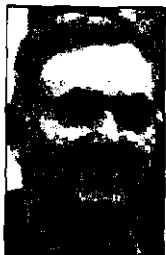


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ASHLAND — Wallace L. Cain Sr., age 71, of Ashland, passed away on Sunday, Sept. 26, 2004, at the Parkview Care Center in Billings.

Wallace "Wally" was born in Lame Deer on Feb. 23, 1933, the son of Leslie "Bud" and Edith (Spang) Cain. He grew up in the Lame Deer and Poplar area and graduated from Colstrip High School.



**WALLY
CAIN**

Following his graduation, Wally entered the United States Navy on Nov. 2, 1952. Wally was honorably discharged from the Navy on Nov. 6, 1956. After his service, he married Mary Meek. To this union, they had five children. Wally was involved with construction work, so the family made several moves throughout the west and north-west regions until settling in Poplar in 1969. Following his divorce with Mary, he moved to Lame Deer and Ashland.

During this time, he met Susie Tallwhiteman, who was the love of his life until his passing.

Wally was involved in construction for the majority of his working career. He worked as a maintenance man at the Fort Peck Community College until his

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retirement. Wally was able to start and complete his own "Little House on the Prairie" in Poplar. Wally enjoyed the outdoors, he liked to team and calf rope, he liked to hunt, but most of all, he enjoyed fishing.

Wally is survived by his wife Susie Tallwhiteman of Ashland; his five sons, Jerry Cain and his wife Kathy of Garrison, N.D., Craig Cain and his wife Kitty of Poplar, Nick Cain and his wife Kim of Bismarck, N.D., Wally Jr. Cain and his wife Nancy of Forsyth, and Frank Eagle and his wife Stephanie of Poplar; his two daughters, Candy Jemtrude and her husband Chuck of Rugby, N.D., Patty Manning and her husband Alan of Culbertson; his stepchildren, Jim Wilsey of Colstrip, Frank Wilsey and his wife Lisa of Billings, and Tina Fryberg and her husband David of Washington; his brothers, Winfield Cain of Washington, Harry Cain and his wife Elaine of Hardin; his sisters, Donna Claseman of Washington and Arlene Skinner of Alaska; and 21 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Wally is preceded in death by his parents, Leslie "Bud" and Edith Cain; his brother, Leslie Cain Jr., and his wife Alvina.

Wally was loved and will be missed by all his family.

Wake Service will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 29, from 7 p.m. to midnight, at the St. Labre Catholic Church in Ashland. Funeral service will be held on Thursday, Sept. 30, at 11 a.m., at the St. Labre Catholic Church in Ashland.

Condolences may be sent to the family be visiting www.stevensonandsons.com.

Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Forsyth is in charge of these arrangements.

MAY 14, 2004

Leslie A. Calder

BROADVIEW — Leslie A. Calder, beloved son of Nettie Fleming, who predeceased him, and Lorne Fleming of Calgary, Alberta, brother of Lois DeBoer and Gordon Calder, also of Calgary, father of Alexa Calder, of Washington State, and fiancé of Virginia Wilson, of Billings.



**LESLIE
CALDER**

Through a lengthy illness, Les kept his spirits and his marvelous sense of humor but succumbed on Wednesday, May 12, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic, in Billings.

Born June 19, 1941, in Nokomis, Saskatchewan, Les is remembered by many across North America for his career as a professional hockey player and coach. He first came to Billings as General Manager and Coach of the Billings Bighorns in 1979 and later settled in Broadview, where he has been proprietor of the Homestead Inn.

Memorial will be at Smith's West Chapel, 304 34th St. West, Billings, 3 p.m. Saturday, May 15, with celebration of life following at Montana Chad's, 3953 Montana Ave., Billings.

Les's family wishes to convey their heartfelt thanks to Dr. Roge Santala, MD, and the other physicians and nursing staff at Deaconess, who cared for Les with professionalism and love in these last difficult months.

No flowers, please. Donations to American or Canadian Cancer Society.

Rue V. Cale

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 15 2004

WIBAUX — Rue V. Cale, 66, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 2004, at his home in Wibaux.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2004, at the Calvary Temple Assembly of God Church in Wibaux. Interment will be in the Wibaux Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Wibaux is entrusted with arrangements.

Richard 'Dick' Calhoun

SEP 12 2004

BILLINGS GAZETTE

ABSAROOKEE — Richard "Dick" Calhoun, 69, of Absarokee, Mont., passed away peacefully while fishing at Tongue River Reservoir on Sept. 7, 2004.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m., Monday, Sept. 13, at the Nye Community Church Nye, Mont.

Dick was born June 8, 1935, in Vernon County, Wis., to William and Ida (Burus) Calhoun. Dick married Lorna Sisbach on Nov. 10, 1956, in Vernon County, where their four children were born. They moved to Dubuque, Iowa, in 1958, where Dick worked for the Eska Company until 1959. He then worked for the Dubuque Packing Co. until 1981.

Dick married Jacquelin "Davis" Scheitzach on April 13, 1974, in Hanover, Ill. They lived in LaMatte, Iowa, until they moved to Fishtail, Mont., in May of 1982. He worked for Wally Thompson in 1982, then worked for The Heyeman Ranch until 1993, where he then worked for J.O. Miller until his retirement.

He was a charter member of the Bellevue Saddle Club in Bellevue, Iowa, and was also a



**RICHARD
CALHOUN**

member of The Fraternal Order of the Eagles. His lifelong dream was to live in Montana — "The Big Sk Country" — and do what he loved to do, and that was to be a "cow boy." It took him until the age of 4 to do that. He also loved to camp and fish.

He was a terrific husband, father, uncle and friend to all who ever met him. He will always be "Our Legendary Montana Cowboy."

He is survived by his wife Jackie; six children, Randy (Reiko) of Japan, Debra Nemmers of Dubuque, Iowa, Beth (Steve) Weimerskirch of Bellevue, Iowa, Mark Calhoun of Bellevue, Iowa, Scott (Michelle) Scheitzach of Spanaway, Wash., and Steve (Sue) Scheitzach of Lakewood, Wash.; 13 grandchildren, Nicolas, Eric, Trent, Tyler Weimerskirch, Ashley, Audrey, Adam Calhoun, Miranda Scheitzach, Stephen, Brent, Emma Scheitzach, and Masahiro, Kazumi and Minamide; and 2 great-grandchildren Yuki, Rina.

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

Memorials can be sent to the Absarokee Volunteer Fire Department, Absarokee, Mont.

Lt. Colonel Margaret M. Lynch Callan (Retired)

THE NEWS GAZETTE

JUN 30 2004

MOUNT DORA, Fla. — Margaret Lynch Callan, known and beloved by family and friends as "Peggy," went to be with the Lord on Jan. 6, 2004.



**MARGARET
CALLAN**

She and husband James J. Callan had lived in Mount Dora for some 20 years, moving there from Minneapolis after Margaret retired as Lt. Colonel from the U.S. Air Force Nurse Corps. and James retired as an Aeronautical Engineer from Honeywell Corporation. Margaret was buried with full military honors in Franklin, Mass., where the Callan Family lives. A funeral Mass at St. Patrick's Church in Mount Dora and a reception and lunch for family and friends preceded her final trip to Massachusetts for burial. Her brother Patrick and Lois Lynch of California, with their two daughters, Erin and Shannon from Virginia, represented the Lynch family.

Margaret was the firstborn of Hugh and Agnes Lynch, pioneer ranchers on the Rosebud Creek in Rosebud County, Mont., where

Hugh's parents established the original Lynch Ranch.

Margaret attended elementary and high schools in Montana and earned her RN degree through Loyola University and its affiliated training hospital in Chicago. She then worked at various hospitals around the Western United States to include the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation Hospital at Lame Deer, Mont.

Margaret entered the U.S. Army Air Corps as Second Lt. and served as an Air Evacuation Flight Nurse during the latter half of WWII, the Korean War and Vietnam War. She was the first uniformed woman to land at Iwo Jima during the thick of combat operations in the Pacific Theater. She received multiple awards of the Bronze Star during her Military Career as well as several Air Medals including one awarded for 800 flight hours over the Pacific Ocean under combat conditions. She earned the Commendation Ribbon for outstanding service as Staff and

Chief Nurse at USAF hospitals in France, Germany and Alaska. While serving as a Captain in Germany in 1956, both her brother Patrick and her brother-in-law, Buzz Grosvenor were also serving as Captains in Germany. She retired with more than 20 years of active service. Her brother Patrick continued on in the U.S. Army to the rank of Colonel at retirement after 29 years active duty.

Margaret is survived by her brother Patrick Hugh Lynch and sister Claire Lynch Womack. The Lynches live in Palm Desert, Calif. Their son, Patrick Hugh Lynch III and wife Michelle O'Brien Lynch live in Camarillo, Calif. Daughter Erin works and lives in Reston, Va. Major Shannon Lynch, Physical Therapy at Fort Belvoir, Va, where she resides with husband Peter McCrossin of Brisbane, Australia, and their children Madelyn and Jack. Margaret's sister, Claire and her husband Ray Womack, live in rural interior Alaska East of Fairbanks.

Margaret was preceded in death by her sister, Eileen Lynch Grosvenor in March 1999; Eileen's husband, Vernon ("Buzz")

Grosvenor continues to live in Renton, Wash. Their daughter Call Grosvenor Nyreen with husband Mick Nyreen live in nearby Bothell. Call's children, Nicholas and Gina Scott, work and attend college in Southern California. This notice of Margaret's passing is meant for all her siblings, relatives, friends and extended family living in Montana, Colorado, several other states in the USA and the Republic of Ireland. Margaret's caring and loving nature reached out to include us all.

STATE BILL

MAR 30 2004

Dr. Esther Dean Callard

Dr. Esther Dean Callard died comfortably on March 24, 2004. The mother of Jeff (Bobbie Chater) Callard and Mary Callard (Robert) Bohman, she was the adored grandmother of Tom (Sagrario) Callard, Genevieve Callard and Anna Katherine Bohman (Jeremy) Nentwig and great-grandson Seager Thomas Nentwig.

Esther was born in Detroit on March 14, 1917. She married her high school sweetheart, Thomas Jefferson Callard, on the 11th day of April, 1936. The couple lived in Detroit, where they finished their schooling, worked and raised their children. Esther earned her BS and M.Ed. at Wayne State University and was "Outstanding College of Education Graduate" when she received her Ph.D. from the University of Michigan.

From nursery school teacher to chair of the Department of Family and Consumer Resources at Wayne State University, Dr. Callard's career was concerned with the field of child development. In addition, she lectured and was later part-time faculty member at the Merrill-Palmer Institute, consultant to P.A.C.T., OEO Headstart consultant, expert witness, etc.

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Esther combined her quest for knowledge and love of travel by working and studying abroad. She spent a year (with house-husband Tom) as UNESCO Field Expert in Bechuanaland (now Botswana) and was later Peace Corps Botswana Project Consultant. She also studied children in Hong Kong, Japan, Thailand, the Republic of China and Denmark.

Memorials to UNESCO or Wayne State University, Detroit.

A private family memorial service will be held at a later time. Cremation has taken place. Smith Funeral Chapels is in charge of arrangements.

MAR 17 2004**Wilfred V. Calovis**

COLUMBUS — Wilfred V. Calovis, 82, of Columbus, died Sunday, March 14, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 20, at the Columbus Evangelical Church. A reception will follow at the Whitebird School.

Smith Funeral Chapel is in charge of cremation.

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Patricia Grant Calvert

LAUREL — Patricia Grant Calvert was born in Missoula, on Feb. 16, 1930, to Floyd and Virginia Small. She grew up in Helena and after graduating from high school she attended Stephens College in Missoula for two years, followed by two years at the University of Montana.

On Sept. 9, 1950, she married Campbell C. Calvert. They had three children, Chris, Tabitha and Grant. In addition to raising children and a variety of pets, she enjoyed gardening and helped Campbell at the Laurel Outlook and enjoyed music and was an avid reader.

She lived in Laurel until her husband's death in 1998, after which she moved to Lavina where she lived until 2003. She

returned to Laurel, where she resided at Tender Nest until she died on June 27, 2004. While at Tender Nest, she had enjoyed gardening in the flower boxes on the patio and on her windowsill.

Patricia was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Mike Small; her husband; her son Grant; and her brother-in-law Matthew Calvert.

Survivors include her son Chris (Pat) Calvert of California her daughter, Tabitha Calvert of Lavina; and stepmother Priscilla Small of California; and sister-in-law Barbara Calvert of Laurel.

Memorial services will be held Friday, July 2, at 2 p.m., at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel.

Memorials are suggested to the Lavina Volunteer Fire Department or charity of choice.

Margaret L. Camacho

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 09 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Margaret L. "Marti" Camacho, 50, of Sheridan, died Monday, May 30, 2004, at her home.

At her request, cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 9, at First Christian Church in Sheridan. Champion Ferries Funeral Home is in charge.

AUG 6 - 2004

Gail Cammack (nee Hughes), was born July 18, 1915 at Boyd, on the family farm, and died July 31, 2004, in Minneapolis.

She attended Carbonado & Boyd School and graduated from Joliet High School. Gail and Ray

were high school sweethearts and rode their horses together to high school in Joliet from their family farms in Boyd. Raymond and Gail were mar-



**GAIL
CAMMACK**

ried Dec. 6, 1936, at Boyd Methodist Church. They celebrated 67 years of marriage in Minneapolis, where they recently resided. The Cammack's farmed in the Boyd, Belfry and Joliet areas. In 1972, they moved to Billings.

Survived by husband, Raymond; four children, Glenna Rae (Jim) Alevizos, Curtis, Mary Kay (Byron) Brought and Richard (Jo); sister, Bessie Hull; sister-in-law, Violet (Ken) Schneider; grandchildren, Mark Alevizos, Kally (Tom) Youngdahl, Deanna Alevizos, Beth (Glen) Kutzera, Carol Phares, Lisa Cammack, Byron (Kristen) Brought, Andrew (Kristen) Brought, Heather (Greg) Cammack-Bentivenga; 13

great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by parents, Myrtle (Lowe) and Homer Hughes; siblings, Laurence, Burl, Homer, Jr., Tom, Dean, Nettie Cunningham, Pauline Cammack and Mildred.

Gail had many interests: cooking, gardening and square dancing. She had a career in sales and assisted Ray in his sales career.

Service Saturday, Aug. 7, at 11 a.m., Joliet Christian Church, Joliet. Visitation Friday, Aug. 6, 4 to 7 p.m., Dahl Funeral Home, 10 Yellowstone Ave., Billings. Interment, Rockvale Cemetery.

Flora Alice Cameron 1878 ~~1878~~ 8/18/1918 — 3/5/2004

MAR 4 2004

Flora Alice Cameron, of Billings, formerly of Gardiner.

Daughter of Hannah Taylor and Vernon Johnson, she was born in Great Falls. The family ranched on Bitter Creek, Pryor Creek, and lived in Billings, with many summers spent in the Jardine area. She graduated from Billings Senior High School and Billings Polytechnic Institute.



**FLORA
CAMERON**

Flora Alice Cameron

In February 1942, she married Donald "Neil" Cameron and after the war, they settled in Gardiner to raise their children. Flora was a professional businesswoman, retiring from Yellowstone Park Service Stations when she was 80.

Flora liked to cook, read, travel and tend to her flower gardens. She was called "the Sweet Pea Lady." She lived by the principles she taught her children: to think of others first, never to feel sorry for yourself and that we each have a responsibility to help those who need help. She was generous with her

money, her time, her smile and her many kindnesses. She loved her family unreservedly, and children were her special joy.

Her parents, sister Verna, her brother Bill and her husband Neil preceded her in death. Survivors include her

daughter, Diane Cameron (J.D. Frelinger); her son, Don (Lisa); grandchildren, David (Heather), Nicole (Dan), Leland and Denise; step-grandchildren, B.J., Yolanda, Tarquin, Graeson and Bella; brothers, Earl (Carol), Clarence, Warren (Sue), Ralph and Lloyd; sister Charlotte; sister-in-law, Mary Patterson; brother-in-law Jim Johnston; as well as many beloved nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank the staffs of Lincoln Lane Assisted Living and Billings Health and Rehab for her care after moving to Billings.

Flora spent her final days at St. John's, where she was nurtured as she had nurtured others. We, her family, are at a loss for words to express our gratitude for the type of care she was given at St. John's.

We would also like to thank Mother's friends and neighbors in Gardiner who helped her live where she wanted to for as long as she could.

MAR 9 2004

Should you wish, memorials can be sent to: Gardiner Ambulance Service, Gardiner, MT 59030, or St. Labre Indian School, Tongue River Road, Ashland, MT 59004.

Flora died as she had lived: quietly, with grace and dignity.

Private family services are planned.

Flora Alice
CAMERON

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Clara Campbell

BASIN, Wyo. — Clara Moffett McNay Campbell, 95, of Basin, died Thursday, March 11, 2004, at the Wyoming Retirement Center in Basin.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, March 15, at the United Methodist Church in Basin. Burial will follow in the Mount View Cemetery in Basin. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc., of Basin, are in charge.

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MAR 12 2004

~~BILLINGS TRIBUNE~~
MAY 10 2004

Donald D. Campbell

Donald D. Campbell, 85, of Billings, passed away Thursday, May 6, 2004. He was born and raised in West Concord, Minn., and attended the University of Minnesota. Donald also served in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

He came to Billings in the late 1940s and went to work for Carter Oil Company, later renamed Exxon Oil Company. He retired as Senior Office Assistant. He married Janet Hardt on July 18, 1958, in Billings.

Donald enjoyed fishing and camping. He was a charter member of the Mayflower Congregational Church and was involved with the American Legion, the Special K Ranch and the Billings Kiwanis Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Lisa Campbell; two sisters, Elena Weint and Pauline Westlund; and a brother, Robert Campbell. He is survived by four sons, Kevin and Ross of Billings, Wade of Eastsound, Wash., and Jase of Monument, Colo.; grandchildren, Andrew, Erin and Ryan; several nieces and nephews, including

Milton and Phillip Westlund; an also special caregiver and friend Bonnie Aitchison.

Family and friends are invited to attend a gathering at the home of Jane Roth Fusz, 2934 Beec from 2-5 p.m. on Saturday, May 15. Memorials are suggested to the Special K Ranch. Smit Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

APR 14 2004

MALTA — Eugene L. "Tag" Campbell, 39, died Friday, April 9, 2004, in an automobile accident near Hinsdale.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 20, at the Little White Church in Malta. Interment of his ashes will be at a later date in the Mountain View Cemetery in Butte. Adams Funeral Home and Crematory of Malta are in charge.

Gayle O. Campbell

SEP 8 2004

BILLINGS GAZETTE

GLENDIVE — Gayle O. Campbell, 69, passed away Saturday, Sept. 4, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center.

Visitation begins at 10 a.m. Tuesday with services at 2 p.m. Wednesday, all at Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home.

Kenneth Leigh Campbell

Former Powell resident Kenneth Leigh Campbell died Tuesday, Aug. 31 at St. Francis Hospital in Indianapolis, Ind. He was 53.

He was born March 10, 1951, in New Kensington, Pa. He married Ruth Amend Campbell on June 20, 1975, in Aurora, Colo. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

He worked at Dick Jones Trucking in Powell for 10 years.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth of Greenwood, Ind.; two daughters, Erica Campbell of Billings, Mont., and Rachel Campbell of Greenwood, Ind.; his step-mother, Nona Campbell of Denver; and a brother, Les Campbell of Springfield, Mo.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Donald Leigh Campbell and Shirley Campbell.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Southwood Assembly of God in Indianapolis. Burial will be at the Marion National Cemetery.

Malcolm Craig Campbell

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 13 2004

Malcolm C. Campbell, 57, of Billings, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2004, at his residence, after a courageous battle against cancer.

Malcolm was born Aug. 6, 1946, in Casper, Wyo., the son of Malcolm L. "Bud" and Patricia L. (Fero) Campbell.

He attended the University of Wyoming, where he received a BA in history and BS in geology.

Malcolm entered the United States Army in 1968 and served in Vietnam from 1969 to 1970. He was awarded the Bronze Star and Silver Star. In 1970, Malcolm was transferred to the United States Army Reserve and was honorably discharged in 1974.

In May of 1993, he married the love of his life, Natalia Belikova. Malcolm worked for Petroleum-Geologist up until his illness forced him to retire. His passions were classical music and Russian history.

Malcolm was preceded in death by his mother. He is survived by his wife Natalia; and stepson Nikita Belikov; his father, Malcolm "Bud" Campbell; sister Celia (Vern) Urion of Sheridan, Wyo.; also niece Lisha (Stan) Oliveira and their son Malcolm of Hilo, Hawaii.

Memorials may be sent to Billings Sky Hospice, Box 35033, Billings MT 59107.

Memorial service to be held 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16, at the Cremation or Funeral Gallery. Reception following at 4:30 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 934 Lewis Av.

Raymond D. Campbell

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 09 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Raymond D. Campbell, 80, of Sheridan, Wyo., died Saturday, Nov. 6, 2004, at his home.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, at the First United Methodist Church. Interment will be in the Elks Section of Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

Viola Elizabeth Campeau

1922-2004

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 22 2004

Viola Elizabeth Campeau, the beloved Cheyenne Nightingale, died on Jan. 20, 2004, at her sister Ethel's home in Minneapolis.

Viola was born June 17, 1922, in Star Prairie County, Minn., to Joseph and Emma (Dulon) Campeau. Viola graduated from Edison High School in 1941 and from New Ulm, Minn., School of Nursing in 1951. After receiving her nursing degree, she accepted a Marquette Indian League volunteer placement in 1954 to St. Michael's Indian School in Arizona. In 1957 she was posted to St. Labre Mission in Ashland where she renewed her yearly commitment until she felt it was truly her home.

On June 23, 1970, Viola affiliated with the Province of St. Joseph of the Capuchin Order. Since childhood, Viola had been hard of hearing. She was proud when she acquired "Charmin," the first hearing guide dog in Montana. Charmin helped Viola 24 hours a day by alerting her when someone came to the door at night or the phone rang. Viola successfully lobbied Congress to pass a bill making it legal for a hearing aide dog to accompany its owner on public transportation and to public museums and national parks.

On March 30, 1981, a bill introduced by Rep. Tom Asay was

enacted by the 47th Montana Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Ted Schwinden.

In addition to her job teaching kindergarten, Viola opened a small clinic at St. Labre, which then consisted of odds and ends of antiquated medications such as mutton fat ointment, homemade bandages and two thermometers. No doctor came to the school and the nearest health clinic was 21 miles away at Lame Deer. From 1957 to 1965, Viola averaged 60 patients a day including school students and ranch families.

A devout Catholic, she nursed people suffering from life-threatening burns, car accident injuries and diseases such as hepatitis, tuberculosis, diphtheria, meningitis, typhoid and cholera. Finally she contacted Dr. Ross Lemire, an internist in Billings, who kindly told her to call him any time for prescriptions and diagnosis. Viola was forever grateful for his help.

During her early years at St. Labre, her dearest friend and mentor was Fintan Schaub. She

had the honor to nurse him in his last illness. Father Emmett Hoffmann and other priests also called upon Viola's help while recovering from numerous illnesses. The energetic nurse helped many people back to good health with her kind bedside manner. She endeared herself to the Northern Cheyenne and to area ranching families when she prayed with them at the death beds of relatives. Her soothing manner helped many to accept the death of their loved ones in tragic accidents or in lingering terminal illnesses.

Viola dedicated all of her adult life to the poor and grieving. In the fall of 1998, Viola and a friend went to pick berries at Crazy Head Springs. She never dreamed that it would be her last walk in the Cheyenne hills. A

week later, Viola went to the Ashland Post Office to get her mail. As she walked from the post office to the bank, she was struck down by a cement truck. The truck driver didn't know

what he had hit until he looked into his rear view mirror. He was horrified to see Viola's crumpled body.

Miraculously, Viola came

home after nearly 90 days in a coma and after the amputation of her leg. During her hospital stay, friends Butch and Lena (White Dirt) Sooktis were of great support and comfort, as was Father Emmett Hoffmann, who vowed to take care of her as she had taken care of him.

For seven years Father unselfishly cared for Viola until they both moved into the new Heritage Living Center in Ashland. Nearly every day Viola had visits from students and from Cheyenne friends who kept a special place in their hearts for their cherished nurse. She loved the Center and continued to watch over Father Emmett after he had several surgeries.

Viola and her family were happy to see Viola's life highlighted in Father Emmett's recently published biography, "Renegade Priest of the Northern Cheyenne." No two friends were more devoted than Father and his old nurse, Viola Campeau.

Viola was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Pearl, Lola, Alvern, Doris, and brother, Larry. She is survived by brothers, Tom and Jim; sisters, Ethel Cameron, Eva Lofgren and Marion Nelson; nieces, Laurie (Bill) Ducharme, Sherrie Campcau, Debby Horvath, and numerous nieces and nephews.



**VIOLA
CAMPEAU**

Viola Elizabeth Campeau

THE BILLINGS GAZET

JAN 22 2004

She leaves special friends, Butch and Lena Sooktis, Boon Phieng, Irene and Ingrid Duke, Adele Doughty, Alice and Frank Huller, Eva Foote, Robert and Delores Bement, Jeannie Haugen, Clarence Spotted Wolf, Ella Holmes, Mary Jane Robinson, Star Fulmer, Lorraine Robinson, Chris Murline, Fr. Bertin Samsa, Capuchin, Fr. Ruport Dorn, Capuchin, Anthony Scannel, Capuchin, Anna Antelope and many more friends too numerous to mention. Viola will be buried in the St. Labre Cemetery in Ashland on Jan. 24 at 1 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please send contributions to Soaring Eagle for the Heritage Living Center, P.O. Box 879, Billings, MT 59103.

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Olga Capriles

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

Olga Capriles, 80, of Billings, passed from this earth quietly in her sleep at Valley Nursing Home on Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2004.

She was born in San German, Puerto Rico, on March 17, 1923.

Most of Olga's life was spent in New York until she moved to Billings in 1979 to be near her son, Alden Gonzalez.

She is survived by a sister, Maida Magliaro of New York; two sons, William Longoria of Connecticut, Alden, his wife Nina (Krause) Gonzalez; and granddaughter Heather of Laurel.

Cremation has taken place. A private family service will be held later. Memorials may be made to a charity of ones' choice.

Arrangements are by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

FEB 19 2004

Leslie Candee

**SEP 10 2004
BELLINGS GAZETTE**

POPLAR — Leslie "Les" Candee, 78, of Poplar, died Thursday, Sept. 9, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center Extended Care Facility.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 13, at the Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Sidney. Burial will be in the Richland Memorial Park Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12, and one hour before services at the church. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

Lillian Candee

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 24 2004

SOUTH POPLAR — Lillian Candee, 79, of South Poplar, died Tuesday, June 22, 2004, at her home.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 25, at the Lonsdale United Methodist Church in Sidney. Interment will be in the Richland Memorial Park Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

Aloysius R. Caplett, Sr.,

CROW AGENCY — Aloysius R. Caplett, Sr., 58, of Crow Agency passed away Saturday Oct. 23, 2004 in the Crow Agency IHS Hospital, following complications from a stroke.

Biliichc'i'ihel-iaii'lua "Stands in the Willows" was born June 11, 1946 in Billings, a son of Albert and Iola Iron Caplett, Sr. He received his early education in St. Xavier, Pierre S.D., Chilocco, Okla. and Lodge Grass, before completing in education at the Missoula Vocet center as a plumber.

Al married Mary Beth LaForge in 1968 and was later divorced. He married Patty Stewart in 1993 in Hardin and the couple made their home in Crow Agency.

He worked as a heavy equipment operator on the construction of US 212, was employed at the Lodge Grass Guild Arts & Crafts, the Crow Tribe as a game warden and later for the Abandoned Mines Land Program and most recently as a maintenance man for the Little Big Horn Casino.

Al was a member of the Catholic Church, Full Gospel Church, Piegan Clan. Ties the



**ALOYSIUS
CAPLETT**

OCT 25 2004 BILLINGS GAZETTE

Bundle Clan and was a child of the Whistling Water Clan. He was an active participant in Peyot meetings. During his extra time he enjoyed fishing, hunting, han games, Pow-wows, and singing traditional Indian songs. He was known for his wearing of odd-shaped hats.

His father preceded Aloysius in death.

Survivors include his mother Iola Iron; his wife, Patty; his daughters, Alberta (Robert "Hoss") Rides Horse Sr., Helet (JD) Real Bird and Misty (Daniel Takes Enemy, II of Wyola); a son Reynard (Christi) Caplett, Jr. of Crow Agency; stepdaughter Roberta (Greg) Old Bull of Lodge Grass; stepsons, Sheldon (Kari) Nomee and Gerard Stewart of Hardin; a granddaughter, Kiana Stewart, whom he was raising as his own; sisters, Collena Caplett, Sharon Peregory, Christine Good Luck, Sharyln Simpson, Cheryl White Clay, Elizabeth Stewart and Haroldine Moss; brothers, Albert (Marilyn) Caplett, Jr., Sharone "Pappooski" Curley, Ferron, Clinton and McKinley Iron, Jr., John Bullinsight, Michael, Cortney, Albert Garrett and Alvin Stewart, Jr.; his very own grandchildren, CJ, Whitney, Tanisha, Shylee, Fawn, Wilson,

Sammie; Randall, Tuff, Leah and Debra, whom he was very proud; eight step-grandchildren; his aunt, Sylvia Stops; a niece, Appleen Caplett and his nephews, Stephen, John and Ross Caplett, Donovan and Justin Oleyte.

Rosary will be recited 4 p.m. Tuesday in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Funeral mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Crow Agency St. Dennis Catholic Church. Interment will follow in the Crow Agency Cemetery.

Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Jim L. Capshaw

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 13 2004

CASPER, Wyo. — Jim L. Capshaw, 78, of Casper, died Feb. 10, 2004, at Wyoming Medical Center.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 P.M. Friday, Feb. 13, at Word Christian Fellowship Church. Bustard's Funeral Home of Casper is in charge.

Kristen Carano

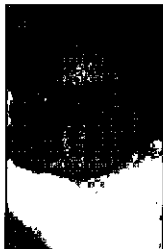
GILLETTE, Wyo. —

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Graveside service for Kristen Carano will be 1 p.m. Monday, July 19, at the Mount Pisgah Cemetery in Gillette, with Pastor Russell Bode of the Central Baptist Church of Gillette officiating.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, July 18, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette, and also starting at 9 a.m. on Monday until the time of service at the funeral home.



**KRISTEN
CARANO**

Kristen Rosario Dee Carano, infant daughter of Nicholas and Gladys (Byfield) Carano III, of Gillette, died Tuesday, July 13, 2004, at her home, of unknown causes.

She is survived by her parents of Gillette; her sister, Anna Marie Carano of Gillette; her maternal grandparents, Valet Hale and Herman Byfield, Jr. of Salina, Kan.; her paternal grandparents, Charlene and Leonard Clarke of Gillette; her paternal great-grandparents, Aurelio and Virginia Andrade of Butte; six uncles; two aunts and several cousins, great-aunts and great-great-aunts.

She was preceded in death by one great-great-grandmother, her grandmother, Jay; one great-great-grandfather; one great-aunt; and one cousin, Jessica.

Condolences may be sent in care of Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home, 210 W. Fifth St., Gillette, WY 82716 or via the Internet at www.stevensonandsons.com.

Mary Carbone

BILLINGS GAZE

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Mary Carbone, 90, of Sheridan, died Monday, May 31, 2004, at Sheridan Manor.

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Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 3, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan.

JUL 9 - 2004

CHATSWORTH, Calif. — Kenneth Daniel Carey, 72, of Chatsworth, son of the late Walter and Quinta Ward Carey of Northern McCone County, went into eternal rest, Thursday, June 24, 2004, as the result of a long bout with cancer.



**KEN
CAREY**

Ken, as he was affectionately known, was born May 30, 1932, in Wolf Point, Mont., and spent his childhood on the family farm in Northern McCone County in what was known as the Horgan Community. He attended grade school at the Horgan School and graduated from the eighth grade there. He completed his high school education in Wolf Point. After helping his parents on the family farm for a period, he joined the Air Force Cadet Training Program and in 1951, joined the United States Air Force as a jet fighter pilot. He was honorably discharged from there in 1954.

On Sept. 3, 1957, he married Dallas Mae, and to that marriage three children were born: Kenneth Earl, Cynthia Susan and Daniel Leroy; plus, he has five grandchildren and one great-grandchild, all of whom survive him. He is also survived by his loving wife of 15 years, Joani whom he married on Dec. 2, 1989. Brothers and sisters surviving him are Cleo of Santa Barbara, George of Billings, Victor of Scottsdale and Mildred of Seattle.

Ken spent his life working in the steel fabricating business known as "Carey Steel" and did much work in Japan and in California. He retired in 2000 to enjoy his family and to travel extensively — one favorite place was Alaska and fishing there. He was a longtime member of the Canoga Parks Elk Lodge and was its secretary for a number of years — a favorite place to hang out with his "brothers."

A memorial service was held at the Canoga Park Elks Lodge on Saturday, July 3, in Chatsworth. Cremation has taken place.

Norman Leroy Carey

MILES CITY — Norman Leroy Carey, age 66, of Miles City, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 14, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Hospital. He valiantly battled cancer for over five years.



**NORMAN
CAREY**

Norm was born on March 29, 1937, in Ismay, the only child of Hansine and Clayton Carey. The family, along with the Victor Carey family, moved to a farm in Kinsey in 1940. Norm attended grade school in Kinsey and graduated

from Custer County High School in 1955. He married Frankie Hougaard in 1956. They were married for over 30 years and raised three children.

Norm farmed in Kinsey until 1963. He then bought the farm five miles south of Miles City on the Tongue River that he farmed until his death. He also sold seed corn for Trojan Seed, Keltgen Seed and Mycogen. He and four friends developed the Pine Hills Ranchettes, east of Miles City. He served on the Board of Trustees for Miles Community College and helped build the Miles City Little League field.

He is survived by his friend and caretaker, Arby Wolff; two cousins, Mencil Carey of Red

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Lodge and Fern Griggs of Billings; three children, Misty Carey of Bozeman, Camille Carey of New York City and Mike Carey of Miles City; and one grandson, Colton Carey of Bismarck, N.D. He was preceded in death by his parents, Hansine and Clayton Carey.

A prayer service will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 17, at Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home, in Miles City. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 18, at 2 p.m., at the Grace Bible Church in Miles City. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Custer County Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.stevensonandsons.com.

Should friends desire, memorials may be made to Holy Rosary Hospice, 2600 Wilson, Miles City, MT 59301.

William Carey

MAR 10 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — William Kearney Carey, 89, formerly of Decatur, Ill., died Saturday, March 6, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Visitation will be from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 12, at Brintlinger and Earl Funeral Home in Decatur. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 13, at Brintlinger and Earl Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Macon County Memorial Park. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge of local arrangements.

Carl H. Carlson

Carl "Harold" Carlson was born Dec. 6, 1930, to Arvid and Oletta (Bjarko) Carlson. Harold went to be with his Lord on Monday, March 1, 2004, peacefully in his sleep, after suffering several strokes and illnesses. In spite of his illnesses, he never complained.



**HAROLD
CARLSON**

He attended Scobey schools and worked at Tande Grocery before and after he served with the U.S. Army and in Korea. He moved to Billings in January of 1959 and worked at Johns Market for several years. On June 12, 1960, he married Marty Irvin in Shelby, and they not only shared their birthdays together, they shared 43½ years of marriage.

Harold worked at various places in Billings including Colborn School Supply and was employed with Orkin Pest Control before his disability of his first stroke. Even though his second stroke took some of his strength, he still went out for his walks and took his dog with him.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church for 42 years and served as an usher and also taught Sunday School with Marty for several years. His faith was very strong and showed in his service and love of the "Walk to Emmaus" retreats. He has many wonderful friends and brothers in Christ that he worked with during those weekends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents; parents; his daughter, Carrie Lynn; and brother-in-law, Charles Irvin.

He is survived by his wife Marty; daughter Joletta and son Brad; his brother Clair (Merle) Carlson of Scobey; stepfather-in-law, Art Rossman of Shelby; several aunts and uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews, all of which he cared so much about.

We will miss you and your smile that you gave us even if you didn't feel that good, even up to the night before you left us.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Thursday, March 4, at First United Methodist Church.

Memorials to First United Methodist Church.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Edith Carlson

WILLIAMS GAZETTE

MAR 30 2004

BAKER — Edith Carlson, 93, of Baker, passed away Sunday, March 28, 2004, at the Fallon Medical Complex.

She was born Oct. 26, 1910, at Meadow, S.D., the daughter of Barton and Sally Alice (Hyde) Lough. Ferdy O. Carlson and Edith were married in Medora, N.D., June 10, 1930; to this union, five children were born, Fern, Shirley, Ferdella, James and Carol. They lived at Pierce, N.D., in Woodbury Township until 1932, when they rented a farm and came to Montana. In 1942, they bought a farm west of Willard and lived there until 1950, when they moved to town, but continued to farm.

Edith loved to cook and especially bake. You would hardly be in the door when she would ask you if you would like something to eat. She loved and enjoyed her dogs and bird watching. She found a passion for oil painting. Many of her pictures were from her earlier farming memories. In her earlier years she liked to travel.

Edith lived in Billings at West Park Plaza Retirement Village for two years and has lived in the Fallon Medical Complex Nursing Home for the past three years.

She was a lifelong member of the American Lutheran Church and was involved the Pink Ladies,



**EDITH
CARLSON**

Cub Scout Den Mother and
Homemakers Club.

Edith is survived by her
daughters, Fern Myhre of Baker,
Carol (Charles) Plum of Billings;

her son, James
(Pat) Carlson of
Billings; two
sons-in-law;
James Kono of
Baker and
George Sielor of
Sacramento,
Calif.; 13 grand-
children, 15
great-grandchild-
dren and two
great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were
her parents; her husband Ferdy
O. Carlson; two daughters,
Shirley Ann Sielor and Ferdella
Joan Kono; two brothers, Lucian
Lough and Donald Lough; a sister,
Elsie Johnson.

There will be a family gather-
ing on Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m. in
the Chapel of Stevenson Funeral
Home.

Funeral Services will be on
Wednesday, March 31, at 2 p.m.,
in the American Lutheran
Church in Baker. Remembrances
and condolences can be left for
the family at www.stevensonfuneralhome.com.
Stevenson
Funeral Home of Baker and
Bkalaka are in charge of the
arrangements.

Edith Rose 'Edee' Carlson, woodcarver

BELLINGHAM, Wash. — Edith Rose "Edee" Carlson, a nationally renowned woodcarver of American folk art, passed away on March 27, 2004, at her home in Bellingham, from cancer. She lived in Billings from 1976 to 1990, working for Mountain Bell while also a housewife and mother.

Edee was born on April 11, 1943, in Choteau, Mont., the youngest child of Dorothea and Will Carlson. She spent most of her childhood in Helena, Mont., and the surrounding area. While attending Montana State University, she spent the summer of 1964 working at the Montana State Pavilion of the New York World's Fair. Edee graduated from MSU in December 1965 with a degree in art. After being selected as a Peace Corps volunteer, she served in Cali, Colombia, teaching English to local high school teachers. Following her return to the United States, Edee married, had a daughter and lived in Michigan, as well as several Montana locations, including Red Lodge, Kalispell and Rollins after Billings.

Pursuing a lifelong interest in art in earnest following the end of her first marriage, Edee developed her own style of folk art woodcarvings, under the trade name "Loose Moose Carving." First selling at local art-in-the-

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park shows, her work was subsequently accepted at various juried national art shows and markets. Her work was featured in the Jan. 29, 1993 Gazette. Over the last several years, her original woodcarvings of animals, Santa Claus figures, Halloween subjects and others have been sold at prestigious galleries in Illinois, Massachusetts, Vermont, Texas, California and elsewhere.

Edee was an avid traveler and photographer, believing that observing and photographing animals in the wild helped her capture the natural poses and facial expressions that made her carvings so appealing. Whether watching brown bears fishing for salmon in Alaska, polar bears play-fighting outside of Churchill, Manitoba, giant tortoises lumbering along in the Galapagos Islands, camels strolling along the banks of the Nile River in Egypt or moose foraging outside her house in Red Lodge, she savored every moment.

Survivors include her husband, Samuel Nakamura, of Bellingham; her daughter, Christine Marie Kern, son-in-law Will Kern and granddaughters Cindy Kern and Tessa Kern, all of Pryor, Mont.; brother Carl David Carlson and sister-in-law Bobby Carlson of Virginia; sister

WILLY ROSE CARLSON

Ruth Marie Wilson of California;
and numerous nieces, nephews
and friends.

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In accordance with Edee's wishes, her cremated remains will be returned to her native Montana. A memorial luncheon will be held at noon, Wednesday, April 7, at the Holiday Inn-Grand Montana, 500 Midland Road in Billings. A private gathering for family and friends will be held at the Kern ranch.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, the Nature Conservancy, the Whatcom Hospice Foundation (800 East Chestnut, Suite 1-C, Bellingham, WA 98225) or your local hospice.

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Larry Carlson

SIDNEY — Larry Carlson, 61, of Sidney, died Saturday, March 27, 2004, at his home, as the result of a house fire.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Thursday, April 1, at the Fulkerson Funeral Home Memorial Chapel in Sidney. Interment will be in the Greenwood Cemetery in Wolf Point.

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Mable Carlson

RICHFIELD, Minn. — Mable Carlson passed away in Minnesota, April 2, 2004. She was born in Action, N.D., on Aug. 9, 1905. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Lloyd. She had eight sisters and one brother, Keitha, Blanch, Violet, Velma, Evelyn, Doris, Austin, Edith and Marybelle.

She is survived by her two sisters, Doris Spencer, Billings, and Marybelle Le Doux, Brainerd.

Lakewood Cemetery Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

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Mary Jo Carlson

Mary Jo Carlson, 92, of Billings, died on May 27, 2004, at Grand Park Vintage Suites in Billings.

She was born in Sutton, Neb., the daughter of Michael and Ruby McDermott. After graduat-

ing from Sutton High School, she received a BFA in Music from the University of Nebraska, and later a Masters in Guidance from Northwest University in Evanston, Ill.

She was a music supervisor in the public schools and served as a recreation worker with the Red Cross in military hospitals stateside during World War II.

On Oct. 6, 1946, she was married to Wayne Carlson after he completed his military service. His work with Continental Oil Company took them to a number of places. Among these were Fort Morgan, Colo., Cut Bank and Dickinson, N.D.

They moved to Kalispell in 1970 after his early retirement. Mrs. Carlson was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church and PEO Sisterhood.



**MARY JO
CARLSON**

Her husband, Wayne, her parents and an older sister, Genevieve, preceded her in death.

She moved to Billings in 1998. There, she was a member of Chapter BL of PEO and attended Grace United Methodist Church.

Survivors include one cousin, Margaret Regele; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, June 1, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Graveside service and burial will be at the Conrad Cemetery in Kalispell on Saturday June 19, at 10 a.m.

Memorials may be made to the American Red Cross, 702 Central Ave., Billings, MT 59102, or the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

Roland Carlson

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 07 2004

LEWISTOWN — Roland "Rolly", "Popo" Carlson, of Lewistown, formerly Billings, died Friday, Nov. 5, 2004, at the age of 80, with his wife by his side.

Rolly was born on March 21, 1924, in Lewistown, Mont., to Fred and Lena Carlson. He attended schools in Lewistown and served in the Army from Oct. 18, 1944, to Nov.



**ROLAND
CARLSON**

16, 1946. On Oct. 16, 1948, he married Pauline Bowers of Hardin.

After marrying and moving to Billings, he started his career in the agriculture industry. He worked with Allis Chalmers for 33 years, retiring in May of 1985. For fun, he spent many years in the mountains of Montana enjoying the freshwater lakes and rivers, hunting, snowmobiling, boating and camping. During his retirement, he dabbled in silversmithing, jewelry making, woodworking and spending time with his six grandchildren. He spent his summers in Lewistown enjoying the cabin and his childhood home, heading south for the winters in Arizona and Texas.

He is survived by his wife Pauline; son Gary R. Carlson (of Billings) and wife Susan, grandchildren Gary Jr. and Emily; son Dale A. Carlson (of Anchorage, Alaska) and wife Rania and granddaughter Gabrielle; daughter Marilyn R. Childers (of League City, Texas) and husband Tom and grandchildren Courtney, Kevin, and Kelsey; his brother Floyd Carlson, one niece, four nephews, and two great nephews.

Thanks for your years of humor, positive attitude and wisdom. We love you and we will miss you very much, Your Family and Friends.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to your local chapter of the American Cancer Society or the charity of your choice.

JUN 30 2004

GLASGOW — William E. Bill Carlson died on June 25, 2004, at his home in Glasgow

Cremation has taken place and, at his request, no services are planned.

He was born to Ernest and Verna (McKean) Carlson March 9, 1922, in Circle, and received his formal education in seven terms at the Prairie Elk School. He then engaged in



**BILL
CARLSON**

ranching and farming in that community until he retired to Glasgow in 1985.

At age 5, he learned to play the fiddle and at age 8, played for his first dance. He continued fiddling for dances regularly over an eight county area for the next 48 years. In 1968, he joined the Montana State Old Time Fiddlers Association and participated in their jam sessions on a regular basis. He entered several fiddling contests and collected nearly 20 trophies through the years. He served as state President of Montana Fiddlers for two years in 1986 and 1987. He also was a judge at the state contest. The trophy he was the most proud of was the Best Liked Fiddler trophy he received in 1992. The person who

receives it is determined by popular vote of the musicians at the state contest each year.

He married Pearl Fisher July 5 1953 at Sidney, and they had three sons. They were divorced in 1968.

April 5, 1980, he married Irene Bouchard at Glasgow, and acquired two stepsons and a step-daughter, and became very devoted to them and the eight step-grandchildren. Irene passed away Dec. 20, 1990.

After retiring, he began going to Cowboy Poetry Gatherings and reciting the nearly 200 poems about the olden days that he had written and also helped with the musical part of the entertainment. These functions took him to as far away as Canada and Nebraska. He also wrote his parents' biographies and several essays about topics ranging from Missouri River Ferry Boats to Range horses and Moonshiners and many other subjects.

He served on the ASC Committee, was Judge of Election and a School Board Member for many years and, after retiring, was a board member of the Valley

County Historical society for several years.

Starting as a young boy, he made cowboy gear from rawhide and progressed into saddle making, making many of them before retirement.

He helped gather the last range horses and made many trips horseback to the railroad with trail herds of range cows or horses. For the first 15 years of his ranching/farming career, he used horses for practically all the farming, haying and feeding work. He ran a threshing rig for several years and was knowledgeable about forge black-smithing, Battit bearings and motor overhaul, and in later years was a fairly good welder.

He was quite expert at livestock doctoring and artificially inseminated his own cows for a few years and pregnancy tested his own and most of the neighbors cows for many years.

After retirement, he took up fiddle repair, of which he was familiar, and also made several new fiddles. He also helped a few students with lessons and made music several times a day in his home. Through the years, he seldom charged for giving lessons and donated his music for many School, 4-H Club and other organizations dances.

Survivors include sons Ernest Carlson of Circle, Robin Carlson

of Pella, Iowa, Bradley Carlson of Owatonna, Minn.; stepsons Dave Renner of Nashua, Larry Renner of Laurel; and a stepdaughter, Donna Petersen of Glasgow; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Surviving is a sister Bessie Garoutte of Circle and longtime special friend Emma Boysun and her family.

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

Mr. Carlson's philosophy of life can best be summed up with the last stanza of his poem, "Cowboy- Religion."

"Now often I've wondered as one approaches death's bed, How many people can be proud of the life that they led?"

You may have had wealth, went to church and had charm, But can you honestly say, I never did anyone harm."

Marjean L. (Orahood) Carnahan *THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

JUL 11 2004

MALTA — Marjean L. (Orahood) Carnahan, 77, died at the Good Samaritan Center, on Friday, July 9, 2004.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m., Wednesday, July 14, at the Malta Lutheran Church with interment in the Malta Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home of Malta is in charge of arrangements.

COLUMBUS
— Mary Carney, 65, of Columbus, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2004, at Stillwater Community Hospital.



**MARY
CARNEY**

Mary was born July 18, 1938, in Billings, to Pete and Odweig "Blondie" Nicolaisen. She was raised and educated in Columbus. Before returning home to Columbus, she lived in Idaho and Arizona for many years.

Mary married James R. Carney on July 17, 1982, in Elko, Nev. Also surviving her are daughters Julie (Richard) Daffin, Park City, Dana (Robert) Stoker, Soda Springs, Idaho; her sons, David (Jennifer) Walrod, Missoula, Douglas Jensen, Flagstaff, Ariz.; her grandchildren, Jesse, Joshua, Jacob, James and Jeffrey.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

The family requests in lieu of flowers that a donation be made to the charity of your choice.

"In my Father's house there are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you."
John 14:2

Interment was in Rosebud Cemetery, Absarokee.

Maurice Henry Carney

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JAN 05 2004

GREYBULL, Wyo. — Maurice Henry Carney, 78, died Jan. 4, 2004, at the Bonnie Bluejacket Memorial Nursing Home.

Viewing will be from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 7, at the Atwood Family Funeral Chapel in Basin. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, at the Hillside Cemetery in Greybull.

Carol Ann Caron

OCT 6 2004

Carol Ann Caron died peacefully at Horizon Hospice Home in Billings, on Sunday, Oct. 3, 2004. She was 61 years old.

Carol was born in Lawrence, Mass., on June 29, 1943. She and her parents, Alcide and Rita Larochele Caron, moved to Billings in 1947. Carol lived in Boulder, Butte and Helena. After retiring from 20 years as an employee of Helena Industries, she returned to Billings in 2003, residing at Eagle Cliff Manor.

Carol Ann was smart, funny, affectionate, feisty, curious, creative and a notorious flirt — she knew a good-looking guy when she saw one. She loved teddy bears, puzzles, fishing, shopping, traveling, country and western music, playing slots, painting and drawing. She was a medal winner in bowling at the state Special Olympics.

Carol Ann will be missed by her sisters Celia (Bob) and Celeste; brothers Charles, Conrad (Michelle) and Christopher (Cynde); her nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins; and her many friends in Helena and Billings.

Cremation has taken place. A graveside service will be held on Friday, Oct. 8, at 11 a.m. at Sunset Memorial Gardens, officiated by Pastor David Burt of Shiloh United Methodist Church. A lun-

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cheon will follow at the church, 1810 Shiloh Road, immediately after the service. Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice Growth Through Art, or Shiloh United Methodist Church.

Smith Downtown Chapel has charge of the arrangements.

Nicholas A. Caroselli

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

Nicholas A. Caroselli, 91, passed away at St. Vincent Healthcare on Aug. 1, 2004.

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Nick was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 65 years, Mercedes Caroselli. He will be forever missed by his daughter, son-in-law, Roy and grandson, Brad. All our



**NICHOLAS
CAROSELLI**

thanks to all the loving caring staff at Parkview Care Center. Nick was a great husband, a great father and lived a great life. God bless you and thank you Dad. Arrangements by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

MYRON L. "TOOTS"
Carpenter

THE KILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 9 - 2004

GLENDIVE — Myron L. "Toots" Carpenter, 93, died Monday, Aug. 2, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center.

Graveside services will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10, at the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, at the Glendive Alliance Church. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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Barbara J. Carr

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WILSALL — Barbara J. Carr, 66, died of natural causes at her home Thursday, Jan. 8.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home in Livingston. Funeral services are at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the American Lutheran Church in Livingston. Graveside committal and burial will follow in Wilsall Cemetery.

Sandra Kempf Carr

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 3 - 2004

Sandy Carr, 63, of Billings, died on July 1, 2004, at her home at Aspen Meadows due to complications related to multiple sclerosis. She has passed on to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



**SANDY
CARR**

Sandy was born Sandra Lee Rosh to George and Alma Rosh on Jan. 4, 1941, in Billings. Sandy was an inspiration of triumph, encouragement and perseverance in the face of tremendous adversity to those who knew her. Her one wish was that people would remember her with happy thoughts and fond memories.

Sandy was bigger than life and the wheelchair she was bound to could not contain her spirit. Remember Sandy for her zest for life, kind spirit and loving generosity as a mother. She was a caring friend with a quick wit, an infectious laugh and chatty personality, who loved a good cup of coffee and good conversation. Sandy had a tremendous sense of adventure no matter how big or small the outing. She will be missed by her family, but they know Sandy has gone on ahead to a better home.

She is survived by her sons, Brad Kempf of Denver, Colo., and Scott Kempf and daughter-in-law Nancy of Little Rock, Ark.; her mother, Alma Rosh of Billings; her sister, Sharon Scheidt and brother-in-law, Irvin, of Billings; her brother, Steve Rosh and sister-in-law, Beth, of Custer, and seven nieces and nephews.

Sandy's family would like to thank the staff at Aspen Meadows for their excellent care, concern and love for Sandy over the past six years.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorials to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Center, ATTN: Donation Processing, 700 Broadway, Stc. 810, Denver, CO 80203-3442 or call 1-800 FIGHT MS. www.nationalmssociety.org.

Funeral Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 3, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Cremation will follow. The casket will be open on Saturday prior to the service.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

Joyce Shipton Carroll

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Joyce Shipton Carroll passed away on Jan. 30, 2004, in the peacefulness of her home. Her three sons with their wives were at her side at the time of her death. She was 76.

The daughter of Wallace and Leah Shipton, Joyce was born Aug. 17, 1927, in Devil's Lake, N.D. She earned a music degree from McPhail Conservatory of Music in Minneapolis. While teaching far away from home she met her husband "Dick" (of 42 years) in Louisiana. They joined Joyce's father in the business of Shipton's Big R in 1968. Joyce and her family have lived in Billings ever since.

Joyce had a kind, gentle and pleasant spirit. She loved reading, doing crossword puzzles, playing bridge, dining out and of course, spending time with her grandkids and special friends. All neighborhood dogs, cats and birds knew her residence for great treats. She had years of lasting memories of spending winter months with "Dick" in the warmth of their second home in Scottsdale, Ariz.

She will be greatly missed by



**JOYCE
CARROLL**

all that knew her. We love you Mom. Rest in peace.

She was preceded in death by her parents Wally and Leah and her husband "Dick".

Survivors include three sons, Jeff, his wife, Kim, and their children, Leslie, Amy, Kristin, Emily, and J.J.; Gregg, his wife, Darlene, and their sons, Kyle and Dustin; and Jay, his wife, Robin, and their children, Brad, Lane and Wade.

Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Memorial services will be held 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, at Faith Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Chase Hawks Memorial Rodeo, Eagle Mount or Angel Horses.

Sister Mary Julie Casey

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 20 2004

LEAVENWORTH, Kan. — Sister Mary Julie Casey (S. Kathleen Mary), 80, a Sister of Charity of Leavenworth, formerly of Montana, died Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, at Providence Medical Center, Kansas City.

A vigil will be at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22, in Ross Chapel of the Sisters of Charity Mother House in Leavenworth, where friends may call after 4 p.m. Mass of resurrection will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 23, in Ross Chapel. Interment will follow in Mount Olivet Cemetery on the Mother House Grounds. Davis Funeral Chapel is in charge.

Marilyn J. Carson

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 07 2004

Marilyn J. Carson, age 57, of Billings died Thursday, Nov. 4, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

She was born Feb. 11, 1947, at Glasgow, Mont., the daughter of Harold and Mary (Wilson) Potter. She graduated from Glasgow High School in 1966.

Marilyn married Paul Ellefson in 1966. They lived in the Glasgow-Sidney area.

On July 29, 1977, she married Robert Carson in Glasgow. They lived in Glendive, moving to Billings in 1989.

Marilyn enjoyed doing ceramics, crafts and gardening. She liked working with the computer. Marilyn loved her fur kids, Ember and Niki. Even though she had muscular dystrophy, Marilyn led an active life and was always positive.

Survivors include her husband, Robert; two children, Tami (Jeff) Wiese of Fargo, N.D. and Dan (Darcie) Ellefson of Glasgow; her parents, Harold and Mary Potter of Glasgow; three brothers, Tim (Ann) Potter and Lloyd Potter of Glasgow, and Marvin Potter of Harlem; three sisters, Jenny McMichael of Billings, Joy (Tom) See of Hinsdale and Kelly (Dale) Taylor of Great Falls; two grandchildren, Anthony and Jessica Wiese of Fargo N.D., four stepsons, Earl (Denise) Carson, David Carson

and Mike Carson of Glasgow and Kelly (Amber) Carson of Great Falls; four step-grandchildren, Taylor, Satori, Jessica, and James and many nieces and nephews.

Marilyn was preceded in death by her grandparents, an aunt, Dorothy Meek and an uncle, Orville Potter.

A memorial service will be held 10 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 9, at Smith's West Chapel, 304 34th St West in Billings.

MAY 27 2004**Clark E. Carter**

LEWISTOWN — Clark E. Carter, 85, of Lewistown, died Wednesday, May 26, 2004, at the Central Montana Medical Center.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 29, at the Zion Lutheran Church. Private interment will be in the Central Montana Memorial Gardens. Cloyd Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

Frank B. Carter

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 06 2004

LOVELL, Wyo. — Frank B. Carter, 70, of Lovell, died Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2004, at North Big Horn Hospital in Lovell.

Cremation has taken place and no services are planned at this time. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell was in charge.

Grace E. Carter

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 23 2004

HELENA — Grace E. Carter, 91, of Helena, formerly of Miles City, died Sunday, June 20, 2004.

Visitation will be Thursday, June 24, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City, with a vigil service, at 7 p.m. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Friday, June 25, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miles City. Rite of Committal will follow in the family lot in the Calvary Cemetery.

James M. Carter

GLENDIVE — Our Beloved Husband, Father and Son, James M. Carter, age 56, of Glendive, passed peacefully from this life into the arms of his Savior, surrounded by his family, from a short but courageous battle with cancer. Jim passed away on Monday, Nov. 1, 2004, at the Abbott Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis.

Visitation will be on Wednesday, Nov. 3, from 2 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m., and on Thursday, Nov. 4, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha

Funeral Home in Glendive. A Memory Service for family and friends will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3, at the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at the Glendive Alliance Church in Glendive, with Pastor Joel Arndt officiating. Interment with military honors will be at 12 noon (CST) on Friday, Nov. 5, in the North Dakota Veterans Cemetery in Mandan, N.D.

Jim was very giving, understanding, loving, kind, honest, thoughtful, hard-working and successful. Jim was born on Nov.



**JAMES
CARTER**

NOV 03 2004

29, 1947, in Hettinger, N.D., to Charles and Marian (Carlson) Carter, the second of four children. Jim attended and graduated from Hettinger High School in 1965. He went on to Dickinson State College, where he was involved in wrestling and a member of Theta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity and graduated in 1971 with a Bachelor of Science degree. Jim's college wrestling team was inducted into the Dickinson State College Hall of Fame in 1987. Jim enlisted in the North Dakota National Guard in 1966. He led a very distinguished career in the military, influenced numerous lives and retired as a Colonel in 1999. Jim started a long and successful career in banking and insurance with the First National Bank of Wibaux onto First Fidelity Bank, now Community First Bank of Glendive. Jim had worked at Community First for 21 years and was Vice President at the time of his passing. Jim was active in the community, sitting on and being very influential on over a dozen boards, including some very important ones to Jim, Fair for All, DCC Board of Trustees,

Makoshika Promotions and the Eastern Montana Vets Foundation. Wrestling was always an important part of Jim's life. He was a wrestling MOA official for over 30 years and was active in the Glendive AAU program as well.

Jim is survived by his loving wife of 25 years, Jan M. (Moszer) Carter of Glendive; children, Barbara Jo "Barbie" of Dickinson, James Robert "J.R." of Glendive and children from a previous marriage, James Wayne "J.W." and Cody Beth. He is also survived by his parents, Charles and Marian Carter of Hettinger; brothers, Charles "Chuck" and his wife Carolyn Carter of Dickinson, and Jerry and his wife Joyce Carter of Hazen, N.D.; his sister, Candace Fitch of Hettinger; and numerous other family members and friends.

Jim was loved by all who knew him and his death will leave a huge void in so many lives. We wish to thank everyone for their continued prayers on our behalf.

Memorials are suggested to Jan Carter, 111 Juniper HC, Glendive, MT 59330, where a fund has been established in support of Jim's favorite organizations.

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

Louise Carter

SEP 13 2004

Louise Carter, 82, passed away peacefully at her home on Sept. 10, 2004.

Louise was born in Harbor Grace, Newfoundland on Oct. 11, 1922. She moved to Boston at 1 year of age, residing there until her marriage to James D. Carter on July 29, 1943.



**LOUISE
CARTER**

They moved to Montana in 1946, where they have resided ever since.

She is survived by her husband, James; three daughters, Judy (George) Bradley, Bobbi (Jimmy) Brown and Peggy (Dan) Engelke; four sons, Dennis, Ronnie, Wes and Ed (Teresa); honorary daughter, Vickie Montgomery; 16 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; two sisters, Ruthie Ostler and Jeanie (George) Pye; and one brother, Aussie Parsons, all of Boston.

She was preceded in death by her son, James, great-grandson, DJ; four sisters and one brother.

She will be sorely missed by her loving family and many friends. Our Angel is now with the Angels she loved.

Viewing will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 13, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery, 29 8th St. W. Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Magdaline Carter

SEP 30 2004

MILES CITY — Magdaline Mary Eve Carter, 97, of Miles City, died Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Extended Care in Miles City.

A vigil service will be at 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, at the Holy Rosary Chapel in Miles City. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miles City. Rite of Committal will be held at a later date in the family lot of the Custer County Cemetery in Miles City. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

THE BUREAU OF RECORDS

Mary Carter

BILLINGS GAZETTE
NOV 04 2004

EKALAKA — Mary Carter, 87, of Ekalaka, died Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2004, at Dahl Memorial Healthcare in Ekalaka.

Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 8, at Ekalaka Bible Church. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery in Camp Crook, S.D. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Baker and Ekalaka is in charge.

Myrtle Cartwright

Myrtle Cartwright, 88, formerly of Williston, N.D., passed away Sunday, Aug. 29, 2004, in Billings.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service is at 2 p.m. Friday at Prairie Towers, 725 N. 25th St. Interment of her urn will be at a later date in Williston. Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge.

Tina Casares

BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 09 2004

Tina Marie Casares went to be with her precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Dec. 5, 2004. By and through the grace of God and the faith He has given us, we know that we will see and be with her in Heaven someday.

Tina was born May 25, 1978, in Sidney. She

moved to Billings with her family in 1983.

Tina attended Billings public schools and graduated from Skyview High in 1997. During her

high school years, she

worked at McDonald's in the Heights and Herberger's downtown. She also worked for Applebee's on 24th Street after high school. Tina attended the College of Technology MSU-B in Great Falls, where she received an Associate Degree in Computer Technology in May of 2003. She was currently employed as a legal secretary for Immigration Law of Montana.

Tina loved boating, water skiing and camping with her family and friends. She enjoyed music, dancing and shopping. She loved working with children and was an instructor at Rainbow Dance in



**TINA
CASARES**

Billings. She was instrumental in helping Rainbow Dance win the National Dance Competition at Lake Tahoe in 1996. Her lifelong dream was to someday have her own dance studio.

Tina is survived by her son, Alexander Casares; parents Robert and Valerie Schiff; brothers Daniel and Chance; her sister Nikki; grandparents Ted and Dorothy Rodgers of Sidney, Mike and Ann Schiff of Fairfield, Juan and Yolanda Casares of Billings; numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nephews, nieces and many friends.

We will all miss her more than words can say.

Visitation will be on Thursday, Dec. 9, and Friday, Dec. 10, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 11, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Funeral services for Tina will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, at Dahl Funeral Chapel, Billings.

Sherrie A. Case

MANDERSON, Wyo. — Sherrie A. Case, 45, died Tuesday, Aug. 31, 2004, at the South Big Horn County Hospital between Basin and Greybull, Wyo.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be planned at a later time. Arwood Family Funeral Directors Inc. is in charge.

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Mary Cash

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Mary Cash, 74, died Sunday, Jan. 11, 2004, at her home.

Visitation is from 1 to 10 p.m. Wednesday and 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday before the funeral service at 2 p.m. Thursday, all at Adams Funeral Home.

ADAMS FUNERAL HOME

JAN 13 2004

Steven Cary Cass

LANDER, Wyo. — Memorial services for Steven Cary Cass were held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 13, in the Chapel of Mount Hope, Hudson Funeral Home, in Lander. Cremation has taken place and burial will be June 25 in Fort Snelling National Cemetery, Minn., with full military honors.

He died Feb. 8, 2004, at his home, with his family at his side, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Born Oct. 4, 1950, in Lynwood, Calif., he was the son of Gilbert and Billie (Roach) Cass.

Following his formal education, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and served during the Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged, then enrolled in Mayville, S.D. State University, where he was graduated with honors and a bachelor degree in computer science.

As a motorcyclist, he rode his Goldwing motorcycle until chemo-radiation took his strength.

His interests included cooking, spending time with his family and especially gardening.

Preceding him to heaven were his father, Gilbert Cass; his brother, Jerry Cass; and his nephew Daniel Glover Jr.

Survivors include his parents, Billie and Carl Glover; wife, Sue Ann Cass; four daughters, Kim Whipple and Keri Milas and their husbands, and Barb and Melissa Cass; three sons, Chris, Dennis and Marcus Cass; three grandchildren, with another due in September; a sister, Laura Holten and her husband; four brothers, Danny Glover, James Glover and his wife, Dennis Cass, and Eddie Cass and his wife; and several nieces and nephews.

Jesusita Castro

FAIRVIEW — Jesusita Castro, 75, of Fairview, died Sunday, Jan. 4, 2004, at the Bethal Lutheran Nursing Home in Williston, N.D.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Nazarene Church in Sidney with interment in the Fairview Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home in Sidney is in charge.

THE DUNDAS GAZETTE

JAN 06 2004

Willa Mae Cates

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 15 2004

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Willa Mae Cates, 90, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 2004, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2004, at the Christian Church of Gillette. Interment will follow at the Mount Pisgah Cemetery. Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 16, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home in Gillette.

Iva Jane Caton

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 2 - 2004

LAUREL — Iva Jane Caton passed away Wednesday, June 30, 2004, in Laurel. She was born Feb. 21, 1915, to Levi Johnson and Olive Irene Dustin Johnson at the family home near Burlington, Wyo.

She married William A. "Al" Caton in Worland, Wyo., on July 17, 1937. They had five children: William G. (Rosemary) Caton, Leonard R. Caton, Richard N. (Ruby) Caton, Robert M. (Mary) Caton and Beverly J. (Jerome) Kolar.

They farmed in the Burlington area, later moving to Greybull, Wyo., for several years and then to Laurel in 1951. They moved to Bountiful, Utah, and later returned to Montana, where they lived in Billings and Laurel.

Mother was very active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for many years and served in many positions including Relief Society, Young Women, Librarian and Sunday school teacher.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and son, Leonard Roger Caton.

Services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 6, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Chapel in Laurel.

Memorials are suggested to the Special K Ranch at Columbus.

Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of arrangements.

Elinor Stine Catterall

DENVER — Elinor Stine Catterall, a pioneer Wyoming schoolteacher and descendent of early settlers, died Thursday, May 27, 2004, at a Denver area nursing home. She was 88.

A resident of Powell, Wyo., since 1950, she had most recently resided at Life Care Center of Littleton, after a series of debilitating hip injuries.



**ELINOR
CATTERALL**

Catterall retired from teaching in Powell in 1982, ending a career in education that began 46 years earlier in a converted bunkhouse at a remote ranch south of Mountain View in the Uinta Mountains of southwestern Wyoming.

She was active in community and professional organizations, serving as corresponding secretary and member of numerous committees in the Wyoming chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, an honorary education society. Her accomplishments are cited in the society's three-volume "Let Your Light Shine: Pioneer Women Educators of Wyoming."

Catterall's great-grandparents on her mother's side arrived in

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 29 2004

Uinta County in 1867, her mother's maternal grandparents emigrating to the United States from Wales nine years earlier and traveling on to Wyoming by wagon train. About the same time, her mother's paternal grandparents came from Ireland and traveled by rail to the Union Pacific Railroad's end of the line, at that point Bear River City. The family moved to Almy a year later after a riotous gun battle turned Bear River City into a ghost town. Both sets of great-grandparents settled in Evanston.

Elinor Stine, born in Evanston on April 2, 1916, was valedictorian of her high school class in Evanston and attended the University of Wyoming for two years. At the university, she was a member of the Pi Beta Phi sorority.

Her first teaching assignment was in 1936 at Thunder Mountain rural school at a ranch where she lived during the school year with her four pupils. She recalled hiring a rancher after one Christmas break to return her to school by sleigh warmed by a wood stove.

She normally rode horseback for seven miles to catch a school bus to Robertson.

She married Willard Catterall, her college sweetheart, in 1938, resulting in a temporary end to her teaching career; married women were not hired in those years as schoolteachers. The family lived in Gillette, Midwest Elk Basin, Powell and Worland before her husband's 1962 death in North Dakota, where the family lived for a year while he supervised construction and subsequent operation of an oil refinery.

After her husband's death, Catterall returned to college and obtained her education degree from Eastern Montana College, now Montana State University-Billings. She returned to Powell to renew her teaching career, embracing new teaching methods, becoming involved in an experimental reading program for second graders and engaging in team teaching at Powell's modular Westside School when it opened in 1970.

She belonged to the Presbyterian Church and served as program chairwoman and president of the Powell Fine Arts Club. She also served on the Powell Hospital Foundation

Board and, after her retirement, as a volunteer at Powell Library and its literacy program.

She is survived by sons John (Diane), of Tampa, Fla., and Story; Lee, of Kapolei, Hawaii; and Stephen (Sue) of Littleton; four grandchildren, Matthew of Austin, Texas; Andrew of San Francisco; and Peter and Brita of Littleton.

Jonnie L. Catterall

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MON 07 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Jonnie Lee (Yeargin) Catterall, 90, died Sunday, Jan. 4, 2004, in Sheridan Manor.

A private family gathering will be held. Champion Ferries Funeral Home was in charge.

Joseph A. Cavagnaro

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 23 2004

SIDNEY — Joseph A. "Joe" Cavagnaro, 73, died Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center-Extended Care Facility.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Fulkerson Memorial Chapel.

Betty Marie Cavalli

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. — Betty Marie Cavalli, 78, died Thursday, June 24, 2004, at Worland Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center.

Rosary will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 29, at Mortimore Funeral Home in Thermopolis. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 30, at St. Francis Catholic Church in Thermopolis. Interment will follow in Riverside Cemetery.

Pauline Cayko

FAIRVIEW — Pauline Cayko, 89, died Sunday, Jan. 11, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center.

Wake service is at 5 p.m. Wednesday at Fulkerson Memorial Chapel in Sidney. Mass of Christian Burial is at 2 p.m. Thursday at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Sidney with interment in the Fairview Cemetery.

THE BURLINGTON GAZETTE

JAN 13 2004

Jewel C. Cederberg

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 10 2004

TURNER — Jewel C. Cederberg, 96, died July 8, 2004, at Northern Montana Care Center in Havre.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Monday, July 12, at the Turner American Lutheran Church, with burial following in the Turner Cemetery. Edwards Funeral Home of Chinook is in charge.

Ralph Delo (Trey) Cercy III

The son of a former Powell woman died Wednesday, July 14 at the age of 19.

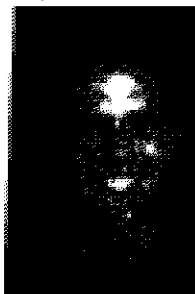
Ralph Delo (Trey) Cercy III was born Oct. 8, 1984 in Lubbock, Texas, to Ralph D. II and Karen (Kluksdahl) Cercy. He grew up in Tulsa, Okla., attending Jenks Public Schools before moving to Hot Springs, Ark., where he attended Lake Hamilton High School.

Trey was an avid member of the LHHS Thespian Club, LHHS Singers, lettered in track and field and was active in Piney Grove United Methodist Church Youth Group. Throughout his years of schooling, he received a Mr. Congenialty award, an Outstanding Sportsmanship award in golf and Most Outstanding Student at Quachita Technical School. He graduated from Lake Hamilton High School in May of 2003.

Trey enjoyed a variety of hobbies, including playing his guitars and composing music, constructing the family home with his parents, "jeepin," fishing, hunting and golf. He also had a love of automobiles and computers and had planned to major in Computer Science at Arkansas Tech University. He had a passion for all he did.

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THE POWELL
TRIBUNE
JUL 27 2004



**Ralph (Trey)
Cercy III**

He was a loving son, caring brother and loyal friend. He touched many lives in the brief time he had, only seeing good in everyone and everything. He provided love, comfort, friendship and faith to those around him.

SURVIVORS include his parents, Ralph II and Karen Cercy of

Hot Springs; two sisters and one brother-in-law, Kirsten and Mark Hilsheimer of Tulsa, Okla., and Katie Cercy and Jon Emmerling of Benton, Ark.; grandparents, Ralph and Alice Cercy of Lubbock, Texas, and Gordon and Donna Khuksdahl of Powell; many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

His family says of Trey: "As a devoted son, he made us proud; as a loving brother, he made us laugh; and being a loyal friend, he shared his love."

Services were held Monday, July 19 at Piney Grove United Methodist Church in Hot Springs. Burial was in Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to Piney Grove United Methodist Church Youth Group or a charity of choice.

NAUGHTON VIRGINIA
Cernohlavek

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 26 2004

Katherine Virginia Cernohlavek died at her home in Vista on Sunday, April 25, 2004.

Katherine was born to William D. and Celia Hedrick Willis on Dec. 7, 1913, in Billings and lived her long and good life here. On Dec. 30, 1931, she married Lewis "Luke" Cernohlavek, who preceded her in death on June 3, 1994.



**KATHERINE
CERNOHLAVEK**

Katherine was a grounded, focused self-starter, a warm, gentle soul who was a wife, mother, nurturer and homemaker who enjoyed gardening, cooking and baking, rock and fossil hunting, creating compositions from interesting pieces shared by nature with her, reading, writing, and "keeper" of the family genealogy.

Katherine is survived by a brother, William M. "Bud" Willis of Billings; two children, C. Jane (Dean) Burgess of Apache Junction, Ariz., and James C. (Susan) Cernohlavek of Eureka, Calif.; four grandchildren, Janice C. (Bill) Eagler of Billings, Michael C. (Joyce) Shorthill of Ft. Collins, Colo., Laura L. Cernohlavek of Oakland, Calif., and Robert A.

(Leeta) Cernohlavek of Sacramento, Calif.; five great-grandchildren, Quincy M. Eagler of Quincy Massachusetts, Taylor and Logan Cernohlavek of Sacramento, and Samantha and Madison Shorthill of Ft. Collins.

Katherine was an active member of the First Congregational Church until she moved from her home to Vista in 1998 where she worshipped with the Lutherans.

A special memorial is planned for her at First Church and there will be a service in her honor performed at Vista. Her family plans a private memorial service at a later time in Red Lodge with disposal of her cremains to be scattered on top of the Beartooth Mountains where Luke's were taken in 1994. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be sent to First Congregational Church, 312 N. 27th St., or the charity of choice

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Katherine Cernohlavek *THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

A memorial service for Katherine Cernohlavek will be held Saturday, May 1, at 2 p.m., in the sanctuary at First Congregational Church, which is located at 310 N 27th. Katherine passed away Sunday, April 25, 2004, at her home at The Vista. Please, join us as we honor and remember our dear "Gramma."

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Stanley Cervenka

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
APRIL ~~FEB~~ 28 2004

LEWISTOWN — Stanley Cervenka, 82, of Lewistown, formerly of Denton, died Saturday, April 24, 2004, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

No services will be held at this time. Cremation has taken place, at his request. Cloyd Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

Art Chaffin**MAY 19 2004**

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Art Chaffin, 71, of Buffalo, died Tuesday, May 18, 2004, at the Amie Holt Care Center in Buffalo.

Visitation will be from 1 to 10 p.m. Thursday, May 20, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo. Graveside funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, May 21, in Willow Grove Cemetery.

Eugene Challes

SEP 8 2004
BILLINGS GAZETTE

WESTBY — Eugene "Snooks" Challes, 75, died Saturday, Sept. 4, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic, during emergency surgery.

A funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Westby. Burial will be in Westby Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood is in charge

Laura 'LaVerne' Chamberlain

Laura LaVerne Chamberlain, 93, of Billings, went to her Lord on March 14, 2004, at Butterfly Homes, where she was a resident since August 2003. Laura LaVerne Harris was born Jan. 15, 1911, in Hoffman, Okla., to Laura Newton Barr Harris and Arthur Jackson Harris. She graduated from high school and earned a teaching certificate from Billings Polytechnical Institute.

On July 2, 1937, she married Merritt Benjamin Chamberlain in Kalispell. They had four children. Together, LaVerne and Merritt owned and operated a wheat ranch north of Billings and later ran the Chevron Oil Bulk Plant, a gas station, the Fountain Drive-In in Billings Heights, the S-S Motel and Trailer Court in Livingston, a laundromat in Bozeman, Central Avenue Cleaners, Gorham Park Cleaners and Fabricare Cleaners in Billings.

After her husband's death in 1982, LaVerne continued doing sewing and alterations for her former laundromat customers, made doll clothes for the Herbert girls and enjoyed working in her garden. LaVerne was a lifelong, active member of Evangelical United Methodist Church. She sang in the church choir for more than 70 years and served many years as church treasurer.

MAR 18 2004

(LaVerne)

LaVerne is survived by her sons, Merritt H. (Diane), Scottsdale, Ariz., Mark (Darlene), Billings; daughter Rachel (Brian) Roverud, Blue Earth, Minn.; four grandchildren, Crystal (Eric) Nichols, Shannon (Kristi) Chamberlain, Elin and Steffan Roverud; one great-grandchild,

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.



**LAVERNE
CHAMBERLAIN**

J a k o b Chamberlain; four step-grandchildren, Brian, Kim, Kelly and Clark; and eight step-great-grandchildren and three step-great-great-grandchildren.

She also has two very special church daughters, Linda Staszczuk and Lynda Ashcraft and was known as "Mom #2" to many other ladies at the church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her brother Robert, sister Juanita, daughter Linda and grandson Evan Roverud.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial celebration of her life will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 20, at Evangelical United Methodist Church, 345 Broadwater Avenue, Billings.

Memorials can be made to the Evangelical United Methodist Church, Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59102, or a

Beverly Jean Chamberlin

OCT 23 2004
MILLING GAZETTE

On Oct. 21, 2004, Beverly Jean Chamberlin, 66, went to be with God and her loving mother, dad and sister.

Beverly entered this life on Sept. 23, 1938. Beverly grew up in Harlowton.

She is survived by three brothers, Richard, Glenn and Doug Chamberlin; four sisters, Donna King, Jackie Wilcox, Arlee Polmer, Terri Chandler; eight children — three boys, Glenn and Kenneth Lilley and Robert Hammeren; five girls, Barbara Bauer, Robert Ferguson, Kathy Holland, Theresa Hammeren and Pam Hammeren; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Beverly will be greatly missed. She was loved and touched everyone's life in a special way.

A graveside service will be held in Harlowton at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24.

Carl Edward Chambers *THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah —
Carl Edward Chambers, 90, died
Aug. 4, 2004.

Funeral services will be held
Tuesday, Aug. 10, in Salt Lake City.

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Ruth L. Chambers

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 9 2004

Ruth Lenore Chambers, 85, passed away Friday, March 5, 2004, at Billings Health and Rehabilitation Community.

Ruth was born Aug. 3, 1918, near Ekalaka, a daughter of Homer and Dorothy (Kellogg) Pulse.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Fred Chambers; infant daughter, Peggy Ann; and grandson, Chaney Chambers. Survivors include her son, Cecil C. Chambers of Billings; a sister, Dotty (Dean) Albert of Great Falls; brothers, Homer (Margie) Pulse, and Don (Tunk) Pulse both of Glendive, Bob (Phyllis) Pulse of Yakima, Wash. and Ken (Beverly) Pulse of Cody, Wyo.

Cremation has taken place. Inurnment in the Ekalaka Cemetery will take place at a later date. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of arrangements.

Buddy Charles Champagne, Jr.

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LOVELL, Wyo. — Buddy Charles Champagne, Jr. died Feb. 22, 2004, at North Big Horn Hospital in Lovell, from complications of multiple sclerosis and diabetes.

Buddy was born Nov. 6, 1951, in Powell. He attended school in Cody, Frannie, Columbus, Mont., Powell and Laramie. He enlisted in the Navy on July 7, 1972, and served on the USS Bryce Canyon and later on the USS Kitty Hawk as a machinist. He took great pride in the work he performed and of what he had learned.

After his discharge from the Navy in March of 1980, he went back to school, attending Northwest College in Powell, where he received an associate of science, and then moving on to the University of Wyoming, where he majored in education. He joined the Wyoming National Guard in September of 1980 and retired as a Gunnery Sergeant on Jan. 20, 1994. Buddy's last employment was with Fremont Motors in Cody.

In February of 2001, Buddy became disabled, and after spending three months at the Veterans Hospital in Sheridan, he was transferred to New Horizons Care Center, where he resided until his death.

Buddy is survived by his mother, Elizabeth "Betty" Todd; his stepfather, Terry Todd of Cody; four sisters, Sue Orr (Jack) of Winnemucca, Nev., Carma Johannesen (Fred) of Coal Hill, Ark., Jeri Shuler (Carl) of Fromberg, Mont., and Lee Nell Owen of Cody; two stepsisters, Tammy Ellis (David) and Tara Raymond (Scott), both of Cody; one foster sister, Donna Hume (Tom) of Cody; one stepbrother, Troy Todd of Cody; 14 nephews and one niece. He was preceded in death by his father, his grandparents and four maternal uncles.

Funeral services were Feb. 27, at the Church of Latter-day Saints Stake Center in Cody, with interment in the Lovell Cemetery.

MAR 23 2004

Garry Chapel

MILES CITY — Garry Chapel, 54, of Miles City, formerly of Big Timber, died Saturday, March 20, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Hospital in Miles City.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, March 25, at the chapel of Stevenson &

Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 27, at the Mountainview Cemetery in Big Timber. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Datus William Chandler,

Jr.

Datus William Chandler, Jr., 89, of Billings, died peacefully in his sleep at St. Vincent Healthcare on Sunday, Dec. 12, 2004, with loved ones at his side.

Datus was born on Aug. 13, 1915, in Crow Agency, the son of

Datus William Chandler, Sr. and Minnie Myrtle Jennings, the fourth of eight children.

At the age of 3, the family moved from Crow Agency to Lodge Grass, where Datus grew up and graduated from high school in 1933.

As a young man, Dad worked in and around Lodge Grass as a farmhand; following his graduation, did a stint in the CCC's; and, after he married, in the ECW. In 1941, Datus went to work for Northern Pacific Railroad at the roundhouse in Laurel. After that, he tried his hand at farming and in 1949, Datus began his career in construction as an oiler for Peter Kiewit Construction Co., working his way up to Master Mechanic. In 1955, Datus went to work for Nash-Davis Machinery, which later became Tractor &



**DATUS
CHANDLER**

Equipment Company. In December of 1980, Datus retired from T & E following 25 years of service.

Datus married Eileen Sanders on March 5, 1936. They eloped to Hardin and his sister, Barbara, was a witness. Needing another witness, they recruited a carpenter who happened to be finishing the construction of the church. Together, Datus and Eileen had four children: Robert, Datus III, Clara and Richard.

Datus was preceded in death by his parents; his baby son, Datus; his brothers and their spouses, Clarence (Birdie), Burton (Marcleen) and Walter; and his sisters and their spouses, Barbara (Gene) Aarstad and Monty (Bill) Williams.

He is survived by his wife, Eileen; his children, Robert, Clara and Richard (Mary); 13 grandchildren, Bobbi, Darin, Bekki, Greg, Jamie, Diana, Claudia, Corey, Larkin, Sheri, Tracy, Vaschelle and Aljama; 15 great-grandchildren; his sister, Letitia Turner of Elroy, Wis.; his brother Porter of Fillmore, Calif.; and many nieces and nephews.

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Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Interment will be at Yellowstone Valley Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 3010 11th Ave. N., Billings, MT 59101 or to the charity of one's choice.

Dad loved his family and went the extra mile to show his love. He was always there for his family and friends. He loved the outdoors and enjoyed camping, especially when his children, grandchildren or good friends were along.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Daisy Chapman**MAY 19 2004**

GREYBULL, Wyo. — Daisy Lucille Andersen Chapman, 85, died Sunday, May 16, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

A viewing will be from 2 to 6 p.m. Thursday, May 20, at the Atwood Family Funeral Chapel in Greybull. A rosary will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Greybull. A celebration of life will be at 11 a.m. Friday, May 21, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, followed by a graveside service at Hillside Cemetery in Greybull.

George Dudley Chapman

WORLAND, Wyo. — George Dudley Chapman, 65, of Worland, formerly of Basin, died Friday, May 14, 2004, at the Worland Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center.

Memorial funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, May 20, at the Atwood Family Funeral Chapel in Basin. Cremation has taken place. Burial of cremains will follow the memorial services at Mount View Cemetery in Basin.

MAY 15 2004

Ruth Chapman

SEP 23 2004

WORLAND, Wyo. — Ruth (Sublett) Chapman, 82, of Worland, formerly of Basin, died Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2004, at the Washakie Medical Center in Worland.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Atwood Family Funeral Chapel in Basin. Burial will follow in the Mount View Cemetery in Basin. A viewing will be from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday, prior to the services.

MAY 21 2004

Jo Ann Charette

Jo Ann Charette, 54, died May 19, 2004, of heart failure, in Billings. Born May 30, 1950, in Helena, to Geraldine and Harold Charette.

Jo Ann had many interests and talents and could find beauty in most everything.

She is survived by her son Jeremy Charette of Billings; daughter Tracie Charette of Billings; two beautiful granddaughters, Dominique and Trai Dewey, who were the love of her life; her mother, Geri Crush; three sisters, Terry and Shirley Charette of Billings, and Renee Cellmer of San Antonio, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her grandmother, Francis Cole, whom Jo Ann never stopped grieving.

We will always love and miss you, Jo. When the note that we write here is dim on the page and the paper you see is yellow with age, we will think of you kindly and will not forget.

Wherever we are, we will remember you yet.

Cremation has taken place.

Wake will be held at 459 Hillview, Saturday, May 22, from noon to 6 p.m. For additional information, please call 248-7833.

**James Harold
'Chuck' Chaska**

BISMARCK GAZETTE

JAN 21 2004

BISMARCK, N.D. — James Harold "Chuck" Chaska, 46, died Monday, Jan. 19, 2004, at Med Center One in Bismarck.

Vigil service is at 7 p.m. Thursday in Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Beach. Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Friday at St. John's Catholic Church in Beach with burial in St. John's Cemetery.

Esther Chavez

MILES CITY — Esther Chavez, 79, of Miles City, formerly of Forsyth and Hysham, died Saturday, June 12, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Care Center in Miles City.

A Rosary will be at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 18, in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 1 to 7 p.m. Friday, in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Funeral mass will be at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, June 19, in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Forsyth. Burial will be in the family lot in the Forsyth Cemetery.

JUN 17 2004

Jacob Chavez

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Jacob Chavez, 18, passed away on Tuesday, May 25, at Deaconess Billings Clinic. Jacob was born in Billings to Billy and Jeanette Chavez on Feb. 2, 1986. He grew up here and attended schools at Garfield Elementary, Riverside Middle School, and Senior High, and was most recently attending the Adult Education Program at the Lincoln Center.



**JACOB
CHAVEZ**

Jacob loved watching sports on TV, especially his favorite hockey team, the Colorado Avalanche. He loved to fish and golf, but his greatest joy was spending time with his family and friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

Survivors include his mother, Jeanette and her husband, Robert Kline, of Billings; his father, Billy, and his wife, Jody Chavez, of Billings; brothers, Billy Chavez Jr. and Brian Chavez; his nephew, Julian and his girlfriend, Carmelita Lavenger. He is also survived by his grandparents, Joe Chavez, Maria and Pablo

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Gonzalez, Lorenzo Hernandez, Grandma Puddy and Cecil Miller; great-grandmother, Ruth Batt, and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his great-grandparents, Joe and Emma Chavez, Tony and Lupe Hernandez, Sisto and Sarah Archibeque, Jake Batt, and Cy Halverson.

Jacob's family would like to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to the doctors, nurses and staff at Deaconess ICU, especially nurses Martha, Jim, and Bill, for caring for Jacob.

Vigil services will be held at 7 p.m., Tuesday, June 1, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, with Funeral Mass at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the church. Rite of Committal will take place in Sunset Memorial Gardens following Mass.

Memorials may be made to Friendship House Christian Service, 3123 Eighth Ave. S, Billings, MT 59101, or the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

Jennie Chenoweth

THE SPOKANE GAZETTE
April 28 2004

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Jennie Sheperd Pierson Chenoweth, 90, of Buffalo, died Monday, April 26, 2004, at the Amie Holt Care Center.

A celebration of her life will be at 10 a.m. Friday, April 30, at Adams Funeral Home in Buffalo. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Thursday, April 29, and from 8 to 9 a.m. Friday, at Adams Funeral Home. Graveside services will be held in Willow Grove Cemetery.

Earl L. Cherrey

FAIRVIEW — Earl "Red" LaVern Cherrey, 83, formerly of Williston, N.D., and longtime Fairview resident, passed away Monday evening, July 19, 2004, at his home, following a rapidly progressing illness.

Rosary and wake services will be 5:30 p.m. MDT, Thursday, July 22, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Sidney. Mass of the Christian Burial will be 10 a.m. MDT, Friday, July 23, also at St. Matthew's. Father Ned Shinnick will officiate and interment will be in the family lot at the Parshall Cemetery in Parshall, N.D. The Edgar M. Boyd American Legion Post No. 37 of Williston will conduct military rites there at 4 p.m. CDT. Before the services, friends may call at the Everson Funeral Home of Williston, Wednesday, July 21, from 1 until 5 p.m., and Thursday, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. CDT, and at St. Matthew's on Friday for one hour before Mass.

Red was born to John Rilet and Agnes Jane (Curry) Cherrey on April 5, 1921, in Souris, Manitoba, Canada. During March 1923, the Cherrey family moved to Williston to establish their home in the United States. Red attended grade schools and high school in Williston while also working on the family dairy farm that was established in 1926.

Red was an active member of the Williston National Guard

Company E that left home on March 18, 1942, to serve our country in the Pacific during World War II. Red and the North Dakota Infantrymen of Company E, 2nd Battalion, 164th Infantry Regiment, Americal Division, had engaged the enemy and won at the Solomon Islands of Bouganinville and Guadalcanal, and the Philippine Island of Leyte. Red obtained the rank of Staff Sergeant and was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge, Purple Heart, American Defense Ribbon, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal with three battle stars, Philippine Liberation Ribbon with Bronze Star, the Navy Presidential Unit Citation with one star and the Good Conduct Medal.

He returned home honorably discharged from active service on June 8, 1945. Company E was later recalled on Jan. 1, 1951, during the Korean Conflict and Red became an Army Ranger and commissioned officer while stationed in Ft. Benning, Ga., prior to reporting to Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 169th Infantry Regiment in Nürnberg, Germany. Honorably discharged from active duty on April 29, 1954,

Red obtained the rank of Captain and was awarded the Army of Occupation (Germany) and National Defense Service Medals.

On Dec. 2, 1950, Red was united in marriage to Edith "Tiny" Helen Finke at St. Bridgit's Catholic Church in Parshall. They lived in Williston, Ft. Benning and Nürnberg before settling in Fairview. On May 1, 1955, Red established Cherrey's Propane in Fairview, operating as a commissioned agent for the Westland Oil Company of Minot, N.D. Cherrey's Propane was later affiliated with the Flying J and Petrolane corporations. Red re-established Cherrey's Propane as a sole proprietorship in 1980, and then retired in 1984. He was a part-time substitute rural mail carrier for the Fairview Post Office during the 1970s and 1980s, became full-time 1984-1989, then retired on Feb. 24, 1989. Also in Fairview, he established Cherrey's Petroleum and Cherrey's Red Top Service on June 1, 1987, and May 15, 1989, respectively and then retired on Sept. 15, 1999. The businesses Red started are still family owned and operated.

Red actively served the community for 32 years with the Fairview Volunteer Fire Department, including a term as Fire Chief, retiring from the department on Sept. 12, 1989. He was a lifetime member of the

Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Disabled American Veterans, the Knights of Columbus and the 164th Infantry Association, which included a term as President. Red was a member of St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Fairview. He enjoyed electronics, computers and traveling in his motor home visiting family and friends throughout the United States and Canada.

Red is survived by one brother, Norman A. Cherrey of Richfield, Minn.; 11 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and eight children, John J. Cherrey (Marilyn) of Denver, Patrick E. Cherrey (Betty) of Fairview, Michael P. Cherrey (Carol) of Farmington, N.M., Kathleen M. Marsonette (Roger) of Kalispell, Kevin L. Cherrey (Merlene) of Fairview, Elaine J. Entzel (Tim) of Sidney, Kelly D. Cherrey of State College, Penn., and Jeannie E. Lassey (Ron) of Sidney.

Red was preceded in death by his parents John and Agnes of Williston; three brothers, Gordon, Lloyd and Raymond of Williston; and his wife Tiny.

Zachary Childs

OCT 1 2004
BILLINGS GAZETTE

WRIGHT, Wyo. — Zachary "Zach" Childs, 23, of Wright, died Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2004, in Wright, of injuries sustained in a work-related accident.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette.

Two memorial services will be held. The first service will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 4, at the Wright Baptist Church in Wright.

The second memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6, at the United Methodist Church in Torrington.

Amy Marie Christensen

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 02 2004

Amy Marie Christensen, 88, of the Cottage at Highgate, slipped into eternity, Sunday, Feb. 29, 2004. Amy was born Aug. 30, 1915, in Arnold, Neb. She was the seventh of 11 children of Harry and



AMY CHRISTENSEN

Alice Sell. All 11 brothers and sisters remained close during the many years — they were best friends.

On Sept. 15, 1935, Amy married the love of her life, Ernie Christensen.

They eloped to Ringold, Neb., where three older sisters had also eloped. Amy and Ernie lived in Billings and then in Portland, Ore., during World War II, where Amy was an electrician in the shipyards. After the war they spent one year on a Nebraska farm, before moving back to Billings. They settled "out of town" on Poly Drive next to the Rehberg Dairy with its black and white cows.

Amy worked for many years for Noyes Grocery as a produce manager. She and Ernie had a spotless home, yard and garden. Her pies (chocolate and lemon meringue) were picture perfect. She was a wonderful cook but never measured ingredients, so we have few recipes she handed down.

Our mom was small in stature

but big of heart and always "dressed to the nines." She loved roses and robins; hiking in the mountains; and dancing at the Elk's Club. Amy was "MeMe" to the grand-kids and great grand-kids she loved so much, and a loving, caring, giving mom to daughters Karen and Lynda.

Her beloved husband and caregiver Ernie preceded Amy in death just 115 days ago. They can again hold hands.

Also preceding Amy in death are her parents; sisters Lila, Lily, Evelyn, Velma, Hazel, Marge and Ruth; and brothers Charles and Eugene. Amy is survived by her brother Norvin Sell of Aspen View, Billings; daughters Karen (Bob) Robinson of Laurel and Lynda (Ken) Behling of Billings; granddaughters Debra (Cliff) Schenk of Silesia, Rene' (Terry) Ruff of Laurel and Elizabeth Behling of Lincoln, Neb. She is also survived by grandson Tim (Melissa) Benjamin of New Hudson, Mich. Great-grandchildren Justin and Alec Ruff, and Tyrell and Casey Schenk also survive her. Dear friend Eleanor Largis of Helena will miss Amy greatly.

Our heartfelt thanks go to the

staffs of the Cottage at Highgate, the Limited Memory Unit at Westpark Village, the doctors and nurses of St. Vincent Broadwater Clinic and the Big Sky Hospice. All of these wonderful caregivers worked hard to treat Amy with love and dignity in her later stages of Alzheimer's disease. Private family services will be held at a later date.

Amy and Ernie's cremains will be scattered this summer at Sioux Charlie Lake according to their wishes.

Memorials in Amy's name may be made to the Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings MT 59107.

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I'll like you for always
As long as I'm living
My mommy you'll be."
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Edward L. Christensen

Powell native Edward L. Christensen, 72, died on Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2004 in Ventura, California after a short illness.

He was born Nov. 7, 1932 in Powell, the son of Arthur and Audrey Rimbey Christensen. He spent his childhood on the Willwood and was a 1951 graduate of Powell High School.

During the Korean Conflict, he served in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and until his retirement worked for H&H Oil Tool and Crane Service where he was a heavy equipment and crane operator. He had lived in Santa Paula, Calif., for 31 years.

He is survived by his wife, Joan Christensen, of Santa Paula, brother Donald Christensen of Powell and his children, Terri (Gary) Hansen, Leah Peter Christensen, Audra (Mark) Winter, Rhonda (James) Burke, Krystal (Eric) Johnson and Gregory (Carol) Harding-Brown and 11 grandchildren.

He is also survived by his aunts, Mina Christensen of Powell and Ruth Garret, from Utah and his nephew Scott Christensen (Becky), Ucross, Wyo. and nieces, Lori (Randy) Lohrenz of Powell, Jodi (Shawn) Byrne of Billings and Kari Jones, of Florida and Clara (Mike) Marin-



**Edward
Christensen**

THE POWELL
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gas of Washington.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers, Wesley Lyle Christensen and Rodney Christensen.

Services were held in Santa Paula on Dec. 14. A memorial service will be held in Powell at a later date.

Glenn M. Christensen

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 26 2004

HARLOWTON — Glenn M. Christensen, 90, of Harlowton, passed away Monday, Nov. 22, 2004, at Wheatland Memorial Hospital.

Glenn was born to Melvin and Myrtle Christensen in Pleasant Grove, Utah, Jan. 13, 1914. His school years were also in Pleasant Grove.

Glenn married Elida I. Sondeno on Sept. 2, 1939, in Livingston. She preceded him in death on Nov. 1, 2002. Glenn and Elida owned and operated a ranch in the Martinsdale area for over 50 years. They later moved to Harlowton. He served his country in the U. S. Army during WWII.

Glenn was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church. He was also a member of the Moose Lodge No. 1546, Harlowton and the American Legion Post. Glenn was a great sportsman, enjoying hunting and fishing. He also enjoyed golfing.

His parents, three brothers and one sister preceded him in death. Survivors include his daughter Linda and son-in-law Willis Cotant of Missoula; and two grandsons, Curtis Cotant, Dallas, and Keith Cotant, Ontario, Canada. He is also survived by four brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 29, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Martinsdale, with Reverend Mark Taylor and Reverend Kristi Burnmer officiating.

Graveside committal will follow in Lennep Memorial Park. Pallbearers will be Gary Cotant, Mike Sondeno, Ed Sondeno, Dennis Sondeno, Gene Sondeno and Greg Berg. Perkins Funeral Home assisted the family with the services.

Kay M. Christenson

BALLANTINE — Kay M. Christenson, 63, of Ballantine, died Monday, April 19, 2004, at the St. Vincent Healthcare, following a sudden illness.

Kay was born Dec. 14, 1940, in Lena, Ill. She moved with her family to Worden, where she graduated high school. A wonderful cook, she had cooked at many restaurants in the area including the Feed Lot and the Dark Horse in Worden.

Kay will be remembered for her love of family and friends, her joy of cooking and her faith in Jesus Christ. She also enjoyed



**KAY
CHRISTENSON**

gardening and her adopted pets.

In May 2002, she married Chris Christenson.

Survivors include her husband Chris of Ballantine; a son, Lee Fuller (Mori) of Portland, Ore.; Chris's children, Laurene Smith (Glen) of Kalispell, Eric Christenson (Tresa), Mark Christenson (Shannon) and Bryan Christenson (Alicia), all of Billings; her brother, George Gale, of Bellevue, Wash.; and 11 grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place. At Kay's request, there will be no memorial service. Friends are invited to gather at the family home, 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, April 23.

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

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Larry Christensen

KAYCEE, Wyo. — Larry Christensen, 63, of Kaycee, died Sunday, Dec. 5, 2004, in Kaycee.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, at the Harold Jarrard Building in Kaycee. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo, and from noon to 1:30 p.m. Friday, at the Jarrard Park Building. Interment will be in the Kaycee Cemetery.

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Lela M. Christensen

THE BUFFALO GAZETTE

FEB 28 2004

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Lela M. Christensen, 78, of Buffalo, died Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2004, at Amie Holt Care Center in Buffalo.

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

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**MARY
CHRISTENSEN**

Mary P. Christensen

Mary P. Christensen entered into this world in Texas on April 24, 1911, the first daughter of Bill and Ada Denny. Mary went to be with our Lord on April 9, 2004.

She moved with her parents to Billings, where she met and married Gerald H. Christensen of Deaver, Wyo. The young couple lived in Wyoming for a few years, where two children, Rita and Gerald, were born.

The family moved to Big Timber, where they ranched and raised shorthorn cattle until Gerald's death in 1972.

On March 17, 1976, Mary married Angus Christensen, a union that resulted in much joy, love and happiness until Angus' death in July of 1976.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Rita Ricker; grandsons, David Gunderson and his wife Peg, and Michael Gunderson and his wife Regina.

She is also survived by her son, Gerald and his wife, Barbara

(Butch); granddaughters, Renee Jean and her husband Terry Tritz, and Stephanie Bryn and her husband Cory Lovell.

Also surviving are five great-grandchildren whom she adored.

During the '70s, Mary was a volunteer with the Foster Grandparent Organization. In her journal, she described this work as "rewarding, that it gave the feeling of being useful and helping where we are again needed." She also wrote, "I am sure all folks of our age hope to grow old with dignity and being busy in mind and body is a very sure way to ensure the dignity we want."

Our precious mother, in your own quiet loving way, you gave us a living example of true dignity.

From her journal comes this last bit of advice to her family, "I know the feelings you will have in losing your mother. You never get over missing a loved one who is gone. Keep the memories alive in your heart and accept that 'Life Goes On'." Thank you, Mother, for all those memories and for sharing your wisdom, your love and laughter with us.

Our sincere thanks to the owners of Diamond Willow

Personal Care Home, Richard and Jeannie Voorhis, and to their caring and committed staff. Also a grateful thank you to the wonderful people of Big Sky Hospice. All memorials to Big Sky Hospice at 123 S. 27th St., PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107, please.

A memorial service will be held at Faith Chapel, 517 Shiloh Road (corner of Broadwater and Shiloh), on April 17, at 12:30 p.m.

Peggy Christensen

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

GLASGOW — Margaret Ann "Peggy" Christensen, 86, died Sunday, July 11, 2004, at Valley View Nursing Home in Glasgow.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 16, at Bell Mortuary Chapel in Glasgow. Interment will be in Hillview Cemetery in Hinsdale.

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Fred Christenson**MAY 18 2004**

CODY, Wyo. — Fred Christenson, 62, of Cody, died Sunday, May 16, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings. Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 19, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Cody. Inurnment will be at a later date at Pioneer Cemetery in Baltic, S.D. Cremation or Funeral Gallery of Billings is in charge. ☐

Roger L. Christensen

LOVELL, Wyo. — Roger Lamar Christensen, 56, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Interment will be in the Lovell Cemetery.

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Darrell Christian

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POPLAR — Darrell "Porky" Christian, Cokata Iyotaka Wicasa, 68, of Poplar, died Monday, Oct. 4, 2004, after a lengthy illness.

Visitation will be Thursday, Oct. 7, at the Poplar Cultural Center, with a prayer service at 7 p.m. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 8, at the Poplar Cultural Center. Interment will follow in the Poplar City Cemetery. Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Raymond Christiansen

THE REGISTER-GAZETTE

SIDNEY — Raymond C. Christiansen, 88, of Sidney, died Sunday, Jan. 25, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center, Extended Care Facility.

JAN 27 2004

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, at the Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church. Interment will be in the Brorson Cemetery in Sidney. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

MAY 18 2004**John V. Clague**

John V. Clague, 73, of Billings, died Sunday, May 16, 2004, at the Horizon Hospice Home, following a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born in Dayton, Wash., on June 23, 1930, to Vince and Evelyn (Strode) Clague. He was married to Myrna (Dieringer) Whitmore. From this union, three sons survive him: John (Cindy), Jim (Sherry) and Joe (Christie). He married Sally (Vandenberg) Tinnes on Aug. 1, 1970. From this union he became the father to Rick (Karen), Gary (Carol) and Ronna (Garth).



**JOHN
CLAGUE**

His career began shoveling coal at a lumber yard to selling wholesale lumber products. He was a master craftsman, building many beautiful things, including his home. His love of raising a garden and his gorgeous yard were his peace and solitude. John listened more than talked. He was a true gentleman and a man with high principles.

He was preceded in death by

his parents. He is survived by his wife Sally; a sister, Joan Gilbertson; and 13 grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 19, at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel. Inurnment will be in Yellowstone Valley Memorial Park.

John's family wishes to thank all of the wonderful people of Big Sky Hospice for their wonderful care and compassion. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107.

**RING ONE BELL FOR ME
ONCE, LET IT GO AT THAT.**

**OR RING NO BELL AT ALL,
BETTER YET.**

Carl Sandburg

Amos C. Clark

9/1/1915 — 8/8/2004

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RED LODGE — Amos's journey through life began in Potter County, S.D., on Sept. 1, 1915, the eighth of 13 children born to Elmer and Persis Clark. The family moved to Miles City, where Amos graduated from high school and began his lifelong love of aircraft and flying after witnessing a barn-storming exhibition over the prairies north of town.



**AMOS
CLARK**

The second, and by far the most important, leg began on Oct. 16, 1937, when he married Gladys Ronning, a union that lasted more than 67 years. The young couple put their belongings in the back of a '37 Oldsmobile, attached a 10-foot travel trailer and headed for Southern California, where Amos went to work for the then fledgling Lockheed Aircraft Company. The couple purchased their first home in Culver City, Calif., which became a virtual USO for family and friends during the war years. In 1944, his son John was born and his coworkers commenting on his absence that day said, "either he crashed his

plane (a Fleet Biwing) or Gladys gave birth."

Although their life was filled with friends and activities, Amos and Gladys felt that Montana was their future and moved to Red Lodge in 1954. Amos started driving bus for the school district and eventually "Clark's Bus Service and Cody Bus Lines" had operations based in six communities in two states. He was a partner with ski racing great Pepi Gramhammer and others for the development of the Red Lodge International Ski Race Camp held annually on the Twin Lakes Headwall. He helped develop the Montana School Bus Association and served as its first President. One of his treasured awards was "MSBA Person of the Year" presented for his service to the organization.

Amos has been a member of Messiah Lutheran church since 1954 and prior to that was a founding member of Grace Lutheran Church in Culver City. Gladys and he were recently

Anna Mary "Grandma" Clark

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DEC 31 2004

OCEAN SHORES, Wash. — Anna Mary "Grandma" Clark, a resident of Ocean Shores, Wash., for seven months, died at her daughter's home on Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2004. She was 87.

She was born March 3, 1917, to Richard James and Sylvia (Burger) Cunningham in Netcong, N.J. From the age of 2, her very devoted aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Coleman of Billings, raised her. She was raised in Billings and graduated from the Immaculate Conception Academy in Davenport, Iowa.

On Sept. 29, 1936, she married Raymond G. Clark in Forsyth, Mont.

He died in 1991. The couple had lived in California and Kent, also.

While in California, she had been a member of the Brisbane Eagles, where she had served as Secretary and President of the Auxiliary. The couple was known as "Grandpa and Grandma Clark" to the Pacifica All Stars team of 1984. She had been the children's director and organist for Holy Family Parish in Auburn. After moving to Ocean Shores, she became a member of St. Jerome

Catholic Church.

Mrs. Clark loved needlework, playing bingo, going on the annual community club trips to Reno, Nev., and she was a huge sports fan, especially of baseball.

Survivors include her two sons, Fred R. and Earl T., both of Kent; four daughters, Rae Ellen Pierre and Sandra L. Rotter, both of Ocean Shores, Jerry R. Newland and Gayle A. Wheeler, both of Pacifica, Calif.; 15 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren; and her nephew, Dan Clark of Billings, who was like a son to her.

In addition to her husband; two brothers, John and Richard Cunningham; and a sister, Catherine Wiberg, all died previously.

A rosary service will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 30, at Whiteside Family Mortuary in Aberdeen. The funeral mass will begin at 9 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 31, at St. Jerome Catholic Church in Ocean Shores. The committal will take place at Gethsemane Cemetery in Federal Way.

Memorial contributions are suggested to: City of Hope, 1055 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90017, or www.cityofhope.org/ donate.



**ANNA
CLARK**

Friends are invited to share memories and sign the family's online guest book at www.whitesidefamilymortuaries.com.

Arrangements are by Whiteside Family Mortuary in Aberdeen.

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Bonnie M. Clark passed away peacefully in her home on Aug. 14, 2004. Bonnie was 62.

Bonnie Mae Lee was born Dec. 6, 1941, to John and Bertha Lee. She was the 12th of 13 children. Bonnie was raised on the family farm at Norma, N.D., and educated in a rural school setting at the Rockford County School.

She went to high school at Dakota Lutheran in Minot, N.D., for two years and finished at Kenmare High School. Bonnie was very proud to be the first of

**BONNIE
CLARK**

13 kids to graduate high school. After graduating high school, Bonnie moved to Williston, ND., and worked for Montgomery Wards for a number of years.

In 1964, she met and married Don "Joe" Davis. They went on to have four children. They resided in Oregon for a short time and moved to Billings in 1972. Joe passed away in 1986.

In 1987, Bonnie married Lee Clark. They enjoyed each other's company for 17 wonderful years.

Bonnie loved and cherished all of her grandchildren. They were the light of her life. She also enjoyed doing all types of crafts. She enjoyed giving her home-

made gifts to friends and family. Of the many gifts she had, her gift of gab was her trademark; she could talk to anyone and would. Bonnie never met a stranger. Her sense of humor and smile were infectious. She was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and friend.

Bonnie was employed at Deaconess Medical Center for 27 years. She made many friends throughout her years at Deaconess and cherished all of them. Bonnie retired in February of 2003, due to illness. Upon retirement, Bonnie was awarded employee of a life time. Her love for NASCAR and Jeff Gordon were known by everyone. On race day, phone calls and visitors were not accepted.

Bonnie will be remembered most for her smile, sense of humor and strength. Bonnie will be missed by many.

Bonnie is survived by her husband Lee; sons, Ronnie (Beth) Davis, Darrin (Terry) Davis and daughter Angie (Robert) Bessasparis; grandchildren, Anthony, Ron Jr., Cindy, Cory, Donald, Alyssa, Robert Joe and Ryan; and great-grandson, Lazarus; three sisters, Violet Lee, Selema Wentz, both of Minot, and Sandra (Wray) Lasher of Canada; her brother, Chester (Shirley) Lee of Watford City, N.D.; special friends, Ed and Roberta Hanson of Billings; sister-in-law Sue Davis of Savage. Bonnie is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Bonnie was preceded in death by her parents; daughter Lucinda Jo; six brothers, Gordon, Larry, Stanley, Leroy, Donald and Orville; and two sisters, Irene and Muriel.

Bonnie requested no memorial service. A reception will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, at Lockwood Evangelical Church, 1413 Rosebud Lane in Billings, to celebrate her life.

The family requests memorials be made to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033 Billings, MT 59107.

A special thanks to the staff of Big Sky Hospice. An extra special thanks to Jamie who brought a smile to Bonnie's face.

Arrangements are by
Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Carlton Thaddeus 'Ted' Clark, Jr.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 7 - 2004

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. - Carlton Thaddeus "Ted" Clark, Jr., 81, a former Billings resident, passed away in Scottsdale on June 27, 2004.

He leaves his sons, David and Stephen Clark; daughter-in-law Teresa; and grandchildren Hallye, Rachel, Connor and Daniel.

Contributions may be made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation of America, 3550 N. Central Ave., Suite 300, Phoenix, AZ 85012-2127.

A memorial service will be scheduled in the future.

Clair O. Clark

LEWISTOWN — Clair O. Clark, 79, of Lewistown, passed away Thursday, Sept. 9, 2004, at Central Montana Medical Center, of natural causes.

He was born Nov. 9, 1924, in Donnybrook, N.D., the son of John W. and Elizabeth J. Clark. In 1937, the family was transferred to Bozeman, where Clair graduated from Gallatin County High School. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in agronomy and soils at Montana State College in Bozeman in June 1949.

Clair worked summers during college with the Soil Conservation Service and after graduation, was assigned as soil scientist with the Soil Conservation Service in Sidney. He worked 42 years for the BLM in Sidney, Great Falls and Lewistown.

In 1952, he married Lillian A. Latka in Sidney. She died in 1964.

While on a trip to Europe, Clair met Anna Ruth Vollmer, a high school teacher from St. Louis, Mo.,

and they married in 1989.

Survivors include his wife, Anna Ruth Clark of Lewistown; a son, Daniel O. Clark of Pleasanton, Calif.; two daughters, Loreen Elizabeth Ferber of Beaverton, Ore., and Tammi Louise Kolar of Lewistown; sisters, Eleanor "Pinky" Castle of Bothell, Wash., and Marcella A. Loper of Meridian, Idaho; a stepson, James Vollmer of Donaldson, Iowa; a stepdaughter, Patricia Bommarito of St. Peters, Mo.; seven grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; cousins, nieces, nephews and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers Gene and Padaric; and sister Margaret.

A memorial mass will be held Saturday, Sept. 18 at 2 p.m. at St. Leo's Catholic Church in Lewistown. Cremation has taken place. Burial will be in Bozeman.

Masses or donations to the Alzheimer's Foundation will be appreciated.

Donald G. Clark

FRAZER — Donald G. Clark, 71, died Friday, Oct. 22, 2004, at Trinity Hospital in Wolf Point of natural causes.

A Wake service is planned at 7 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 24, at Oswego Community Hall. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 25. Interment will be at the Clark Family Cemetery in Frazer. Bell Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

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BELLEVILLE GAZETTE

Eugene Grant Clark

THE PHILIPPS GAZETTE

FEB 13 2004

RYEGATE — Eugene Grant Clark, 82, of Ryegate, died Feb. 11, 2004, at Wheatland Memorial Hospital in Harlowton.

He was born March 29, 1921, in Ryegate, to Samuel and Nellie (Scott) Clark. On July 23, 1938, he married Jean Kinsey.

Gene served in the U.S. Army during the Second World War and was stationed in California, the Philippines and Japan. After his discharge, he went into business with his father, Sam, owning the Clark Lumber Co. in Ryegate. Later on, his brother Waldo joined the family business. He retired from Clark Lumber in 1964 and became Golden Valley County sheriff. He held that position until his retirement in 1985.

Gene was a member of the Lavina Temple Masonic Lodge No. 101; and at one time had been a member of the Shrine's Black Horse Patrol.

Raising Red Angus cattle brought him a lot of pride and enjoyment.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Waldo and Fred; sisters Betty Schaff and Nellie June Emtman; and daughter, Sherri Ann.

Gene is survived by his wife Jean; sons, Eugene Jr. (Alice) of W.S. Springs, Daniel (Carol) of Grass Range, Gordon (Shirley) of Ryegate and Martin (Bonnie) of Helena; grandchildren,

Bainbridge Scott (Samantha) of Venice, Calif., Tammy (Curt) Pate (Rial and Mesa) of Helena, Tara (Pete) Petersen (Jaxsen and Sam) of Dillon, Stefani (Rod) Lyman of Victor, Colette (Glen) Bertrand (Larisa and Ty) of Wright, Wyo., John Clark (Colton and MacKenzie) of Tucson, Ariz., Tenille and Casey Clark of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Miranda and Britana Clark of Helena. Also surviving are his brother Sam Clark of Sebring, Fla.; sisters Birdie (Paul) Von Olmhausen of Ryegate and Lodema (Bill) Durham of Spokane, Wash.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Special thanks to the doctors and staff at the Wheatland Memorial Hospital and Nursing Home for their wonderful care. Memorials may be sent to the Golden Valley Ambulance, PO Box 55, Ryegate, MT 59074 or a charity of one's choice.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 16, at the Ryegate Methodist Church, with interment following in Ryegate Cemetery.

Kenneth D. Clark

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 24 2004

MILES CITY — Kenneth D. Clark, 82, of Miles City, died Saturday, Feb. 21, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Center in Miles City.

A private family service was held on Sunday. At his request, no public services will be held. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home is in charge.

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BRACKETTVILLE, Texas — Lavena Clark passed away at the home of her daughter at Fort Clark Springs, Brackettville, on Sunday, Aug. 15, 2004.

She was born Oct. 10, 1915, in Hamilton, Ill., to George A. and Anna E. (Mays) Cosgrove. On May 30, 1937, she married Loren E. Clark in Warsaw, Ill. Her husband, her parents and two brothers, Hubbard and Russell Cosgrove, preceded her in death.

"Beana," as she was affectionately known by her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, is survived by four children: Nancy Simmons (Jerry) of Bainbridge Island, Wash. (formerly of Billings), Lynn McNew (Tom) of Fort Clark Springs, Douglas Clark of Bainbridge Island, (formerly of Hamilton) and Dennis Clark (Sandy) of Hamilton. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren: Clay Simmons, Brad Simmons, Andrea Simmons Cyphers, Jami Simmons Au, CPT Tom McNew, Tami McNew, Tim McNew, Angela Clark Kinney, Jessica Clark Steinkuhler, Lou Clark, Terri Clark Helm and Jason Clark; and 20 great-grandchildren. Three nieces and two nephews also survive her.

Mrs. Clark was a teacher at St. Vincent's School in Keokuk, Iowa, and retired in 1983 as a second grade teacher at Hamilton

Elementary. She spent many years as organist for St. Mary's Catholic Church in Hamilton.

In 1984, Mr. and Mrs. Clark moved to Billings, where they managed Laurel Gardens Apartments. She volunteered as a Pink Lady at St. Vincent's Hospital in Billings and was active with the Billings Symphony Associates. Following her husband's death in June 1994, she continued to reside in Billings and enjoyed dividing her time between the homes of her children. She was a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church in Billings.

In 2000, she moved to Bainbridge Island where she was a member of St. Cecilia Catholic Church and the Visually Impaired Persons (VIP) organization.

Visitation will be at Bracketville Funeral Home on Friday, Aug. 20, 5 to 8 p.m., with the Rosary recited at 7 p.m. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday, Aug. 21, 10:30 a.m., at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Bracketville, with Father Cornelius Scanlan presiding.

Visitation will be at Lamporte Funeral Home in Hamilton on Tuesday, Aug. 24, 5 to 8 p.m., with the Rosary recited at 7 p.m. The Rite of Committal will be celebrated at Oakwood Cemetery, Hamilton, Wednesday, Aug. 25, 10:30 a.m., with Deacon Bill Gray presiding. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of Del Rio, TX, the American Cancer Society, Hamilton Elementary School Library or a charity of your choice.

Humphrey's-Doran Funeral Home, Del Rio, and Lamporte Funeral Home, Hamilton, are in charge of arrangements.

Mary Clark

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 16 2004

MILES CITY — Mary Aileen Clark, 84, of Miles City, died Wednesday, April 14, 2004, at the Friendship Villa Care Center in Miles City.

Visitation was held Thursday, April 15, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, April 16, at the Custer County Cemetery.

Mary Katherine (Kay) Mozena Clark

JAN 04 2004

Kay Clark, age 88, of Meridian, Idaho, died on New Year's Eve, 2003, after a lengthy illness.

Kay was born on Aug. 13, 1915, in Dallas, Iowa. She married Jack Clark on Oct. 4, 1937. They lived in Chariton, Iowa, where she gave birth to two sets of twins. They moved to Wibaux in 1949. They later moved to Helena, and then to Billings in 1958. She worked for AT&T until 1980. She loved her children and moved to Meridian to be near her daughter and grandsons until her death. She was a member of Eastern Star in Billings and enjoyed her family and friends.

Kay was preceded in death by her parents, Earl and Hazel Mozena; her husband, Jack; and a son-in-law, John Lambrecht of Miles City. She is survived by her brother, Gene (Doris) Mozena of Sun City, Ariz.; her son, Bob (Gerda) Clark of Couer d' Alene, Idaho; daughters Sally Miller of Concord, Calif., Elizabeth Lambrecht of Billings, and Barbara (Bob) Benner of Meridian, Idaho, 16 grandchildren and 33 great grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place and graveside services will be held this spring in Billings. Dahl Funeral Chapel is entrusted with arrangements.

MAR 20 2004

Shirley Fern Clark

MILES CITY — Shirley Fern Clark, 81, of Miles City, died Thursday, March 18, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Extended Care in Miles City.

A private family service will be held on Saturday, March 20. At her request, no public services will be held. Interment will be at the Eastern Montana State Veteran's Cemetery. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home is in charge.

Steven Clark

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 08 2004

Steven Bernard Clark passed away in his sleep on Feb. 6, 2004. He was born in Detroit on Nov. 15, 1949. Steve never met a person he did not like. If they needed something done, he was there to do it, even when his health was



**STEVEN
CLARK**

failing he would be working on someone's furniture. He could take a marred up antique and make it like new, and made his own style of storage benches out of headboards. Steve was a master of woodcraft. He also loved riding motorcycles, and was a past member of the Road Dogs. He will be missed by all who met or knew him.

Steve is survived by his wife of 25 years, Corena (Rena); five children, Arnie of Denver, and Sandra, Shawn, Crystal and Matthew, all of Billings; his mother, Phyllis Fosjord (Gerald) Billings; brothers, Brock of Phoenix, Curtis (Loretta) of California; sisters, Chris Hadley (Don) of California; Connie Secrest of California, and Charlotte of California; his step-mother Sue Clark of California; and two granddaughters, Brook

and Veronica. He also will be missed by many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father Bernard Clark and a brother Roger, and his maternal and paternal grandparents.

A gathering of friends will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 11, at V.F.W. Post #1634, 139 Moore Lane.

Ella Classen

CUSTER — On Monday, Dec. 13, 2004, our mom suddenly went to be with her Lord after a very short illness. She was 80 years old.

Ella Classen was born on Feb. 16, 1924, in Zap, N.D. She was the second to the youngest child of seven born to Alexander Renk and Emilia Dschaak. She grew up in a rural community and was accustomed to hard work and family life. After she completed the eighth grade, she had to leave school behind and began working to help support the family.

In 1944, Mom married her first husband, Maynard Werner. This union was blessed with three beautiful baby girls: Marion, Shirley and Sharon. Maynard had two children from a previous marriage: Robert and Janet. In 1948, just four years into their marriage, husband Maynard passed away.

On June 1, 1950, mom was married again to Delbert Eugene Stuart. This union was blessed with six children, Grace, Sonny (Delbert Jr.), Pat, Greg, Doug and Michael. Delbert had one daughter from a previous marriage: Ann (Stuart) Enzel. After 18 years of



**ELLA
CLASSEN**

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marriage, husband Delbert passed away.

In 1972, mom married Joseph Classen. In March of 1980, Joe passed away.

Mom was preceded in death by both of her parents; two brothers, Carl Renk and Peter Renk; one adopted sister, Carol (Renk) Julch; her three husbands; three daughters, Shirley Werner, Sharon (Werner) Wing and baby Grace Stuart; one stepdaughter, Ann (Stuart) Entzel; and by one son, Delbert "Sonny" Stuart. She is survived by two brothers, Theophil Renk and his wife Alice of Golden Valley, N.D., Ted Renk and his wife Lillian of Bedford, Pa.; two sisters, Irene (Renk) Page of Bellevue, Wash., and Arlene (Renk) Bender and her husband LeRoy of Washburn, N.D.; two daughters, Marion (Werner) Perrin and her husband Lee of Custer and Pat (Stuart) Lammers and her husband Denny of Osceola, Iowa; three sons, Greg Stuart and his wife Terry of Bozeman, Doug Stuart of Billings and Michael Stuart and his wife Tanya of Billings; stepchildren Robert Werner and Janet (Werner) Shelver; as well as 13 grandchildren; seven step-grand-

children; and many great-grandchildren, step-great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Mom was a strong, independent person who survived more than her fair share of life's ups and downs. She was a pillar of strength in our family, whom she loved more than her own life. In her younger days, she loved to cook for family occasions and was a wiz behind a sewing machine. Mom liked to work outside in the yard of the little house she purchased all on her own in Custer and took a lot of pride in decorating it. Mom always loved to laugh and loved to tell jokes or have one told to her...her smiles and her giggles and the little twinkle in her eye were contagious. She loved music and was proud of her kids for their accomplishments. She spent most of the last years of her life living a quiet life in the home she loved. We will always remember our mom for her strength, her simple approach to life, but mostly for her undying love and devotion to her family.

Smith Funeral Chapel will be handling the funeral arrangements. Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held Friday, Dec. 17, at 2 p.m., at the First Congregational Church in Custer,

with refreshments to follow. There will be a private interment for the family at Custer Cemetery. The family asks that any memorials be given in Mom's name to the Junction City Memorial Park, PO Box 30, Custer, MT 59024.

Margaret Clause

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 13 2004

PINEDALE, Wyo. — Margaret Clause, 86, of Pinedale, formerly of Greybull, died Wednesday, July 7, 2004, at the Sublette Center in Pinedale.

Graveside funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 16, in the Hillside Cemetery in Greybull. Burial will immediately follow the graveside services. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc., are in charge.

Douglas Martin Clausen

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 17 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Douglas Martin Clausen, 52, died Monday, Jan. 12, 2004, at the Sheridan VA Medical Center.

Memorial services in Casper are pending. Kane Funeral Home is in charge.

Barye T. Clay

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Barye Todd Clay, 41, of Billings, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 1, 2004, in a motor vehicle accident. He was born Feb. 9, 1963, in San Francisco, Calif., to Diane (Dave) Medicine Crow-Reynolds of Three Forks and Charles A. Clay of Myton, Utah. Barye was known as "Brings the Flag" in the Crow Nation. He was a member of the Whistling Water Clan and the Tobacco Society.

Barye's life experiences were enriched by his father's military career that allowed the family to live in Vietnam, Hawaii and San Diego, Calif. He graduated from Billings Senior High School in 1981. Barye worked many years for Charlies Pizza and Stageline Pizza in Billings prior to moving to Florida for eight years. He enjoyed playing the guitar, writing poems, photography and drawing in all mediums. Barye was a very caring and loving person who cherished his family and friends. He was known for his kind, gentle nature. Barye bravely endured a long and painful illness. He is free now and at peace with the Lord.

Barye was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Madeline and Scott Clay of Wichita, Kan.; his maternal great-grandparents, John and Amy Whiteman Runs Him of Lodge Grass, Mont., and his

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Tobacco Society father, Thomas Big Lake, Sr. of Pryor.

He is survived by his parents;

brother, Kerry Joseph Clay of

Scottsdale,

Ariz.; step-sib-

lings, Nicolle,

Elena Dawn,

Carmen and

David Reynolds

all of Portland,

Ore.; his only

nephew, Chase

P. Clay of

Scottsdale;

maternal grand-

parents, Joseph

and Gloria



**BARYE
CLAY**

Medicine Crow of Lodge Grass

and numerous relatives of the

Clay family in Wichita, Kan.,

Montana relatives of the

Medicine Crow family, Yellowtail

family, Whiteman Runs Him

family, his Tobacco Society

mother, Clara Big Lake and

grandmother, Elizabeth Smart

Enemy of Pryor.

Cremation has taken place. A

memorial service will be held 2

p.m. Sunday at the First

Presbyterian Church on 13th St.

and Poly in Billings. In lieu of

flowers, Barye wished that dona-

tions be made to Aidspirit

Montana, 521 Custer Ave., Bils.,

59101. Dahl Funeral and

Cremation Service are handling

the arrangements.

Bernard Francis

Clear Jr.

11-1-18 to 1-20-04

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 25 2004

GREYBULL, Wyo. — BF went peacefully home to his risen Lord on Jan. 20, 2004, from the Wyoming Retirement Center in Basin after a long battle with Alzheimer's.

BF was born in Decatur, Ill., to Lena and Bernard Clear Sr. on Nov. 1, 1918. He left high school to work and support his family delivering telegrams and homemade baked goods around the town of Springfield, Ill. He then got a job with the railroad until he enlisted in the Army during WWII. As a machinist helper, BF was in London during the Blitzkrieg. Being honorably discharged as a corporal on Dec. 19, 1945, he returned home to Springfield and his job at the railroad. Relocating to San Diego, Calif., in 1948 he worked for the civil service as a maintenance machinist. He retired a maintenance supervisor from North Island Naval Air Station Coronado, Calif., in 1974. His retirement years have been spent in Wyoming.

He was preceded in death by his mother Lena, his father Bernard Sr., two sisters, Catherine Kinnamon and Virginia Goad; two brothers, Robert Clear and

William Clear, and two nephews, Robert Goad and Patrick Gibbons. Surviving family members include his wife Althea of Greybull, and daughter, Tammy of Billings, Mont.; nieces, Michelle Gibbons, Maureen Clear, Mary Brown, Marcia Harris, Monica Whitson and Ellie Kinnamon; nephews, Michael Clear, John, Edward and KC Kinnamon.

A Memorial Mass will be held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Greybull on Jan 28 at 10 a.m. Cremation and private burial have taken place.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Greybull VFW.

Carol 'Jean' Cleveland

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
APR 05 2004

BALLANTINE — Carol "Jean" (Erickson) Cleveland, 63, passed away April 2, 2004, at her daughter's home in Great Falls of a stroke.

She was born Nov. 18, 1940, in Walker, Minn. Jean graduated from high school in Laurel and attended MSU in Bozeman working toward her accounting degree.

She married James Robert Grace in 1958 in Bozeman. They had three children. They later divorced. She married Kenneth V. Miller in 1970 in Thermopolis, Wyo. Kenneth passed away in 1985. She then married James Lee Cleveland in Billings in 1991. He passed away in 2004.

Jean worked as a waitress at Bairs, bookkeeper and seamstress for Singer; worked for LeDucs Jewelers, Dunham Distributing, Kummer Feldt Construction, and Industrial Tool and Repair. She then went into business for herself with the Tan and Tone and the Accounting Department. She liked to say she was "a jack of all trades, master of none."

Jean was active in the United Church of Christ as a member, treasurer and secretary. She attended as many church conferences as she was able and strove to encourage the connection of all bodies to the wider church. She loved to brag about her grandchildren. She enjoyed square dancing, gardening, reading, community

activities, country music, piano, games of all types and the horse races.

She is survived by her mother, Marie Belcher of Bozeman; daughters, Mary Jo Nelson of Great Falls, Shannon Paddock of Worden, and Verna Lawrence of Buffalo, Wyo.; sons, Paul Robert Grace of Seeley Lake, Mike Miller of Havre, and Tim Miller of Montana; sisters, Donna Edgerley of Bozeman, Lorrie Schaefer of Ferndale, and Deloris Barney of Belgrade; 22 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and many other family members who loved her.

James Lee Cleveland preceded her in death.

Memorial services will be 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 7, at the Huntley Project Elementary School in Worden. Cremation has taken place. O'Connor Funeral Home of Great Falls is in charge of arrangements. Memorials can be made to the United Church of Christ in Worden or to the American Cancer Society.

James Lee Cleveland

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 31 2004

James Lee Cleveland went to be with his Lord on Jan. 28, 2004, surrounded by his family.

He was born in Billings, Aug. 26, 1949, to Patricia (Stewart) and James Lincoln Cleveland. He attended Huntley Project schools and graduated from Northern Montana College in Havre.

Jamie worked for Agricultural Soil and Conservation Service in Bozeman after college, then taught school at Billings Senior and worked for Northwest Testing Labs before returning to the family farm in Ballantine. He was on the ASCS County Committee for several years.

He bought an airplane in 1976 and it was his joy until he was forced to sell it in 1979.

He met Jean Miller in 1986. They were married on Sept. 2, 1988, and Jamie accepted the duties of husband, dad and grandfather with a joyful heart.

Jamie was preceded in death by his parents and a brother-in-law, Lloyd White. He will be missed by his wife; three children, Mary Jo (Richard) Nelson of Great Falls, Shannon (Todd) Paddock of Worden and Bob (Karen) Grace of Seeley Lake; foreign exchange son, Budi Wijaya of Pittsburgh; eight grandchildren, Veronica, Roxane and Rebecca Nelson, Will and Jaden Paddock, and Jordan, Sarai and Joshua Grace; his mother-in-

law, Marie Belcher of Bozeman; one brother, Joe Cleveland of Ballantine; one sister, Arlene White of Billings; two nieces, Theresa White Silvesan, Raven Cleveland; two nephews, Curtis White and Allen Cleveland; many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorial services will be held Sunday, Feb. 1, at 2 p.m., at the Huntley Project Elementary School. A lunch will be served.

Memorials may be given to Ballantine United Church of Christ or Hospice of Billings.

Gilbert C. Cliff**MAY 17 2004**

LODGE POLE — Gilbert C. Cliff, 68, died Friday, May 14, 2004, at the Northern Montana Hospital.

Wake services will be Monday, May 17 in the late afternoon at the Medicine Bear Lodge in Lodge Pole. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 18, at Medicine Bear Lodge with burial to follow at the Healy Family Cemetery in Lodge Pole. Adams Funeral Home of Malta is in charge of arrangements.

Betty June Cline

BRIDGER — Betty was born on May 19, 1938, in Sheridan, Mo. She passed away suddenly at her home in the Pryors, Bridger, on Tuesday, March 30, 2004.

Her parents were Everett and Doris Miller of Maryville, Mo. After graduating from high school in Pickering, Mo., in 1956, Betty attended Gard Business University in St. Joseph, Mo., for two years. She then worked at the Robey Insurance Agency of Maryville as a secretary.

On April 2, 1961, Betty married her high school sweetheart, Gary Cline, in Pickering.

Betty enjoyed playing basketball in her youth, playing all four years of high school.

After her marriage, she continued to play on the town team. She won several trophies for playing basketball and later won a couple of bowling trophies.

Betty loved to play cards, doing cross stitch and crocheting. She also enjoyed fishing, camping and just being outdoors taking care of her flowers and her hummingbirds.

Betty was also a "natural" grandma. Whether they were actually hers or not, she could randle just about any little one. Betty got the most joy from her family and friends; she was the

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most giving and loving person, taking care of everyone. Betty is greatly loved and will be sorely missed.

She is preceded in death by



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her parents.

Survivors include her husband, Gary Cline of the family home; children, Christina (Ed) Denney of Clark, Wyo., Mark (Patty) Cline of

Frannie, Wyo.; brother Jim (Sharon) Miller of Sheridan, Mo.; sisters, Judy (George) Knapple of Wichita, Kan., Joyce Brown of Albany, Mo., Janet (Rod) Shell of Savannah, Mo.; grandchildren, Adam Denney, Dustin Stemmen and Brittany Stemmen; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation for Betty was at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Red Lodge on Friday, April 2. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Saturday, April 3, at the Bennett Creek Church in Clark.

Interment will be in the Bennett Creek Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Gary Cline, PO Box 451, Bridger, MT 59014. Dahl Funeral Chapel is making all arrangements.

Glen 'Buddy' Cline

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Glen "Buddy" Cline, 84, died Tuesday, Aug. 31, 2004, at Sheridan Manor.

Cremation has taken place. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Sheridan Municipal Kane Funeral Home is in charge.

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JACK F. CLINE

LEWISTOWN— Jack F. Cline, 86, of Lewistown, died Sunday evening, Jan. 11, 2004, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center of natural causes.

He was born Dec. 31, 1917, the son of Jessie and Mayne (Phagan) Cline in Jefferson City, Tenn. He received his schooling in Jefferson City and Morristown, graduating from Morristown High School in 1935. He then worked in the Alcoa Aluminum plant just south of Knoxville, making airplanes. In September, 1942, he entered the Army Air Force and proudly served with the 390th Bombardment Group in Europe, primarily in England and northern France. On July 24, 1945, he was united in marriage to his high school sweetheart Agnes Sanders in Roseville, Ga. He received his honorable discharge in October, 1945. They lived in Knoxville where Jack worked at the Oakridge Atomic Energy plant until, due to Jack's father's illness, they moved back to Morristown to help on the family farm. Jack and Agnes moved with their son Don to Lewistown in 1954. Jack worked at the Fad Clothing Store and for JC Gilpatrick Painting. He began his civil service job for the Air Force at the Air Force Base in Maiden Canyon north of Lewistown in 1959. In 1968 Jack was transferred to Fairbanks, Alaska. They lived there until Jack's retirement in 1972 when

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they returned to Lewistown. Agnes preceded him in death in 2000.

Jack enjoyed all outdoor activities, hunting, fishing, camping and gardening. He loved dancing and trips with his wife.

He was a member of the Fergus Post 16 American Legion, Moose Lodge, VFW, DAV, NARFE, Friendship Lodge 39 AF & AM and the 390th Bombardment Group.

He is survived by his son, Don and wife Georgia of Lewistown; grandson, Brady Cline of Killeen, Texas; granddaughter, Renee Cline of Oklahoma City, Okla.; three great-grandchildren, Patrick and Caroline Cline of Abilene, Texas, and Gaven Cline of Oklahoma City.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister Lois and one brother Bob.

Memorial services for Jack F. Cline will be Saturday at 11 a.m. in the Cloyd Chapel. Cremation has taken place. Inurnment will be at a later date in the Central Montana Memorial Gardens. The Cloyd Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Friends may make memorials to the Fergus County Council on Aging or the charity of their choice, and they may be left at the Cloyd Funeral Home.

Everett Robert Clingingsmith

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DEC 19 2004

CIRCLE — Everett Robert Clingingsmith, 87, formerly of Glendive, Mont., died Dec. 17, 2004, in the McCone County MAF and Nursing Home.

Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 20, at the Riverside Cemetery in Rural Vida, Mont. with Fr. Joseph Ponessa officiating. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with the arrangements.

JAN 16 2004

Howard Clodfelter passed away peacefully at his home on the morning of Jan. 14, 2004. His wife and daughter were at home with him.

Howard was born in Puxico, Mo., on March 5, 1921, to Howard and Iva (Riley) Clodfelter. He led a full and adventurous life and managed to have three different careers that were all important to him. He joined the United States Navy in 1940 and began his career in China. He served as a hospital corpsman during World War II, assigned to the Marines. Most of his service was in the Pacific including Guadalcanal. He served on cruiser-destroyers during both World War II and the Korean War. His interest gradually turned to environmental health. In the 1950's, he was assigned to a base in Iwakuni, Japan, as chief hospital corpsman and supervisor of Preventive Medicine and the Sanitation Department. He retired from the Navy as a chief petty officer in San Diego in 1960.

Howard began his civilian career as a sanitarian with various health departments. He joined the Washoe County Health Department in Reno, Nev., in 1961 and soon became the director of the Air Pollution Control Program. He also served as assistant administrator of the department and retired in 1980 as the administrator of the District

Health Department. He was one of the first non-physician health department administrators in the United States. His next career was raising alfalfa on a small farm in Fallon, Nev. Ill health forced him to retire from farming after nine years. He moved to Montana in 1995 to allow his wife to return to her roots.

Howard is survived by his wife Jeannette of the family home; his loving daughter, Paige Murray of Vancouver, Wash.; his special nephew, David Burchard of Fresno, Calif.; three nieces, Niki Eckenbeck of Seattle, Wash., and Mary Bryant and Linda Flores of Bakersfield, Calif. He is also survived by his mother-in-law, Helen Braziel of Billings.

Cremation has taken place and at his request, no services will be held. If anyone wishes, memorials may be sent in his name to Big Sky Hospice, P.O. Box 35033, Billings, MT, 59107-5033.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

Roy Close

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FEB 24 2004

EMIGRANT -- Roy Close, 74, of Emigrant, died Friday, Feb. 20, 2004, at the United Medical Center in Cheyenne, Wyo., while returning home from an extended vacation.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27, at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home in Livingston.

William Clover

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 31 2004

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. — William "Bill" Clover, 76, died Sunday, Dec. 26, 2004, at Hot Springs County Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, at Mortimore Funeral Home in Thermopolis. Burial will follow in Riverside Cemetery.

James D. Clowes

MISSOULA GAZETTE

MAR 10 2004

GLASGOW — James D. Clowes, 46, died peacefully in his Seattle home of pancreatic cancer on March 1, 2004. The youngest of four children, Jim was born on March 4, 1957, in Missoula, to David and Dorothy Clowes.



JIM CLOWES

Jim grew up on the family farm in Glasgow, and at an early age, distinguished himself by his energy, focus and accomplishment.

In 1975, Jim graduated near the top of his high school class, fulfilled multiple student and religious leadership positions, set a Glasgow High School football rushing record and captured the Montana State Class A 155 lb. Wrestling Championship.

Following high school, Jim traveled for a year throughout Europe and the Middle East. During this time, Jim developed a passion for understanding different cultures and perspectives and this became a driving force in his academic, professional and personal life.

Jim attended the University of Montana, graduating with bachelor degrees in philosophy and classical languages in 1982 and with a masters degree in

Philosophy in 1988. While attending the University of Montana, Jim was very active in Intersvarsity ministries as a Pastor and in athletics, where he won a Big Sky Conference Wrestling Championship. In 1979, Jim married Kirsty Erickson with whom he had two daughters, Sarah and Autumn. Jim and Kirsty were divorced in 1984.

Jim and his daughters moved to Seattle in 1988, where Jim began a doctoral studies program at the University of Washington. While teaching a class as a teaching assistant, Jim met a fascinating young woman with a young daughter. Jim married Erin McKinney in 1989, and Erin's daughter, Shye, joined Jim's daughters to form a new family of five. In 1991, the family became one larger with the birth of Drew Clowes.

In 1990, Jim became the first Teaching Assistant for the newly developed Comparative History of Ideas (CHID) program — an innovative, cross-disciplinary undergraduate study program at the University of Washington. In 1994, Jim became the CHID Associate Director. While active as an advisor, administrator, teacher, and innovator, Jim completed his doctoral studies and in 1996 he was awarded his Ph.D. in History. In 1999, Jim was appointed Lecturer in the University of Washington Jackson School. Drawing on his passion for expanding cultural understand-

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Department in developing an array of innovative domestic and international learning experiences at the graduate, undergraduate and, reaching out to the community, high school levels. Since 1995, the CHID program sponsored 55 international programs at 20 locations around the globe. Jim and his CHID program have been recognized by numerous global foundations for contributions to education and cultural understanding. In 2001, the CHID department was honored as the outstanding undergraduate program at University of Washington. In December 2003, Jim was honored by the creation of the James Clowes Award for Advancing Undergraduate Learning Communities Endowment at the University of Washington.

Jim was preceded in death by his mother, Dorothy in 1994. He is survived by his wife, Erin; his four children, Sarah, Autumn, Shye and Drew; his grandson Joseph Daniel James, all of Seattle; his father, David and his wife, Berta of Glasgow; and his three siblings, Lorrie Merrill of Big Sandy, Wade Clowes of Portland, Ore., and Dena Burt of Billings.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials are sent to Clowes children education fund or one of two funds set up by the University of Washington to honor and continue his work.

Information of these funds is available online at <http://www.chid.org/jim-clowes/>. Additional information on the children's education fund can be obtained from any family member or from David Hoia at Mass Mutual Financial in Seattle (e-mail dheia@finsvcs.com).

Services for Jim Clowes will be held in Glasgow on Saturday, March 13, at 2 p.m. in the First Lutheran Church in Glasgow. An additional memorial for Jim will be hosted on campus by the University of Washington, in Seattle, the afternoon of April 3.

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Rose Coassin

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JUL 10 2004

WORLAND, Wyo. — Rose Coassin, 85, of Worland, died July 8, 2004, at Wyoming Medical Center in Casper.

Rosary will be at 7 p.m. Sunday, July 11, at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Worland. Funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Monday, July 12, at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church. Burial will be in Riverview Memorial Gardens in Worland. Veile Mortuary of Worland is in charge.

Linda Lee (Zimmerman) Coates

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
AUG 17 2004

MILES CITY — Linda Lee (Zimmerman) Coates, age 54, of Miles City, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 14, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Center in Miles City.

Linda was born Sept. 27, 1949, in Missoula, the daughter of Jack Thomas and Dorothy Alice (Kirscher) Zimmerman. She attended the Rattlesnake Valley and Hellgate High School. As a teenager, Linda was active in a horse riding club "Rattlesnake Riders" and was Treasure State Charity Horse Show Queen One year. Wilderness horse packing with her family was a favorite pastime of Linda's. She graduated from the University of Montana in 1971. Linda taught English in St. Ignatius, and in 1983, she moved to Miles City, where she became the Librarian at Custer County District High School.



LINDA
COATES

In Miles City, Linda was active in the United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women, Habitat for Humanity, Human Rights Alliance and the Montana Education Association. Linda was an avid cyclist and participated in

the Peaks to Prairie Race. Linda loved to hike and bird watch.

Linda was preceded in death by her son, Daniel Sterling; her father, Jack T. Zimmerman; and a sister, Thais J. Garetson. Linda is survived by her husband, Ladd Coates of Miles City; her mother, Dorothy (Kuscher) Zimmerman of Phoenix; her sister, Gail Smith and her husband Ronald of Phoenix; her nieces, Megan Charles of Phoenix, Jenika Garetson of Hong Kong and Casee Chaney and her husband Andrew of Phoenix; her nephew, Dan Smith and his wife Meriah of Phoenix; great-nieces, Haylee and Emilie Chaney and Rylie Smith; a brother-in-law, Thomas Garetson and his wife Mary of Hong Kong; and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 18, in the chapel of Stevenson and Sons Funeral

Home in Miles City. Family will receive friends on Wednesday, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, Aug. 19, at 2 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church in Miles City. Interment will be held at a later date in the family lot of the Custer County Cemetery in Miles City. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.stevensonandsons.com.

Should friends desire, memorials may be made to the Daniel Sterling Memorial Fund at First United Methodist Church, Miles City Public Library or to Holy Rosary Hospice.

JAN 05 2004

James L. Coats, 82, of Billings, died Saturday, Jan. 3, 2004, at his home.

The son of Charles and Esther Coats, he was born Jan. 1, 1922, in Wichita, Kan. A graduate of the University of Michigan, he received his master's degree from Oregon State.

Mr. Coats had been a wildlife biologist with the Fish and Wildlife Service working in Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado and Montana.

He married Barbara (Bo) Hattan in Wichita on Aug. 26, 1949.

Jim was a member of the Golden K Kiwanis and had sang with the Kiwanicords for many years. He enjoyed golf, fishing, hunting and gardening.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara (Bo) of Billings; three sons, Chris of Ashland, Ore., Bill and his wife, Drue of Bothell, Wash., and Larry of Edwards, Colo.; three daughters, Debbie Garland and her husband, Jim, and Cindy Randall and her husband, Dean, of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Carolyn Martin and her husband, Greg of Sammamish, Wash.; his sister, Barbara Denning of Wichita, Kan., five granddaughters, Alyssa and Lindsey Martin, Julia Randall, Kailey Garland and Karen Coats; and two grandsons, Pete Randall

and Charlie Coats.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Jayne.

Cremation has taken place. Private family services are planned.

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

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

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BIGFORK — Albert C. Cochrane, 74, of Bigfork, passed away Monday, July 19, 2004, surrounded by his loving wife and sons, after a long and valiant battle with progressive supranuclear palsy (PSP).

Born Jan. 26, 1930, in New Haven, Conne., the only child of Bert and Lory Cochrane, Al grew up and attended schools in

Massachusetts and Michigan before the family moved to Billings in 1946. Al graduated from Billings Senior High School in 1947 and went on to attend the University of

Montana Journalism School, graduating in 1951 with a BA degree and a commission from the ROTC program as a Second Lieutenant in the USAF. He married his college sweetheart, Garene Webber of Great Falls, in 1951 and together they started a family, ultimately producing four sons, Mike, Jeff, John and Tim.

Al began his Air Force career as a squadron navigator, flying 4,000 hours with the Tactical Air Command and Military Air Transport Service on special troop carrier missions in the C-124 Globemaster to all parts of the



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globe — Europe, Greenland, India, Nepal, Lebanon, Brazil, New Zealand and Antarctica. He entered the public information field in 1959 serving as a Public Information Officer at assignments in Illinois, Washington, D.C., New Mexico, Vietnam, Belgium, Colorado and Montana. He retired from the Air Force as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1979 and moved to Bigfork.

Once retired, Al plunged into civic and community service in Bigfork serving on the Montana Aeronautics Board, the Bigfork School Board as a member and Chairman, as Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 13, member of Flathead Lake Cherry Growers and volunteer ski instructor at Big Mountain. He was very involved in the Episcopal Church as a parishioner of St. Patrick's (Ferndale) and St Andrew's (Polson) and served on the Commission on Ministries and as member of the volunteer Prison Ministry. Al was also active in affairs of the University of Montana serving as an Alumni

Association delegate, member of Sigma Chi fraternity and as a rabid fan at Griz football games.

Al is survived by his loving wife of 53 years, Garen; sons Mike of Bigfork, Jeff (Janice) of Billings, John of Bigfork and Tim of Seattle; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; as well as numerous very special aunts, cousins and friends.

The family wishes to thank the numerous medical professionals who have provided such compassionate care over the last few years, including Drs. Lindsay, Obermiller and Rossetto of Kalispell and most especially Dr. Cara Harrop of Polson. Also, the family expresses grateful appreciation to the nurses and caregivers of Lake County Home Health and Hospice who took such a personal interest in Al right up until the end.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Bigfork HS Athletic Field Development Fund, Box 188, Bigfork, MT 59911; St Andrew's Episcopal Church, 110 Sixth Ave. East, Polson, MT 59860; or the Don Anderson School Building Fund, University of Montana School of Journalism, Missoula, MT 59812-0648.

Committal with military honors will take place Friday, July 23, at 10 a.m. at Lake View Cemetery in Polson. A Memorial service will follow at 11 a.m. at St Andrew's Episcopal Church in Polson.

Charles D. Cockrell

LOVELL, Wyo. — Charles D. Cockrell, 63, of Lovell, died Monday, Nov. 1, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Lovell. No public viewing will be held. Interment will be in the Lovell Cemetery. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell is in charge.

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Donald A. Coffeen

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CODY, Wyo. — Donald A. Coffeen, 78, died Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2004, at the West Park Long Term Care Center.

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Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Fraternal Order of Eagles Lodge No. 818. Cremation has taken place.

Winnie Lorraine Coffey

WINNETT GAZETTE

APR 04 2004

WINNETT — Winnie Lorraine Coffey, 80, died Friday, April 2, 2004, in the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, April 7, at the First Baptist Church in Winnett with interment to follow in the Winnett Cemetery. The Cloyd Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge of arrangements.

NOV 10 2004

Maurice Remington Colberg, age 93, died peacefully of natural causes at Valley Health Care Center in Billings on Sunday, Nov. 7, 2004.

Maury was born in Mendota, Ill., on Jan. 1, 1911, to his parents Leve and Inez Colberg. Maury, his parents and sister, Lucille, moved to Hardin in 1917.

Maury grew up in Hardin and attended elementary and high school there, graduating from Hardin High School in 1928. He

had an enriching experience in high school, serving as Student Council president and participating in school plays, the school band and varsity basketball. He once wrote that those years were "one of the most



**MAURY
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happy periods of my life." There, he met his future wife, Odessa Redding.

Maury worked various jobs before and after high school graduation to earn money to attend college. He enrolled as a student at the University of Minnesota in the autumn of 1929. It was a big adjustment for a young man from a town with a population of about 1,200 to enroll in a school with a student population of almost

19,000.

Times became very tough during the Depression, but Maury was determined to get a college education. He dated and fell in love with Odessa Redding. When his financial condition was at its worst he brought sunshine into his life by marrying his sweetheart, Odessa, on May 6, 1933. Together, they moved to Minneapolis. They both persevered and juggled various jobs. Times became more difficult when Odessa became obviously pregnant with their first child and lost her job because of the unwritten Depression rule that jobs for women would be reserved only for unmarried women. Although Maury was short credits to get a college degree he had enough education to work for various accounting firms while studying for the examinations to become a certified public accountant.

Maury passed the CPA examinations in 1940. Although Maury enjoyed living and working in Minnesota, he jumped at the opportunity to move back to Montana in December of 1940 for

employment as a CPA with Harold Godfrey. With John Wallin he later founded the CPA partnership of Colberg and Wallin. The partnership later became the firm of Colberg, Wallin and Boorman and ultimately Colberg and Fasching. Maury retired at age 70 in 1980.

Maury always felt it was important for a person to give back to his community. He became a member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce and served as its president. He was a member and president of the Billings Rotary Club. He was a charter member of the Midland Roundtable. He served as a trustee of the Billings Chamber of Commerce. He served as a board member of the Billings School Board for 12 years. He was a life member of the Sigma Chi fraternity. He was a member of Masonic Ashlar Lodge No. 29. He was a member and president of the Montana State Golf Association and member and president of the Hilands Golf Club. His firm audited without charge the records of what is now the Billings Yellowstone United Way.

Maury continued to provide his professional services on a volunteer basis in retirement and was a chapter chairman of SCORE, an SBA program where volunteer professionals advise small business owners. He served as Treasurer of First United Methodist Church, as a director of

Retired Senior Volunteer Program, as a director of Yellowstone Council on Aging and volunteered to audit the records of Billings Food Bank.

Maury was active in outdoor activities all of his life. He was an avid and very successful amateur golfer. He was the Montana State Amateur golf champion, two-time Montana State Seniors golf champion, 16-time Hilands Club champion and the winner of numerous other state and regional amateur golf tournaments. He shot a score better than his age several times each year from age 70 to age 87, when he suffered health problems that prevented him from playing golf again. He was especially proud of his induction as a player by the Montana Amateur Golf Hall of Fame. He loved to hunt game birds and enjoyed many crisp autumn days hunting pheasants, ducks and geese with his favorite dogs.

Maury was preceded in death by his wife Odessa.

Maury is survived by his sister, Lucille Stockton, of Billings; his sons, Maurice R. Colberg Jr. (Pat) of Billings, Roger T. Colberg (Karen) of Issaquah, Wash., Richard A. Colberg (Renee) of Lavina; and daughter Karen Ashby (Clark) of Hanson, Ky. He is also survived by 11 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Maurice R. Colberg

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Maury led a long, happy and productive life. His children and grandchildren are lucky to have had him as an example of how life should be lived. His clients and the community were fortunate to have the benefit of his good works. He will be missed.

Friends may feel free to send memorials to the Billings Food Bank or the charity of their choice.

Memorial services will be held on Friday, Nov. 12, at First United Methodist Church. Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge.

Marion Colbrese

GLENDIVE — Marion Lucille Colbrese, 81, of Glendive, died Friday, March 19, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 23, at the chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Interment will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive.

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Mark William Coldwell

BAKER — Mark William Coldwell, 46, went home to be with his Dad on Thursday, Feb. 12, 2004, at the Fallon Medical Complex. He was born Jan. 8, 1958, the son of Walter and Merriel Coldwell. Mark spent his childhood playing and working on the ranch south of Baker. He attended Hidden Water Rural School until it closed. Then he entered the Baker school system, graduating in the Bicentennial Class of 1976.

After graduating, he wanted nothing more than to take over operation of the family ranch. This dream came true in 1981, when he and his sister, Nancy Lee, formed the Coldwell Ranch Partnership. Mark worked to improve the quality of the wool on his Rambouillet sheep and to get his dog, Dash, to listen. Mark loved his family and friends. He was a true friend to anyone lucky enough to get to know him. He loved to tell jokes and tease everyone, especially his adopted sisters, LeAnn, Cassie and Stacy. Mark also loved to visit. He was known to stop at C & S and TLC for a chat. All the kids at TLC will miss their "Marker". Mark re-met the love of his life, Sherry, and was becoming close to her family. He attended Lakeview Baptist Church with Sherry. The town of Baker kept up with the "Mark and Sherry story" in the 101 news.

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Mark was preceded in death by his father, Walt. He is survived by his mother, Merriel, of Baker; two sisters, Linda (Gary) Collins of Bend, Ore., and Nancy Lee Coldwell of Baker; brother, Alan (Cindy) Coldwell of Helena; "brother," John (Peggy) Lindstrom of Bowman, N.D.; Sherry Vogel and family of Baker; nieces, Tiffany and Ashley; nephews, Galvin, Tyler and Payden. Goodnight Sam - love and miss you always - Ralph.

A Prayer service will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 16, at Stevenson Funeral Home. A Memorial service for Mark will take place at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, at Stevenson Funeral Home with Pastor Eric Folkers officiating. A luncheon will be served at the Lakeview Baptist Church Annex following the service. Stevenson Funeral Homes, Inc. is in charge of the arrangements. Remembrances and condolences may be shared with Mark's family online at www.stevensonandsons.com.

Donald E. Cole

FIVE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 19 2004

HARLOWTON — Donald E. Cole, 90, went to his eternal rest at 5:30 a.m., on July 15, 2004. He was born in Central City, Neb., to Lem and Stella Cole on Jan. 7, 1914.

At the age of 2 years, his parents, younger brother and he moved to Denton, Mont., where he attended both grade and high school, graduating from high school shortly after his 16th birthday as salutatorian of his class. After high school he continued his education, earning a bachelor's degree from Montana State University in Bozeman and later a master's degree from Montana State University in Missoula.

In 1935, he and Ellen Selvage were married in Hobson and three months later he began his teaching career in Outlook, Mont. Later they moved to White Sulphur Springs, then Willow Creek, Stanford, and finally to Ryegate where he taught for 24 years — making a total of 41 years of teaching. To the two of them was born their sole child, Donna. She now lives in Florida and Don had one grandson and one granddaughter plus two great grandchildren.

Ellen preceded Don in death after 56 years of marriage. Her cremated remains were inurned in the Jefferson Memorial Park in Pittsburgh, Pa.

On May 1, 1993, Don and Lorraine were united in marriage. Don was a long time member of the Ryegate Methodist Church. He was a member of Temple Lodge 101 A.F. & A.M., Martha Chapter No. 11 Order of Eastern Star, and Past Grand Worthy Patron of the State of Montana 1971-1972.

He is survived by his wife, Lorraine of Lewistown; daughter, Donna and her husband, Donald Wilson of Gulf Breeze, Fla.; brother, Dr. Richard Cole of Bozeman; two grandchildren, Ronald Wilson and Kimberly Roegner; and two great-grandchildren, Hillary and Leah Wilson.

Memorial services will be 11 a.m., Wednesday, July 21, at Ryegate Methodist Church with the Rev. Carter Havner officiating. He will be inurned at Jefferson Memorial Park in Pittsburgh.

Garry Lee Cole

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 10 2004

CODY, Wyo. — Garry Lee Cole, 54, died Wednesday, April 7, 2004, at the West Park Hospital in Cody.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 10, at Cody Bible Church. Interment of remains will follow in the Riverside Cemetery in Cody. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

Helen Cole

THE BURNING GAZETTE

DEC 24 2004

MILES CITY — Helen Clare Covell Cole, 88, of Miles City, died Thursday, Dec. 16, 2004, at the Friendship Villa Care Center in Miles City.

Cremation has taken place, and a memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 29, at the United Christian Church in Miles City. The family will hold a celebration of life at the ranch near Fairfield in the summer of 2005. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

FAIRBANKS, Alaska — John Harvey Cole, 80, died in Fairbanks, Sept. 17, 2004, after a short battle with cancer.

John was born Dec. 14, 1923, in Hysham, Mont., to Harvey and Katherine Cole. He grew up in Montana. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Hattie Alberta "Bert" Cole, in 1981; and his younger brother, Harold W. Cole, in 1978.

In 1949, he moved to Fairbanks. He operated a small sawmill with his good friend James Day. He was a member of the Labors Union Local 942 and he worked construction, which included work on the J.C. Penney Building, Hunter School, Joy School, Mt. McKinley Bank, First National Bank and several buildings at the University of Alaska in Fairbanks. He homesteaded on Chena Hot Springs Road. John also served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

In the early 1970s, after retirement, he started gold mining with his first wife, Bert, and continued mining with his second wife, Mary, until 2002. John and Mary would travel in the winter to such places as Palm Springs, Hawaii, Florida, Las Vegas, and cruised to the Canal Zone and Bahamas. They had a wonderful life together.

John was a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 1037.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Lester Cole, of 22 years; and his daughter, Sandra Matthews and son-in-law, Jerrold Matthews; daughters Sharon Metcalf and Theresa Willis and stepchildren Cathy Kosloff and spouse, Pat Sandler and spouse, and James Lester and daughter-in-law "Cam" Lester. His brother, Bob Wolske and sister-in-law, Sharon, and niece Raedawn of Montana; uncle Carl Cole of Wyoming and 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren also survive him.

Services were held Wednesday, Sept. 22. He was laid to rest at Northern Lights Memorial Garden.

Honorary pallbearers were Barney Kopf, Glenn Shaver, Dennis Gillitzer, Paul Newcomer, Don McKee, Don Bent, Charlie Helms, Gene Hanson, Gerry Krier, Larry Finstad and Ed Daro.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to American Cancer Society, PO Box 70992, Fairbanks, AK 99709.

Judy Rae Cole

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 05 2004

GLASGOW — Judy Rae Cole, 64, died Sunday, May 23, 2004, at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital in Glasgow, of heart failure.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 27, at First United Methodist Church in Glasgow. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery in Glasgow. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

Gertrude Iva Coles

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 24 2004

COLUMBUS — Gertrude Iva Coles passed away July 22, 2004, at Beartooth Manor in Columbus. She was born Sept. 16, 1909, to George A. and Nettie Reifle in Wymore, Neb.

The family moved to Denver and then to the Molt area in 1927.

Iva married Ross Coles on July 5, 1928, in Big Timber. She and Ross farmed for many years, south of Molt. Mom loved to crochet and do Bent and Wiggly puzzles.



**GERTRUDE
IVA COLES**

Surviving her are a brother, George Reifle of Molt; daughters, Iva (Ed) Martin and Maybelle (Victor) Reichenbach of Billings, and Shirley (David) Osborn; 12 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren and 16 great-great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; two sisters-in-law and two brothers-in-law.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband; an infant son, Ross Eugene; two infant granddaughters; brothers Carl and Don Reifle; and sisters Pearl Banyuk and Ruby Hendryx.

Memorials may be made to Beartooth Manor, Molt Volunteer Fire Department, Shrine Burn Center or Make a Wish Foundation.

Visitations will begin Monday morning, July 26, at the Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. West. The funeral service will be at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, July 27, at Smith West Chapel, with interment to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Lovetta Coles

THE DAILY GAZETTE

APR 27 2004

GLASGOW — Lovetta Coles, 88, died Saturday, April 24, 2004, at the Good Samaritan Center in Malta.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 28, at Bell Mortuary Chapel in Glasgow. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery in Glasgow.

Eileen Jordan Colley

Eileen Colley, in her own words, embarked on a great adventure on Jan. 18, 2004. Eileen requested that we not dwell on the fact that she has left us but to celebrate the life she shared so readily with all of us. Her presence in our everyday lives will be greatly missed but she has left so much of herself with us, it will seem that she is always near. Over the last year and a half, Eileen has struggled to overcome one medical problem after another, but yet she was determined to be strong and win.

Even though she lost this last battle, she has shown us that even when you are down, you live your life to the fullest and you never give up.

Eileen was born on a ranch at Suce Creek in Paradise Valley south of Livingston to Harrison Lee Jordan and Rubie Mae Forney Jordan on March 14, 1927.

Eileen lived in Paradise Valley until 1931 when she moved with her parents to Townsend, where they owned and operated a dairy for five years. They moved back to Paradise Valley in 1936 and lived on Barney Creek.

Eileen attended Townsend Elementary School and Rosedale Rural Grade Schools. She graduated from Park County High School in Livingston in 1945.

Eileen married Emmett Lee Colley at the Pine Creek

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Methodist Church, south of Livingston on Sept. 14, 1946.

They lived at Montana State Fish and Game fish hatcheries at Anaconda, Emigrant and Lewistown before moving to the Bluewater Fish Hatchery near Fromberg and Bridger in 1951 where they resided until Emmett was transferred to Helena. It was at Bluewater that Eileen and Emmett raised their three children. We will never forget all the special things that she did to create a world full of love and happiness.

Eileen worked at the Bridger and Fromberg Post Offices from 1966 to 1977. After moving to Helena, she worked for the Veterans Administration at Fort Harrison from 1978 to 1987.

Eileen was a member of the Laurel Methodist Church, Laurel United Methodist Women, NARFE; DAV Auxiliary, American Legion Auxiliary and VFW Auxiliary.

Eileen is survived by her husband, Emmett of 57 years; son, Gary and wife Susan of Laurel; daughter, Marlene Peters and husband John of Littleton, Colo.; son, James and wife Donna of Memphis, Tenn.; six grandchild-

dren and two great-grandchildren. Eileen is also survived by her sister, Mona Burtch; brother, Russell Jordan; brother, Larry Jordan, and sister, JoAnn Piazzola.

Eileen was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Marge Bruning.

Memorials in her name can be made to the Laurel Methodist Church or the charity of your choice.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Laurel United Methodist Church. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of services and cremation.

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Charles Wayne Collier passed away Wednesday morning, Aug. 4, 2004, at St. Vincent Hospital in Billings. He had been suffering from several neurological diseases for the past four years. His last words, when asked if he was in any pain, were: "No, I'm just very tired." He then went to sleep, his heart-beat and respiration grew weaker and finally stopped.

**WAYNE
COLLIER**

He was born July 22, 1923, in Hugo, Okla., to Charles Winston and Maud Estelle Collier. His family moved to California while he was still an infant. He lived in Wilmington, Calif., until the outbreak of WWII, when he enlisted in the U.S. Navy, serving in the Pacific on a seagoing tugboat and on the aircraft carrier USS *Hollandia*. After the war, he completed his high school degree at Compton Junior College, then went to study at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo, Calif. While there, he married Lenete Preble, of Lomita, Calif., in 1948. He graduated from Cal Poly in 1950 with a degree in animal husbandry.

In 1952, he, Lenete and their two sons moved to San Jacinto, Calif., where he worked as a field

representative for General Mills. In 1963, they moved, now with four sons, to Santa Rosa, in northern California, where he worked for the California Dept. of Agriculture as a food and livestock remedy inspector for 23 years. He retired in 1986, and he and Lenete moved to Billings two years later.

Wayne was an avid runner, swimmer and bicyclist, participating in many running and swimming races, as well as triathlons. He was known for his guitar playing with the Montana Fiddlers Association and the Accordion Jam Fest in Billings for many years. He also loved the mountains and the ocean, and had been an enthusiastic backpacker.

Wayne was a devoted Mason. He was Master of the San Jacinto Lodge and later joined the Scottish Rite Temple of Freemasonry here in Billings. He was a devout Christian and was active in church affairs until his health prohibited.

Wayne is survived by his wife Lenete and sons, Charles Wayne, Jr., of Billings, John (and his wife Linda) of Ukiah, Calif., Scott (Yoko), of Fairbanks, Alaska, and Jeff (Margo), in Bismarck, N.D.; his grandchildren Jeremy (Joy), of Mesa, Ariz., Mitchell, of Ukiah, Scott, Steve, Misty and Amanda, of Bismarck; six great-grandchildren; and his sisters Wilma Adams of Grants Pass, Ore., and Maureen Monihan, of Lakewood, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his oldest sister, Ruby McDonald, and by his grandson Alvin.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 9, at the Scottish Rite Temple, 514 14 St. West, here in Billings.

We all loved him dearly and will miss him always.

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

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

Marion F. Collier

BILLINGS GAZETTE
MAY 12 2004

MELSTONE — Marion Faye Collier, 72, of Melstone, passed away on Friday, May 6, 2004, at the Mountain Valley Care and Rehab Center in Kellogg, Idaho, surrounded by her family.

Marion was born June 1, 1931, in Forsyth, to Harry and Jeneve (Schelin) Collins, the third child of 12 children.

Marion grew up in Klein with her family. She attended school in Klein and Roundup. She attended and graduated from college at the Kootenai and Salish College of Pablo.

She married Leo Roy Collier on March 1, 1947, in Roundup. To this union came six sons and one daughter.

Marion and Leo raised their family on the Collier Ranch northeast of Melstone. She loved and enjoyed her family, friends, crocheting, knitting and baking.

She was an active member of the Lady of Mercy Catholic Church of Melstone and the St. Ignatius Church of Mission.

Marion moved with Leo and her family to St. Ignatius for 13 years, returning to Melstone in 1994.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Leo in August of 2003; and her daughter, Frances Mary Collier.

Marion is survived by her sons, Charles LeRoy (Clarice) of

Lewistown, Gerald Lee of Bismarck, N.D., John Wayne of Melstone, Leo LeRoy (Jody) of Polson, Charles Daniel (Kathleen) of Portland, Ore., Brian John of Portland; seven sisters, Bernadine Lovell of St. Ignatius, LaVonne Williams of Pasco, Wash., Barbara Totter of Grand Coulee, Wash., Alice Wynne of Phoenix, Cherie Pierce of Post Falls, Idaho, Maxine Sebastian of Eau Claire, Wis., Rebecca Collins of Wallace, Idaho; four brothers, John Paulson of Laurel, Frederick Collins of Grand Coulee, Keith Collins of Osburn, Idaho, and Michael Collins of Melstone; 14 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-granddaughter; numerous nephews and nieces.

Memorials in the memory of Marion F. Collier, c/o Cherie Pierce, Bank of America, Seltice Way and Henry Street, Post Falls, ID 83854.

Visitation will be prior to the service at 10 a.m. Friday, May 14, at the Melstone Community Center. Mass of the Christian Burial will be 11 a.m. Friday. Interment to follow at the Collier Ranch Family Cemetery. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

CULBERTSON — Inez Mildred Collings, 82, a longtime resident of Culbertson and McCabe, passed away Saturday, May 15, 2004, at her home, of natural causes.

Her funeral service will be Thursday morning, May 20, at 11 a.m. (MST) at the Big Sky Church of Froid. The Rev. Mike Jacobsen will officiate and interment will follow in Hillside Cemetery in Culbertson.

Inez Forbes was born May 30, 1921, the daughter of William (Scotty) and Irene (Jern) Forbes. Inez attended school in McCabe and graduated from Culbertson High School with the



**INEZ
COLLINGS**

class of 1939. She then went on to receive her degree as a registered nurse in Mounds Midway School of Nursing in Saint Paul, Minn.

She was united in marriage to Calvin Clayton Collings on June 19, 1948, at McCabe. From 1950 to 1956, she became the proud mother of four children whom she and Cal had born. Their names are Bruce, Debbie, David and Karen Collings. While raising her four children, Inez worked part-time at the local hospital in Culbertson.

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Over the years, as her children grew up and had children of their own, Inez became the family historian. Inez could always tell you about family, extended family or friends. She could often tell you their history, where they were living and even what they were currently doing!

Inez invested deeply in relationships, and would often take extra measures to stay in touch with those she loved. Inez expressed a strong belief in her personal savior Jesus Christ and could often be found fellow-shiping at her church on Sunday mornings.

Inez was a loving wife to her husband Cal, a committed mother to her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was loved by many and proved to always be a faithful friend. She will be deeply missed!

Inez is survived by her four children, Bruce Collings and his wife Karen, of Bozeman, Debbie Rabbe and her husband Gary, of Fargo, N.D., David Collings, of Williston, N.D., and Karen

Collings of Billings; 10 grandchildren, Michael, Tamara, Dana, Rachel, Heather, Kristy, John, Daniel, Peter and Heather; five great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Marge Forbes of McCabe; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Cal; her parents and two brothers, Bill and John Forbes.

Friends may call at the church on Thursday for the hour preceding the service.

MAY 25 2004**Riley Collingwood**

GREYBULL, Wyo. — Riley "Bud" Arthur Collingwood, 74, died Friday, May 21, 2004, at the South Big Horn County Hospital between Basin and Greybull.

Memorial funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, May 28, at the Shell Community Hall in Shell. Burial will follow the services in the Whaley Cemetery, Shell. Cremation has taken place. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc., are in charge.

George Collins

BROADUS — George Collins, 91, of Broadus, died Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2004 at the Powder River Manor in Broadus.

Visitation will be Thursday, Nov. 11, at Stevenson & Sons

Funeral Home in Broadus. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 12, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Broadus. Interment will follow at the Valley View Cemetery in Broadus.

Mayme D. Collins

NASHUA — Mayme D. Collins, 77, died Sunday, Jan. 18, 2004, at her home.

Funeral services will be 3 p.m. Thursday at Bell Chapel in Glasgow. Interment will follow in the Nashua Cemetery.

THE ROLLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 21 2004

Tim Collins

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

CODY, Wyo. — Tim Collins, 64, died Saturday, Aug. 7, 2004, at his home.

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A Memorial Mass will be 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 13, at St. Anthony Catholic Church. A vigil will be 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 12, also at St. Anthony's. Ballard Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Sharon Yvonne Collum

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
NOV 23 2004

PARK CITY — Sharon Yvonne Collum, 52, of Park City, exited this world peacefully, surrounded by the love of family and friends on Saturday, Nov. 20, 2004.

She was born Feb. 28, 1952, in Columbus, to Clifford and Zeima Simons. She spent her early childhood on a farm in Rapelje before moving to Park City at the age of 5. She graduated from Park City High School in 1970. In 1973, she met and married the love of her life, L. Wayne Collum. Together, they had two daughters, Lisa and Tara, both of whom carry on their spirited nature. Sharon's compassion and loving outlook enriched the lives of many.

She enjoyed spending time with her daughters, sons-in-law, and especially her grandson, Connor Wayne. She found pleasure in decorating and making her home a place where all felt welcome. Sharon also enjoyed helping others with their decorating endeavors. She was a strong, giving and caring woman with a contagious laugh and loving spirit.

Sharon was preceded in death by her parents, Clifford and Zelma Simons; and husband, L. Wayne Collum.

She is survived by her two daughters, Lisa Heather Knutson (Craig), of Laurel, Tara Jo

Collum and fiancé Jason Frank of Park City; grandson Connor; her sister-in-law, Ginger Collum, of Prattville, Ala.; brother-in-law, Eddie Bishop (Dawn), of Atlanta; brothers, Dean Simons (Dolores) of Columbus, Richard Simons (Sue) of Park City, Larry Simons (Dee) of Park City, Jim Simons of Billings, Jerry Simons (Betty) of Park City; sister Caroline Wies (Dave) of Three Forks; and many beloved nieces and nephews who will sense this loss.

The family is deeply grateful for the support of the community and the ever dedicated staff of Big Sky Hospice in Stillwater County. A special thank you to doctors Maier, Dahl, Schmidt and the nursing staff at St. Vincent Hospital for their wonderful care of our mother and true friend.

Memorial services will be held Wednesday, Nov. 24, at 2 p.m. at the Park City Baptist Church. Memorials may be sent to SEG Credit Union in Laurel.

Anne Marie Mackenzie Collyer

DEC 25 2004

CLYDE PARK — Our little angel Anne Marie Mackenzie Collyer went home to be with Jesus on Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2004. Anne was born in Billings on July 20, 2003, and began to show her delightful character shortly thereafter. Her energy and love of life were stronger than her body. Her big blue eyes and vibrant spirit brightened all of our lives.

Anne died very unexpectedly at her home near Clyde Park on Tuesday morning. She is sorely missed by her Mom, Dad and big brother Cody, as well as good friends, neighbors, family and those in the community and elsewhere who loved, cared and prayed for her.

God had Anne positively impact many, many lives, beginning with the nurses and doctors at The Children's Hospital in Denver, Colo., who treated Anne's heart conditions. All who knew this little girl were amazed by her strength, zeal and determination.

We believe God sent Anne to us as an angel with a job to do. In her short 17 months of life with us, Anne taught everyone she touched more about the meaning of life than anyone could have ever imagined. Apparently when her job here on Earth was done, it was time for our "Little Miss Annie" to go home and get her wings. We miss her terribly.

Services for Anne Marie will be held at the Shields Valley United Methodist Church in Clyde Park on Tuesday, Dec. 28 at 11 a.m. All who knew and loved her are welcome to attend including children able to comprehend the meaning of the ser-



ANNE MARIE

vice. As this is to be a celebration of Anne's life and opportunity to say goodbye to her, please do not feel obligated to wear black or formal attire. Anne loved to laugh, preferred life's many colors and textures, and loved being barefoot with the wind blowing through her carefree hair.

Survivors include her "Ma-Ma," Nancy Collyer, her "Da-Da," Rusty Collyer, and "Da," her beloved big brother, Cody Collyer, as well as birthparents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins as well as her many friends who she loved just like family.

Flowers are welcome at the church on Tuesday morning or at the Franzen-Davis Funeral Home, 118 N. Third St. in Livingston. Please think about donations in lieu of flowers as those gifts can impact so many more lives. Donations may be made in memory of Anne Marie to the Ronald McDonald House, 1300 E. 21st Ave., Denver, Colorado 80205 or The Children's Hospital, 1056 E. 19th Ave., Denver, Colorado 80218.

**Robert and Dorothy
Colness**

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 7 - 2004

FORSYTH — Memorial service for Robert and Dorothy (Meredith) Colness will be at 1 p.m. Sunday, July 11, the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Interment has already taken place in the Forsyth City Cemetery.

Doris Enid Compton

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BALDWIN CEMETERY

FONTANA, Calif. — Doris Enid Compton, age 83, of Fontana, passed away on Sept. 23, 2004.

Ms. Compton was born on Oct. 2, 1919, to Hilbert Day Nelson of Iowa and Etta Mayer of Ohio. She was an English teacher for many years, striving to obtain her master's degree for which she reached at the age of 58. She had a love for the gifted children and the way in which their minds worked, so much so that she dedicated her career to the success of the GAIT Program at Baldwin Park and El Rancho Unified School Districts.

Doris was preceded in death by her husband of 40 years, Doran Greenwood Compton; daughter Caroline Brewer; and son Frederick Compton. She is survived by her two eldest children, son James Compton; and daughter Donna McDonald; 13 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren.

Doris not only loved her family, she also loved her work and her students. She was greatly loved by all and will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Arrangements are being handled by: Rose Hills Memorial Park & Mortuary, 3888 S. Workman Mill Road, Whittier, CA 90601, (562) 699-0921.

The services for Doris will be held on Friday, Oct. 1, at 11 a.m., at The Hillcrest Chapel, Gate 17.

June Elizabeth Butler Conaway

THE BILLINGS GAZET

AUG 4 - 2004

June Conaway, 89, of Billings, passed away on Aug. 2, 2004, at Horizon Hospice Home in Billings. She was surrounded by her loving family.

Mrs. Conaway was born in Norfolk, Neb., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.H.

Butler. She was educated in Norfolk public schools, and was a graduate of the University of Nebraska. In high school, June was active in drama and music. She pursued her talents in college, participating in the University Players, Studio Theater, Children's Theater and the Vesper Choir. She contributed to the Awgan and Cornhusker staffs, was a three year ROTC sponsor and member of the honorary drama fraternity, and was one of four senior women chosen as candidates for Prom Girl.

After her marriage to Clifton L. Conaway in 1942, the Conaways moved to Denver where June said, "I put Cliff through the Army." When Cliff was discharged in 1945, they moved to Billings. June became active in civic affairs, donating her time at



**JUNE
CONAWAY**

St. Luke's Episcopal Church and as a Gray Lady at St. Vincent's Hospital. When the family membership was transferred to St. Stephen's Church, she trained the first group of acolytes and was a member of the Altar Guild.

In 1958, Mrs. Conaway joined the English Department of Billings Senior High School. When she transferred to West High School, she instituted competitive Speech and Drama. She was proud when her young, inexperienced team presented to West High its trophy for placing first at the District Meet. June taught English and typing at West High until her retirement in 1976.

Again, she was generous with her time as a Pink Lady at Deaconess Hospital, as a tutor for the H.O.S.T. program, and was one of the original teachers of English as a Second Language for the Montana Association for Refugee Services. An avid reader, June enjoyed giving book reviews.

June is survived by her son Michael (Lynn) Conaway of Evanston, Wyo.; her granddaughter, Meghan Alane Conaway; and her grandson, Sean Patrick Conaway.

Cliff preceded June in death in 1999.

Cremation had taken place, and at June's request, there will be no memorial service.

June also requests that memorial donations be sent to Billings Horizon Hospice Home, 1019 Neptune, Billings, MT 59105.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

Virginia Stringari Conlee

JUL 30 2004

Virginia Catherine Conlee, 90, of Billings, passed away July 27, 2004, at St. John's Nursing Home. She was born on Feb. 8, 1914, in Fromberg, to Maria and Luigi Stringari. Virginia was a high school graduate of Fromberg.

Virginia moved from Fromberg to San Diego with several of her sisters. It was there that she met Charles Conlee, a Marine serving in the South Pacific. They were married on Dec. 25, 1942.



**VIRGINIA
CONLEE**

When the war was over Charles and Virginia settled in Hillsboro, Ill., where two of their three children were born, Lorraine and Larry. Charles and Virginia longed to return to Montana. They moved to Billings in 1947, where Ginny was born. Charles worked for the city and Virginia kept the family home.

Virginia loved to cook and go fishing and also enjoyed hunting with Charles. Her chicken and cinnamon rolls were famous. Her flowers and her yard were always beautiful. She was always there to take care of the family. That usually meant a nephew or two.

Virginia is survived by her daughters, Lorraine (Kenneth) Johnson of Molt and Virginia

(Jay) Sulser of Billings; her grand children, Jody (Trent) Meyer Rachel (Hugh) Connolly, Andrew (Lindsay) Sulser, Stephanie Sulser, Peter Sulser and Michael Sulser; her great-grandchildren Xavier, Ewan and MacKenzie; brothers, Louie and Frances Stringari; sisters, Edith Bianchi and Susan Turner and numerous nieces and nephews.

Virginia is preceded in death by her mother and father; her husband, Charles; son, Larry; grandson, Kevin; brothers, Joseph and Andy as well as her sisters, Louise and Mary.

Visitation is from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Dahl Chapel. Funeral Mass will be held at Holy Rosary Catholic Church on Monday at 11 a.m. Committal will be at Mountview Cemetery.

The family wishes to give special thanks to the entire staff at St. John's for the loving care given Virginia.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Chase Hawks Memorial, P.O. Box 31333, Blgs., MT 59107

JUL 2 - 2004

Timothy J. Conlon, of Billings, died suddenly on June 23, 2004. He was born to Thomas and Evangeline Conlon on July 19, 1956, in Cambridge, Mass. He

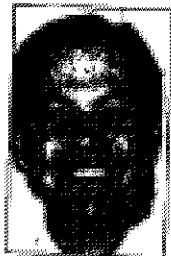
graduated from Watertown High School in 1974.

Timothy worked for the United States Postal Service in

Massachusetts and then in

Montana for 20 years. He left

the east coast and came out to Montana in 1999 and loved to call himself a "Montanan."

**TIMOTHY
CONLON**

Timothy was a true free spirit. He loved the outdoors and animals and enjoyed rock climbing and downhill skiing. He climbed Tuckerman's Ravine on Mount Washington before coming out to Montana. Timothy had a great sense of humor, had a wonderful smile and would give anyone the shirt off his back. After moving to Montana, he loved to spend time in the Beartooths and cherished his land and the house he built west of Billings until a subdivision took over.

Timothy married Elizabeth Honaker on July 3, 2003, and immediately acquired two stepsons, as well as dozens of their

teen friends. He was very proud to call Thad and Chase his "sons."

Timothy is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; and his two stepsons, Thad and Chase Honaker. He is also survived by his siblings, Thomas (Jill) Conlon of Spring, Texas, Patrick Conlon, Mary (Mark) Pare of Norfolk, Mass., and Kathleen (Brian) Lewis of Hubbardston, Mass.; his nieces and nephews, Michael, Stephen and Linda Conlon, Julianne Wyman, Laura (Christopher) Milici, Sarah Pare and Jeffrey and Timothy Lewis; and his beloved dogs, Cubby, Beast, Kazak and Joey.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services are being planned in Massachusetts and, according to his wishes, his remains will be scattered at sea off the coast of New Hampshire, where he spent summers during his youth.

Harry G. Connors

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

HARLOWTON — Harry G. Connors, of Harlowton, widower of Dorothy H. Connors, died Oct. 15, 2004, at Wheatland Nursing Home in Harlowton, at age 97.

He is survived by three children, Bernard W. Connors of Laurel, Harry C. Connors of Harlowton and Sandra N. Connors Quarles of Nesbit, Miss. He also leaves eight grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Private family services to be held.

Albert C. Conrad

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 18 2004

HELENA — Albert C. Conrad, age 90, passed away Monday, November 15, 2004 in Helena. He was born May 8, 1914, in Ipswich, S.D., the son of August and Minnie Ernst Conrad.

Al graduated from high school in Ipswich and attended the Coyne Electrical and Radio School. He married Martha Latkovich, April 1, 1939, in Crosby, Minn.

Al worked for Yellowstone County as a Department Administrator for 20 years, retiring in 1980. He enjoyed working with wood, making cabinets and furniture, as well as other beautiful furnishings.

Survivors include his son, Ken Conrad of Helena; sister Rose Hart of Minneapolis; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife Martha in 1994; two brothers, Edward Conrad and Emil Conrad; and his parents.

A graveside service will be held 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Billings. Viewing will be Thursday, Nov. 18, 5 to 9 p.m. at Smith's Downtown Chapel, 120 N. 26th St. The family suggests memorials be sent to Hospice of St. Peter's, 2475 Broadway, Helena, MT 59601.

Dale D. Conrad

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

CODY, Wyo. — Dale D. Conrad, age 75, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 8, 2004, at his home.

Private family memorial services will be held at a later date. Those wishing may make memorial contributions to Spirit Mountain Hospice, 707 Sheridan Ave., Cody, WY 82414.

Dorothy Conrad

Dorothy Conrad, 92, died at Valley Health Care & Rehabilitation Center Tuesday afternoon, July 27, 2004, of natural causes.

Born March 10, 1912, in Kelso, Kan., the youngest child of Charles and Etta McAtee, Dorothy grew up in Parkerville, Kan., with her six brothers and five sisters. A favorite, fond memory from those days was when her brothers taught her how to drive the family's Model T Ford. Dorothy graduated from Kelso High School and nurses' training at Bethany Hospital, Kansas City, Kan. She worked as a nurse at the Kansas State Hospital in Topeka, Kan.

On July 24, 1938, she married Allen Conrad in Harington, Kan. He operated his own accounting practice in Billings from 1943 until 1974. Allen was a past president of the Montana Society of Public Accountants. He died Feb. 13, 1989.

Dorothy was a member of the First Congregational Church in Billings, a former member and officer in the Edna Hedges Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, a member of the Billings



**DOROTHY
CONRAD**

Chapter Daughters of the Nile, and the Billings Rock Club. Over the years, she was also active in several home extension clubs, volunteered as a grey lady, and was a Den Mother in Cub Scouts for eight years.

Dorothy's passion was sewing. An accomplished seamstress and knitter, she delighted in creating handmade, tailored clothes for herself, her family and her friends. Early in her life she entered projects in the Yellowstone County Fair and often won blue ribbons and recognition for her projects. Never one to be idle, she often multi-tasked and could be found knitting when watching TV. In addition to countless quilts and afghans that she made for friends and family, she knitted hundreds of stocking caps for kids and taught many friends how to sew and knit. Dorothy also enjoyed playing bridge and was a member of a number of different bridge groups over the years. Her many friends will miss her.

Survivors include a son, Kelley, a daughter-in-law, Barbara, of Longmont, Colo.; and a son, Lucius, of San Francisco, Calif.

Memorials may be given to the Big Sky Hospice.

Private family services will be held in the Laurel Cemetery with Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary in charge.

Ruth Garcia Contreras

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 13 2004

Ruth Garcia Contreras was called by our Lord, Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2004, after a short illness.

Ruth was born in Newell, S.D., on Oct. 17, 1930, to Santos and Beatriz Garcia. Her many interests included puzzles, crochet, gardening, novels, hunting, arts and crafts, Mexican music and being



**RUTH
CONTRERAZ**

around her grandchildren. She was a founding member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. She always had coffee and food for anyone who came to her house, and she nourished everyone, body and soul.

Ruth was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Ynes Contreras, and Delilah Contreras, her daughter. She is survived by her children, Billy (Peggy) Contreras, Henry (Patty) Contreras, Veronica (Chris) Wilkinson, Stella (Paul) Nease, Rachel (Fernando) Gomez, Rebecca (Javier) Marquez, Anthony (Donna) Contreras, Gregory (Becky) Contreras, Angelica (Brooks) Johnson, Richard (Kerry) Contreras, Zim Contreras; and her special

friends, Byron Hoppe and Cindy Contreras. She had 55 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren and fostered about 100 children.

The family would like a special thanks to go to two nieces, Audrey Garcia and Mary Alvarez, who helped care of Mom.

She was Aunt Ruthie to many and Mom to even more. Que Dios te bendiga, Mami.

Funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 13, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church.

Memorials may be made to Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 523 S. 29th, Billings, MT 59101.

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SPOKANE, Wash. — Lois M. (Gonyea) Conway, age 92, born in Spokane, Feb. 11, 1912 to Louis J. Gonyea and Carrie Nelson Gonyea, died Aug. 3, 2004, in Spokane.

She graduated from St. Aloysius Elementary School, attended Our Lady of Lourdes High School, and graduated from Holy Names Academy and Holy Names Normal School. She married Lawrence F.

Conway on Feb. 12, 1934. He preceded her in death in 1979. She was a lifetime resident of Spokane except for nine years spent in Billings and Great Falls.



**LOIS
CONWAY**

In her childhood years, she was a member of St. Aloysius Church, Spokane, where she attended the annual Novena of Grace for 67 years. An active parishioner at St. Francis of Assisi Church since 1934, she was a member of St. Mark's Guild, St. Francis Women's club and a past president of the School Mother's club. In addition to her church affiliation, she was an active member of the UCT Auxiliary, Lady Lions, Lady Elks, St. Joseph Care Center Service League, Miriam House of Transition Service League, and Holy

Names/Fort Wright College Alumni Association.

Lois is survived by her daughter, Mary Lou Bentley (Deacon Donald L.), Spokane; and son, William L. Conway (Linda), Billings; grandchildren, Donald L. Bentley (Barbara), Colorado Springs, Colo., William P. Bentley (Alicia), Severn, Md., Cathy Barton (Thomas), Olympia, Wash., Betty Anne Thompson (Shawn), Colbert Wash., Penny Fitzgerald (Randy), Mesa, Ariz., Karen Krantz (Shawn), Spokane, Kirsten Sanchez (Jesse), Ft. Smith, Mont., Katie Conway, Helena; 20 great-grandchildren; and four nephews in California.

A Vigil Service will be 7 p.m. Aug. 9, at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 4420 N. Jefferson St., Deacon Don Bentley officiating. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Aug. 10 at St. Francis of Assisi, with committal services to follow at Holy Cross Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be given to St. Joseph's Care Center, Catholic Charities, the Holy Names Sisters, Oregon Province of Jesuits, or The Poor Clare Sisters. Arrangements have been entrusted to Hennessey Smith Funeral Home.

Bonnie L. Cook

WORLAND, Wyo. — Bonnie L. Cook, 74, of Worland, died Friday, April 2, 2004, at Worland Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 14, at the United Methodist Church. Bryant Funeral Home of Worland is in charge.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Clarence W. Coon

THE RITCHEY GAZETTE

LEWISTOWN — Clarence W. Coon, 81, died Monday, Jan. 19, 2004, at his home after a long illness.

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At his request, no services will be held. Cloyd Funeral Home was in charge.

Esther Olson Cook, 84, of Billings, passed away Monday evening, Dec. 6, 2004, at Deaconess Medical Center, with family at her side.

Esther was born on March 10, 1920, in Brainerd, Minn., to Louis and Emma Olson, the fifth of seven children. She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers and two sisters. Esther is survived by two sisters, Dorothy Johnson of Brainerd and Ruth McKenzie of Natchez, Miss. She was raised and educated in Brainerd and lived in Minnesota until she moved to Montana with her family in November 1961.

On Sept. 16, 1943, she married the love of her life, Gordon Cook, in Brainerd, where their six children were born. They were married for 54 years. The family moved to Laurel in 1961, then to Billings in 1962. Her husband preceded her in death in March 2000.

Esther is survived by three daughters and three sons, NancyLee Vorhees of Silesia, Marianne (Russ) Evans of Tacoma, Wash., Sandy (Dale) Smith of Indianapolis, Gordon Jr. (Colleen) of Billings, David (Diana) of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and Arne of Billings. Esther and Gordon have six grandchildren, Rick (Tracy) Tipps of Hayden, Idaho, Scott (Heidi) Tipps of Missoula, Travis Cook of

Hollywood, Stephenie (Scott) Porter of Billings, Brad (Kristy) Cook of Spanish Forks, Utah, Wendy (Scott) Rose of Flagstaff, Ariz. They also have nine great-grandchildren, Kayla Johnson and Ryan Tipps of Hayden, Idaho, Caytie and Aubrie Tipps of Missoula, Samantha Rose of Flagstaff, Tayler and Tyler Cook of Spanish Forks, and Samara and Dalton Porter of Billings; and one special foreign exchange daughter from Japan, Yuki (Pete) Heimer and their children Tyso, Nikki and Ren.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Dec. 11, at 11 a.m. at the Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. West. Cremation to follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests a donation to a favorite charity.

James Alton Cook

SEP 23 2004

BILLINGS GAZETTE

BROOKINGS, Ore. — James Alton Cook, husband, father, son, brother and gramps, died at age 61 of a sudden illness the morning of Sept. 13, 2004, at Sutler Coast Hospital in Crescent City, Calif.

Jim was preceded in death by his father, Alton J. Cook. He survived by his wife, Carol, Brookings; his daughters, Debra Cook-Ozga (John) of Hawthorn Woods, Ill., Kim Cullens (Spike) of Sunset, Utah, LaRae Dille (Kevin) of Riverdale, Utah, Tany Fiske (Dave) of Helena; his sons: Kevin Dangers (Michelle) of Danville, Calif., Brian Danger (Nancy) of Rancho Palos Verde Calif.; 16 grandchildren and 10 nieces and nephews. Jim is also survived by his mother, Arlene K. Cook of Billings; and three brothers, Ralph K. Cook (Barbara), Keith D. Cook (Cori) and R. Bruce Cook (Kim), all of Billings.



**JAMES
COOK**

Jim was born in Great Falls, Mont., on Feb. 23, 1943, to Alton J. and Arlene K. Cook. Jim attended school in Billings and served two years in the United States Navy. In 1965, Jim joined the Great Falls Police Department, where he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Jim earned an Associate Degree in Criminology from the College of Great Falls in 1974.

In 1978, Jim left the Great Falls Police Department and joined the Maricopa County Attorney's office in Phoenix, Ariz., as a detective and special investigator. While with the County Attorney's office, Jim led the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Task Force and was named investigator of the year. On Aug. 24, 1980, Jim married Carol Dangers. After retiring in 2004, Jim and Carol fulfilled their dream of moving to Brookings, where they enjoyed the peaceful ocean setting.

Arrangements were handled by Wiers Mortuary in Crescent City, Calif. Following Jim's wishes, he was cremated and family members spread his ashes from the Whistle Buoy to Harris Beach in Brookings. Memorials may be sent to the South Coast Humane Society, PO Box 7833, Brookings, OR 97415 or to the charity of your choice.

Niki C. Cook

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 24 2004

Niki C. Cook, 29, of Billings, died Monday, July 19, 2004, at her home.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be at 6 p.m. Monday, July 26, at Billings Family fellowship, 441 Daniels. Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge.

DEC 02 2004

Robert 'Bob' Cooke

Jan. 26, 1928 to Nov. 25, 2004

WHITTIER, Calif. — Bob was the beloved husband of Lorraine Becker Cooke (originally from Billings), the father of three children, Connie Sandifer, Greg Cooke and Karen McRoberts; and the grandfather of seven grandchildren.

Born in Carlyle, Mont., Bob and Lorraine moved to Whittier in 1958. Bob retired to the golf course at Candlewood Country Club after 30 years working in the Whittier Union High School District. As an educator,

coach and administrator, he took pride in touching the lives of countless students. His wit, laughter and love will be greatly missed.

Services will be held Friday, Dec. 3, in Whittier.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Lorraine's brother's scholarship fund which supports to most promising senior going into education: Leonard Becker Scholarship Fund, 611-1/2 Arbor Drive, Livingston, MT 59047.

Doris Emogene Cookson

LEWISTOWN — Doris Emogene Cookson, 89, died Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2004, at Valle Vista Manor.

Emogene was born July 30, 1915, at Syracuse, N.Y., to Raymond H. and Maud (Brewster) Howard.

The family moved to Billings when she was a child. She attended schools in Billings, graduating from Billings High School in 1933.

She attended Eastern Montana College from 1933 to 1935, and returned to Eastern Montana College in 1966, receiving a degree in 1968.

She taught Art classes and English classes at Fergus High School and Canal Zone Junior College in Panama. Church was a very important part of her life, as was her family and art.

On Sept. 11, 1935, she was united in marriage to Milton Albert Cookson at the Church of the Incarnation in Great Falls. Her husband's ministry as Episcopal Priest took them to many areas.

They lived in Kalispell, Butte and Seattle during World War II. After World War II, they lived in



**EMOGENE
COOKSON**

Washington, D.C., Cocoli and New Cristobal, Canal Zone, in the Republic of Panama. Through the years, she supported her husband as a companion on his many travels for the church. She served as a church organist, choir member and Sunday School teacher. She was a member of St. James Episcopal Church.

She was active as a Girl Scout leader, serving as the first neighborhood chairman in the Canal Zone, Republic of Panama, and publicity chairman of the Big Sky Council. In addition, she was a charter member of the Lewistown Branch of the Montana Institute of the Arts and served as a director at large and branch director-Lewistown of the Montana Institute of the Arts. She also was a charter member of the Lewistown Art Center and a member of the Lewistown Duplicate Bridge Club, Lady Elks Golf Association, Pink Ladies, and a long-standing member of Marie Chapter, OES.

Survivors include her husband of 69 years, The Rev. Milton A. Cookson of Lewistown; three daughters, Joyce E. (Ralph) Malcolm, Rosemary E. (Michael) Kent and Anne L. (Ted) Knerr, all of Lewistown; one son, Thomas A. (Shar) Cookson of Vaughn; 13

grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. In addition, she is survived by one sister, Rosemarie (Ernest) Thurlow of Wickenburg, Ariz.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Raymond H. Howard, Jr.

Memorial services for Emogene Cookson will be held at St. James Episcopal Church on Wednesday, Oct. 13, at 2 p.m. Cremation has taken place at inurnment will be at a later date at the Church of the Incarnation in Great Falls.

Memorials are suggested to St. James Episcopal Church, 502 W. Montana, Lewistown, MT 59457.

Creel Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

JUN 7 2004

Dr. Wayne Cooler
Of Bluffton, S.C.

BLUFFTON, S.C. — Dr. Donald Wayne Cooler, age 45, passed away Friday, June 4, 2004, at home, surrounded by his loving family.

Don was born on Oct. 20, 1958, in Savannah, Ga. He was a 1975 graduate from Thomas Heyward Academy in Ridgeland. He was married in 1977 to Chris Hawkinson Cooler, his wife of 27 years.

After high school, he served in the Air Force, both active and reserve duty. While in the reserves, he attended the University of South Carolina, graduating cum laude in 1982, and went on to graduate from the University of South Carolina School of Medicine in 1986.

After his internship in Colorado, Don and his family spent 15 wonderful years in Montana, practicing family and emergency medicine. He enjoyed the rural western life in both Wolf Point and Lewistown. In 2002, after his cancer diagnosis, he returned to South Carolina for treatment, and to be closer to family.

Don was a devoted husband, father, son and brother. He is loved and remembered most for his love of learning and his caring

and compassionate ways. He enjoyed spending time with his horses, teaching horsemanship clinics, team roping, sailing, golfing and playing cards.

Don is survived by his wife Chris; three sons, Jason Christopher and Justin Cooler one grandson, Zachery Cooler his mother, Willie Mae Cooler three sisters, Rhonda Turner Barbara Young and Deborah Delong; and one brother, Al Cooler; his maternal grandmother, Nell Nichols; and his father, Albert Cooler.

Funeral service were held on Tuesday, June 8, in Hardeeville. A memorial service is planned on July 11, at 4 p.m., at Pine Meadows Golf Course in Lewistown. For more information, please call (406) 538-7570.

We would like to express special thanks to all friends and family members who have helped us in so many ways during Don's illness.

Don's family suggest in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his name to Hospice of Central Montana, 629 NE Main St., Lewistown, MT 59457, or the American Cancer Society, PO Box 6113, Hilton Head Island, SC 29938.

Eva Coonrod

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 10 2004

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Eva Pearl Curtis Coonrod, 94, of Buffalo, died Sunday, Aug. 8, 2004, at the Amie Holt Care Center in Buffalo.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 11, at the Bryant Funeral Home in Great Bend, Kan. Graveside funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 12, in the Great Bend Cemetery in Great Bend. Adams Funeral Home of Buffalo is in charge of Buffalo arrangements.

Betty Cooper

SEP 8 2004
SHERIDAN GAZETTE

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Betty Lee Cooper, 82, of Gillette, formerly of Sheridan, died Monday, Sept. 6, 2004, at Pioneer Manor in Gillette.

Public viewing will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 8, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 9, at Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

Dan Cooper

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 15 2004

LIVINGSTON — Dan Edward Cooper, 68, died Feb. 12, 2004, at Livingston Health and Rehab Center.

Funeral services and burial will be held in Chattanooga, Tenn., at a later date. Local arrangements under the direction of Cremation and Funeral Gallery of Belgrade.

Florence R. Cooper

THE BILLINGS GAZETT

AUG 18 2004

Florence R. Cooper, 92, of Billings, passed away Saturday, Aug. 14, 2004, in Billings.

The daughter of Alfred S. and Christine (Heuer) Ryniker, Florence was born May 20, 1912, in Quincey, Ill. The family moved to Billings in 1917 and Florence attended Broadwater School. Following high school, she graduated from Gem City Business College in 1929.

In 1932, she began work as a legal secretary in Billings. She also worked as a registered abstractor and during the war years had



**FLORENCE
COOPER**

worked for Bendix in California and for Federal Housing in Norfolk, Va. In 1969, she went to work at Crowley, Kilbourne, Haughey, Hanson & Gallagher law offices and in 1974, was office manager at American Title & Escrow of Billings until retiring in 1977.

Florence married Clarence L. Richardson in 1934 and on Sept. 27, 1957, was married to Herbert M. Cooper. He preceded her in death in 1970.

She was a member of Edna Hedges Chapter 15, OES and the Senior Citizens Center. An avid reader, she also enjoyed playing cards and working crossword puzzles.

Survivors include her sister, Betty Ann Ryniker of Billings and cousin, Jeanette Tilley.

Visitation will begin 4 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19. Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 20, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, with interment in Mountview Cemetery.

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

Louise H. Cooper

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 17 2004

FORSYTH — Louise H. Cooper, 87, of Forsyth, died Tuesday, June 15, 2004, at the Rosebud Health Care Center in Forsyth.

A memorial service will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, June 19, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Forsyth Cemetery.

Mildred 'Billee' Cooper

TEN SLEEP, Wyo. — Mildred R. "Billee" Sawyer Foster Cooper, 80, died Dec. 23, 2003, at Wind River Healthcare in Riverton.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, at the First Baptist Church in Greybull. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc. is in charge.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 13 2004

John V. Copeland Jr.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 04 2004

GLENDIVE — John V. Copeland Jr., age 73, died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2003, at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 8, 2004, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Glendive. Interment with military honors will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

MAR 17 2004

Gary Ralph Copenhaver

WOLF POINT — Gary Copenhaver, age 59, of Wolf Point, passed away on March 14, 2004, of a sudden heart attack at Northeast Montana Health Services in Wolf Point. He was born Sept. 27, 1944, to Edward and Hazel (Carter) Copenhaver in Glasgow.

Gary excelled in all sports and was one of the best athletes from Hinsdale High School where he graduated in 1962. He was a member of the Hinsdale FFA. He attended Northern Montana College in Havre and Molar Barber College in Spokane, Wash.

Gary married LaFon Tattoo on Dec. 19, 1981. He owned Wolf Point Glass and The Freez. Gary enjoyed and excelled at golf, basketball, football, gardening and watching his sons in sports. He was a member of the Airport Golf Club and the Wolf Point Elks Club.



GARY COPENHAVER

He is survived by his wife LaFon of Wolf Point; his sons Brock and Easton Copenhaver of Wolf Point; his daughter, Lori (Darrell) Carney and grandchildren, Ashley, Tyson and Tate of Malta; sons, James (Cara)

(Lori)

Copenhaver and grandchildren Jessi, Claire, Dylan and Jack of Marion, Ohio, and Kevin Copenhaver of Washington, D.C.; two special uncles Morris Tattoo, Jr. and Eugene Tattoo; a special father-in-law Morris Tattoo, Sr.; a special aunt and uncle, Viola and Larry Wood; a sister, Wilma McElvain of Billings; and a brother, Vernon (Beverly) Copenhaver of Hinsdale. His parents preceded him in death.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, March 17, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, March 18, at 10 a.m. at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Interment will be in Oswego Cemetery. Memorials may be sent to: Copenhaver College Fund for Brock and Easton, in care of Western Bank, PO Box 638, Wolf Point, MT 59201. Condolences may be sent to the family at csmc@nemontel.net or www.stevensonandsons.com. Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel has been entrusted with arrangements.

Howard Wright Copenhaver

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
FEB 10 2004

OVANDO —
Howard Wright Copenhaver went to be with the Lord on Feb. 6, 2004, after a long, full life.



**HOWARD
COPENHAVER**

He was born in a sod house on the Eastern Montana prairie on March 7, 1914, to Moody and Elizabeth Copenhaver. At an early age, he moved with his family to Ovando, where they took up ranching. After graduating from Hellgate High School, he went on to rodeo, break horses and trap.

In 1941, he volunteered for the Navy. Serving four years on the USS Maryland, he was involved in the Pacific naval battles of WWII. While on leave in 1944, he married the love of his life, Margaret McLean. Shortly after, Howard was wounded in the Battle of Layte Gulf. He recovered and received an honorable discharge.

Returning home to Ovando, he continued to ranch as well as log, and outfitting hunting and fishing trips in the Bob Marshall and Scapegoat Wilderness as Copenhaver Outfitters. It was the

latter that he touched and was touched by many wonderful people from all walks of life all over the world. His outfitting expeditions lead him to write four books: "They Left Their Tracks," "More Tracks," "Copenhaver," "Country and Mule Tracks," sharing his experiences with those he loved as well as those that were unable to experience it for themselves.

Throughout his life, Howard enjoyed playing the guitar, music and dancing, lending his hand to all, especially in the reconstruction of the Community Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Leona Copenhaver and Louise Brunett; and grandson Peter Lapka. He is survived by his brothers, David Eugene, Lawrence and his wife Laura, Richard Wendell, Leon and his wife Mary Jo; sister, Betty Roe, and their families. He is also survived by his wife Margaret; son Steve and his wife Donna; grandson Todd; great-grandson Ethan; grandsons Rich and David; granddaughter Beth and Mike Zander; daughter Sue and John Lapka; granddaughter

Andrea; granddaughter Patricia and Jimmy Watson; great-grandchildren Terell, Olivia, Elaina and Celina; granddaughter Sarah and Mike Melnick; great-grandson Marcellinus; grandson Timothy and Mary Lapka; great-granddaughter Luciana; and grandchildren Christopher, Bridget, Rory, Anthony, Ruth, Benjamin, Brian and Daniel Lapka.

A memorial service will be held on Friday the 13th at 2 p.m. in Ovando, at the Grade School Gymnasium. In lieu of flowers, please donate to your favorite charity in Howard's name.

Arrangements are under the care of Garden City Funeral Home in Missoula.

Eva L. Coplan

DEC 24 2004

LIVINGSTON — Elva L. Coplan, 89, of Livingston, died Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2004, at Evergreen Livingston Health and Rehabilitation Center.

Cremation has taken place at Franzen-Davis Crematory. Memorial services will be announced at a later date.

Leda Ruth Copley

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 21 2004

MALTA — Leda Ruth (Randall) Copley, 93, died Sunday, Jan. 18, 2004, at the Phillips County Good Samaritan Center of natural causes.

Visitation is from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday at the Adams Memorial Chapel in Malta and from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday at the First Presbyterian Church of Conrad. Burial will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Hillside Cemetery in Conrad. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at the First Presbyterian Church.

Charles G. "Chuck"

Copping

GLENDIVE — Charles G. "Chuck" Copping passed away on Sunday, Dec. 12, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center, after a short battle with lung cancer.

Memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 17, in the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Interment with military honors will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Chuck was born to George and Myra (Wiley) Copping on Dec. 4, 1923,

in Glendive. He was educated in Glendive and graduated from Dawson County High School in 1941. While in high school, he played football and was a member of the team

that won the State Championship in 1940.

Chuck loved working with horses and as a young man, worked at various ranches in the area.

He enlisted in the Army shortly after Pearl Harbor in December of 1941. He saw action with the



**CHUCK
COPPING**

THE GAZETTE

DEC 15 2004

82nd Airborne in Salerno, Sicily, Naples, Normandy, Holland and Belgium. Among the several citations he earned were the Bronze Star and a Purple Heart. He was honorably discharged in November of 1947 after testing equipment in Alaska.

Along with various jobs, he liked rodeos and was very proud of a buckle he won in Killdeer, N.D., where he rode against some tough competition!

Chuck was called back to active duty in September of 1950 and served as an instructor in the Ranger Training Command in Fort Benning, Ga., until October of 1951.

He was married to Delores Helvik on Dec. 31, 1950, in Glendive. They had two sons, Clint and Mike.

In 1974, during a visit to Europe, he was wearing that Killdeer buckle and gave it to a young boy in Belgium who was despondent over the loss of his father. This seemed to make a difference in the boy's life and Chuck saw and talked with him again in 1979 and 1994. This touched Chuck's heart.

Chuck retired from Shell Oil in the fall of 1992 after working there for 38 years. After his retirement,

he spent a lot of time reading Western History and books about the European Theater of World War II. One of his greatest sources of enjoyment was sharing his collection of music CDs with others of his generation who were living in a retirement home or long-term care facilities.

He was loved and respected by those who knew him and will be missed by many in addition to his family.

He is survived by his wife, Delores; a son, Clint (and Yvonne) of Gillette, Wyo.; a brother, Deane of Glendive; a sister, Kate of Cheney, Wash.; three grandchildren, five great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Chuck was preceded in death by his parents; a sister (Almira); and his son, Mike.

If desired, memorials may be given to the Glendive Medical Center Hospice Program, 202 Prospect Drive, Glendive, MT 59330 or the charity of your choice.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silverdale-silva-funeralhome.com.

Daniel Copps

MILES CITY — Daniel Copps, 92, of Miles City, died Sunday, March 14, 2004, at his home.

MAR 16 2004

Visitation will be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 16, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City, with a vigil service at 7 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 17, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miles City. Rite of Committal will follow in the family lot in the Calvary Cemetery.

Glen Mitchell Corbet

SEP 21 2004
BILLINGS GAZETTE

POWELL, Wyo. — Glen Mitchell Corbet, died Sept. 18, 2004, at the Powell Valley Care Center in Powell.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Chapel in Powell. Burial will be in the Worland Cemetery. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home of Powell is in charge.

Gladys Corbett

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Gladys Corbett, 93, of Billings, passed away at St. John's Lutheran Home on April 8, 2004. Heaven welcomed home our beloved prayer intercessor.

Gladys was born June 24, 1910, in North St. Paul, Minn., to William and Lillian (Belden) Tomlinson. She completed her elementary and secondary education in North St. Paul.



**GLADYS
CORBETT**

In 1928, she married C.T. Corbett. Her lot in life was to be married to a minister. She was an exceptional host and many guests were privileged to share in her graciousness. In the mid-1950s, she began working at Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais, Ill. Eventually she became the bookstore manager and did so for 17 years.

In 1990, she moved from Illinois to Billings to be near her son and his family. She was a guide at the Moss Mansion for several years. Her flower garden was the envy of many.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sisters Cora and Ethel; and her husband of 57 years. She is survived by her son James (Vernetta) Corbett of Billings; grandchildren Kelly

Lange and Will Corbett of Billings, and Tim (Pattie) Corbett of Kennewick, Wash. She also had four great-grandchildren, Kyle Lange and Jordan Corbett of Billings, and Robyn and Rachel Corbett of Kennewick.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, April 12, at First Church of the Nazarene in Billings. Additional services and interment will be held in Kankakee, Ill., on Thursday, April 15.

Memorials may be made to First Church of the Nazarene, 805 Alderson Ave., Billings, MT 59102 or the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of local arrangements.

Glenn Mitchell Corbett

Glenn Mitchell Corbett, 69, died Saturday, Sept. 18, in Powell.

He was born Jan. 3, 1935, in Basin to Lawrence and Zelda Sessions Corbett.

He grew up on a farm south of Worland. Farming was in his blood and he never wanted to do anything else. He learned to drive vehicles and tractors, milk cows, tend cattle and irrigate at a very young age.

After graduating from Worland High School, he received a track scholarship from Brigham Young University where he ran the 2-mile competition. He was an excellent shot and enjoyed hunting elk and deer.

He married Irma Brinkerhoff on March 19, 1965. To this union were born three children. The marriage ended in divorce.

He was a member of the Wyoming National Guard and took pride in his guard service.

After being struck with Multiple Sclerosis, he entered the New Horizons Long Term Care Center in Lovell and later moved to the Powell Nursing Home, where he had resided for the past seven years.

Survivors include three children, Michelle Simms and Jennifer Farnes of Las Vegas and Michael Corbett of Laramie; one brother, Richard of Worland; one sister, Bernedene Robertson of Worland; and 11 grandchildren.

THE POWELL
TRIBUNE
SEP 23 2014

AUG 17 2004

ROUNDUP — Louis Corgiat, 88, of Roundup, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 15, 2004, at the Roundup Memorial Health Care, of natural causes.

Louis was born in Butte on April 16, 1916, to Louis and Anne Corgiat. He married LaVerne Murphy on Aug. 29, 1958. To this union came two children, Brent Eugene and Mary Jean.

He attended school at Klein, Catholic school and graduated from Roundup High School.

He is survived by his wife LaVerne; daughters Mary (Ted) Woodland, Linda Leaf; his sister, Mary Corgiat in Billings; grandson Christopher and Scott Woodland; his granddaughters, Kari Woodland and Sheillia Leaf; and many nieces and nephews. Louis was preceded in death by his parents, Louis and Anne Corgiat; his son Brent; sister Margaret Shaffer; brother-in-law Al Shaffer.

Memorials may be made to American Heart Assoc. or charity of one's choice.

Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, at the Wier Funeral Chapel. Vigil service will be 7 p.m. Thursday, at the Chapel. Mass of the Christian Burial will be 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 20, at St. Benedict's Catholic Church. Interment to follow at the Roundup City Cemetery.

Wier Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Glendon R. Cork

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
APR 22 2004

LEWISTOWN — Glendon R. Cork, 84, of Lewistown, died Monday, April 19, 2004, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 22, at the Cloyd Funeral Home Chapel in Lewistown. Cremation has taken place.

Odette Cornell

SENTINEL BUTTE, N.D. — Odette Cornell, 84, of Sentinel Butte, died Monday, July 19, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive, Mont. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 21, at the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Beach. Interment will follow services at the Sentinel Butte Cemetery in Sentinel Butte.

THE BILLINGS GAZET

JUL 20 2004

Robert 'Bob' Cornell, Sr.

Robert "Bob" Cornell, Sr., 97, of Billings, passed away Wednesday afternoon, May 5, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare.

Bob was born on Nov. 10, 1906, in Bay Shore, Long Island, N.Y., a son of Albert and Amelia (Smith) Cornell. In 1910, the family moved to a homestead on Blue Creek. On March 6, 1925, he married Mae Lance and they continued to ranch on Blue Creek until 1931, when Bob began construction work, helping build the Cooke City Highway.



**BOB
CORNELL**

In 1941, Bob and his family moved to New Mexico and worked building air bases until 1943, when he and his son, Bob, Jr. both entered the military together to fight during WWII. Following his discharge from the Army in 1945, he continued a career in construction, retiring in 1972 from Billings Construction Company. Bob was a lifelong member of Masonic Ashlar Lodge 29, the Al Bedoo Shrine, the American Legion and the Elks Club.

After 72 years of marriage Bob's wife Mae passed away on June 2, 1997. He was also preceded in death by two brothers and three sisters. Survivors include three daughters, Virginia (Elwin) Ness, Jean Bornes and Sharon (Gene) Mai; a son, Bob Cornell Jr.; 11 grandchildren, nine great grandchildren and five great great-grandchildren.

Visitations will begin Saturday evening, May 8, at the Smith West Chapel. The funeral service will be at 2:30 p.m. on Monday May 10, at the Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. West, with military rites and interment to follow at Sunset Memoria Gardens. Memorials are suggested to the Shrine Transportation Fund.

MAR 18 2004

John M. Cornish

LIVINGSTON — John M. Cornish, 81, passed away March 11, 2004, at his home.

John was born in Hamilton, on March 11, 1923, to John Howard and Mabel Ruth Cornish. He attended school in Hamilton, graduating from high school in 1943. He graduated from Montana State College in 1947. John started his career teaching commercial arts, coaching and as band director at Savage, Brockton and Clyde Park. After completion of his masters degree at the University of Montana, he took the positions as superintendent at Rosebud and then Clyde Park. Before his retirement in 1979, he took the position of athletic director at Gardiner and returned to live in Clyde Park with his wife, Delores, where they lived until her death. He then resided at the Park County Senior Center until his death.

John is survived by his daughter, Candace Lou (John Clay) Olson; three grandchildren, Holly Jean Olson, Clay Olaf Olson of Two Dot, Jeremy Lee Stahl of Harlowton; a great-granddaughter, Sierra Rivers Stahl of Judith Gap; and his son,

William John (Cheryl) Cornish of Helena. Also surviving are brothers, Howard (LaVerne) Cornish of Billings, Charles (Mary Ann) Cornish of Sequim, Wash.; a sister, Stella (Edward) Kratochvil of Spokane, Wash.; 2 nieces and nephews; stepchildren, Dennis Jones (Sharon) of Clyde Park, Kathleen (Dorothy) Pursell of Big Timber, Nadoly (Dan) Goodfellow of Big Lake, Wash., and his special friend Genevieve Kalitowski of Livingston.

Preceding John in death were his parents; wife, Phyllis Janett Logan, the mother of his two children; his second wife Dolores Fay Cole Jones; stepson George Jones; sisters, Vivian Shook and Luella Braaksma; and brothers Robert Cornish and James Cornish.

Cremation has taken place at Franzen-Davis Crematory. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 18, at the Franzen-Davis Funeral Home with burial in Hamilton at a later date.

Memorials may be directed to the Park County Senior Center, 109 W. Lewis St. Livingston, MT 59047.

Marshall Corson

THE GAZETTE
APR 08 2004

Marshall Corson, 74, of Billings, went home to be with the Lord on April 6, 2004, after an extended illness. His last day on earth was peaceful and spent with his family at his bedside.

He was born on Dec. 13, 1929, in Dayton, Ore., son of Daniel and Rena Corson.



**MARSHALL
CORSON**

He attended Wayne State University. While serving in the Air Force, he married Rosalie Mayer on March 1, 1952 in Great Falls. Marshall served his country as a

radar specialist for 10 years. Before retiring, he was a pharmaceutical representative.

He is survived by his wife, Rosalie; and his sister, Mary Ann of Florida. He is survived by three sons Ross (Paula) and Steve (Cheri) of Billings and Dana (Sandy) of Helena. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren Angie (Brad), Jordan, Nicole, Michael, Ashley, Edwards Amana, Josh and Stephanie. He also loved his great-granddaughters Megan Hanson and Katie Smith.

Funeral services will be Friday April 9, at 10 a.m. at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary,

with interment at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to the Elks benevolent fund or the St. Vincent Hospital Critical Care Unit.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Mary Taylor and the professional, compassionate staff of the critical care unit of St. Vincent Hospital.

Serjio Cortez Jr.

SEP 21 2004

WRIGHT, Wyo. — Serjio Cortez Jr., 17, is returned to his father in Heaven on Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2004, after sustaining injuries due to an automobile accident near Superior, Mont.

Funeral services will be held in Wright at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Viewing will be at 10 a.m., with the services beginning at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 21.



**SERJIO
CORTEZ, JR.**

Serjio was a junior at Wright Jr. Sr. High school and was active in both school and church. He was currently a member of the WJSHS football team. Serjio was a very loving and kind young man who was friends with everyone. Serjio loved the great outdoors and would often spend time camping with his family.

Serjio is survived by his parents, Serjio Sr. and Maria Cortez; and four younger sisters, Adriana "Audrey," Kayla, Veila and Sienna of Wright; grandmothers Thomasa Rios and Santos Laredo Cortez; grandfather Rodolfo Garcia.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather Alberto Cortez.

In lieu of flowers, donations

may be sent to Campco Federal Credit Union, PO Box 3169, Gillette, WY 82716 or Campco Federal Credit Union, PO Box 360, Wright, WY 82732 in care of the Cortez family fund. Condolences may be sent in care of the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home at 210 W. Fifth St., or via the internet at www.stevensonandsons.com.

Paula Rae Barnett Cosat

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

CODY, Wyo. — Paula Rae Barnett Cosat, 66, died at her home.

A celebration of her life will be 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, at the V.F.W. Hall. Private interment will be in Riverside Cemetery. Ballard Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

NOV 06 2004

Elbert Hubbard Cosman, a prominent Montana insurance executive died on Dec. 3, 2004. He was 92 years old and died of natural causes.

Mr. Cosman was born on Aug. 29, 1912, in Cambridge, Mass. He grew up in Bozeman, Mont., and played varsity football at Bozeman High School. He went on to graduate from the Uni-



**ELBERT
COSMAN**

versity of Montana in Missoula, where he was a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity. On Nov. 26, 1937, he married Edith Matheson, a native of Billings, Mont. In 1938, they moved to Billings, where he established an insurance agency. After Pearl Harbor and the breakout of World War II, Elbert enlisted in the Navy and received a commission as a Lieutenant JG following Officers Training at Harvard University. He served as a Communications Officer in the Pacific, first on an Aircraft Carrier, later on a Destroyer, and finally on a Troop Transport that ferried Marines into the Philippines. His final duty was on a ship anchored in Tokyo Harbor near the Missouri, when the signing of the Japanese Surrender occurred. Mr. Cosman finished the war as a full

Lieutenant.

Elbert was very active in the Billings community. He was a member of the Billings Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Elks Club, Billings Lodge 113, the Scottish Rite, and the Al Bedoo Shrine Temple. He was in the Al Bedoo Black Horse Patrol for 42 years and served as Captain for many years. Elbert was also a member of the Royal Order of Jesters Court 87. He enjoyed shooting and hunting and was a member of the Billings Trap Club and the Rattlesnake Hunting Club.

In addition, Elbert loved to play golf. He was a member of the Hilands Golf Club, having served as President of the Club on two separate occasions. He was also an early member of the Yellowstone Country Club.

Elbert's first wife, Edith, died on Aug. 8, 1970. On October 12, 1979, he married Patricia Knudson of Billings. In addition to being survived by Patricia, Elbert is survived by his daughter Lisa Cosman; his son Ray Cosman, and his son's daughters Sarah Anne Cosman and Clare Matheson Cosman, all of New York City. Elbert is also survived by his step-daughter, Mary Kay Dissel of

Richland, Wash. and her children Christopher of San Francisco, Calif. and Ryan of Richland, Wash. In addition, Elbert is survived by his stepson, James Knudson of Billings, and his children Jean and John of Portland, Ore.

The funeral service will be conducted at the First Presbyterian Church at 2420 13th Street West on Wednesday, Dec. 8, 2004, at 10 a.m. Interment will follow at Mountview Cemetery.

The family suggests that any memorial contributions be made to the Al Bedoo Shrine Transportation Fund, P.O. Box 20673, Billings, Montana 59104.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Frank J. Costin

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Frank J. Costin, 48, of Gillette, died Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2004, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette.

Visitation will be from 4 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, at the Trinity Lutheran Church of Gillette. Interment will be at a later date in the Oregon Trail Cemetery in Casper.

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FEB 25 2004

William 'Bill' Cote

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 11, 2004

William Cote passed away on Jan. 29, 2004, in Billings. He was 49 years old.

He was known to all his friends in Billings as Bill or even as "Sweet William" by those who knew him well.

Bill was born Aug. 27, 1955, in Cincinnati, to Roger and Phyllis Cote.

He graduated from high school in Enfield, Conn., where he lived with his large family, until going into our American armed forces, and was stationed in Great Falls.

After a few years in the Air Force, Bill moved back home to be with his mother, and then married. After about three years, Bill returned to Great Falls for a brief time before moving to Billings in 1995.

Bill is survived by his mother, Phyllis Cote; and five brothers, James, Thomas, John, David and Richard; and one sister, Jane. His entire family still lives out on the east coast.

Bill enjoyed spending time with people at the local casinos and sports bars, watching football and enjoying a cold Bud Light — or two. Bill always was quick to bring the party to life with one of his humorous jokes or comments. The St. Louis Rams were Bill's favorite NFL team, and, well, if you ever asked him about the Rams, he always referred to them

as "God's Team." Bill's eyes would always light up at even a single word spoken about playing golf with friends, whether or not the weather permitted it. We will miss the fun times we shared with Bill, and never quite understand why it all ended so suddenly. For all the good times and even the bad, Bill touched all our lives in one way or another, and will never be forgotten.

"May God Bless You, Bill, and we won't be surprised, when God's Team finally wins the Super Bowl, because we know you're up there rooting them on."

Margaret 'Maggie' Cotton

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JULY 8 - 2004

Margaret Mary "Maggie" Cotton passed away Monday evening, July 5, 2004, at the Deaconess Billings Clinic. She had lived for 84 years.

Maggie was born in Laramie, Wyo., and moved to Billings at the age of 3 with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stone. She received her education in Billings.



**MAGGIE
COTTON**

As a young woman, Maggie married Larry Wilks and to this union, two children were born, Anita and Barry. Following her divorce from Mr. Wilks, Maggie married Conrad "Connie" Cotton on Dec. 28, 1948, in Miles City. Together, they lived in Billings and raised the children while Maggie began a career with Original Equipment that would continue over 50 years until her retirement in 2002. When not at work or caring for her family, she enjoyed bowling, reading, and caring for her garden and flowers. Maggie was also a member of Moss Agate Chapter 125, Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include her daughter, Anita (Gerald) Gustis of West Springs, Ill., and Anita's two sons, Brian and Bradd; four other grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. Maggie was preceded in death by her husband, Connie; a son, Barry; and a granddaughter-in-law, Gayle.

Visitations will begin Thursday afternoon, July 8, at Smith Downtown Chapel. The funeral service will be at 4 p.m. on Friday, July 9, at Smith Downtown Chapel, with cremation to follow. Memorials in Maggie's name are suggested to The Vista at Mission Ridge, 3840 Rimrock Road, Billings, MT 59102.

LeRoy 'Roy' Coulter

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 10 2004

ROY — LeRoy "Roy" Coulter, 86, longtime Roy area rancher, died Wednesday, June 9, 2004, at Eagle Cliff Manor in Billings, of natural causes.

Roy was born in Denton on Dec. 3, 1917, to Samuel and Mary (Duffy) Coulter. He spent his early life in the Everson Bench Area and attended the True Blood and Alton Schools. In 1928, the family moved to the Fort Maginnis area, and Roy attended the Fort Maginnis School. After he left school, he went to work herding sheep and later worked for the Stoddard Ranch and several others before joining the CCC's in 1938.



**ROY
COULTER**

On March 23, 1942, in Roundup, he was united in marriage to Charlotte Belden. He spent four years in the Air Corps, serving two years in the Air Corps Ordinance in Alaska and the Aleutian Islands. After returning to the States, he spent time in Normale Field, Texas, and McClellan Field, Calif., before receiving his discharge on Oct. 31, 1945.

Roy and Charlotte purchased the Don Siedel place near Roy, which they kept for 56 years.

He also enjoyed trucking, and at one time, he owned three trucks. When he could keep them all rolling, he was satisfied with life.

Roy was a life member of the American Legion Post #96, serving twice as District Legion Commander and was Post 96 Commander several times. He was also the Service Officer. His greatest gift to others was taking them to Veteran Hospitals and staying with them to help them and their families. He served on the Roy School Board. Education was important to him and he spent many years working with the school system trying to help children get the education he missed. He also served on the Farmers Union Board and worked for the ASCS for many years.

He and Charlotte moved to Billings on Jan. 3, 2002. Roy has spent his retirement in the Eagle Cliff Manor and Edgewood Vista in Billings, where he has made

many friends.
Roy was a loving husband and father and will be dearly missed. Seeing his children graduate from college was a goal in his life. He was never too busy to help a neighbor and everyone was a friend.
Roy is survived by his wife, Charlotte of Billings; three children, Clark L. and wife Lee, Mary Luella and husband Kenneth Gilbertson, and Leona Kay and husband Rodney Hein, all of Billings; four grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. In addition, he is survived by a sister, Leona Geary of Worland, Wyo.; and a brother, Stanley Coulter of Great Falls; and many nieces and nephews.
He was preceded in death by his parents; and three brothers, Bob, Guy and Dick.
Funeral services for LeRoy Coulter will be held at the Creel Funeral Chapel in Lewistown on Monday, June 14, at 2 p.m. The casket will be open until the time of the service only and closed thereafter. Burial with military honors will be at the Roy Cemetery.
Memorials are suggested to the charity of the donor's choice. Creel Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mary Hurst Counts

Mary Hurst Counts, 72, of Billings, died Monday, Nov. 22, 2004, at Valley Health Care Center in Billings.

She was born in Chicago on June 20, 1932, the daughter of Thomas and Anna Hurst. She moved to Montana as a young child and attended grade school in Ekalaka. Mary graduated from Billings Central in 1950. The majority of her work years were in government employment with Social Security in Denver.

Mary took her interest in genealogy to unbelievable heights, visiting the house in Germany where her maternal grandfather was born and a few years later finding the home her grandmother had been born in, both with the help of her German relatives whom she first met in 1972 and continued her relationship with until her death.

Mary married Vern Counts in 1955 and they were later divorced.

Mary was preceded in death by her mother, father and surrogate parents, Marie and Raymond Rolfson, and special cousins, Dick Rolfson and Allen Teigen.

She is survived by a sister, Barbara Banderob and her husband, Arvin; and their four children, who were as close to Mary as if they were her own, Terri Gabel (Randy) of Huntley, Connie Van Luchene (Dan) of Bozeman, Laurie Rathe (Kent) of

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Polson and Scott Banderob (Dawn) of Great Falls and their families. Mary took great pleasure in this extended family. Also surviving is her brother, Tom Hurst (Bonnie) of LaGrange, Ill.; and their children; a special cousin, Betty Teigen; and her companion dog, Buster.

A special thanks to Dr. Tom Anderson, fellow Ekalaka native, for the constant care and concern.

A memorial mass will be held 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 26, at the St. Bernard's Catholic Church, 226 Wicks Lane. Interment of the urn will follow at Holy Cross Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 550 N. 31st St., Suite 103, Billings, MT 59101.

Smith's Downtown Chapel in charge of arrangements.

James Lee Covert

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 28 2004

CODY, Wyo. — James Lee Covert, 82, died Tuesday, Nov. 23, 2004, at the West Park Long Term Care Center.

Memorial services for Jim will be held in the Governor's Room of the Irma Hotel at 3 p.m., Monday, Dec. 6. Cremation has taken place. Ballard Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Deane Bisher Cowan

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 27 2004

BOZEMAN — Deane Bisher Cowan, 62, of Bozeman, formerly of Livingston, died late last week, in Bozeman.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, at the Livingston Christian Center. Franzen-Davis Funeral Home in Livingston is in charge.

Frank Cowdin, Jr.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 24 2004

LANDER, Wyo. — Funeral services for Frank G. Cowdin, Jr., age 87, will be held Thursday, March 25, at 10 a.m., at the Chapel of Mount Hope, Hudson's Funeral Home in Lander. Pastor Cecil Pitts will officiate and interment will follow in Mount Hope Cemetery. Visitation will be from noon to 9 p.m. Wednesday, March 24, at the funeral home. Frank died in his home the morning of March 21, 2004.

Frank Giles Cowdin was born July 5, 1916, to Frank G. and Mabel (Saunders) Cowdin, Sr. in Leo. He spent much of his life on the ranch in Leo until 1959, when he moved to Lander. Frank worked for the Lander Livestock Commission Company for 23 years and the Wyoming State Training School from 1973 until his retirement in 1985. Throughout that time, he worked for many different ranches in the Lander area. He was heavily involved with 4-H and was a Boy Scout leader. He also participated in rodeos and was a very active Chariot Racer. Frank was a past member of the International Order of Odd Fellows in Casper, the Lander Lions Club and the Wind River Chariot Club. It's springtime in heaven and the Lord needed a good hand calving.

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Frank is survived by his wife Helen; children, Duane and Lou Cowdin of Acton, Mont., Mary and John Wray of Selfridge, N.D., Carl and Sharon Cowdin of Casper, Frank Cowdin, III, of Lander, Steve and Marcella Lockard of Riverton, Carol and Joe Salinas of Lander; sister Ruth Schneider of Lander; 19 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded by his first wife, Patricia; and three brothers.

Memorial donations may be made to the Wind River Chariot Club, care of Hudson's Funeral Home, 680 Mount Hope Drive, Lander, WY 82520.

Dale W. Cowger

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 22 2004

Dale W. Cowger, 79, died unexpectedly on Friday, Feb. 20, 2004, due to complications following surgery.

A Memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 25, at Faith Chapel located at Broadwater and Shiloh Road. A luncheon reception will be held at the church following the service.



DALE
COWGER

Dale was born in Red Lodge to Jessie and Vern Cowger on Nov. 21, 1924. He attended grade school in the one room Hogan School eight miles west of Red Lodge. He grew up on the ranch near there and graduated from Carbon County High School in 1942. Dale entered military service during World War II as Pfc with the Army Air Corp. Following his discharge he met his sweetheart Betty at Natalie's Cafe in 1945 and was married Sept. 14, 1946. They were married for 57 years.

Dale and Betty left the ranch in 1953 with two daughters (Ginger and Jane) and a third on the way. Her sister-in-law gave her orders to bring back a r- headed boy which she did (Dana). Dale began working for

the Yellow Cab Company as a taxi driver. Dale also worked several years as a salesman for North American Van lines. He then went to work for the Yellowstone County Clerk of the Court. He later became purchasing agent for the county and also headed up and designed the county's program for clearing unwanted abandoned vehicles from the county. He held both of these jobs until his retirement in 1986. Dale and his wife Betty, who worked for the US Geological Survey, retired on the same day in March 1986 to spend their retirement years together.

Dale always took pride in his work whatever it was. Even as a taxi driver, frequent patrons would request him. His son, Dana, recalls the time when he went on a camping trip with his buddies and forgot to do his paper route. When the phone began ringing, Dale went after Dana and hiked to their camping spot and took him back to deliver the newspapers. Even so he helped Dana deliver the papers. Later that evening, Dale's soft

heart got to him and he took Dana back so he could finish his camping adventure. Dana has never forgotten that incident and his dad's work ethic yet tender heart.

Dale was a loyal and faithful father, husband and friend. He was an avid pool player. He loved flying radio control airplanes. He had many friends and enjoyed life to the fullest. He was energetic, enthusiastic and had a "can-do" approach to getting things done. If you needed help, Dale was there.

Dale and Betty moved into a new house and enjoyed their last two years together there.

His brother, Norman, and daughter, Virginia, preceded Dale in death. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Betty; his daughter, Jane, (and Ken) Heidner of Wolf Point; his son, Dana, (and Susan) of Spokane, Wash.; seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren (and two more on the way).

He will be missed by his family and friends.

Aaron Michael Cox

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 01 2004

Aaron Michael Cox died on May 28, 2004, at age 32.

He was born in Minneapolis on Nov. 15, 1971, to parents Carmen and John Cox. His two older brothers, John and David, were his companions in his Minnesota childhood, as were his nearby grandparents. At White Bear Lake High School, Aaron excelled in both academics and sports. He went on to graduate Cum Laude from Carleton College in Northfield, Minn., with a bachelor of arts in Economics.



AARON COX

Aaron shared his life with Vivian Albritton. These partners were married on July 21, 2001, in Boulder, Colo. Aaron and Vivian lived in Denver before moving to Billings.

Aaron loved Montana and its outdoors. As a boy, he had fished the Minnesota lakes with his grandfather, becoming an avid fisherman and a passionate outdoorsman. Aaron and Vivian, with their dogs Denali and Nellie, enjoyed the trails and lakes of Colorado and Montana. A record-sized Brook Trout stood

out among Aaron's many happy outdoor memories. Coupled with their love of the outdoors was the love of their home in Laurel, which they made into a reflection of their life together.

A clear indicator of the life of this kind and generous man is the large number of his long-standing friends, extending from high school, college, and to later life. Aaron spent the last 10 years as a highly valued sales representative for Graebel Companies.

Survivors include his wife, Vivian Cox; his parents, John and Carmen Cox of Haines City, Fla.; two brothers, John Cox Jr. (Stefanie, Lindsay and Ryan) of Overland Park, Kan.; and David Cox (Kiti, Michael and Nicholas) of Maple Valley, Wash.; grandparents William and Dorothy Cox of Little Marais, Minn., and Dolores Gaffaney of Silver Bay, Minn.; along with many cherished aunts, uncles and cousins.

A memorial service will be at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1, at Dahl Funeral Chapel.

Memorials may be made to Pheasants Forever, Inc., Yellowstone Valley Chapter #434, PO Box 20996, Billings, MT 59104. Dahl Funeral and Cremation Service is entrusted with arrangements.

Helen Josephine Cox

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 17 2004

GLENDIVE — Helen Josephine Cox, 86, formerly of Beach, N.D., died Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care facility.

Vigil service is at 7 p.m. Monday at Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Beach. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at St. John's the Baptist Catholic Church in Beach with Rite of Christian Burial in St. John's Cemetery.

POWELL, Wyo. — Memorial services for James W. Cox will be Saturday, April 24, 11 a.m., at the Presbyterian Church. Jim, age 81, died Sunday, April 18, 2004, at the Powell Valley Health Care Center.

He was born April 2, 1923, to Roy and Bertha Cox in Seattle. After several years in the Seattle-Tacoma area, the family moved to Orcas Island in Puget Sound. Jim graduated from Orcas High School in 1941, attended Washington State for one year, then enlisted in the Army in 1943. While attending the University of Wyoming in the Specialized Training program, he met and courted Shirley Williams of Powell. He was sent overseas to fight in the Italian campaign with the 34th Red Bull division, 5th Army. After World War II was over, he remained in the occupation army in Italy until January 1946.

After returning to the U.S. to receive his discharge, Jim and Shirley were married on Feb. 7, 1946, at her parents' farmhouse near Powell. They went to Seattle, where both finished their college education at the University of Washington. In 1949, Jim and Shirley returned to Powell to enter the farming business. Two children were born to them.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, and is survived by his wife of 58 years, Shirley; his son Bill Cox (Noreen); and daughter Janet Baumann of Evergreen, Colo.; six grandchildren, Norman (Jodi) Cox of Casper, Jason and Ryan (Vickie) Cox of Rapid City, S.D., Kristin Cox Greenwald (Trent) of Powell, Brett and Dan Baumann of Evergreen; and three great-grandchildren, Ethan and Avery Cox of Casper, and Sheridan Cox of Rapid City.

Over the years, Jim enjoyed his farming activities, hunting, fishing and camping trips, reading, bowling, card games with friends, and in retirement years, took up woodcarving and puzzles, and traveling in the U.S. in a motorhome and overseas on tours and cruises. He belonged to the American Legion, the VFW and Aerie 2426 of the Eagles Club, of which he was a Past President.

Memorials may be made to Powell Valley Hospice, Powell Hospital Auxiliary or to the charity of choice. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

MAY 27 2004**Joseph C. Cox**
Formerly of Huntley

SEATTLE — Joseph C. Cox was 94 when he died peacefully at his West Seattle home on Sunday, May 23, 2004, following a short illness.

Joe was born March 8, 1910, on the Huntley Project. He graduated with a degree in engineering from Montana State College in Bozeman and came to Seattle in 1941 to work for Boeing.

Joe never married, but cared for his mother, Elizabeth Cox, until her death at age 103, and his sister, Elfreda Cox, until she died at age 83. He built the two-story home they lived in on Southwest Barton Street in Seattle.

His kind and generous spirit extended to his hometown of Huntley, where Huntley Project High School and Huntley Project Museum of Irrigated Agriculture will benefit from his estate, as will his alma mater, Montana State University, Bozeman.

A memorial celebration of his life is planned for Friday, May 28, at 4109 SW Barton, Seattle, from 4 to 9 p.m., (206) 935-3772, and viewing at Yarrington's Funeral Home, 10708 16th. Ave. SW, Seattle, 98146, (206) 242-2771, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Graveside services at the Pleasantview

Cemetery in Huntley, are scheduled for 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 1. Arrangements for burial are handled by Dahl Funeral Chapels in Billings.

In the spirit of giving that Joe personified, remembrances in the form of donations to favorite charities be made in lieu of flowers.

Karen Marie Cox

A pair of smiling eyes has closed for good. These eyes watched over her own children and hundreds of her students. Karen Marie Cox died in a tragic car accident on Thursday, April 1, 2004. She had worked as an elementary teacher in Billings schools for more than 20 years. Karen always had a smile for her loved ones, but those who knew her best will also remember "the look." She will always be remembered as a person full of energy and life.

Karen Marie was born in Billings on April 15, 1950, to Jack and Elizabeth "Mary" (Heily) Krueger. Her family lived on a ranch south of Columbus on Shane Creek. Karen attended Columbus High School, graduating in 1968. She then went to Eastern Montana College and graduated with a degree in history and secondary education in 1972. She married Philip Cox on June 24, 1972. They had two children, Andrea Marie and Jared Philip.

Karen started her teaching career at Ponderosa Elementary as a teacher's aide and then went back for her elementary certification. She taught at Ponderosa and there met many good friends like Juline Kosmicki and Linda Bayne. This web of friendships grew and grew as she taught at Sandstone, Big Sky and Newman elementary schools.

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Karen loved the outdoors, whether gardening, hiking, biking, skiing or taking walks. As a child growing up on a ranch with three "rowdy" brothers, Karen learned to be tough. She delighted in rough-housing and competing with her brothers using "Krueger Rules." She was even known to crash Phil's brothers' weekends at Mystic Lake.

As an adult, Karen insisted on bringing nature into her backyard. She talked Phil (or Fritz as she called him) into building a pond, an endeavor that sparked vigorous arguments. Karen also enjoyed introducing her students to nature through the cockroaches, frogs and lizards in her classroom.

Karen's energy was contagious and unstoppable; she was a real pied piper. She could talk anybody into almost anything. Once she took a stand, she would see it through to the end. She was a fiery and energetic woman; her students learned quickly that she meant business. When students asked why they had to do something, Karen would respond with a laugh and a glare, "Because I can

make your life miserable" She believed the biggest gift she could give her students was the ability to think. She believed an education was the key to any door.

Karen was passionate about her work with the Teachers Association. She served on the Billings Education Association Rep Council and took seriously her opportunities to support her fellow teachers. In recent years, Karen participated in national training in effective teaching practices and then shared her expertise by teaching classes for her colleagues.



KAREN COX

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Karen lived what she believed. She and Phil attended Good Shepherd since 1971 where she led the fourth,

fifth and sixth grade Sunday School opening. Church was a large part of her life, yet she showed her faith not only in church but in her whole life. She loved going to Good Shepherd and seeing her church family, watching the children grow up and having children of her own.

Karen also was devoted to her family. She loved to have people to the house, even if there wasn't enough room for everyone. "They'll just stand," she would say. Karen always made the family take a group picture anytime they were gathered together

whether they wanted to or not. Her family extended beyond just the immediate relatives and included many close friends.

Karen died doing what she loved: seeing the country, being with friends and working to improve education.

She is survived by her husband of 31 years, Phil Cox; daughter, Andrea Cox Christen (Nick) of Farmington, Minn., and son, Jared Cox of Billings; parents, Mary and Jack Krueger of Columbus; brothers, Jack Krueger (Kim) and Dave Krueger (Angela), both of Columbus, and Paul Krueger (Carol) of Miles City; in-laws, Sherry Zimmerman (Dwayne), Ron Folkerts (Janet), Dan Folkerts (Deb), Jan "A.J." Cline (Curt), Rick Folkerts (Tami) all of Billings, Gary Cox (Judy) of Ray, N. D. and Bob Cox (Cathy) of Austin, Texas; numerous nieces and nephews; great-nieces and nephews; multitudes of cousins; current and former students; fellow teachers and others involved in education throughout Billings and Montana; her special teaching buddy of 12 years, Charlie Bokum; long-time friends, Cynthia and Loren Gustafson of Helena; and her quilting buddies, Carol Blackwell

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and Kathy Kelker; Sunday School kids she has harassed, teased and whose names she always forgot; and all the many lives she has touched in ways we are yet to learn.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at 6 p.m., Thursday, at the Billings West High School Gymnasium. Cremation has taken place.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Karen Cox Scholarship Fund at the Teachers Credit Union, 1111 24th St. W., Billings, MT 59102.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

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Mary Cox

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 06 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Mary Darlene Cox, 74, of Sheridan, formerly of Cody, Lovell and Gillette, died Monday, Feb. 2, 2004.

Cremation has taken place. A funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Cody. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

nancy Louise Stene Cox

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

Nov 27 2004

Nancy Louise Stene Cox, 56, of Billings, formerly of Joliet, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 24, 2004, after a courageous battle with cancer. Her final moments were spent surrounded by her family and friends.

Nancy was born on July 27, 1948, to Lloyd and Kathleen Stene of Joliet and raised on the family ranch southwest of Joliet. In 1970, Nancy graduated from the Saint Vincent Nursing School, and for 34 years she worked in the Saint Vincent maternity ward, assisting in the birth of over 2,631 babies. She married Lyle Cox in 1975 and gave birth to their son Kris on Nov. 28, 1976.

Nancy will be remembered by those that remain, including her son Kris and his wife Ericka; her grandson, "the light of her life," Nathan; her mother, Kathleen Stene; her sisters, Terry (Jerry) Burke, Nickie (Brian) Burke and Patty Rushton; and many nephews, nieces, aunts, cousins and dear friends. She was preceded in death by her husband Lyle Cox, her father, Lloyd Stene and her brother Randall Stene.



NANCY COX

Nancy is loved by many and missed by all.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Nancy Cox Scholarship Fund through Saint Vincent's foundation or a charity of choice.

Annabelle Cozzens

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 26 2004

BYRON, Wyo. — Annabelle Cozzens, 71, died Tuesday, May 25, 2004, at West Park Long Term Care Center in Cody.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, May 28, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 29, at the Byron LDS Chapel in Byron. Interment will be in the Byron Cemetery.

Carlotta Lou Cozzens

GLENDIVE — Carlotta Lou Cozzens, 56, of Glendive, died Monday, Sept. 13, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 17, at the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is in charge.

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Mildred M. Crabtree

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 03 2004

WINFIELD, Kan. — Mildred M. Crabtree, 90, of Winfield, formerly of Montana, died Tuesday, June 1, 2004, at William Newton Hospital in Winfield.

Friends may call from 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday, June 3, at Miles Funeral Service in Winfield. The family will greet friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 4, at Miles Funeral Service. Interment will follow in Highland Cemetery in Winfield.

Arlie Craig

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 22 2004

Arlie Craig, 90, of Billings, passed away Feb. 18, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic. His wife, Millie, was by his side,

Arlie was born on July 26, 1913, to Samuel and Edith Craig, at Muddy, Ill, a homestead that is no longer on the map. His father was affiliated with establishing the railroad in the territory. The family later moved to Billings, where Arlie went to school and graduated from Billings High.

Ranching was a way of life for Arlie. When he was young he worked for a Dude Ranch in Wyoming, and it was there he met his future wife, Millie Gray, while her family were guests at the ranch. They were married in 1955 and started a cattle ranch below the Bozeman Hill, called The Lazy AC Ranch. Later, they built the Lazy AC Dude Ranch, located in the Grassy Mountains between Townsend and White Sulphur Springs. They operated it for 26 years. Following the sale of the Dude Ranch in 1990, they had a cattle ranch near Big Timber until retiring. They moved to Mission Ridge in Billings in 2002.

Arlie was a Life Member of the Elks Club, a Committee Member of the Montana Cattleman's Association, and a member of the Montana Dude Ranchers Association. He was very committed to the ranching way of life and took great pride in his accomplish-

ments as a hard worker and operator. His horses were a true passion as well.

Arlie is survived by his wife, Millie, of Billings, and sister-in-law, Annamarie Brown, of California.

Cremation has taken place and a Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 27, 2004, in the Lillis Chapel at Mission Ridge, 3840 Rimrock Road, Billings, MT.

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

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

James 'Randy' Craig

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 12 2004

James "Randy" Craig, 53, enjoyed hunting, fishing and boating, most especially with his two sons and his wife. Randy will be remembered as a generous man who was kind to anyone and everyone.



RANDY CRAIG

In recent years, he built log furniture and many pieces were given to family and friends to grace their door steps and homes.

He was a collector and staunchly defended his collections from those who thought of it as junk. He loved tinkering and welding.

Randy passed away unexpectedly after a short illness on Thursday, June 10, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare, Billings.

At the time of his death, Randy spent his life living between Ballantine and Roundup.

He was born on Feb. 25, 1951, in Billings to Albert and Ellen (O'Connell) Craig.

Randy was involved in scouting and attained the highest merit of Eagle Scout. He was a champion Golden Glove Boxer and a wrestler, was an excellent swimmer and cuba diver.

He attended two years of school

at Assumption Abbey in Richardton, N.D. Then during high school, he was a janitor at Holy Rosary Church in Billings.

He graduated from Central High School in 1969. He attended college in Seattle for two years.

Randy had an interesting and varied work history performing many crafts and skills.

He gandy-danced for the Milwaukee Railroad, horseshoed in Roundup and at Yellowstone Downs. He cowboied on the Barney Murnion and the Ray Shaw ranches near Jordan. He fished on the crab boats in Alaska. He logged near Roundup. He was a firefighter in the Missouri Breaks.

He was a driller and relief tool pusher in New Mexico, Wyoming and Montana oil fields and most recently in Indonesia. He retired from True Oil of Casper, Wyo, in 1985.

Randy was a member of the Painter's Union Local 1922, where he worked at the Cenex, Conoco-Phillips and Exxon-Mobil refineries. He also painted at the Colstrip power plants and worked on the Continental Pipeline.

On Sept. 19, 1975, he married Kathleen S. Milles in Tucson, Ariz. Their life became full and rich when two sons were born, Ezra Lee and Forrest Wells.

Randy is survived by Kathy, his wife of almost 29 years; his son, Ezra Lee (Jacky) Craig of Desert Hills, Ariz.; son, Forrest Wells Craig of Billings; and two beautiful grandsons, Chance and Dakota. These two grandbabies were pure joy to Randy.

Randy is also survived by his brothers, Pat Craig of Hardin, Mike Craig of Gardnerville, Nev., Tim Craig of Billings, John (Schella) Craig of Gardnerville and Don Knaub of Billings; sister Annie (Lundy) Smith of Kalispell; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Albert; his sister Linda O'Connell and his brother Larry Craig.

Vigil for Randy will be at 7 p.m. Monday evening, June 14, at the Dahl Funeral Chapel, Billings.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, June 15, at 11 a.m. at St. Bernard's Catholic Church on Wicks Lane in Billings. Interment will follow at the Miner's Cemetery near Roundup.

Memorials will be made to the donor's choice or to the Randy Craig Family, P.O. Box 64, Ballantine, MT 59006.

Dahl Funeral Chapel of Billings is entrusted with the arrangements.

R. Scott 'Bo' Craig

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 24 2004

DENVER — R. Scott "Bo" Craig was born on July 21, 1929, in Fort Worth, Texas, to Anna Mae and Carl Robert Craig. He passed away after a short illness on July 21, 2004, at home. He was active in the oil industry in Montana and various Rocky Mountain states. Bo was a member of the Rocky Mountain Petroleum Association.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Marjorie Belle Chenoweth of Billings; and an infant son, Robert Scott Craig, Jr.

Bo is survived by his wife Ann and three daughters, Kerry (Mike) Haynes of Aurora, Kristi (Ronnie) Nightengale of Pine and Robin (Eddie) Schmidt of Billings; Ann's son Tom (Lynn) Peterson of Henderson; grandchildren Alan (April) Haynes of Denver, Shannon (Jason) Chapman of Parker, Trevor and Tanner Peterson of Henderson; and an extended family and friends.

A celebration of his life was held.

Robert Dean Craig

BILLINGS GAZETTE
MAY 18 2004

On May 15, 2004, Robert Dean Craig, 61, of Billings, died of an apparent heart attack.

He was born Oct. 24, 1942, in Glendive, to Dean and Ethel Craig. He was raised in Richey until he moved to Circle in 1958. In Circle, he met the love of his life and best friend, Lana Merry. They



**BOB
CRAIG**

married June 24, 1961, and moved to Billings, where Bob attended Rocky Mountain College. It was in the Billings area that Bob and Lana raised their family. Bob was a self-employed businessman and in 2000, Bob sold his final business, Paint Masters, which allowed him and Lana to split their precious time together between their desert home in Phoenix, which he loved, and Montana.

Bob was an avid golfer, team roper and an all-around hell of a hand. He enjoyed restoring golf carts and never stopped working on his own projects as well as the projects of anyone who asked for his help. He had a soft spot for the underdog and the Duke Blue

Devils. Bob believed there was no point in wasting time worrying what others thought. This gift he gave to his children along with many others. Dad was always there when the chips were down and somehow you knew it would be okay because he said so. He was a man of his word, he honored his handshake, he gave a square deal and he laughed with a full heart.

We will miss you, poopsie, dad, grandpa, son, brother, Bobo and friend.

He is survived by his wife, partner, best friend, Lana; his sons, Les (Brenda) and Bradley; his daughters, Shelley and Kimberly; his four granddaughters, Bailey, Paige, Abbey and Tawni; his mother, Ethel; his brothers, Ken and Garry (Lynda); sisters Nadine (Don) and Debbie (Tom); numerous nieces and nephews and many friends. He was preceded in death by his father, Dean.

Services will be held May 19, at Atonement Lutheran Church at 11 a.m., reception to follow.

Memorials may be sent to Alzheimer's Association or charity of one's choice.

Broderick Zane Crawford

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 19 2004

HAVRE — Broderick Zane Crawford, 45, died Friday, Nov. 12, 2004, in Seattle, due to a vehicle accident.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 19, at Assembly of God Church in Glasgow. Interment will be Highland Cemetery in Glasgow. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

Arvey J. Creek

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 9 2004

RENTON, Wash. — Arvey Junior Creek, of Renton, died March 3, 2004, in Renton. He was 79.

Born Nov. 30, 1924, in Billings, he served in the Marine Corps and lived in Renton for 60 years.

Mr. Creek retired in 1985 from quality control at The Boeing Co., after 41 years of service. He was a member of the Renton Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Renton Masonic Lodge. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, traveling in an RV and boy scout activities.

He is survived by his son, Douglas Creek of Oak Ridge, Tenn.; daughter Diane Chambers of Woodinville; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 9, at Greenwood Funeral Home in Renton. A funeral will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 10, at the funeral home, with burial at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, at Tahoma National Cemetery in Maple Valley.

Memorials may be made to the Renton Historical Society.

Claudia Ann Creighton *THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*
(Morin)

JUL 21 2004

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.

— Claudia Ann Creighton (Morin), 65, of Colorado Springs, formerly of Poplar, Mont., died Saturday, July 17, 2004, in Denver.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, July 23, with a vigil service at 7 p.m., at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 24, at Immaculate Conception Church. Interment will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

DeLois "De" Crichton

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 13 2004

DeLois "De" Crichton, 86, lost her battle with cancer, July 11, 2004, in Greybull, Wyo.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 17, at the Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. West, in Billings. Visitations will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, July 16, at the chapel, and prior to the funeral on Saturday.

A fund has been set up at the Bonnie Bluejacket Nursing Home's recreation department. Anyone wishing to can make a donation to that instead of flowers.

She was born in Aurora, Utah, to Ralph and Cora Mae Heath on Feb. 28, 1918, the second of 12 children.

She married George "Bud" Leroy Crichton, Aug. 28, 1937, at Otto, Wyo. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, two sisters and three brothers.

She is survived by three sons and their wives, Archie (Zula), Earle (Sharon) and Robert (Rose); two daughters and their husbands, Mae (Joe) Scharen and Pat (Paul) Williamson; 19 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren



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and two great-great-grandchildren; one sister, five brothers and numerous nieces and nephews.

De worked for a number of years at the Billings Deaconess Hospital. She retired in 1981 and moved to Greybull. Not being one to remain idle, De worked at the Wyoming Retirement Center for a period of time. Once again, De felt the need to be busy and useful, so she began working at the Bonnie Bluejacket Nursing Home. When her job ended, she continued as a volunteer worker there until she made the Bonnie Bluejacket Nursing Home her residence in 2001.

De kept herself busy with gardening, knitting and various other hobbies. She loved making gifts for her family and friends. Each carry a memory or memento of her many and varied gifts, wherever they are, all around the earth.

She will be missed by the family and friends who were touched by her unselfish love and kindness.

Vera Frances Crisafulli

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 02 2004

GLENDIVE — Vera Frances Crisafulli, age 70, of Glendive, passed away on Sunday, Feb. 29, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center.

A vigil service will be 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 3, at the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Mass of Christian Burial will be 2 p.m. Thursday, March 4, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive, with Father Joseph Ponessa officiating. Rite of Committal will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Vera Frances Willis was born on Oct. 3, 1933, in Langford, N.D., to Leland and Agatha (Dehn) Willis. She was the fourth of six children. The family moved to Shelby in 1936, where Vera attended school and graduated from Shelby High School. Vera married Angelo Crisafulli in 1955. Vera began work as a kindergarten teacher in 1954; something she would do with devotion and a passion for over 40 years. Her only break from teaching would come in 1957, when she took seven years off to care for their young children: Kellee, Lorrie and Greg. She earned her bachelor of science in elementary education degree from Montana State University-Billings in 1970.

Vera touched the lives of

many young people in the Glendive community. In some families, she taught three generations of kindergarten. She began her teaching career at Lincoln Elementary School, where she taught from 1954 to 1957. She taught private kindergarten from 1964 until 1971, when she took a



VERA CRISAFULLI position at Sacred Heart Elementary for one year. The following year, in 1972, she began a three-year term teaching at Lincoln once again. She taught at Prospect Heights School from 1975 until 1987 (a.k.a. The Little Red School) when she took a position at Jefferson Elementary where she taught kindergarten classes until May of 2001, when she retired.

Vera was one of 25 teachers chosen to attend the NASA Educational Workshop Program, which was quite an honor. She participated in the National Teachers Science Association Convention for two years, taught Math Their Way to Montana Educators, presented at the

Montana State Teachers Convention for two years, participated in design of the Kindergarten curriculum for the State of Montana in 1973, which is still being used today. Many of her ideas were published in several Teacher's Magazines. She had an annual papier-mâché project with the children, which won countless blue ribbons at the county fair. Vera especially enjoyed working with her fellow teachers, students and parents.

Vera was a devout member of the Catholic Church. She was a member of the Glendive Education Association, the Montana Education Association and several others.

She was preceded in death by her father, Leland.

Vera is survived by her husband, Angelo of Glendive; two sons, Kellee Crisafulli of Woodinville, Wash., and Greg Crisafulli and his wife, Julie of Redmond, Wash.; one daughter, Dr. Lorrie and her husband Dr. Gary Poteet of Laramie, Wyo.; three grandsons, Thomas Crisafulli, Dakota and Dawson Poteet. She is also survived by her mother, Agatha of Pasco, Wash.; and her siblings, Bernard "Duane" Willis and his wife Frances of Kalispell, Lela LaLacheur of Great Falls, Theresa Dunham of Pasco, Wash., Kathleen Sansaver and her husband, James of Minneapolis, Rita Glatt and her

husband, Eugene of Kennewick, Wash.; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, uncles and aunts.

Memorials are suggested to: The National Neurofibromatosis Foundation in honor of Vera and her grandson, Dawson Poteet, 95 Pine Street - 16th Floor, New York, NY 10005 or the Glendive Medical Center Hospice, 202 Prospect Drive, Glendive, MT 59330.

Ralph S. Crisman

WILLISTON, N.D. — Ralph S. Crisman, 97, of Williston, formerly of Bainville, Culbertson and Sidney, Mont., died Saturday, Feb. 29, 2004, at the Bethel Lutheran Home in Williston.

A funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 4, in the Everson Memorial Chapel. Interment will follow in Riverview Cemetery. Friends may call at the Everson Funeral Home of Williston, Wednesday, March 3, from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m., and Thursday, from 9 a.m. until service time.

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MAR 02 2004

Wilbur Criswell

LEWISTOWN — Wilbur F. "Cris" Criswell, 85, died Monday, Aug. 2, 2004, at the Central Montana Medical Center.

A graveside memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, at Lewistown City Cemetery. Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

Young (Pat) Criswell

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May 23, 1916 — Aug. 19, 2004**AUG 22 2004**

Frank Critelli passed from our earthly lives on Aug. 19, 2004, after a brief illness. Eldest son of Italian immigrants Gaetano and Erminia, he was born in a railroad section house in Petaris, Wash., on May 23, 1916. His father worked as a railroad section foreman for the Northern Pacific Railway. The family moved to Billings when Frank was an

**FRANK CRITELLI**

infant. At the age of 22, Frank was described by a friend as "... a very fine sturdy Italian boy His attitude toward things is jolly, he always looks to the bright side of things and hardly ever the dark side. His humorous ways make everyone like him. When anyone is around he has a joke ready for them." The same could have been said of Frank at age 88.

Frank began his work life at an early age. He worked as a shoemaker at 16 and spent many years as an over-the-road truck driver for Consolidated Freightways. He later worked in the wholesale leather business with his brother Joe, then owned and operated Knutson Boot Shop with his loving wife, and spent the last 29 years of his life in

the auto glass business, forming and operating Critelli Glass, with his sons Rod and Rocco. He worked every day preceding the onset of his sudden illness.

Frank met and soon married his one true love Lottie (Charlotte Smith) in 1936. They celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary last May. Their union was filled with great love, respect, affection and protectiveness of one another. Following the onset of Lottie's spinal stinosis a few years ago, Frank was able to return Lottie's years of care. He cooked, cleaned and cared for her with deep love. His final concern was for her ongoing care. If their 68 years together were to be described in one word, it would be family. They moved into the current family home at 1205 Lewis in 1942 where they raised their nine children: Gary (Sharon) Critelli, Sonja (Russ) Reese, Sandra (Jim) Glenn, Rod (Doris) Critelli, Jackie (Dale) Samsal, Jeannie (Bruce) Jamison,

Robin (Stephen Berg) Critelli, Rocco (Joey) Critelli and Colleen (Jerry) Drinkwalter. The children thank their parents for giving them the important values of hard work, honesty, responsibility, spontaneity and good times.

Frank's survivors include 24 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren; sister Alberta (Clem) Smith of Hesper; sister Marie (Bill) Murray of Imperial Beach, Calif.; brother Dick (Patty) Critelli of Great Falls; numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by siblings Stella and Vincent, who passed at a young age, and Joe and Allen.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 23, at First English Lutheran Church at 1243 N. 31st St. Music will be performed by cousins Nancy Critelli, Carol Critelli and Mary LaMonaca. A reception will follow at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, located at 10th Street West and St. John's. Frank's ashes will be held in the urn that they will share at the time of Lottie's passing. There they will rest together in serene love for eternity. The family appreciates donations in Frank's name to Bethlehem Lutheran Church or the Multiple Sclerosis Society, 1629 Ave. D, Billings, MT 59102.

Frank's passing leaves an emptiness in many hearts, a long legacy of love, life, family and good times, and many, many treasured memories.

Our family is a circle of strength and love. With every birth and every union, the circle grows. Every joy shared adds more love. Every crisis faced together makes the circle stronger. — Eavenson

Dear Sweetheart, Daddy and Grandpa, we love you so much and we will hold you dearly in our hearts forever.

Harold Crockett

RICHEY — Harold Crockett, age 86, of Richey, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, July 14, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, July 16, at the American Lutheran Church in Richey, with Pastor David Aaseng officiating. Interment with military honors will be in the Richey Cemetery in Richey.

Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Harold was born on April 12, 1918, on the family homestead in Bloomfield, the son of James Berton and Carrie (Lease) Crockett.

He attended Bloomfield schools. When Harold was 18 years old, his father passed away and he took over the family farm in Bloomfield. He volunteered for the U.S. Army in 1942 and served in France, Belgium and Germany. He was honorably discharged in 1945. Following his discharge from the military, Harold returned to farming in the Bloomfield and Richey areas. He married LaVerna Taasaas in Glendive and together they



**HAROLD
CROCKETT**

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raised four sons and one daughter.

Harold was a member of the VFW Post #7887, and the American Legion for over 50 years. He was a member of the Moose Lodge. Harold was a very patriotic man who took great pride in his country. He loved to work and when the work was done, the memories were made trying to catch "the big one." Harold loved to take the kids fishing where many afternoons were spent at the "favorite fishin' hole." Whether the big one was caught or not, the best times were had by all. Harold's pride and joy were his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He especially enjoyed the many family get-togethers. Harold enjoyed the "simple life."

Survivors include his wife, LaVerna of Richey; four sons, Jack Crockett and his wife Diane

of Glendive, Ed Crockett and his wife Nita, and Bill Crockett, all of Richey, and Ron Crockett and his wife Eva of Glendive; one daughter, Sharon Jensen and her husband Lonny of Circle; one brother, Robert "Bud" Crockett of Nashua; one sister, Erma Hagen of Dickinson, N.D.; 11 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Memorials are suggested to the American Lutheran Church, Richey, MT 59239.

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

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Leslie Crockett

GLENDIVE — Leslie Crockett, 83, died on Friday, Dec. 17, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care. Funeral Services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21, at the Chapel of the Silvernale-

Silha Funeral Home in Glendive with Rev. Joel Arndt officiating. Interment will follow at Dawson Memorial Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Nadine B. Crook

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 23 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Nadine B. Crook, 74, died Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Private family graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Friday in the Sheridan Elks Cemetery. Kane Funeral Home is in charge.

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Timothy Crooked Arm

CROW AGENCY — Timothy Harold Crooked Arm, 22, died of injuries sustained in a one-car accident west of Crow Agency, Friday, July 16, 2004.



**TIMOTHY
CROOKED
ARM**

He was born to Helen Moccasin and Harold "Tim" Crooked Arm Jr. on Good Friday, April 9, 1982. Friday, as he was nicknamed by his grandmother, grew up and attended schools in Crow Agency and Hardin, graduating from Hardin High School in 2000. He then attended Little Big Horn College where he was awarded an associates in arts degree in general studies in 2002. While at the college, he served as student body president, was a member of the Academic Bowl with American Indian Higher Education Consortium, Indian Club and a member of American Indian Science and Engineering Society.

Tim was a devoted Christian and member of the Baptist Church, a child of the Ties the Bundle Clan and a member of the Whistling Water Clan. He enjoyed computers and cell phones, often enhancing his numerous friendships with the

use of his cell phone. Because of his endless energy, he would assist family and friends in fund raising events.

His father and grandparents Douglas and Jeanette Adams Harold M. Crooked Arm Sr. Lorraine Real Bird, Gabriel Moccasin, Mark and Florence Real Bird preceded Tim in death.

Survivors include his mother, Helen Crooked Arm; his sister, Joann and her husband Kenneth Shane; his brother, Douglas Vance Crooked Arm; his nephews, Kody, Konnelly and Kevin Shane; his grandparents, Joann Crooked Arm, Margo Real Bird, Tommy and Lois Whiteman, Thelma Bird in Ground, Bernice Jefferson, Iola Caplett and Ed Little Light; his special cousins, Buffy Stewart, Farah Red Star, Paul Hill, Solomon Johnson and Holly Real Bird; his uncles, Wayne (Jane) and Harry (Magadeline) Moccasin, Bradford and Myron Crooked Arm; his great uncles, Charlie and Pius Real Bird, Michael Fitzpatrick, Vincent and

Pius Crooked Arm, Alvin and Ronald Little Light, his aunts, Janice Sun Goes Slow, Beldean Pease, Connie, Carol and Lavonne Little Light, Minnie Fitzpatrick, Janice Hudetz, Janet Blacksmith, Margaret Crooked Arm, Loretta Johnson, Jessica Costa, Nellie, Veda, Lana, Connie and Joyce Moccasin and his extended family including the Real Bird, Yellowtail, Plays, Little Light, Crooked Arm, Adams, Shane and descendents of the Laura Plain Left Hand family; as well as a host of many friends.

Our family is large; if we have missed you, please accept our apologies.

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m., Tuesday, July 20, in the Crow Multi-Purpose Building. Interment will follow in the Crow Agency Cemetery.

Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Frank P. Cropanese

POWELL, Wyo. — Frank P. Cropanese, 60, died Sept. 23, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings.

Visitation will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, at Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home in Powell. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, at the Powell First Ward. Burial will be in the Crown Hill Cemetery.

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Frank Patrick Cropanese

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, Oct. 2 at 10 a.m. at the new LDS Church on Avenue E for Frank Patrick Cropanese, 60, Powell, who died Thursday, Sept. 23 at St. Vincent Hospital in Billings, Mont.



Frank Cropanese

Dirk Cozzens will officiate at services, with burial following in Crown Hill Cemetery with military rites. A viewing is scheduled Friday, Oct. 1 from 4 to 6 p.m. at Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home.

He was born March 17, 1944, in Brooklyn, N.Y., son of Antonio Cropanese and Marie Antoinette (Rocca) Cropanese. He completed a high school education in California. On June 17, 1965, he married Linda Koontz in Reno, Nev., and the family moved to Powell from California in 1979.

For 20 years, he was employed in plant operations at the Powell Hospital, retiring in 2001.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and was a member of the LDS Church.

He took enormous pride in his family, especially all four of his grandchildren. He loved watching the Oakland Raiders football games on Sundays. Survivors include his wife, Linda Cropanese of Powell; two daughters, Patricia Mansfield and Joyce (Jeremiah) Heiser, both of Powell; a son, Frank Cropanese Jr. of Perry Township, Ohio; a sister, Barbara Cropanese of Laurel, Mont.; and four grandchildren, Tiffany Minville (Tom), Francine Mansfield, Linda Man-

sfield and Jenna Heiser, all of Powell.
He was preceded in death by his parents.

Kathleen Crosby

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HELENA — Kathleen Crosby, 79, died Saturday, Dec. 27, 2003.

Visitation will be Wednesday, Jan. 7, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, in the chapel.

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John Cross

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CODY, Wyo. — John Budd Cross, 83, died Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at West Park Hospital in Cody.

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Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, March 7, at Ballard Funeral Home in Cody. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, March 8, at Ballard's. Interment will follow in Riverside Cemetery.

Florence Crouse

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PLENTYWOOD — Florence Crouse, 83, died Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2004, at Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home in Plentywood.

A funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 15, at Plentywood Lutheran Church. Burial will be in Plentywood Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood is in charge.

Albert Clay Crowder Jr.

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Albert Clay Crowder Jr., 56 years, unexpectedly passed away at his home in Billings Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2004.

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Albert was born Sept. 4, 1947, in Little Rock Ark., the son of Albert Clay Crowder Sr. of Little Rock, Ark. And Verdie Mae Crowder of E. Nochlas, Calif. Albert was grandson of Boland Crowder, original enrollee of Oklahoma. He spent his childhood years in Blue Canyon, Calif. At 19, he went off to serve his country in the Vietnam War. Albert lived his life as an individual who was very proud of his Native American heritage. He was an honorable member of the Choctaw Tribe. Albert moved to Roberts, Mont. in 1991 and married his wife, Charlene Crowder; lived there until 2000, and then moved to Laurel and resided there until 2002. Albert and his wife spent the remaining years of his life living in Billings. He was a trusted and adored employee of Dick's 24th Street Conoco as a mechanic, which is owned by his daughter and son-in-law, Buffy and John Schilling.

Albert had a deep love for his family and friends. He has touched many people with his wisdom and guidance. Albert is survived by his mother, Verdie; his wife, Charlene; his four children: daughter, Buffy Schilling of

Billings and her husband, John and their children, Robert S., Conrad S., Angelica S., and Ethan S.; son, Robert Glumac of Billings and his wife, Sarah, and their three children, Spencer, Ashley and Anthony, son, Albert C. Crowder III of Red Lodge; daughter, Tammy Crowder of Sacramento, Calif. and her two children, Kayla and Kaleb; five siblings, Billy Bob Cordes of Chiloquin, Ore., Vicky Church of E. Nicholas, Calif., Betty Sue Bangs, Vickie Sue Stokes of E. Nicholas, Calif. and husband, Scott, Ted R. Coffey of Elk Creek, Calif. and wife, Violet; and several nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws, and many dear friends.

Charities of any kind are welcomed at Smith Funeral Home.

A viewing will be 3 p.m. Aug. 23 at Smith's West Chapel for family only. The family would like to invite all of Albert's friends and anyone who knew him to a Celebration of Life ceremony at 7 p.m. Aug. 24 at 3795 Vista View Drive.

For driving instructions, call 652-4541.

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Payton Jo Crowe

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Graveside services for Payton Jo Crowe, infant daughter of Laura (England) Crowe and Gregory Crowe, will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, at Mt. Pisgah Cemetery with Rev. Daniel Morgan from the Church of the Nazarene in Gillette officiating. A memorial service for Payton for family and friends will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 6, at the Church of the Nazarene.

Payton Jo Crowe was born silently on Feb. 1, 2004, at Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette.

Saddened by the loss of Payton are her parents; two

brothers, Matthew and Joseph Crowe; grandparents, Larry and Judi England of Gillette, Verlin and Rita Crowe of Chubbuck, Idaho, and Jerry and Donna Wallace of Osage Beach, Mo.; great-grandpa, Gerald Jones of Gillette; great-grandma, Phyllis Treat of Meridian, Idaho; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

A memorial has been established to the Church of the Nazarene in Gillette.

Correspondence may be sent in care of Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home 210 W. Fifth St., Gillette, WY, or via the Internet by visiting www.stevensonandsons.com.

DEC 02 2004

RED LODGE — Bill Crtalic, 82, of Red Lodge, passed away Monday, Nov. 29, 2004, with family members by his side.

Bill was born in Gross, Kan., on Oct. 6, 1922, the son of Louie and Lucy (Godina) Crtalic. He



**BILL
CRTALIC**

grew up in Scotch Coulee, attended grade school in Washoe, and graduated from Bearcreek High School in 1940. In high school, Bill excelled in basketball and set

state records in pole vaulting and the high jump. The highlight of his high school years was in 1939, when Bearcreek defeated the Brockton Indians to win the state Class B championship. Because of his accomplishments, he was inducted into the Montana High School Athletics' Hall of Fame in 1998. Upon high school graduation, he attended Montana State University, where he played basketball for the Bobcats.

Bill went to California and worked for Lockheed on the assembly line for B-17s. During WWII, Bill enlisted in the Army Air Corps and served as a B-17 Pilot, flying 35 missions in the European theater.

After the war, Bill returned to Montana, where he met the love of his life, Norma, whom he married on his 25th birthday in 1947. He attended Rocky Mountain College and continued his athletic career. In 1948, as a member of the Battlin' Bears basketball team, they posted a 31 and 1 record, the best in Rocky history, were conference champions, and had the third rated defense in the nation. After earning his Bachelor's degree from Rocky Mountain College, he enrolled in the Colorado State College of Education in Greeley and completed his Master's degree. He then moved to Gardena, Calif., where he began his employment with McDonnell-Douglas in aircraft manufacturing and was soon promoted to the manager of shipping. Bill retired in 1981 and moved back to Red Lodge in 1992.

His family and friends were blessed by his passion for giving of himself. Bill was an excellent carpenter and had a real flair for barbecuing. His hobbies included fishing and hunting, with his brother-in-law Roger Newman.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Norma, daughter Lynn

Redman; son, Don (Carla);
laughter Lesly (Dave)
Mroczkowski; son Doug; daugh-
ter Lori (James) Ugrin; brother
Ed; brother-in-law Don (Jackie)
Newman; sister-in-law Berry
Newman; grandchildren,
Nathan, Nolan, Willie, Audrey
and Michael; and numerous
nieces, nephews and cousins.
Bill was preceded in death by his
parents and his in-laws Leland
and Margaret Newman; sister-
in-law Billie Crtalic; son-in-law
Phil Redman and brother-in-
law Roger Newman.

A memorial service for Bill
will take place 2 p.m. Saturday,
Dec. 4, at Dahl Funeral Chapel in
Red Lodge, with military rites at
the Red Lodge football field. A
reception will follow at Café
Regis. In lieu of flowers, memo-
rials may be made to Beartooth
Hospital and 'Care Center,
Special K Ranch, Montana
Rescue Mission or the charity of
one's choice.

Dahl Funeral Chapel in Red
Lodge is in charge of arrange-
ments.

James Cruickshank**MAY 08 2004**

WORLAND, Wyo. — James R. Cruickshank, 75, of Worland, died Thursday, May 6, 2004, at his home.

Visitation will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 9, at the Bryant Funeral Home Chapel in Worland. Funeral services will be at 2:30 p.m. Monday, May 10, at the Bryant Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in the Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Norma Crumbacher

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Norma Aino Crumbacher, 76, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2004, in her home in Billings. She was born June 19, 1927, to John and Nelma Jacobson on a farm near Red Lodge. She attended schools at Roberts, Fox



**NORMA
CRUMBACHER**

and Red Lodge. Norma graduated at the age of 16 as Salutatorian for the class of 1944 in Red Lodge.

Norma began her career in the banking business in Cody, Wyo., and later worked for OPA offices of Carbon County during World War II.

On July 21, 1946, Norma married the love of her life, Howard "Bob" Crumbacher in Red Lodge.

Norma had a lengthy career as a legal secretary working for J. H. McLearn in Red Lodge, Battin Keefer & Kelly in Billings and for 15 years with Moulton, Bellingham, Longo & Mather. Norma and Bob worked together, with their daughter, Betty, for over 19 years as owners of Crumbacher Gallery and Rimrock Art & Frame in Billings.

Among her many talents, Norma played the piano, sang and danced in the Festival of Nations programs from its origination until 1960. Norma was particularly proud of her Finnish heritage and was

delighted with her recent trip with Bob to Finland. Norma was an excellent cook, seamstress and needleworker.

Norma looked for only the good in all people, and disliked gossip of any kind. She was an eternal optimist and never looked back at what might have been.

Norma is survived by her husband Howard of 57 years; daughter Betty (Bill) Spoonemore; and son Jack (Darla) Crumbaker. She also leaves grandsons Jason (Tracey) Spoonemore, Ryan (Jen) Spoonemore and Eric Hancock; granddaughter Shannah Hancock; great-grandchildren Morgan, Rylee, Logan, Emma Nell, Jordan and Colby; brother-in-law and sister-in-law Buzz and Bernice Christiansen and sister-in-law Irene Ollila.

Norma was preceded in passing by her father and mother, brother Eino and sister Toini.

Well done, Mom.

Visitation will be Friday, Feb. 27, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Dahl Chapel. Funeral services for Norma will be 11 a.m. Saturday at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd. Interment will be in Yellowstone Valley Memorial Park. Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107; American Lung Association, 825 Helena Ave., Helena, MT 59601; or a charity of one's choice.

Georgia Lou Cruse**MAY 20 2004**

GLENDIVE — Georgia Lou Cruse, 76, of Glendive, died Sunday, May 16, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, May 21, at the chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Interment will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive.

M. Eleanor Crystal

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M. Eleanor Crystal, 82, of Billings, died Monday, Feb. 9, 2004, in Billings.

She was born Aug. 16, 1921, and was raised in Montana. Her parents were pioneers in Eastern Montana.

Eleanor married John Crystal on Dec. 21, 1940, in Billings. She had been a member of the First Baptist Church in Billings for 70



**ELEANOR
CRYSTAL**

years. She was also a member of the Eagles Women's Auxiliary for 59 years and was a past president. Her home and flower gardens were her passion.

She is survived by her son, Tom and his wife Connie of Bozeman; her brother, Zeke Browning of California; four grandchildren, Clayton and daughter Lily Eleanor of Bozeman, Kevin and sons, Dru and Collin of Bozeman, Keith of Nantucket, Mass., and Kimberlee Moss and husband Dennis and son Branden and daughter Cassie, of Bozeman. Eleanor was preceded in death by her parents, Tom and Violet Browning; and her husband, John.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at the First Baptist Church in Billings. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Visitation will start 9 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, at Smith's Downtown Chapel.

Memorials may be sent in memory of Eleanor's memory to the First Baptist Church, 218 N. 34th St., Billings, MT 59101.

John Cuellar (JC)

NORTH LAS VEGAS — John Cuellar (JC), of North Las Vegas, passed away Friday, April 9, 2004, at the age of 67. He was born in Lodge Grass, Mont., Jan. 26, 1936. He grew up in Billings. Enlisted in the Marines and was a Veteran of the Korean War. In 1958, John married his sweetheart Dorothy (Peggy) Williams and moved to Las Vegas in 1965. In 1970, John started his own business. John has been a owner/operator of Portable Toilet Co. for 34 years in the Las Vegas area.

John is survived by his loving wife (Peggy) of 46 years; two daughters, both of N. Las Vegas, Cathy (Richard) Swan, Kim (Chris) Gonzales; three sons, John Cuellar Jr. of Washington, Gary (Doreen) Cuellar of N. Las Vegas, Bryan (Angie) Cuellar of Reno; nine sisters, Isabel Gaylor of Norman, Okla., Maria (Matthew) Contreras, Carmel (Richard) Romero, Lisa (Robert) Scott, Marian (Enrique) Cuellar-Estrada, Josey (Joe) Gutierrez, all of Billings, Anita (Tim) Meuchel, of Corvallis, Mont., Linda (Dennis) Mc.Gowan of Helena, Mont., Candy (Tim) Stafford of Laguna Niguel, Calif.; two brothers, Jesse (Katie) Cuellar, Joe Cuellar, both from Billings; two sisters-in-law, Judy (Manuel) Rodriguez, of New Mexico, Laura Matthew of Bozeman, Mont.:

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three brothers-in-law, Chuck (Sandy) Williams, Jerry Williams, Bill Williams of Montana; 31 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, 58 nieces and nephews; three great-great-nieces and nephews, and many friends and other relatives.

We will all miss his smile and since of humor. Via Con Dios, Con Todo el Amor.

Viewing, Thursday, April 15, 1 to 6 p.m., Davis Funeral Homes, 2127 West Charleston, Las Vegas.

Funeral service, 10 a.m. Friday, April 16, Halleluja Fellowship, 3630 N. Rancho Drive, #107, in the Rancho/Gowan Business Park.

Grave site service, 1:20 p.m. Friday, Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 1900 Buchanan Boulevard, Boulder City.

Fellowship with the family after grave site service will be held at Halleluja Fellowship at 3630 N. Rancho Drive, #107, at 3 p.m. All are invited.

Arrangements held by Davis Funeral Home

In lieu of flowers, donation to the family will be greatly appreciated for funeral expenses.

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Adele Cummings

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MALTA — Adele Cummings, 87, died Thursday, Nov. 25, 2004, at a local nursing home.

There will be no services and cremation has taken place. Adams Funeral Home and Crematory of Malta is in charge.

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GREYBULL, Wyo. —

Memorial funeral services for longtime Greybull resident, James Albert Cummings, age 68, will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21, at Grace Southern Baptist Church in Greybull, with the Reverend Pete Kuhn officiating. A private burial will take place at a later date in the Mount View Cemetery in Basin.

James died on Thursday, Sept. 16, 2004, at the South Big Horn County Critical Access Hospital between Greybull and Basin. He died of complications of Alzheimer's disease.

He was born July 15, 1936, at the Florence Critterton Home in Denver, to Basin native, Alberta Cummings. They returned to Basin when he was 5 days old. His mother died when he was a boy, and he was adopted at age five by his grandmother, Myrtle Cummings.

He attended Basin schools, and later worked on the Bill and Alice Renner Ranch on the Greybull River. At 17, he volunteered for the Army in September, 1953, and was honorably discharged in 1955.

James married Dixie Presnall on Oct. 13, 1956, at the Basin United Methodist Church.

He worked in the bentonite industry for Dresser Industries north of Greybull from 1958 until retiring in 1990.

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James was a deacon emeritus in the Grace Southern Baptist Church in Greybull, and was a member of the Midway Golf Club.

He enjoyed the outdoors Marionberry jam, golfing and spending time with his two granddaughters.

James is survived by his wife, Dixie Cummings of Greybull; one son, Tim Cummings of Sheridan; two granddaughters; two brothers, Guy Cummings of Powell and Bobby Cummings of Great Falls, Mont.; a sister, Mary Hubbell of Basin; and one half-brother, Harry Berry of Washington.

Memorials may benefit the Alzheimer's Association, in care of Big Horn Federal Savings Bank, PO Box 471, Greybull, WY 82426.

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

Larry Ross Cundiff

On Oct. 16, 2004, Larry Ross Cundiff, beloved son, husband, uncle and special friend to many, passed away peacefully at Deaconess Billings Clinic at the age of 63.



**LARRY
CUNDIFF**

Larry was born on March 5, 1941, to John and Melva Cundiff in Sidney. He worked on the family farm for many years. In 1979, he married Cleo Ann Dennis, the love of his life, and they had many happy adventures together. Larry's many nieces and nephews were also the loves of his life. He enjoyed making ceramics for all of his family members. Family was so important to him. He had special nicknames for each family member. Larry had a heart of gold and to know him was to love him.

Larry loved to fish, watch old western shows, spend time with his family and he especially loved his sister's macaroni and cheese and her pancakes.

Larry was preceded in death by his father, John Jr.; his grandparents; nephew, Kelly Cundiff; great-nephews, Justin Rang and Cassidy Lunstrad; and great-great nephew, Daryn Scheetz.

He is survived by his wife, Cleo Ann; his mother, Melva

Cundiff; sisters, Elaine Rang and Barbara McRae; brother, Doug Cundiff; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nephews and nieces.

Larry, we will miss you always and you will live on in our hearts until we see you again ...

Cremation has taken place. A celebration of Larry's life will be 2 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 24, at the Methodist Church, 201 Third Ave. SE in Sidney, with Pastor Dan Ashton officiating. A luncheon will be served following the service.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

William J. Cunneen

William John Cunneen, 76, died peacefully on Sunday, Jan. 4, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings. Born in Billings, on April 24, 1927, he was the son of John and Mary Ann (O'Farrell) Cunneen. In 1945, Bill graduated from Billings Senior High School, continuing his education at Eastern Montana College and earning his master's degree.

In 1945, Bill joined the U. S. Army, served during WWII and later served in the Korean War. Bill has always been proud of his service in the military. For many years, Bill served as the



**WILLIAM
CUNNEEN**

state director of adult education and assistant superintendent of public schools.

On April 12, 1947, he was united in marriage to Norma Jean Herzog. Such a proud Irishman, and of his Irish Catholic ancestry, that when his lifelong dream came along, he and Norma jumped at the chance to travel to Ireland in 2001. He enjoyed trains and following the Notre Dame football team.

Bill leaves behind his wife of 56 years, Norma; daughter, Carlyn Cunneen (John Emigh); three grandchildren; a step-

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granddaughter; five great-grandchildren; four step great-grandchildren; a step-great-great-granddaughter; (one sister,

Frances DeMeyer of Billings; sister-in-law Ella Mae Cunneen of Butte; and a host of nieces and nephews who will miss him. He was preceded in death by his parents; five sisters, and one brother.

"Grumps, you are the wind beneath my wings. You are my hero. Your wisdom was beyond. Your Irish eyes and smile will be missed. You will be greatly missed, Grumps. All of our love, Kenny, Kris, Tim, Tyler and Travis."

"Grumps, when it comes to being a grandfather, the word 'grand' doesn't even begin to describe you, and 'Father' is an understatement. You will be missed. All our love forever, Jim Shelley, Ryan and Elizabeth."

"Dad, the challenge of learning with and from you has been an experience of a lifetime but now the challenge you have given me of learning to live without you is the real test of all you have taught me. I Love You, Punky."

Visitation for William will be at Dahl Funeral Chapel from 2 to 8 p.m. Tuesday; from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday with a Vigil Service beginning at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Dahl Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass will be Thursday morning at St. Thomas the Apostle Church with Rite of Committal in Holy Cross Cemetery. Memorials may be sent to Guest House, PO Box 36, Lake Orion, MI, 48361; Billings Area Catholic Education Trust, Box 31158, Billings, 59107; or Animal Shelter, PO Box 1178, Billings, 59103.

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Donald Joseph Cunningham 1951-2003

Donald Joseph Cunningham — loving father, husband and legendary raconteur — passed away a few hours before the New Year on Wednesday. Joe, as he was known to friends, was 52.

Though born in Washington, D.C., on Dec. 20, 1951, Joe was raised in Brandywine, Md., and attended high school in Phoenix. He married wife



Carol on March 14, 1976. For the last 24 years, he called Billings home with Carol, a dental office manager, and son Eric, a college student and troublemaker.

By trade, Joe worked, in the auto body repair industry for 32 years, although his afterhours interests were vast.

An avid collector, he amassed impressive baseball card and coin collections before his interests turned to gold panning. A member of the Gold Prospectors Association of America, Joe panned the areas around Zortman in northern Montana to feed his hobby-level "gold fever."

His other passions included deer hunting, driving 4-wheel recreation vehicles at questionable speeds and snowmobiles. Joe had just loaded up his 1999 Polaris RMK snowmobile for his family's annual New Year's Day trip moments before he passed away.

Known for his even temperament, John Wayne-like drawl and handlebar mustache, Joe forgot more off-color jokes than many of us will ever know.

The ones he remembered were shared frequently, no matter the venue or how appropriate.

We called this charm. He was also in possession of some of the most creative swear words known to man, but was often too much of a gentleman to use them. But not too often.

Though not particularly religious, Joe landed squarely in the "spiritual" camp. Although he couldn't quote the chapter and verse, more than once did he say his philosophy for helping strangers was Biblically inspired.

The passage, we now know, was taken from Matthew 25:35 in which Jesus encouraged kind-

ness and charity to strangers, saying what one did for "the least of my brothers, you did for me."

Family friend Tina McLean often described Joe's deeds (late night visits in emergencies, supplying medical assistance, making her laugh when she needed it) as the definition of friendship.

Joe's rare brand of kindness benefited family, friends, strangers and the community as a whole.

"Life, to Jocy was a big adventure, but yet it had to be full of the people he loved," said his sister Robin. "He wanted to be a family man, and that included friends. He considered them as much family as friends."

Although not a college graduate, he was made an honorary Pi Kappa Phi fraternity member in 2001 at the University of North Dakota, where Eric attends college as a PKP brother.

Joe was preceded in death by brother Paul Swartz, father Earl McAllister Cunningham and Sara "Granny" Rudd. He is survived by wife Carol, son Eric, mother Harriet, brothers Skip and Sandy Swartz, sisters Robin Crawford, Eilcen McCarthy, Nancy Edvalson, Tam Swartz and 17 nieces and nephews.

He leaves behind countless

streams of untapped gold, an obscene number of jokes and echoes of riotous laughter.

Visitation will begin 2 p.m. Sunday at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Mortuary.

Memorials and donations are being taken by Stockman Bank (655-2700) which has established a college fund for Eric.

James Mark Cunningham, USAF

SHREVEPORT, La. — Services for James Mark Cunningham, Lt. Col. USAF Retired, of Shreveport, will be at noon on Tuesday, March 30, at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral in Billings. Burial will be in the Custer Battlefield National Cemetery in Crow Agency, Mont.

Col. Cunningham, 79, died at his home in Shreveport, on Thursday, March 25, 2004, following a lengthy illness.

Col. Cunningham was a native of Billings who retired as a Lieutenant Colonel from the U.S. Air Force in 1976 after 33 years of service, and has lived in Shreveport since his retirement. After his USAF retirement, he began a new career at the Longhorn Army Ammunitions Plant in Karnack, Texas, and retired from there in 1991.

Col. Cunningham was a veteran of World War II, Korea and Vietnam.

He was awarded the Bronze Star for Valor and was also awarded the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal in addition to the Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Orville and Grace Cunningham; his brother,

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**JAMES
CUNNINGHAM**

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Howard Cunningham; sister Mina Rienholt; and his first wife, Margaret Tocher Cunningham.

Col. Cunningham is survived by his wife of 29 years, Carol Jeanne Redman Doren Cunningham of Shreveport; his sister, Barbara Roof and niece,

Glenda Roof, of Billings; and his brother Fred Cunningham, of Beverly Hills, Calif.

Surviving children are daughter, Marcia Cunningham of Oakland, Calif.; son Kevin and his wife Malika Cunningham, of Findley Point, Mont.; daughter Carol Cunningham of Pablo, Mont.; son Timothy Cunningham of Ronan, Mont.; son Daniel and his wife Monica Cunningham, of Charlotte, N.C.; son Kelly and his wife Lori Cunningham of Colorado Springs, Colo.; stepson Michael Doren, of Los Angeles; and stepdaughter Megan Doren of Dallas.

Col. Cunningham is also survived by eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Col. Cunningham was a loving husband, father and grandfather, and he will be greatly missed.

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Col. Cunningham and his family wish to thank all of the dedicated medical professionals who have provided such compassionate care over the past few years, especially Dr. Jimmy G. Smith, Lilly Carter, Collette Murray, Claudia Martin, Susie Nance, and friend Russ Pohl. Memorial Contributions can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Attention Memorial Department, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

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Lyle Cunningham

MILES CITY — Lyle Michael "Wild Horse" Cunningham, 75, died Saturday, May 22, 2004, at the VA Nursing Home in Miles City.

Visitation will be Wednesday, May 26, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 27, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Calvary Cemetery.

Marian Cunningham

Marian Cunningham, 70, of Billings, formerly of Hardin, passed away Thursday, Oct. 14, 2004, in the St. Vincent Hospital.

She was born Oct. 21, 1933, in Bismarck, N.D., a daughter of Herman and Hilda Schneider Sortomme. She grew up and attended schools in Bismarck.

Following her education, she worked as a telephone operator and clerk at the main desk at the Northern Hotel in Billings.

Marian married George Cunningham on Dec. 30, 1960, in Billings, and the couple made their home in Billings before moving to Hardin in 1966. In Hardin, she worked as a legal secretary for the Douglas Freeman Law Firm.

She was a founding member of the Help Every Pet Club in Hardin, a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Order of Eastern Star. She loved animals of all types, to play bridge and cook seafood dinners. However, she most enjoyed her family, small children and the ability to help people in need.



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Survivors include her husband, George of Billings; a daughter, Mary (Jett) Curtis of Nebraska; two sons, Mark (Debra) Cunningham of Arizona and Pat (Suzanne) Cunningham of Alaska; 16 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place in the Bullis-Eastern Montana Crematory. Memorial funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 18, in the Bullis Funeral Chapel.

Private inurnment will be held at a late date. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made HEP club, Box 171, Hardin, MT 59034.

Laura DeAnn Curry

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Laura DeAnn Curry, 28, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, April 7, 2004, at home, after a long illness. She was surrounded by her family and friends. She had a love for life, family and friends.

Survivors include her parents, Donald and Vickie Clayton; daughter, Cadelyn; sisters, Cheryl (Jason) Williams, Amie (Marc) Saulnier; brothers, Donnie Clayton, Jon (Vonnie) Clayton and Michael (and fiancée Tina) Clayton; special friends, Jeff and Tammy Fenwick and family; grandmothers, Norma Freeman and Jessie Curry.

She was preceded in death by her grandfathers, Cal Dalley, Jim Freeman and William Curry.

The family would like to give special thanks to Big Sky Hospice for all of the love and support that they have shown during this trying time, especially to Lori B, Beth, Patty and Margaret.

Funeral service will be 11 a.m. Monday, April 12, at Smith West Chapel. Visitation will begin at noon Saturday, April 10, until 9 p.m. Saturday. No viewing Easter Sunday. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107.

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CURTIS — Wilbur, 83, of Belgrade passed away Sunday. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Friday, at Dahl Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow at Meadow View Cemetery in Manhattan.(12/31)

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Wilma A. Curtis

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CHEYENNE, Wyo. — Wilma A. Curtis, 83, of Cheyenne, died Saturday, Dec. 4, 2004, in Cheyenne.

She was born Dec. 10, 1920, in Hysham, Mont., and had lived here since 1972. She graduated from Hysham High School in 1937 and graduated from Billings Business College. Mrs. Curtis retired after 22 years of federal civil service.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church, Daughters of the Nile, Eastern Star, Cheyenne Women Bowling Association, United Medical Center Auxiliary and was a 62-year member of Beta Sigma Phi.

Mrs. Curtis is survived by a son, Bob Curtis of Cheyenne; a stepdaughter, Edwina LoGiudice of Toms River, N.J.; two sisters, Dorothy Enzi of Sheridan and Marie Wescott of Billings; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; three nephews and two nieces.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edwin W. Curtis; and her parents, Albert and Marie Bradley.

Services will be Monday, Dec. 13, 10:30 a.m., at First United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Nadine Korhonen, the Rev. Blaine Scott and the Rev. Wes Kendall officiating.

Pallbearers will be Bernie Finch, Wayne Korhonen, Randy Oestman, Keith Thomson, Dr. Eric Wedell and Bob Dandrow.

Honorary pallbearers will be Dr. Tim Gardner and Laureate Zeta Chapter Beta Sigma Phi Sorority.

Friends who wish may contribute to First United Methodist Church, American Heart Association, American Diabetes Association, Beta Sigma Phi Disaster Relief Fund, 1800 West 91st Place, PO Box 8500, Kansas City, MO 64114, or Cheyenne Little Theatre Players.

Services are under the direction of Wiederspahn-Radomsky Chapel of the Chimes.

Orian 'Ode' Cusker

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GLENDIVE — Orian "Ode" Cusker, age 89, of Glendive, left this earth to join his wife, Sally, in heaven on Sunday, Sept. 19, 2004. He peacefully passed away at the Glendive Medical Center.

Orian was born on Dec. 25, 1914, in Wolf Point, the son of Sig and Lillian (Pipal) Cusker. He grew up on the family ranch on Sand Creek in northern McCone County and graduated from high school in Wolf Point. Ode married Cella "Sally" Nelson on Feb. 19, 1939, at the Nelson family home near Vida. Ode was a graduate of the University of Montana in Missoula with a degree in forestry. In July 1943, he was inducted into the Army and served in France, Belgium and Germany during WWII. After being honorably discharged, he worked for the Soil Conservation Service in Circle and later in Glendive. He also resided with his family in Dickinson, N.D., and Lemmon, S.D., where he was the district ranger for the Custer National Forest Service. Following his retirement, Ode and Sally enjoyed the sunshine of Sun City West, Ariz., and the view



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of the mountains and wildlife from their cabin in Red Lodge. Ode had resided at the Eastern Montana Veterans Home in Glendive for the past one and a half years.

Ode was a true cowboy at heart. He broke horses in his younger years and continued throughout his life to be a very skilled horseman. He loved being outdoors, whether it was working around the yard, hunting, fishing or backpacking into the mountains; he was right at home with nature.

Ode was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Sally, two infant sisters and one adult sister, Alta McIntyre.

Survivors include his daughter, Nicki Dufner and her husband Jim of Glendive; two sons, Scott Cusker and his wife Joanne of Glendale, Ariz., and Rodney Cusker and his wife Debra of El Cajon, Calif.; his sister, Iris David of Victorville, Calif.; five grandchildren, Tana McCall and her husband Dave of Farmington, N.M., Ty Dufner and his wife Cindy of Miles City, Mirriah Elliot and her husband Andy of Denver, Kit Cusker and Devin Cusker of Denver; four great-grandchildren, Shay Davis and Shilo McCall of Farmington and Syrell

and Mathias Dufner of Miles City; numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, in the Zion Lutheran Church in Glendive, with Pastor Paul Everett officiating. Interment with military honors will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

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

Edwin R. Cutter

GLASGOW — Edwin R. Cutter, 87, died Monday, Oct. 18, 2004, at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital in Glasgow.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 21, at St. Raphael's Catholic Church in Glasgow. Rosary service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 20, at Bell Mortuary Chapel in Glasgow. Interment will be in Lawndale Cemetery in Opheim.

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Raymond J. Cybulski

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PLENTYWOOD — Raymond John Cybulski, 86, of Plentywood, died Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic, surrounded by his family.

Mass at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Plentywood will be held Saturday, Sept. 11, at 2 p.m. Fulkerson's Funeral Home of Plentywood is in charge of arrangements.

He is survived by his wife Goldie; and his four daughters, Nadene (Roy) Maier of Vancouver, Wash., Marilyn (Bill) Nelson of Star, Idaho, Cynthia (Dennis) Nielsen of Plentywood and Tamela (Lyndon) Johns of Boise, Idaho.