAZETTE

## JUL 13 2003

**ROUNDUP** — Jacqueline "Jackie" Lee Rose Phillips, age 44, of Roundup and formerly of Lead, S.D., passed away on July 8, 2003, in the Roundup Memorial Hospital.

Jackie was born on Oct. 8, 1958, in Roundup, daughter of Delores (Adolph) and Don Rose. She also attended school in Roundup. She moved to several places with her husband and best friend, Robert "Bob" Phillips, finally settling in Lead several years ago.

Jackie will be remembered for her love of flowers and gardening, her many artistic talents and the love and kindness she showed for all animals, especially the ones she and Bob cared for during their 22 years of marriage.

She loved spending time with her many friends and family.

Jackie was preceded in death by her mother, Delores Rose; and grandparents, August and Ida



**JACKIE  
PHILLIPS**

Adolph, and Laura and Albert Rose.

Jackie is survived by her husband, Bob Phillips; her father, Donald Rose; her sisters, LaDonna (and Edward) Gates and Linda Rose of Billings; her brothers, Kenneth (and Mary) Rose of Tigard, Ore., and Richard (and Annie) Rose of Roundup; her nieces, Glenna Parker of San Diego, Kerrie (and Robbie) Seamens of Laurel, and Liberty Graham of Billings; her nephews, Andy Rose (and Sam) of Bridger, Justice Graham of Billings, and Ty and Hunter Rose of Great Falls; great-nieces Sierra, Lyric and Eyden; great-nephews, Breyden and Timothy Rose; aunts, Almeda Moore and Darlene (and Gordon) Kilby, as well as many cousins.

Jackie will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Graveside services will be held Monday, July 14, at 9 a.m., at the Roundup Cemetery.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with (or mailed to) the family at 408 Fourth St. E., Roundup, MT 59072.

**FEB 1 2003****Leona M. Phillips**

LEWISTOWN — Leona M. Phillips, 90, died Thursday, Jan. 30, 2003, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 3, at the Creel Funeral Chapel in Lewistown. Interment will be in the Lewistown City Cemetery.

Caroline Philpott

JUN 27 2003

LEWISTOWN — Caroline Belle (Barta) Philpott, 81, of Lewistown, formerly of Buffalo, died Wednesday, June 25, 2003, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, June 30, at the Buffalo Community Church. Interment will follow in the Oddfellows Cemetery in Straw. Lloyd Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

JUN 25 2003

**Katherine Philpott**

**BUFFALO, Wyo.** — Katherine Ann Philpott, 78, of Buffalo, died Monday, June 23, 2003, at the Johnson County Healthcare Center.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, June 30, at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. A private family interment will follow. Adams Funeral Home of Buffalo is in charge.

## Edith Pickett

CROW AGENCY — Edith Ann "Shirley" Pickett, 60, of Crow Agency, went on to be with the Lord, Monday evening, Dec. 30, 2002, in the Crow IHS Hospital.

Shirley was born May 2, 1942, in Crow Agency, a daughter of Alexander Woodtick Plain Feather and Mary Other Blackbird and was raised by Francis and Myrtle Rock Sr. in the Pryor area. She was given her Indian name, IISHBALAUPABAXBAESH, "Sacred Cedar," by Bob Spotted Arm. She received her early education at the St. Charles Mission and completed her education at Edgar High School.

She was a member of Greasy Mouth Clan, Ties the Bundle Clan, child of Big Lodge and a Bad War Deed's child. She was also a member of the Native American Church and Sun Dance Society.

Shirley was united in marriage to Robert T. Pickett on Dec. 26, 1963, in Sheridan, Wyo., and the couple made their home in Crow Agency.

She worked as a teacher's aide for the Crow Headstart for many years and later as a Community Health Representative for Tribal Health.

Shirley was a traditional healer and gifted massager who assisted many families with her talents. She enjoyed traditional Crow handgames and arrow throwing

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events and was known for his headwork.

Her son, Rodney Rock; brother, Cedric Plainfeather; adoptive sister, Marlene Rides Horse; an adopted brother, Francis Rock, Jr. preceded Shirley in death.

Survivors include her husband Robert Pickett; a daughter LeeAnn (Jackson) Pretty on Top of Lodge Grass; her sons, Earl Lec Rock of Pryor, Orin (Diane) Pickett of Garryowen, Robert C. Pickett, Jr. and Sheldon Dean Pickett of Crow Agency; grandson whom she raised as her own, Alexander James Pickett; two granddaughters, Corina and LaChelle Pickett, whom she also raised as her own; her sisters, Ruby Plain Feather of Pryor and Judy (Art) Bryant of Billings; her brothers, Lee (Doris) Plain Feather, Daniel G. (Mary Ruth) Plain Feather, Merle (Elizabeth) Plain Feather and Roland (Kathy) Plain Feather of Pryor; adopted brother, Melvin (Elsie) Pretty Paint of Dunmore; her aunt, Amy Chief Goes Out Chief Stick of Rocky Boy; adopted sisters, Ramona Backbone and Deanna LaForge of Lodge Grass, Shirleen Glenn of Pryor, Lavern Costa of Billings and Nettie White of Crow Agency; her adopted mother, Ruth Alden; nine adopted children, J.D. Pickett, III, Karna Yarlott, Amy

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(Cody) Ware, Lisa Lett Hood, Nalaina Blaine, Nyla Blaine, Jennifer Stone, Benjamin Alchin and Dave Peterson; her 10 grandchildren: Lance, Mary, Barbara, Joshua, LeNaya, Alex, LaChelle, Charles Johnson and Cecilia; three great-grandchildren. Her extended family includes the Bullitt, Birdler, Hahnouth, Allandhya, Strips, Dawes, Kibbs, Kovic, Stewart, Little Owl and Red Wolf families.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 3, in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow in the Crow Agency Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Bellingham has been entrusted with the arrangements.

**FEB 10 2003**

**GARRYOWEN** — Emerson Ira Pickett of Garryowen died in the wee hours of Feb. 8, 2003 from a tragic happening. He was 30 years of age at the time of his passing onto the "camp on the other side."

Baassahkaakuush "Frequently selected to lead" was born into the Bad War Honors Clan and also a clan child of this same clan on April 21, 1972 in Williston, N.D. to Joseph and Rena Left Hand Pickett. He grew up in the family home at Garryowen learning of the traditional ways and practices of his people, the Crow. He started his schooling years at the Crow Elementary School on into Hardin Jr. and Sr. High Schools, graduating with honors in the spring of 1990.

He married Frances Knows Gun and was later divorced. From this union, three beautiful girls were born, Jeanne Faye, Chelsea and Emily. He later had another daughter, Savannah Rose, currently growing up in Warm Springs, Ore. Leonard Gardner of Lodge Grass was given to Emerson and from this he became his adopted son.

Though he thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed all of his nephews and nieces, he was often heard to say "Josiah, you are my favorite nephew." Emerson was a good listener. He remembered what he was told by his parents and elders. One of the

many teachings is the importance of education. He continued his education by attending Sheridan Community College for two years. He had the distinction of being the first student on the Crow Reservation to utilize a program known as "Cooperative Education," available through all of the government agencies. He was selected as the only applicant for this education program by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. From this program, he went on to Montana State University at Bozeman studying about "Land Use and Resources," earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Soil Science in 1994.

Because he was a Cooperative Ed student, he worked the summer months for the Land Services Department, BIA Crow Agency. A position was created for him within Land Services as a Soil Conservationist upon his successful completion of the cooperative program. At the time of his passing, he was the acting coordinator for the Branch of Land Services.

He was a person who had respect for people and their beliefs. He was baptized a Catholic and he proudly talked of this, but he also had great love for the traditional practices and religious ceremonies of the Crow.

He participated sincerely in the Native American Peyote Religion. From this practice, he had many friends and relatives who were adopted from other tribes.

Emerson fully supported the Shoeshine Sun Dance way by taking part as a dancer and singer. He sponsored a Sun Dance for his grandfather, Ira Left Hand. He was adopted in the Sacred Tobacco Society by George and John Ann Reed when

he was a young boy. He participated in this religious ceremony at every opportunity within the last few years.

He had a love for singing of Indian songs. He was always ready to help sing, whether it

was pow-wow, (war dance), push dance, sun dance, shoshone, victory dance, peyote religion and Sacred Tobacco Dance. Though he enjoyed singing for these activities, the one he enjoyed the most was handgame singing. Many times he would go to well known singer's homes to learn songs and to learn about how one is known as a "good singer." This willingness and devotion to learn paid off handsomely for Emerson, as he was selected as the best lead singer at

given a horse as a prize.

He was given his Crow Indian name by the late Henry Old Coyote. "Frequently Selected to Lead" started to live up to his name in recent years. He was one of the Black Lodge Social committee members and also served as proxy in the annual Sacred Tail Feathers Ceremony. He was selected to serve in various support roles for the annual handgame tournaments, the Great Crow Fair and other activities sponsored by the Black Lodge District. Emerson was known as an outstanding person, ready to greet and welcome new acquaintances. His willingness to shake hands and talk with people made one feel welcomed and at ease. His ready smile and laughter made a lot of friends and brothers feel happy.

Because of this special personality, he had the following adopted brothers, Clay Spotted, Bruce White, Jr., Cyrus Leider, Elwynn Stewart, Travis Reed and Eric Birdinground. He had three brothers, Curtis (LaVonna Berry (Olivia) Real Bird and J. D (LaRae) Pickett III; sisters, Mim Real Bird and Kari (Shawn Walks Over Ice. All person mentioned are survivors of Emerson. Other survivor include his grandparents, Ira and Ramona Big Lake Left Hand and his companion, Shelly Gardner. He is a descendant of the follow



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**Pete Pidel**

JORDAN — Pete Pidel, 79, of Jordan, died Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2003, at the Garfield County Nursing Home in Jordan.

Visitation will be from 1 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home

in Jordan. A vigil service will be at 6 p.m. Wednesday, at the St. John's Catholic Church. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, at the VFW Hall. Interment will follow in the Pioneer Cemetery.

Judy Ann Pierce passed away Wednesday morning, Feb. 26, 2003, at her home, from a massive heart attack.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, March 3, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, 1001 Alderson Ave., with graveside services at Sunset Memorial Gardens.



**JUDY ANN  
PIERCE**

Judy was born Aug. 17, 1940, in Terry, the only child of Chester and Marie (Moe) Marks. Judy went to schools throughout Eastern Montana and graduated from Billings Senior High School in 1958.

Judy married Fred C. Pierce II on March 21, 1960. They were very happy. Throughout their 43 years together, Fred and Judy were inseparable.

Judy was the most loving wife and mother a woman could possibly be. There will be a hole in our family lives that will always be there.

Judy is survived by her husband, Fred Pierce; her sons, Clark Fred Pierce, Dave Allen Pierce; and her daughter, Ann Marie Pierce; and her brothers and sisters-in-law, Penny and Rod Castle, Roxie and Charlie Strand.

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As she was an only child, Judy's aunts and cousins were like her brothers and sisters: Ken Marks, Don Marks, Gary and Tootie Marks, Sharon and Larry Lucas, Rita and Leroy Burkbaum, Suzanne and David Myszak, and Stella Renz. Judy was preceded in death by her mother and father, special grandmother, Phoebe Moe; and her son, Craig Richard Pierce.

A few months ago, Ann Marie wrote her mother the following letter, which is a reflection of the love we all had for Judy. Judy was so proud of the letter that she carried it in her purse and showed it to all her friends:

"Dear Mother:

Lately I've been thinking of some of my favorite memories, many of which include you.

I remember:

The magic of the tubes delivering messages and change at Cole's Department Store. Back to school shopping became magical.

The time when you decided it would be fun to teach me how to twirl a baton in the kitchen to your marching band records and don't think I ever excelled at it, but I'll never forget that morning.

The afternoon I came in from recess to find you observing my classroom when I was in grade school. To see my Mom all dressed up and in my classroom unexpectedly was enough to make me swell up with pride.

The time you came to my rescue when I had my first car acci-

Judy Ann Pierce

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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It was the best of times as the  
best when you throw a party.

The way you never tired of talk-  
ing to the road to see your Dad  
when summer rolled around. We  
would see everyone in Terry it  
seemed. They all asked, "How are  
the roads?"

There was never a Saturday  
without Lenny Ball.

The way you would dance with  
Dad. You two can really "cut a  
rug"

The way you can cook up any-  
thing for any occasion. I especially  
remember that your soft boiled  
eggs and toast would always make  
me feel better.

Mother, I have so many won-  
derful memories of growing up. I  
wanted to take a minute to tell you  
that I will never forget what you  
have done for me.

Love and miss you,  
Ann Marie"

Memorials may be made to the  
American Heart Association, 2812  
First Ave. North, Billings, MT  
59101 or to a charity of one's  
choice.

We love you and will always  
miss you.



## Linda Pierson

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 15 2003

PLENTYWOOD — Linda Pierson, 58, of Plentywood, died Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2003, at her home, of cancer.

A celebration of life will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 18, at First Congregational Church, UCC, in Plentywood, followed by a time of fellowship. Cremation has taken place. Interment will be in North Carolina. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood is in charge.

**FEB 5 2003**

Donald Francis Pihlaja died in his sleep Feb. 2, 2003, after a series of hospitalizations. He was born March 25, 1935, between Laurel and Billings. Raised on a ranch outside of Boyd, he attend-



**DONALD  
PIHLAJA**

ed Liberty School and Joliet High School, where he graduated as valedictorian and played basketball, trombone, edited the school paper and participated in choir.

After attending Rocky Mountain College for his freshman year, he transferred to and graduated from Hamline University in St. Paul, Minn., in 1957, with a BA in Music Education. He then launched a teaching career that spanned 43 years, working with high school and college students in Red Lodge, Powell, Wyo., Sheridan, Wyo., and Billings. During a hiatus from teaching, in 1965, he earned an MA in Music Performance from the University of Colorado.

For 35 years of his career, Donald led the music department at Rocky Mountain College, putting together a regionally-recognized choir that

performed in Europe (1970, '78 and '85) and Canada. The choir was also selected to perform at state and national conferences, including the Northwest American Choral Directors Association conference. During his tenure as Associate Professor, the RMC choir also was known for its yearly madrigal dinners at Prescott Hall; individual students earned recognition in vocal recitals and in college productions, which ranged from Godspell to Marriage of Figaro.

Outside of his work at RMC, Donald gave private voice lessons, adjudicated at music festivals throughout the region, sang in the community chorale, remained active in a variety of professional music organizations (most notably the National Association of Teachers of Singing), and served as guest conductor, soloist and technician throughout the West. He also studied under renowned voice coaches Robert Shaw, Axel Schulz, Bert Coffin, Cornelius Reid and Julian Patrick and produced, directed and sang with the Billings Symphony and at Billings Studio Theater in Die Fledermaus, The Magic Flute, Man of La Mancha, and Impresario. Additionally,

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ie completed summer research at the University of Virginia under the auspices of the National Endowment for the Humanities and participated in Goldovsky Workshops in California and Colorado. For decades, he directed the choirs at First Christian, First Presbyterian, American Lutheran and First English Lutheran churches, where he also often played in the handbell choirs. His career was capped with Lifetime Achievement Awards from RMC and the MT Choral Directors Association and the success of a high school student, after his retirement, in the national high school voice competition.

Throughout his life, Donald enjoyed gardening and travel, particularly to Finland in 2001, where he met extended family and solidified his interest in genealogy. He was also delighted by his grandchildren and took joy in their adventures.

Donald's life was directed by passion, both for classical music and music education for young adults. All who knew him respected him for his dignity, his gentle thoughtfulness, his consistency, his standard of excellence and his unfailing graciousness. He affected the lives of thousands of young musicians and students and was treasured by friends and family.

Donald is survived by his son, Geoffrey (Maria) of Yokota AFB, Japan; daughter, Kirsten of Denver; daughter, Jocelyn (Byron) of Duluth, Minn.; granddaughters, Crestencia and Allegra; grandson, Haakon; aunts, Ethel Cestnik of Cody, Wyo., and Ruth Johnson of Roberts; and several cousins, nieces and a nephew. His mother, Dorothy; father, Francis; and brother, Larry, preceded him in death.

Cremation has taken place, and a memorial service will be held, on Thursday, Feb. 6, at 11 a.m., at First English Lutheran Church. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Rocky Mountain College Choral Department, 1501 Poly Drive, Billings, MT 59102.

# Sylvia E. Pipal

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I was born Sylvia Ellen Crossen on April 23, 1928, in Forsyth, and was raised and attended school in Ingomar, where my Dad had a sheep ranch northeast of there. One summer, I worked at Fredrick & N e l s o n s



**SYLVIA PIPAL**

department store in Seattle. My last two years of school were in Hysham, where I worked in the principal's office my senior year and graduated in 1946.

Upon graduation I went to Helena and worked at the Unemployment Compensation Commission, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and later for the Farmers Home Administration in Forsyth. I lived in Chinook, Harlowton, and moved to Billings in 1959. I typed addresses for a couple of years for Eitel Tadday and worked 17 years for Irvin Rieke on Duck Creek Road.

I died Jan. 7, 2003, and my ashes will be placed in the mausoleum at Mountview Cemetery. Preceding me in death are my brother, George Crossen, who was killed while working on the Noxon Dam in

1957; my mother, Mami Crossen; my dad, John Crossen and both my ex-husbands, Gene Grenier and Leo Pipal.

Surviving are my daughter Pamela Pipal; my son, Randy Pipal; a sister, Rosa Evelyn Crossen Raymaker; three grandchildren, Tyler Pipal, Trevor Pipal and Kjrsten Haaland; and special friends, Vi Schlenker; Bev, Sig and Stephany Ross; Ralph and Louise McKelvie; and Mildred Hefenieder.

Should anyone want to observe my passing, I would like you to do something for yourself that you really like to do. You have done enough for me while I was alive, and I thank you.

*Mom, we will dearly miss you.  
Randy and Pam.*

Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge of these arrangements.

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## Joanna Carrin Pipe

WOLF POINT — Joanna Carrin Pipe, 69, of Wolf Point, died Monday, March 11, 1924, at her home, of natural causes.

Visitation will be from noon to 8 p.m. Friday, March 14, at Clayton Memorial Chapel, with a prayer service at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 15, at Clayton Memorial Chapel. Interment will be in the Chelsea Cemetery of rural Poplar.

## Mark Lester Pippin

NASHUA — Mark Lester Pippin, 51, of Nashua, died Friday, Jan. 3, 2003, at MedCenter One Hospital in Bismarck, N.D., due to complications of diabetes.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at the Assembly of God Church in Glasgow. Burial will be in Nashua Cemetery. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

Mark Lester Pippin  
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## Benjamin Pirman

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 22 2003

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Benjamin "Ben" Robert Pirman, 18, of Gillette, died Saturday, Jan. 18, 2003, of a gunshot wound.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, at Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home in Gillette. Pens will be available to sign Ben's casket. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, at the Church of the Barn in Gillette. Interment will be in Mount Pisgah Cemetery in Gillette.

JAN 28 2003

**Francis Pitet**

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. — Francis "Mickey" Pitet, 69, of Basin, died Sunday, Jan. 26, 2003, at the Hot Springs County Memorial Hospital in Thermopolis, of cancer.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Inurnment of cremains will be in the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.



THE BUTTE GAZETTE  
MAY 10 2003

## Herbert Raymond Pitman

**BUTTE** — Herbert Raymond Pitman, of Butte, passed away Thursday morning, May 8, 2003, at his home.

He was born Aug. 3, 1943, in Virginia City, to Elsworth and Vera (Scott) Pitman. Herb worked at the Montana Livestock Co. here in Butte and was active in Butte Aerie 11, Fraternal Order of the Eagles. He also belonged to the Butte Pioneers Club and Butte Elks Lodge 240.

He is preceded in death by his father, Elsworth, who passed away Feb. 23, 1972. Herb is survived by his mother, Vera Pitman; his sister, Edna Meadows, both of Butte; his brother, Albert Pitman of Worden; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation for Mr. Pitman will begin this Saturday afternoon, May 10, at 1 p.m. in Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday afternoon, May 11, in the funeral home, with Butte Aerie 11, F.O.E., and his nephew, Reverend Denis Pitman, officiating. A reception will follow service at the Butte Eagles Hall. Interment will be in

the Pleasant View Cemetery in Ballantine. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association or the American Heart Association.

## Paul A. Plaas, Sr.

BILLINGS GAZETTE  
AUG 17 2003

TROY — Paul A. Plaas, 85, a longtime Libby and Troy resident, died Friday, Aug. 8, 2003, at his home in Troy. He was born at Renton, Wash., on July 24, 1918, to Clarence and Maude Plaas; he attended school at Yakima, Wash. Paul served in the United States Army during World War II, serving in central Europe; he was honorably discharged in 1946.

Paul worked in numerous phases of heavy construction for over 40 years, working not only throughout the Northwest but throughout the country along with several overseas projects. He had been a longtime member of the Sheetmetal Workers International. He also had operated Libby Sheetmetal Works along with partner Bill Managhan and later had operated Paul Plaas Construction.

Paul had been a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion. He enjoyed camping, fishing, cooking, pets, pool, "456," jokes, dancing, playing music and traveling with family, friends and coworkers. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Twila and second wife, Arlene.

Surviving him are his wife, Georgia Lee Woody Plaas; sons, Michael, Paul and Richard; a step-daughter, Valeria Lee and husband, Charlie along with their sons, Kyle and Ethan; and Ellie (Georgia's cousin and Paul's caregiver) as well as grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Many kind regards and thanks also to Connie Boyd whose care made it possible for Paul to remain at home until his death.

Services will be 1 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17, at the City of Libby Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the VFW Memorial Fund, 108 W. Second St., Libby, MT 59923.

**Ellen Evelyn Plaggemeyer** † 2003  
**1912 - 2003****MAR 24 2003**

**BIG TIMBER** — Ellen Evelyn Plaggemeyer, 90, of Big Timber, passed away March 22, 2003 at Pioneer Medical Center in Big Timber. She was born Aug. 24, 1912 in Sweet Grass County to Bert Plaggemeyer and Weitché "Winnie" (Sikkama) Plaggemeyer. She grew up on the family ranch in the Wormser district, the last of 11 children. She had four sisters (Rena, Etta, Clara, and Edith) and six brothers (Harry, Abe, John, Fred, Dick, and Lou).

She preferred the outdoors, spending a lot of time with her dad and brothers doing ranch work. As she always says, "I didn't learn to do much cooking or housework because I would rather be outside." During high school, she and Harry "batched it" in town during the week, staying in the home on 4th Avenue that was purchased for that purpose.

After graduating high school, Ellen went to Great Falls to study nursing, but was called home before finishing school to care for her elderly parents on the home place. After her father passed away, she moved to town with her mother and sister and cared for them both for many

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years.

She spent most of her life caring for others, and then she added her little greenhouse so she could care for plants. Some of our favorite times were helping her "play in the dirt." During the years she operated that greenhouse, any young child who came with a parent would walk away with a free pansy plant to plant. There are a lot of childhood memories connected with those pansies. Just ask anyone who grew up in Big Timber during the 60's, 70's or 80's.

We, her family, have always considered that Ellen was one of God's angels here on earth. She's never had a bad word to say about anyone, was an active and constant member of her church, and is loved by everyone who knows her. It has been no contest for her to earn "Favorite Aunt" status in the Plagemeyer family.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m., Wednesday, March 26, at the Congregational Church, Big Timber. Pastor Bryan Baker will officiate the service. Interment will be in Mountain View Cemetery in Big Timber. Lowry Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

AUG - 3 2003

FORT SMITH — Leo Plain Feather, 76, longtime Fort Smith-area cowboy, passed away, Aug. 1, 2003 in the Crow Agency IHS Hospital.

He was born Oct. 25, 1926, in a log house on the Big Horn River near Fort Smith, a son of Alex and Rose Plenty Good Plain Feather. He received his education at the Warman School. Following his education, he began a life as a cowboy, first at the Harvey Wilcut Ranch, and later at the P.R. Krone ranch. He developed all of the skills necessary to be a proficient cowboy. His special talents were roping and horses. During his younger years, he was undefeated in numerous Indian Relay races, and was a champion calf and team roper.

As he grew older, he would share his lifetime experiences about horses with his children and anyone who needed assistance. Leo married Cecelia Half on Aug. 7, 1944, in St. Xavier, and the couple made their home near St. Xavier. Their home was home to many children in the area; their children's friends were always treated as if they were family. The couple raised Lane Plain Feather, a grandson; and Susie Little Light, a granddaughter. Cecelia died in 1999.

He was a member of the Catholic Church, Greasy Mouth Clan, and was a child of the Ties

the Bundle Clan.

Several brothers and sisters preceded Leo in death. Survivors include his daughters, Rose Plain Feather of Ft. Smith and Corliss (Joseph) Provost of New Mexico; his sons, Willie of Ft. Smith, Leo Dan (Mardell) Plain Feather Jr. of Hardin, Tom (Vera) Half of Soap Creek, John (Valeen) Plain Feather of Pryor and Tim (Ella) Plain Feather of Arizona; an adopted daughter, Germaine Half; an adopted son, James Shoot With Two Arrows; three sisters, Ruby Plain Feather, Judy (Art) Bryant and Arvilla Plain Bull; six brothers, Starr (Hazel) Not Afraid, Samuel (Adaline), Lee (Doris), Daniel G. (Mary Ruth), Merle (Elizabeth) and Rowland (Kathy) Plain Feather; as well as numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Rosary will be recited 4 p.m. Monday, Aug. 4, in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Funeral mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 5, at the Crow Agency St. Dennis Catholic Church. Interment will follow at the Hardin Fairview Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

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## Richard 'Dick' Plouffe

MALTA — Richard Joseph 'Dick' Plouffe, 65, died Monday, Dec. 29, 2003, from a heart attack while visiting in Fargo, N.D.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the Adams Memorial Chapel with burial in the Malta Cemetery.

## Sylvia Lucille Plouvier

Sylvia Lucille Plouvier was born Feb. 21, 1912, at the family homestead north of Billings. She passed away of natural causes on Oct. 18, 2003. She is survived by her husband, Francis, of the family home. Sylvia and Francis were married on Nov. 11, 1931. They were together 72 years. In addition, she leaves behind her sons, Gary and Lewis (Shirley) of Billings; grandchildren, Greg Plouvier (Janie) of Florence Colo., Stewart Plouvier of Wasilla, Alaska, Cory Danjanovich (Bob) of Billings, Wade Plouvier of North Carolina, Margaret Aukshun (Bryan) of Billings, Cindy Hankel (Joe) of Missoula, and Rocky (Linda) Plouvier of Shawnee Kans.; and eight great-grandchildren.

Sylvia was preceded in death by her son, Richard; parents, Sylvester and Marga Shearer; brothers, Donald and Roy Shearer; sister, Alberta Thompson; and a twin brother, Sylvester Legrand Shearer.

Sylvia's early years were spent along Billings Bench. She attended Independent School. She recalled riding horses bareback, bending straight pins to catch fish in the creeks and large snowstorms. Her other remembrances were the threshing crews of neighbors helping neighbors and the large feeds the farm ladies would put out trying to outdo each other. The family home burned down once and she wrote about sleeping in a tent in snowstorms before a new home was built.

Sylvia worked in the cafeteria at Lincoln High School for several years.

Her many home cooked meals and humorous disposition were enjoyed by family and friends.

In her retirement years, she learned landscape painting and knitting. She and Francis were active in senior citizens and attended many dances. They also were frequent campers, and maintained a productive garden on the north end of town.

Graveside services will be 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21, at Mountview Cemetery for family and friends.

MAY 31 2003

## Geraldine Plowman

**JOLIET** — Geraldine Plowman, 77, of Joliet, passed away Thursday, May 29, 2003, at Stillwater Community Hospital in Columbus.

Geraldine was born July 29, 1925, near Montrose, Mo., a daughter of Lawrence and Alma (Teschner) Schmitt. She was married to Edward Plowman, June 5, 1949 at Boyd. She and Ed spent 25 years at Killdeer, N.D., where they operated a drug store. They moved to Joliet in 1980.

She was a member of Joliet Baptist Church, Rock Rose Chapter #63 OES and was past president of "Happy Handful" (Homemaker's Group). She enjoyed quilting and sewing and making "award winning apple pie." She enjoyed making sandwiches and lunches for her grandkids who were on their way to attend college classes.

Geraldine was preceded in death by her parents and daughter and son-in-law, Susan and David Lynch. She is survived by her husband, Ed of Joliet; sons, Art (Pat) Plowman of Boyd, Anita (John) Koeshall of Brussels, Belgium, Tony Plowman of Farmington, N.M.; two brothers, Anthony Schmitt of Virginia Beach, Va., Bob Schmitt of

Broken Arrow, Okla.; three sisters, Lois Morlok of Montrose, Mo., Mildred Bean of Prosser, Wash., Norma Schmitt of Lakewood, Colo.; 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Monday, June 2, at Joliet Baptist Church, with interment in Joliet Cemetery. Memorials to Joliet Community Center, Joliet Baptist Church, The Gideons or charity of choice. Visitation Sunday 5 to 8 p.m. at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel.



**Alice Marie Plum**

Alice Marie Plum, 92, of Billings, passed away early Thursday morning, June 5, 2003, at Aspen Meadows.

Alice was born on Nov. 28, 1910, in Musselshell, a daughter of Henry and Delia (Mather) Martin. She received her education in Musselshell and married John J. Plum on Sept. 9, 1927, in Roundup. In 1951, the family moved to Bozeman and then to Billings in 1958, where Alice has resided since.

Alice loved caring for her home, family and grandchildren. Fishing, being outdoors and picnics were times she enjoyed most.

Survivors include her son, Al Plum and his wife, Mary, of Spokane, Wash.; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1976; a son, Earl; and a daughter, Marjorie Campbell.

Visitations may be made from 12 noon to 8 p.m. on Sunday, June 8, at the Smith Downtown Chapel. Family and friends will gather at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, June 9, at Mountview Cemetery for a graveside service. Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

## Tom Plympton

**ROSELAND** — Tom Plympton, 68, of Roseland, died Thursday, Sept. 25, 2003, in Forsyth, following a short illness.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29, at the Seals Mortuary Chapel in Forsyth. Interment will take place Tuesday, Sept. 30, at the Black Hills National Cemetery in Spearhead, S.D.

## Betty A. Pollari

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 15 2003

SPOKANE, Wash. — Betty A. Pollari, age 79, born on Oct. 10, 1923, in Billings, passed away July 11, 2003, in Spokane, her residence for 52 years.

She is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Dan Moore; grandson, wife and great-granddaughter, Samuel, Melissa and Aspen Rose Moore; granddaughter and husband, Lori and Dustin Ruckhaber; stepson and wife, Harold and Bernice Pomery and their families; two brothers and wives, Darwin and Jo Keepers, Ralph and Edna Keepers and their families; sister-in-law, Kathy Keepers; aunt, Alma Jones; numerous Hauf, Pollari, Agost and Creek relatives.

Betty was an active member of Arnestad Club for over 40 years; member of the Women's Guild Sewing Group; Helen Walker Group at North Hill Christian Church; Eastern Star Ivanhoe Chapter for over 40 years; North Hill Christian Church since 1962; and the Beta Sigma Pi Sorority for over 59 years.

She loved history, traveling and reading. Betty was loved by those who knew her and will be greatly missed.

Graveside services will be held Thursday, July 17, at 1 p.m., at Spokane Memorial Gardens. A celebration of her life will follow at 4 p.m. at North Hill Christian Church, 4620 N. Post St. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, July 16, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., at Riplinger Funeral Home, 4305 N. Division, Spokane.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 1403 W. Third Ave., Spokane, WA 99204, and/or the American Heart Association, 140 S. Arthur, Suite 610, Spokane, WA 99202.

# Paula Joy Pollock

BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 11 2003

DULUTH, Minn. — Paula Joy Pollock, 59, of E. Fifth St., died Wednesday, April 9, 2003, in St. Mary's Medical Center, Hospice Unit, after a five-and-a-half year battle with inflammatory breast cancer.

Paula was born in Olympia, Wash., on July 9, 1943, to Paul E. and Dollie E. (Johnson) Beers. Paula graduated from Ridgefield (Wash.) High School, Washington State University, and did her graduate work at the University of Montana.

She taught math at UMD and was presently working in the information technology support for ITSS at UMD.

Paula was active in the Breast Cancer Society, breast cancer support groups, dragon boat races, Relay for Life, I Can Cope, Lake Superior Rose Society and breast cancer organizations including the Pink Ribbon. Paula was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church, its quilting group, In-Stitches, where she made quilts for donation and she also made quilts for all of her family. Paula was also an active supporter of UMD Women's Hockey.

Paula was an inspiration to her family, friends and all who knew her. She will be missed by her family and friends.

Paula is preceded in death by her brother, Paul E. Beers, Jr., and her father, Paul E. Beers, Sr.

Surviving are her husband, James A. "Jim," who she married on July 24, 1971, at Pattee Canyon State Park in Montana; children, Miranda (Jonathan) Edel of Duluth, Andrew "Drew" (fiancee JoAnn Stanley) of Mounds View and Brenna (fiancé Aaron Nelson) Pollock of Duluth; grandchildren, Madison, Elyse, Zachary and Thomas; her mother, Dollie E. Beers of Ridgefield, Wash.; her mother-in-law and father-in-law, Andrew and Elsie Pollock of Billings; sisters, Donna R. (Don) Roy of Vancouver, Wash., Laura L. Madison of Vancouver, Wanda (Paul) Calderon of Mercer Island, Wash.; and a brother, David E. (Cheryl) Beers of Ridgefield.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 11, in Jarvi-Dowd Chapel, and from 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. service Saturday, April 12, in Trinity Lutheran Church. Interment will be 1 p.m. Monday, April 14, in Forest Hill Cemetery.

Memorials to the American Cancer Society would be appreciated.

Arrangements by Bell Brothers Funeral and Cremation Services, Jarvi-Dowd Chapel, 925 E. Fourth St.

# Ray Pomarleau

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 16 2003

MILES CITY — Ray Pomarleau, 87, formerly of Forsyth, died Saturday, Feb. 15, 2003, at the Friendship Villa Care Center in Miles City.

Visitation will be held on Monday at the Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home Forsyth. A prayer service will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday at the Chapel of Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 19, at the Immaculate Conception Church in Forsyth. Interment will follow in the Catholic addition of the Forsyth Cemetery.

# Ray Pomarleau

**MILES CITY** — Ray Emil Pomarleau, age 87, of Miles City, formerly of Forsyth, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 15, 2003, at the Friendship Villa Care Center in Miles City.

Ray was born on Aug. 22, 1915, the son of Emil P. and Florence (Norby) Pomarleau in Scobey. He married Veronica Kurtz on Feb. 25, 1941, and together, they



**RAY  
POMARLEAU**

raised four children: Kay, Jim, Mary and Sue.

Ray is survived by his wife of 61 years, Veronica; their four children and their spouses, Kay and Ken

Harmsen of Savage, Jim and

Geri Pomarleau of Belfield, N.D., Mary and Wally Bonneau of Worden and Sue and Gary Ballard of Hysham. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Mark and Stacie Pomarleau and their children Even and Cole of Belfield, N.D., Mike and Tonya Pomarleau and their son Jayden of Bismarck, N.D., Michelle Pomarleau of Fargo, N.D., Mathew Pomarleau of Dickinson, N.D., Ehren Schneider of Portland, Ore., and Danielle Wyckoff and her husband Todd of Missoula; and his brother Dana J. Pomarleau of Billings.

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Visitation was held on Monday, Feb. 17, at the Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. A vigil will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 18, at 6 p.m., at the Chapel of Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. A funeral mass will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 19, at 11 a.m., at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Forsyth. Interment will follow in the Catholic addition of the Forsyth Cemetery. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Forsyth is in charge of the arrangements.

If desired, memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

## **LYDIA POND**

Lydia Pond, 87, of Billings, passed away on Monday, April 21, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare.

Lydia was born on Sept. 25, 1915, to George and Katherine Kissler.

On April 9, 1940, she married Willie Evert Pond. They raised their son, Jimmie, and lived in various places while Willie worked as a truck driver. The family settled in Billings, where they have lived for the last 32 years. Lydia was known for her hard work ethics and being a wonderful homemaker. She had an unconditional love for all of her family.

Lydia loved to play cards, dance and enjoyed camping, fishing and gardening. She was very crafty and made beautiful afghans.

Lydia loved to have guests and visit with family and friends and they all thoroughly enjoyed her excellent cooking.

Lydia came from a large family and is survived by her loving husband, Willie; son, Jimmie (Darlene) Pond; granddaughter, Merridy (Dennis) Gauthier; grandson, Mark Pond; and great-grandchildren Crystal, Jennifer, Heather Gauthier, Petra and Mazie' Pond; and many brothers and sisters. Lydia had many, many extended family members and friends and was dearly loved and will be missed by all.

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

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 24, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery, with interment at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

# Creel K. Poole

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## MELSTONE

— Creel K. Poole, 86, of Melstone, died Nov. 23, 2003, in Beartooth Hospital and Health Center of Red Lodge, after an extended illness.



**CREEL POOLE**

Creel was born on Dec. 31, 1916, on the homestead west of Roundup, a son of John and Anna Vogler Poole. His early education was in one-room country schools. He attended Lavina High School and later graduated from Klein High School.

Ranching became his main occupation after military service during World War II. After establishing his ranch at Melstone, he worked in the oil fields and on the railroad.

His greatest love was hunting for Native American artifacts. He was well known for his outstanding collection and often hosted groups from far and near who came to view his collection.

He also was well known for his cartridge and gun collection. Creel was very independent and traveled extensively, even attending baseball's World Series. His favorite team was the Brooklyn Dodgers.



Creel was a lifelong faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. He lived with his sister near Red Lodge after he became ill.

Creel is survived by his sister, Evelyn Emerson of Bearcreek; a brother, Vernon of Salem, Ore.; many nieces and nephews; and a world of friends. He will be remembered as a caring and helpful person.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters and three brothers.

Funeral services will be held in the Wier Funeral Home on Sunday, Nov. 30, at 1:30 p.m.

Memorials may be made to a charity of your choice.

**DEC 24 2003****PHIL POPE****Phil Pope**

Phil Pope, 88, passed away Dec. 22, 2003, at the Deaconess Billings Clinic. He was surrounded by his loving family.

Phil was born in Huntley June 9, 1915. He was the fourth of five siblings and the son of George Philip and Ann Margaret. He married Ruth Schmidt April 26, 1943, in Manchester, Tenn. They have been happily married for 60 years.

Phil served five years in the Air Force, which included 18 months as an airplane mechanic in India. He drove trucks for Suhr's Transfer and retired after 33 years. Phil and Ruth moved to St. George, Utah, in 1992 and returned to their beloved Billings in 2002.

Phil enjoyed old movies, gardening, horse racing and sports (go Broncos and Mustangs!). He took cruises to Hawaii and the Caribbean, traveled around the country and loved the nickel slots in Vegas.

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He was a patient, reliable, gentle and compassionate man who loved children and was looked up to by his own children and grandchildren. They especially loved his homemade cookies, breads and vegetables from his garden.

Survivors include his wife Ruth; four daughters, Sheila Hale, Aria Hay (Dick), Melanie Ross (Tom) and Heidi Cool (Jerry), and four grandchildren, Trevor Hay, Michelle Street, Nicole Hay and Sham Ross. He was preceded in death by three sisters, one brother and many nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank the doctors, nurses and staff of Deaconess Billings for their care and support.

Memorial service will be 10:30 am Wednesday at the Smith Downtown Chapel. Interment of his ashes will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens Mausoleum.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association and the American Cancer Society.

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## Donald Popelka

PARK CITY — Donald Popelka, of Park City, passed away at St. Vincent Healthcare, on Monday, May 5, 2003. Donald was born Dec. 28, 1918, to Ed and Gina Popelka at Acton. He graduated from Broadview High School in 1936, and from Billings Business College in 1938. On Sept. 26, 1942, he married Reva Nash, his lifelong partner of 60 years.



**DONALD  
POPELKA**

Donald farmed with his dad and had already bought a quarter section of farmland by the time he was 18 years old. It was here that Don and Reva made their home, adding more land as time went by. In 1975, they moved to the Big Timber area. They lived there until retiring and moving to Park City in 1984.

Donald was very proud of his family and of his 60-1/2 years of marriage. His hobbies consisted of hunting, reloading shells, fishing and playing pinochle at the Park City Senior Center, the

South Park Senior Center and with his family and friends. He was always ready for a good game of cards.

Donald is survived by his loving wife; two sons, Ronald (Janice) and David (Terri); daughter, Diane Wegner (Jerry); grandsons, Ray (Pam), Don (Carolyn), Scott (Lisa), Dan (Brenda), Randall (Stephanie Chayne (Brandy) and Jason Leonard; a granddaughter, Beverly Cornish; eight great-grandsons; 4 great-granddaughters and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother Ralph; and a sister-in-law Dorothy.

Memorials in his memory may be sent to Senior Helping Hands, 3310 Second Ave. N. Billings, MT 59101, the Park City Senior Center, c/o Vi Helgeson, Park City, MT 59063, or the South Park Senior Center, 901 S. 30th St., Billings, MT 59101.

Cremation is planned and a memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 10, at the Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. West in Billings. Private interment of the urn will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

**William Milton Popelka**

LAUREL — William Milton Popelka, 89, died Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2003, at his home.

At his request, cremation has taken place at Smith Funeral Chapel. Memorial services will be held for friends and family at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14 at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, located at 1007 W. Fourth, in Laurel.

**MAY 13 2003**

**Lillian E. Popple**

**LAWSTOWN** — Lillian E. Popple, 82, died Monday, May 12, 2003, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, May 16, at the Creel Funeral Home in LawstOWN. Burial will be in the Central Montana Memorial Gardens.

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## Funeral for Rosella Lucile Paprock

**DECEASED** — Rosella Lucile Paprock, 48, of Winifred, died Wednesday, May 21, 2003, at Billings Montana Medical Center following a long illness of diabetic complications.

Viewing will be from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 25, at Creel Funeral Home in Lewistown. The casket will be open at the funeral service. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 27, at St. Ignace Church in Lewistown. Burial will be in the

# **Geraldine 'Jerry' Elizabeth Porter**

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BEAVERTON, Ore. — A memorial service will be held Aug. 23, at 3 p.m. at Southminster Presbyterian Church in Beaverton, for Geraldine "Jerry" Elizabeth Porter, who died at the age of 85 on Aug. 19, 2003.

Geraldine Elizabeth Porter was born April 28, 1918, in Sheridan, Wyo. She graduated from Sheridan High School and moved to Washington, D.C., where she met her husband, Larry Porter, whom she married in 1947. They lived in Sheridan and moved to Billings in the mid-1950s, and lived there for about 40 years. She worked for the Social Security services until her retirement.

Her husband Larry died in 1991. In 2001, she moved to Oregon.

Survivors include her daughters, Victoria Porter and Valerie LaRobardier; her sons, Larry and Lukas (Carl) Porter; a stepson, Robin Porter; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Remembrances to ZooMontana, 2100 South Shiloh Road, Billings, MT 59106.



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## **Stephen L. Porter**

**GLENDIVE —** Stephen L. "Bud" Porter, 71, of Glendive, died Wednesday, March 12, 2003, at his home.

Private family graveside services will be held Friday, March 21, at the Dawson County Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is in charge.

# Zacharias James Posey

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Zacharias James Posey, 23, passed away Friday, Feb. 14, 2003, at Eagle Cliff Manor from complications resulting from an automobile accident in July of 2001.

Zack was born Jan. 6, 1980, in Billings to Ray D. Goodwin, Jr. and Linda M. Posey. He attended Fred Graft Elementary in Laurel, Newman Elementary, Riverside Jr. High and Castle Rock Jr.



**ZACHARIAS  
POSEY**

High in Billings. Zack worked many jobs including Fuddrucker's, telemarketing, and was a night supervisor for Mountain Harvest Pizza Co.

Zack enjoyed music, playing guitar, reading, drawing and writing. He liked the outdoors, hiking, rock climbing and riding his bike. He enjoyed being with his friends and family, and loved and lived life to the fullest.

Zack is survived by his mother, Linda; uncle Steve Posey; sisters Stephanie Lazano, Heather Crabtree, Roseanna Hinojosa, Joan Goodwin; brother Johnathan; father Ray Dale (Rose Marie) Goodwin, Jr.; and niece Elizabeth Lozano. He was preceded in death by his grandparents Lorine Strong and Robert Posey.

Zack demonstrated much courage and strength the last year and a half through his struggle and tribulations. He was an inspiration to everyone who knew him.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, at Dah Funeral Chapel. A luncheon will follow. Private family interment is planned at a later date. Memorial may be made to Big Sky Hospice PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107.

**Eva Lucile Smith  
Potratz**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**AUG 13 2003**

**NAMPA, Idaho — Eva Lucile Smith Potratz, 85, formerly of Treasure County, Mont., died Aug. 9, 2003, in a care facility in Nampa.**

**Viewing is from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday with services at 10 a.m. Thursday, all at the Alsip and Persons Funeral Chapel in Nampa. Burial is in the Melba Cemetery in Melba.**

## Donald C. Potter

EUREKA — Donald C. Potter, 84, died Saturday morning, Oct. 18, 2002, at his home in Eureka.

He was born July 3, 1917, in Missoula, Wash.

His wife Winifred preceded him in death in 1971.

Survivors include three daughters: Barbara Soper of Glasgow, Margaret Hester of Eureka and Joyce Lawrence of Seymour, Idaho; two sisters, Frances Johnson and Patricia Goodrich, both of Washington; and eight grandchildren.

Services were held Monday, Oct. 20, 2 p.m., at Church of God, Eureka, with Pastor Al Corrigan officiating. Interment with military honors followed in Tobacco Valley Cemetery. Visitation was from 10 a.m. until service time at the church.

Arrangements are by Nelson & Van Funeral Home in Eureka.

# Mary Juanita Potter

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GILLETTE, Wyo. — Mary Juanita Potter, 85, died Monday, July 7, 2003, at Pioneer Manor.

Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at Pioneer Manor Chapel. Visitation begins at 1 p.m. Thursday at Pioneer Manor. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home is in charge.

**DEC 30 2003****Harry K. Potthoff**

Sometime after 7 p.m. on the evening of Dec. 27, 2003, Harry K. Potthoff of Billings stopped the world and he got off.

Harry was born on Feb. 15, 1913, in Pittsburgh to Margaret and Edward Poffhoff. He attended school in Pittsburgh; Cleveland, Ohio, and graduated from high school in Johnstown, Pa.

Harry was employed by Westinghouse Corp. in Johnstown where he formed its first union.

He married Mary Neisner in Winchester, Va., on Oct. 28, 1939; she later died in child birth with their son. On Feb. 15, 1944, he married Betty Widmyer in Yuma, Ariz.

Harry then moved to Los Angeles where he went to work for the International Union of Elevator Constructors where he worked on some of the elevators in the tallest buildings in Los Angeles. Harry moved to Mission Ridge in Billings after his wife's death in 2001.

Harry is survived by his brother Bruce of Billings; stepdaughter, Joan Burk of Las Vegas and grandson, Paul Burk of Somerset, Calif.

Cremation has taken place. Inurnment will take place in Los Angeles at a later date.

Arrangements are by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

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**Betty L. Potts**

**ROSEBUD** — Betty L. Potts, 72 of Rosebud, passed away Friday May 30, 2003, at the Holy Rosary Health Center in Miles City following a three-year battle with cancer.



**BETTY POTTS**

Betty was born March 4, 1931, at Pompey's Pillar, the daughter of James and Gertrude Crenshaw Strong, one of seven children. She grew up and attended schools at Pompey's Pillar and Worden. Betty worked at Pierce Packing in Billings before spending some time in Tennessee. She returned to Pompey's Pillar where she met Bill Potts.

On Sept. 29, 1948, Betty married Bill Potts in Billings. They lived at Custer, Worden, Sheridan, Mont., and Manhattan, before moving to the Rosebud area in 1962, where they have continued to live since. Betty loved her grandchildren and family, her flowers and gardening, burn lambs and anything that involved the outdoors. She was a member of the Rosebud

Community Chapel and the Women's Outreach Ministry.

She is survived by her husband, Bill of Rosebud; her children, David (Cheri) Potts of Forsyth, Bonnie (Dave Wemmer of Wolf Point, Dian (Glenn) Robinette of Forsyth Darrell (Christi) Potts of Rosebud; 14 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Dorie (Gons) Morales of Ballantine, Patty (Don) Taylor of Roberts, and Maybelle (Charlie) Martens of Two Dot Betty was preceded in death by her son, Larry; her parents; one granddaughter; two brothers; and one sister.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, at the Beals Mortuary Chapel in Forsyth, with interment to follow in the Forsyth Cemetery. Beals Mortuary of Forsyth is assisting the family with these arrangements.

Memorials may be made to the Rosebud Community Chapel or the American Cancer Society.

## Connie F. Powell

BEAVER GAZETTE

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SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Connie F. Powell, 59, of Sheridan, died Saturday, Jan. 18, 2003, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Cremation has taken place at Kane Funeral Home and Crematory in Sheridan. Memorial services were held Thursday, Jan. 23, at Calvary Lutheran Church in Rapid City, S.D. Inurnment of cremains was in Mountain View Cemetery in Rapid City. Osheim-Catron Funeral Home of Rapid City was in charge of South Dakota arrangements.



Joseph Powell, 72, of Billings, passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2003, after fighting a long and courageous battle with COPD.

The son of Erma and Thomas Neil Powell, Joe was born on May 22, 1930, in Miles City. On Dec. 16, 1952, he married Laurain Carter in Miles City. They made their home in San Diego, returning to Miles City after his discharge from the Navy.

In 1954, Joe started working for Tractor and Equipment in Sidney. In 1960, he pioneered the first Parts and Sales Service Representative Program for T&E. During the years of 1954 and 1966, Joe transferred between the Sidney, Miles City and the Billings Stores. He became the General Parts Manager for all T&E stores in 1986. He retired in 1994 after dedicating over 40 years of his life to his career at T&E.

Besides his family, his other true love was fishing. Joe had a true gift of always finding the "hot spots" and the big fish. Joe was never at a loss for giving his advice on how to catch the biggest and the most.



**JOSEPH  
POWELL**

Joe was preceded in death by his father Thomas Neil; mother Erma; and sister Virginia Zieske; and with his death, he is reunited with his wife, Laurain, of 49 years, who passed away in January 2002.

Survivors include his son Mickey of Laurel; and his daughter Ramona Gullett and her husband Doug of Billings; his grandchildren, Wyatt Powell and Jennifer Gullett; and a brother, Cliff Powell and his wife Nancy of Billings.

Vigil services will be held at 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 2, at St. Bernard's Parish. Funeral mass will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Bernard's Parish, with Rite of Committal at Holy Cross Cemetery.

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

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

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**Joseph Loren Pratt****1937-2003**

*"First was noted the date of his birth, and then we speak of the following date with tears, but what matters most of all is the DASH between the years."*

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MISSOULA — On Thursday Nov. 27, 2003, Joe Pratt, devoted husband, father and giving friend to all who were honored to know him, passed away. His positive attitude, smiles and courage despite the disabling effects of cancer were an inspiration to all who encountered his wonderful, giving spirit.

Joe was born on April 29, 1937, in his grandfather's farmhouse on Four Mile Creek in Fairview, the oldest of four children born to Kathryn and Loren Pratt. He attended Fairview High School and graduated in 1956. He joined the National Guard and served faithfully and honorably for 23 years, retiring in 1967.

At an early age Joe started farming for neighbors and driving farm equipment for Gary Daefel and then Bud Young. He worked at the Mobil station in Fairview and then for Dan LaBonne Farms as a foreman for 17 years.

He met the love of his life, Rita Mae Bailey, and they were married on March 20, 1969, moving to the Missoula area two years later. They raised two daughters: Amy, who lives with her husband Kimbril Moore in Anchorage, Alaska, and Jami Pratt of Lynnwood, Wash.

Joe worked as manager of the Arlee Co-op and then the Standard station on Broadway before working at M&S Ready Mix, which became Western Materials. He then became superintendent of the Missoula Cemetery and also bought surplus property for the city and county, which earned him the title of "Super Saver."

Joe's retirement after 20 years with the city didn't mean that he would sit back and relax. His most enjoyable working experience was doing maintenance on equipment for his nephew, David Bailey of Bailey Built.

Joe's greatest joy was being with his family. They spent many happy times together camping, fishing, sightseeing and cross country skiing. Hunting in Montana's great outdoors was another passion.

His shop was his haven to tinker and fix things while puffing on his favorite pipe. He was an avid gardener and kept it and his lawn immaculate.

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He was preceded in death by his parents, Kathryn and Loren Pratt, and nephew, Kelly Cundiff.

He is survived by his wife of 24 years, Rita Mae; brother, Ben and Jane Pratt of Twin Falls, Idaho; sisters, Mary and Doug Cundiff of Great Falls and Nancy Larson of Minot, N.D.; nieces and nephews, Steven Pratt, Tracy Kenyon and Mindy Pratt of Twin Falls, Brandi and Steve Porter of Boise, Idaho, Lynn and Tim Smith of Minot, Larry Cundiff, Sidney, Connie and Billy Mitchell of Wyoming, David and Leslie Bailey of Minnesota, Becky and Ron Battles of Everett, Wash., and James Bailey of Boise.

Memorial services were held Wednesday at the Garden City Funeral Home. A reception followed the military graveside services. Honorary pallbearers were all his many friends and family.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to Partners in Home Care Hospice.

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# Robert L. Pratt, 72

Sauk Rapids

July 29, 1930 — Jan. 15, 2003

SAUK RAPIDS, Minn. — Robert L. Pratt was born in Boone, Iowa, on July 29, 1930. He died at his home in Sauk Rapids on Jan. 15, 2003.

Robert graduated from Roundup High School, Roundup, Mont., in 1949. He married LaVonne Pilantz in 1957. Robert served in the United States Navy from 1951 to 1955. He attended college from 1955 to 1959. He taught at Foley High School from 1959 to 1961. From 1962 to 1966, he was employed by Boeing Air Craft and then from 1966 until his retirement in January 1995, Robert was a welding instructor at St. Cloud Vocational School. He was a member of First United Methodist Church.

He loved spending time with his family and grandchildren, fishing and hunting in Montana with his son, traveling in his motor home and teaching and helping all of his welding students.

Survivors include his wife, LaVonne Pratt; son, Robert (Lori) Pratt of Elk River, Minn.; daughter, Roxanne Naef of Newport News, Va.; two granddaughters, Lindsey Pratt and Jennifer Naef; two grandsons, Jordan Pratt and

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Christopher Naef, one brother Jimmy Pratt of Leavenworth Kan. He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Allisor Pratt and brother, John Pratt.

Funeral services will be Friday, Jan. 17, at 11 a.m., at First United Methodist Church, St. Cloud. Visitation will be Thursday, Jan. 16, from 5 to 8 p.m. at Benson Funeral Home, St. Cloud, and one hour prior to the service at the church on Friday. A Masonic prayer service will be a 7 p.m. Thursday, at the funeral home. Burial will be in Miner Cemetery, Roundup. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested memorial contributions to the American Diabetes Association.

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**Haskell Prestor**

BURLINGTON, Wyo. —  
Haskell Prestor, 83, of  
Billings, died Monday, Nov. 17,  
2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare in  
Billings.

Visitation will be held one  
hour prior to services in the LDS  
Church. Funeral services will be  
at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 24, at the  
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-  
day Saints in Burlington.  
Interment will be in the  
Burlington Cemetery. Haskell  
Prestor's Home of Lovell is in  
charge.

## Betty J. Prell

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AUG - 3 2003

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Betty J. Prell, 68, of Gillette, died Friday, Aug. 1, 2003, at Campbell County Memorial Hospital.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Aug. 4, at Betty's home, 61 Nathan Hale Road in Gillette. Burial will follow in the Greenwood Cemetery in Newcastle. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

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**Lyle R. Prell**

**BORSYTH** — Lyle R. Prell, 72, died Nov. 15, 2003, at his home.

Memorial services will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Ft. McPherson Cemetery in Nebraska at a later date. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home.



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## **Magdalena Preuser**

**WOLF POINT —** Magdalena Preuser, 92, died Friday, Nov. 21, 2003, at Faith Lutheran Home in Wolf Point.

Visitation was held Monday, Nov. 24, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel with a family service at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 25, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Interment is in Greenwood Cemetery in Wolf Point.

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**Donald A. Preston**

**LINDSAY** — Donald A. Preston, 67, of Lindsay, died Sunday, March 2, 2003, at his home.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, March 7, at the chapel of the Silverdale Silha Funeral Home in Glendale. Interment will be in the Wilbur Cemetery in Wilbur.

## Carlene Pretty on Top

Carlene F. Pretty on Top, 36, of Billings passed away Jan. 29, 2003 in Denver. She had been in ill health for the past three years and was awaiting a heart transplant.

She was born May 25, 1966, in Billings, a daughter of Andrea Bird in Ground. She was raised by her grandparents, Andrew and Inez Bird in Ground in the Garryowen area and received her education in area schools.

Carlene married Bruce Pretty on Top on Aug. 23, 1983, in Crow Agency and the couple

made their home in Billings. She enjoyed modeling and collecting Native American artifacts. However, she most enjoyed traveling with her sons to numerous basketball tournaments, particularly to the Nation High school tournament in Las Vegas, where her sons were members of the second-place team.

She was a member of the Catholic Church, Whistling Water Clan and a child of the Bad War Deeds Clan.

Her grandfather, Andrew Bird in Ground; two sisters, Linda and Evelyn Bird in Ground, two brothers, Paul and Fred Deputee



**CARLENE  
PRETTY  
ON TOP**

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and a nephew, Ervin Bird in Ground, Jr. preceded Carlene in death.

Survivors include her husband, Bruce of Billings; two sons, Jalen Henry and Timothy Zane Pretty on Top of Billings; her mother, Andrea Bird in Ground of Crow Agency; her adopted parents, William and Shirley Stewart of Lodge Grass; her adopted son, Jordan White of Crow Agency; her God child, Aleigha Jade (Beth) Pretty on Top; her sisters, Hannah (Kenneth) Pretty on Top, Ernestine Bird in Ground, Paula (Vernon) Fisher and Jodene (Carl) Big Hair of Crow Agency, Junetta Jefferson of Lodge Grass, Gema Stewart and Cordellia Big Man of Hardin, Eleanor (Fred) Smart Enemy of Pryor, Barbara Bird in Ground of Billings and Elsie (Kirt) LaForge of Garryowen; her brothers, Andrew (Diana) Russell of Dunmore, Rick (Maryellen) Bird in Ground, Corey and Scott (Debbie) Russell of Garryowen, Eugene (Lydia) Bird in Ground of Benteen, Albert (Dana) Bird in Ground and Kendall (Audie) Old Horn of Hardin, Darius (Velda) Deputee, Ervin (Leslie) Bird in Ground and John Ladson of Crow Agency, Luke Spotted Bear and

C. E. R.

Gary (Jolene) Bird of Ground of Billings, Shawn Bird of Ground of Bozeman, Corey Ladson of Kansas and Daniel Big Man of Lame Deer; her uncles, Dexter (Marcelline), Frank (Agnes), William (Donna) and Adlai (Norma) Falls Down, Carl (Edwina) Venne, Ronnie (Ruby) Big Man and Art Alden; her special nieces and nephews, Elesa, Leah, Katani and Gabriel Bird of Ground; her mother and father-in-laws, Buckley (Aline) Pretty on Top of Lodge Grass; her special friends, Dr. Tom (Kathryn) Lambert and family of Billings; as well as members of her extended family including the Reed, Other Medicine, Falls Down and Bird of Ground families.

Rosary will be recited at 4 p.m. Monday in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Crow Agency St. Dennis Catholic Church. Interment will follow in the Crow Agency Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hutton has been entrusted with the arrangements.

## Mary A. Prewett

OPHEIM — On Feb. 8, 2003, Mary A. Prewett, 79, passed from this earth to a more peaceable place.

She was born Dec. 8, 1923, in Neiber, Wyo., to Earl and Helen Holland, the third of four children. She spent most of her life, and the happiest time of her life, growing up in the Big Horn Mountains of Wyoming on the home ranch along Deep Creek near Ten Sleep. She and her sister were very much at ease on horseback, exploring the sagebrush and wildlife of the mountains and pastures on the ranch. Her fondest memories were of the V, the Horse Pasture and the Rebedeaux Mountains.

She spent a brief time in Appleton City, Mo., before returning home again. It was there that she met and married a young Montana man, James A. Prewett, on Oct. 22, 1949. They rented the home ranch for several years before moving back to Montana, leasing several ranches, then purchasing a ranch on Box Canyon Creek near Fishtail. She and Jim raised their two children, Mariann and Charles, while operating a sheep and cattle ranch. A vacation usually meant a trip back to the Big Horns, a trip that always was looked forward to by the family.

Jim passed away on Oct. 22, 1967. Mary sold that ranch and

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moved to a smaller ranch in the Cooney Dam area before finally selling out in 1976. Her children grown and away on their own, Mary moved back to the Ten Sleep area, working part-time herding sheep, visiting her friends and walking the mountain meadows searching for arrowheads. She enjoyed the freedom of her youth with the wisdom of her age, always far from the lights of town.

Her health started to fail in 2000 and she moved to Opheim to be close to her daughter.

She was sometimes called "Coyote Mary" by many of the friends she grew up with in the Big Horns, and she will take a final trip back there to smell the sagebrush, hear the coyotes sing their song and to watch the deer and the antelope play.

Waiting for her in that peaceful place are her husband Jim; her parents; and one sister, Carol (Holland) Hill. Those left behind are a brother, Louis N. (Ida) Holland of Worland, Wyo.; a sister, Roberta Wood of Lander, Wyo.; two children, Charles (Kate) Prewett of Fishtail and Mariann Prewett of Opheim; and one granddaughter, Brandi Kumpula of the Marine Corps of the United States.

A summer service is planned. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge of arrangements.

## Wesley Clark Prewett

Wes Prewett, 71, left his many friends and family unexpectedly in St. Vincent Healthcare on March 10, 2003.

Wes was born May 13, 1931; on the family farm south of Fromberg near Sand Creek. He was the fourth son of Newton Alfred and Lola (Ballard) Prewett. All his school years were spent at Fromberg public schools, graduating in the class of 1949.

He went to work and live with Loren and Annabell Hill when he was in the eighth grade.

He was known as one of Annabell's kids. In the fall of 1954, he moved to the Snyder Place at Edgar. He farmed in the Edgar/Fromberg areas until he retired.

Wes married Judy Bowman on April 11, 1974. With this marriage, he became the father of Judy's three children. They farmed west of Edgar and later near Fromberg.

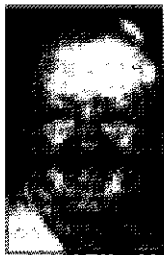
He is survived by his wife, Judy; and three children, Pat (Marilyn) Bowman of Joliet, Mike Bowman of McLeod, Brenda (Dave) Wetstein of Joliet; grandchildren, Michaela

(David) Bauwens of Bridger, Danielle and Alese Wetstein of Edgar, Cory Bowman of Joliet. He is also survived by three sisters-in-law and two brothers-in-law, many nieces, nephews and grandnieces and nephews and many, many friends.

Wes was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Jim, Frances and Ray Prewett; and nephew, Leland Prewett.

Although Wes never had any children of his own, he was the World's Best Grandpa!!!

Visitation will be held Wednesday, March 12, from 8:30 a.m. until 9 p.m. Funeral services will be Thursday, March 13, at 1 p.m., at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, with interment in Rockvale Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Edgar Fire Department, Fromberg Fire Department, the Diabetes Foundation or the charity of your choice.



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**NOV 20 2003****Daniel Price**

**MILES CITY** — Daniel Price, 46, of Miles City, died Sunday, Nov. 16, 2003, at his home, following a brief illness.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the Custer County Cemetery.

**Margaret E. Pridemore**

BUTTE — Margaret E. (Van Houten) Pridemore died Tuesday, March 11, 2003, at St. James Healthcare.

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She was born Dec. 3, 1917, on a ranch near Waco, to Loar J. and Gladys (Elliott) Van Houten. She attended the local country school at Waco. After graduation from Custer High School in 1937, she studied music theory and taught music for a number of years.

She was a charter member of the Montana Applied Music Association and the Montana State Music Association. She was an accomplished pianist with a true appreciation for the arts and classical music.

On Nov. 14, 1945, Margaret married James L. Pridemore in Miles City. They farmed and ranched in the Custer and Miles City area until coming to Butte in 1960. James preceded her in death, Aug. 16, 2000.

She was a lifelong member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and a very knowledgeable Bible student. Her many talents and creativity will be missed by all.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Chere and Robert Fugate, Butte; sister Gayle Kaiser, Butte; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Ella (Pridemore) and Calvin Smith, Colorado Springs, Colo.

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Graveside funeral services will be conducted Friday afternoon, March 14, at 1 p.m., in the Custer Cemetery, Custer. In keeping with her wishes, no other services will be conducted.

Memorials may be made to ASEP, Adventist World Radio, 2100 Old Columbia Pike, Silver Spring, MD 20904, or to a charity of the donor's choice.

**Verle Prine****MAY 02 2003**

**HARDIN** — Verle O. Prine, 87, of Hardin, passed away Wednesday, April 30, 2003, in the Big Horn County Memorial Nursing Home, following an extended illness.

He was born Dec. 18, 1915, in Hardin, the only son of Ray and Eula King Prine.

Verle married his childhood sweetheart and beloved wife of 60 years, Ione M. Barnett. They were married in Glasgow on Aug. 25, 1934. The couple lived in Big Horn County most of their married life, moving to Hardin in 1981.

He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Rod & Gun Club and a CB Club.

His wife and parents preceded him in death.

Survivors include his daughters, Linda O'Laughlin of South Dakota and Vyrla Jean (Bill) Mereness of Hardin; his son, Verle, Jr. (Penny) of Basin, Wyo.; a sister, Maxine Sullivan of Tooele, Utah; eight grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

Cremation has taken place at the Bullis-Eastern Montana Crematory. Memorial services

will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at the Bullis Funeral Chapel. A private family interment will follow in the Hardin Fairview Cemetery. Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Big Horn County Memorial Nursing Home entertainment fund or memorial of one's choice. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

**David Perry Puchalski**

LAS VEGAS — David Perry Puchalski, 45, of Las Vegas, formerly of Billings, died Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2003, at his home, of an apparent heart attack.

Arrangements pending at Glacier Memorial Gardens in Kalispell, Mont. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home of Kalispell is in charge.

## **Jeff Puente**

**HARDIN** — Jeff Puente, 33, of Hardin, died Monday, Feb. 24, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare.

Cremation has taken place at Cremation or Funeral Gallery. A memorial will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, March 1, at the Royal Big Horn Lodge in Fort Smith.

**JAN 26 2003****Faye Thomas Kimball  
Pugh**

**FORSYTH —** Faye Pugh, 85, died Jan. 24, 2003, of leukemia in Tomball, Texas, while visiting family.

Visitation is from noon to 6 p.m. Friday at Beals Mortuary Chapel in Forsyth. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Forsyth Federated Church with burial in the Forsyth Cemetery.

# Faye Thomas Kimball Pugh

FORSYTH — Faye Pugh, 85, of Forsyth, passed away unexpectedly from leukemia on Jan. 24, 2003, in Tomball, Texas, while visiting family during the holidays.

Faye was born July 8, 1917, in Forsyth, the daughter of Bill and Edna Kirby Thomas. She attended schools in Colstrip, graduating from Colstrip High School in 1935. In 1937, Faye married Donald Kimball, and they make their home in Colstrip until 1953 when they moved to Forsyth. They owned and operated the Range Motel in Forsyth for many years. Following Don's death in 1977, Faye sold the motel and worked for the City of Forsyth Water Department until her retirement.

In 1980, Faye married Glynn "Kat" Pugh. They spent their winters in St. George, Utah, where they enjoyed playing golf and being with good friends. Summers were spent enjoying friends and family in Forsyth. Following Glynn's death in 1994, Faye has continued to live in Forsyth.

Faye loved to play cards and



FAYE PUGH

WILLINGS GAZETTE  
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she cherished the friends she played bridge with and the many fun trips they took together. She was a devoted member of the Federated Church and looked forward to the Golden Girl's luncheon every Friday. Faye took great pride in her home and garden, and had a passion for flowers. Friends and family were drawn to her home and all were welcomed with love. She dearly loved children and those who called her "Grandma Faye" held a special place in her heart.

She is survived by her son, Leonard (Mary Ann) Kimball of Omaha, Neb.; two daughters, Donna (Dan) Meisburger of San Jose, Calif., Jean (Dick) Eyler of Magnolia, Texas; grandsons, Robert and Thomas Eyler, Stephen and Scott Meisburger; great-grandson, Bobby (Krystal) Eyler; sister-in-law, Ruth Watson of Forsyth; nephews, Dale (Rita) Watson, Lee (Carol) Watson; nieces, Lavina (John) Lubines, Della Beth Rossman; sister-in-law, Mary Lou Thomas of Arlington Virginia, nephews, Bill Thomas, Bobby Thomas; and niece Patty Thomas Beck. Also surviving are her special and loving stepdaughters, Jean (Berniel) Evenson, Dixie (Earl) Cozzens, Sherry (Dick) Thomas, Toy Rolston, and Kitty Pugh. Faye

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was preceded in death by her husbands, Donald Kimball Glynn and John, as well as her brother Leonard Edwin Thomas.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, at the Forsyth Federated Church. Interment will follow at the Forsyth Cemetery. Visitation will be held at Beals Mortuary Chapel, Friday, Jan. 31, from noon to 6 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the Federated Church in Forsyth, the Rosebud Health Care Center, or the charity of choice. Beals Mortuary of Forsyth is assisting the family with these arrangements.

**Rachel J. Pugh**

GLASGOW — Rachel J. Pugh, 81, of Glasgow, died Thursday, Oct. 2, 2003, at Valley View Nursing Home in Glasgow.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, at First United Methodist Church. Interment will be in Highland Cemetery. Her secretary of Glasgow is in



**MAY 6, 2003**

**Kimberly Jo Pulse**

**PLENTYWOOD** — Kimberly Jo Pulse, 39, of Alexander, N.D., formerly of Scobey, died Monday, May 3, 2003, at Trinity Regional Medical Center in Billings, N.D., of pneumonia.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, at Fulkerson Memorial Chapel in Plentywood. Interment was in Scobey City Cemetery.

## Kip E. Parlaton

RAWLINS, Wyo. — Kip "Buddy" E. Parlaton, 43, of Rawlins, member of Red Lodge, Mont. Elks Lodge, died Saturday, Sept. 14, 1963, at his father's home in Gillette.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at the Elks Lodge in Rawlins. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

**GLENDIVE** — Vernon Harold Purvis Sr., 81, died on Nov. 29, 2003, at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive. A Vigil Service will be 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, in the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Mass of Christian Burial will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, in Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Glendive with Fr. Joseph Ponessa officiating. Rite of Committal with military honors will be in the Dawson County Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with the arrangements.

Vernon was born on Oct. 2, 1922, in Beach, N.D., the son of Harry and Lila (Crawford)

## Vernon Harold Purvis Sr.

**Purvis.** The family moved to Glendive while Vernon was a child, and he received his education there. Vernon entered the U.S. Army on Jan. 7, 1943, at Fort Douglas, Utah. He served during WWII in the Pacific Theater. Vernon was awarded the Bronze Star, the WWII Victory Medal, as well as several other medals. Vernon married Logeria "Lory" Capa on June 24, 1945, in the Philippine Islands. He was honorably discharged from the military on Jan. 15, 1946, in Luzon, Philippines. Vernon



### VERNON PURVIS

entered the merchant marines where he served until returning to Glendive in 1948. Vernon worked for L.P. Anderson in Glendive and later for the Burlington Northern Railroad until his retirement in 1968. Following his retirement Vernon started his own construction business, "Purvis Construction." Vernon was a life member of the VFW and Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive. Vernon loved to ride motorcycles, fishing, hunting, agate hunting and being with his grandchildren and great grandchildren. He especially enjoyed watching old westerns on television.

Vernon was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Grace Risser, one daughter

Lucille; and one grandson, Jared Scheitlin.

Survivors include his wife Logeria of Glendive; three daughters, Lyla Scheitlin and her husband, Pete of Glendive, Lorraine Shultz and her husband, John of Alpina, Mich., and Linda Bishop and her husband, Greg of Denver/Phoenix; three sons, Vernon Purvis, Jr. of Livingston, Harry Purvis and his wife, Peggy of Las Vegas, and David Purvis and his wife, Gen of Las Vegas; one sister, Rose Vaage of Kalispell; 13 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren; numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at [www.silverdale-silhafuneral-home.com](http://www.silverdale-silhafuneral-home.com).

**Waldo Post**

**SAVAGE** — Waldo Post, 84, of Savage, died Tuesday, March 25, 2003, at the Sidney Health Center.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, March 31, at the Yellowstone Community Church in Savage. Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery. Fullerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

## **Bernard Pustek**

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Bernard "Bernie" Pustek, 63, died Sunday, July 20, 2003, at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Sheridan of natural causes.

A vigil service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 23, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Visitation will be from 9 to 11 a.m. prior to the vigil service. Burial will be at a later date in the Gillette-Mt. Pisgah Cemetery. A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 8:15 a.m. Monday, Aug. 11, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Griffith, Ind.

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**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUL 23 2003**

# Gregory James Puzio

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Gregory James Puzio, 49, of Billings, died following a heart attack at his home, Sunday night, March 23, 2003.

Greg was born in Billings on April 2, 1953, the son of John and Lenore Puzio. He attended Senior



**GREGORY  
PUZIO**

High and enjoyed all sports, especially baseball. He loved to play his guitar and sing western music.

Greg worked for Barry O'Leary prior to joining the Marines. After his discharge, he worked for KM Construction and later for Frost Construction in Lovell.

Survivors include his parents, John and Lenore; a daughter, Theresa; a nephew, Jason; and one grandson. Greg was preceded in death by his sister, Sheila Puzio, who died June 5, 1983.

Visitations will be from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursday, March 27, at Smith Downtown Chapel. Cremation will take place and a memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, March 31, at the Smith Downtown Chapel.

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**Sandi Pyburn**

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Sandi Pyburn, 43, died Saturday, Dec. 13, 2003, at her home. The cause of death is not yet determined.

Private family services will be held. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.



**Vars J. Pyler**

**THIRD BORN** — Vars J. Pyler, 83, of Three Forks, died Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2003, in Bozeman.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at the Three Forks United Methodist Church. Interment will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, in the Sunset Gardens Cemetery in Belgrade. K & L Mortuary Chapel of Three Forks is in charge.

**MAR 22 2003****Bob Pyock**

Bob Pyock, 82, passed away Wednesday, March 19, 2003, at St. Vincent Healthcare.

Bob was born Jan. 31, 1921, a son of Paul and Ellen Pyock. He has lived all of his

life in the Billings area. He spent his last number of years at the Billings Health and Rehabilitation Community. He went to school at Shepherd and Progressive Schools. He was a shoe shiner of the Palace Barbershop for many years. He loved baseball, never missed a Billings Mustang game and spent many hours talking about baseball.

He is survived by two sisters, Ruby Skinner and Helen Kuntz; a nephew, Joe Mitchell; and a niece, Rozann Jackson, all of Billings.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and two sisters.

**BOB  
PYOCK**

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Services will begin 3 p.m.  
Saturday, March 22, at  
Micheletti-Sawyer Mortuary.  
Prayer services will be 5 p.m.  
Sunday, March 23, at St.  
Nicholas Orthodox Church.  
Funeral services will be held at  
St. Nicholas Orthodox Church at 11  
a.m. Sunday, March 23.  
The Rev. Fr. Nicholas  
Orthodox Priest, 1015 Lewis  
Avenue, will officiate.  
Burial will be in  
St. Nicholas Orthodox Church  
Cemetery. Contributions  
may be made to St. Nicholas  
Orthodox Church to charities  
and to the church.