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**BARBARA GAHAGAN****Barbara Raye Bjerklie
Gahagan**

Barbara Raye Gahagan, 57, passed away unexpectedly at her home in Billings on Monday, Aug. 23, 2004.

Barbara was born on March 12, 1947, the daughter of Donald Bjerklie and Grace (Braaten) Bjerklie in Grand Forks, N.D. She grew up and attended school in Gilby, N.D., where her parents owned and operated a hardware store. In 1968, she earned an associate's degree from the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks. Barbara married Gary Gahagan on Oct. 11, 1969, in Grand Forks, N.D. They later divorced.

In 1976, Barbara moved to Billings, where she resided for more than 30 years, working in various clerical and retail sales jobs. When her father passed away in 1992, Barbara returned to carry on his "lifelong endeavor" and run the family store for two years. At the time of her death,

she was employed at Ziegler Lumber.

Barbara spent much of her free time working in her yard or playing with her dog Alex. She was thrilled to be a grandmother and devoted much of her free time to her grandchildren. "Grammy Barbara" always made sure there were toys to play with at her house and a meatloaf in the oven at the end of the day.

Barbara was a poet at heart and loved to carry on family traditions. Her daughter could always count on her for a heart-shaped box of chocolates every Valentine's Day and a new ornament for the Christmas tree every year. Found in her purse after her death was a coin and a sticky note reading: "Grandpa's Susan B. Anthony \$1 is in this slot. Now it is your turn to take care of it. Love, Mom."

Barbara was preceded in death by her mother and father. She is survived by her daughter, Suzanne Ady (Victor), of Billings; a granddaughter, Corinne Isabelle "Belle" Ady; and a grandson, Seth Edward Victor Ady. She is also survived by a brother, Donald Bjerkle Jr. (Carol) of Fergus Falls, Minn., and aunts, Donna Arneberg, of Mekinock, N.D., Ruby O'Cain, of Kirkland, Wash., and Jean (Sonny) Coverston, of Hazelhurst, Wis.

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

Memorial services will be 4 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30, at Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. West. Cremation has taken place. Memorials may be made to the Rimrock Animal Humane Society, PO Box 834, Roundup, MT 59072.

Bernard Gahagan

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Bernard Gahagan, 80, died April 26, 2004, at Billings Health & Rehabilitation Community.

He was born June 8, 1923, in Worden, to Paul Gahagan and Violet Wolfgram Gahagan. He was raised on the family farm and attended Huntley Project schools. He served in the U.S.

Navy during WWII from 1943 until 1946. On Sept. 1, 1945, Bernard married Hilma Wilmot. He worked at various jobs, including Armco and Roscoe Steel, Nye's Dairy and Arrowhead Transportation.



**BERNARD
GAHAGAN**

Bernard enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Bernard was predeceased by his parents and two brothers, Russ and Jim. He is survived by his wife, Hilma; daughter, Lynn (John) Dierks; brother, Bill (Florence), all of Billings; and a sister, Paula Yarbrough of Westminster, Colo.; and several cousins, nephews and nieces.

At his request, no funeral services will be held.

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Elizabeth (Betty) Gainan**August 11, 1917 - June 5, 2004**

"Bloom where your are planted" was a motto that Betty Gainan lived by until her death from natural causes at St. John's Lutheran Home in Billings.

Betty was born on Aug. 11, 1917 in Minneapolis, Minn., to Charles and Elizabeth Franzen. Her growing-up years through the fourth grade, were spent in Chaska, Minn.



**ELIZABETH
GAINAN**

Her dad, a sales manager for the American Sugar Beet Company, was transferred to Mason City, Iowa, in 1928 where she graduated from Holy Family High School in 1935. That year, her Dad was then transferred to Billings.

Betty had earned a scholarship to Clark College in Dubuque, Iowa, so she struck out on her own for her freshman year of college. In 1937, her mother passed away from a sudden illness and Betty returned to Billings to be close to her dad and sister. She continued her studies at Eastern Montana College, pursuing a degree in education. That same year, she met the love of her life, Grant Gainan on the steps of St. Patrick's Co-

Cathedral. They were married on Aug. 11, 1939.

She and Grant began a busy and exciting life, starting their family, and enjoying friends and relatives. In 1951, Grant came in the door one evening and announced that he had "had it" with his job and that they were going to open a flower shop. Betty was stunned since their life had revolved around his career as a fireman and city fire marshal. To her surprise, his only connection to the floral business was as a delivery driver when he was a youngster. But, in her supportive way she eagerly embarked on this new adventure with him. She was the sales person and delivery driver often taking her children with her in the company delivery van which was referred to as "The Panic Wagon." Betty loved the positive part of their business. Being a part of her customers lives during happy and sad times alike was an honor she held in very high regard. The greatest part of her job was being able to work everyday with her husband and children in an endeavor that they could share with each other and her extended family of loyal employees.

Betty was admired for her courage, her stamina and her faith through the challenges that life brought to her. Those that met her always were amazed at the positive outlook she had even through the most difficult times. Events that could have broken her made her stronger and instilled a value for life, family, friends and church that will be carried on by the many she inspired.

G'ma "G" — her favorite name — is survived by her children, Chuck (Karolyn) of Billings, Kathy of Portland, Ore., Mick (Lynette) of Billings; seven grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Grant Gainan.

The family would like to extend their sincere gratitude to the many friends who visited her regularly and to the staff at St. John's Lutheran Home who provided loving care to her over the past few years. We will all miss our "G'ma G" but we will draw comfort knowing that her suffering has ended and that she is dancing with her darling Grant once again. "I am so blessed" — Betty Gainan

Vigil Services will be 7 p.m. Tuesday at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral. The Funeral Mass will be 9:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Church.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Frances Ullman Gallagher

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FEB 24 2004

SUN CITY, Ariz. — Frances Ullman Gallagher, 92, a retired pharmacist, died Feb. 11, 2004, in Sun City.

She was born in Great Falls, Mont., in 1911.

Survivors include son, Frank and his wife June of Phoenix; daughters, Gloria Riedlinger of Spokane, Wash., Patricia A. Foote and her husband, John of Las Vegas; a brother, Forrest Ullman and his wife Edna of Big Timber, Mont.; seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega, served as president of Mortar Board at the University of Montana and president of Altrusa International while residing in Billings.

The Gallaghers owned Gallagher Prescription Pharmacy, which was located in the Doctors Building.

Services were held Feb. 16, with family and friends in attendance.

Her husband preceded her in death in 1991.

John Walter Galle, 80, passed away in his home early Dec. 14, 2004, after an aggressive battle with cancer.

John was born on Oct. 14, 1924, in Lost Creek, to Valentine and Edith (Birch)

Galle, where he worked the family Dairy and attended school. Upon graduation from Anaconda High School in 1943, he enlisted in the Marine Corps and



**JOHN
GALLE**

served in the Pacific, where he received numerous decorations and citations. Upon his discharge in 1946, he returned to Montana and went to work in Yellowstone National Park. In 1955, he went into partnership of the Texaco Service Stations in Gardiner. In 1982, he and his wife moved to Billings to work with Tire-Rama where he worked until his "early" retirement in November 2004.

John is survived by his wife of 52 years, Helen; his children, Helen (Jerry) Borrowman of Richland, Wash., Laurie (Wayne) Green of Hot Springs Village, Ark., Sandy Galle of Billings and Jon (Nancy) Galle of Midland, Texas; his grandchildren, Shane (Beth) Borrowman of Spokane, Wash., Dustin Little of Seattle,

Chris Little of Billings, Allison and Bethany Galle of Midland; numerous nephews and nieces and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers and granddaughter, Stacie Borrowman.

John was an avid fisherman, bowler and golfer. He will be greatly missed by his devoted family.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 17, at Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. West, with interment and military honors to follow at Terrace Gardens Cemetery.

TERRENCE R. 'TERRY' Gallentine

LIVINGSTON — Terrence R. "Terry" Gallentine, 67, of Livingston, died at Livingston Memorial Hospital Thursday afternoon, Oct. 21, 2004, following a 35-year battle with Multiple Sclerosis.

Cremation has taken place at Franzen-Davis Crematory. Graveside committal services and burial of the cremated remains will take place at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, in Mountain View Cemetery in Columbus. Arrangements are under the direction of Franzen-Davis Funeral Home, 118 N. Third St. in Livingston.

Terry was born May 21, 1937 in Cody, Wyo., the son of Norris and Hulda (Sigveland) Gallentine. He spent his early life on the family ranch in Clark, Wyo., where he also attended grade school. The family later moved to Montana and purchased the McLeod Resort south of Big Timber. Terry attended Sweet Grass County High School, where he was active in football. Following his graduation in 1955, he received military police training as a National Guardsman at Ft. Benning, Ga. On Aug. 1, 1958, he married Ruth Ryan, and they were later divorced.

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Terry owned and operated service station and auto repair shop in Livingston for a number of years, but was forced to close the business, in part due to his illness. He relocated to Havre and was employed by the Havre School District as a boiler technician until his retirement. He married Loretta Heringer of Havre, and they were also divorced. Terry later returned to Livingston, where he resided until his death.

Terry was an avid sportsman and enjoyed hunting, fishing and the outdoors.

Survivors include a son, Mike A. Gallentine of Livingston; three daughters, Dawn Wilcox of Fallon, Nev., Kelly Dayton of Tucson, Ariz., and Teri Rae Horinek of Hingham; a brother, Glen Gallentine and his wife, Jeanne of Ennis; a sister, Carol Hunter of Thermopolis, Wyo.; his long-time companion, Eleanor M. Herseim of Livingston; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild; five nieces and nephews and numerous cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother-in-law, David Hunter.

If so desired, memorials may be directed to the National

Montana Sclerosis Society,
Montana Division, 1242 N. 28th
St., Suite 1003, Billings, MT
59101, or to Livingston
Memorial Hospital, 504 S. 13th
St., Livingston, MT 59047.

Louise Rudio Gallop**MAY 03 2004**

Louise Gallop died on Friday, April 30, 2004, of natural causes at Eagle Cliff Manor. She was 92 years old.

She was born Louise Carolina Rudio in Montana on Sept. 13, 1911, in a log cabin on her parents' Huntley Project homestead. Her parents were Christian and Sophia Will Rudio. On the Project, she attended the Osborn School into the second grade.



**LOUISE
GALLOP**

In March 1919, Louise moved with her parents and siblings to a farm 10 miles west of Billings. There she attended Canyon Creek School through the eighth grade. Because there were no school buses at the time that she attended Billings Senior High School, she lived in town with the Val Lechner family, working for "room and board." Val Lechner was the Chief of Police for the City of Billings. Louise graduated from high school in 1929.

After high school she spent her winters working at the Chatterton and Sons Warehouse

Beanery and the Billing Warehouse and Trading Company Beanery in Billings and her summers working at the Old Faithful Inn hotel in Yellowstone Park.

On April 8, 1934, she married Harold Glantz in Billings, where they lived on a farm five miles west of town. Harold died in November 1946.

On Dec. 4, 1948, she married John Gallop in Billings. From 1950 to 1964, they lived in many states where he was employed as a welder in the construction industry. In 1964, they returned to Billings where John died in June 1999.

Louise enjoyed fishing and dancing. She loved to crochet and knit until her eyesight failed. There were many family dinners and picnics that gave her much pleasure, as well as time spent with her grandchildren.

She is survived by three daughters, Carol Glantz Morris of Westminster, Colo., Sandra Glantz Williamson of McDonough, Ga., and Tanya Gallop Vaught of Billings. Two

grandsons; four step-granddaughters; a stepson; and several great-grandchildren survive. Brothers, Chuck Rudio of Billings and Al Rudio of Laurel; and sisters, Sophia Nielsen, Ruth Kaiser and Rose Helzer, all of Billings survive.

She was preceded in death by both husbands; her parents; her sister, Lena Helzer; and her brother, Christ Rudio.

Funeral services will be 3 p.m. Wednesday, May 5, at Smith Chapel West with graveside services at Mountview Cemetery to follow. A reception will be held following graveside services at Smith Chapel West. Donations may be made to the charity of choice.

Louis Galloway

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Louis Galloway, 70, of Sheridan, died Tuesday, March 30, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, April 2, at Sheridan Wesleyan Church. Interment will follow in the Sheridan Masonic Cemetery. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

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Robert J. Gar

SEP 15 2004
BILLINGS GAZET

LEWISOWN — Robert J. Gar, 1-year-old son of Dee Fassbender and Brian Gar, died Monday evening, Sept. 13, 2004, of natural causes.

He was born July 22, 2003, in Great Falls. He lived in Lewistown with his parents and stepbrother Cody Fassbender. He is also survived by grandparents, Bob and Kathy Fink of Roy, and Marlene Teske of Watford City, N.D.

Funeral services for Robert J. Gar will be Saturday, Sept. 18, at 11 a.m., in the Cloyd Chapel, with interment to follow in Baby Land of the Lewistown City Cemetery. The Cloyd Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Friends are asked to make memorials to the Central Montana Medical Center Pediatrics or the charity of their choice and they may be left at the Cloyd Funeral Home.

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Steve A. Garcia

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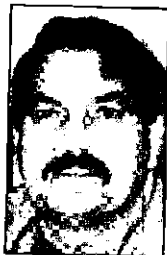
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Steve A. Garcia, age 54, passed away Monday morning, Aug. 9, 2004.

At his request, cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held Thursday Aug. 12, 1 p.m., at Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Steve was born on Feb. 9, 1950, in Denver, to Andy and Edna Garcia. He was very proud to have served in the United States Marine Corp. during the Vietnam War. Following his military duties, Steve fulfilled his ambition of becoming an officer of the Billings Police Department for several years.

Our Dad loved being outdoors. He enjoyed our camping, hiking and fishing trips (even after falling in). Dad made many friends throughout his lifetime with his gift for gab and his thoughtfulness.



**STEVE
GARCIA**

Steve is survived by many family and friends. He was very proud of his children, Tammy, Tina, Tanya, Stephanie and Travis, and enjoyed his six grandchildren, Taylor, Mychal, Andrew, Jase, Michael and Christopher.

Dad, Grandpa, Rest peacefully, enjoy the fishing and we will miss you. Semper Fi

Kenneth Gardner

MILES CITY — Kenneth Gardner, 70, of Miles City, died Sunday, Sept. 12, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Center in Miles City.

Funeral Mass will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 17, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miles City. Interment will follow in the Custer County Cemetery in Miles City. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

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William John Gardner

CROW AGENCY — William John Gardner, 25, of Crow Agency, died suddenly Wednesday, April 21, 2004, in the Crow Agency IHS Hospital.

He was born Nov. 15, 1978, in Crow Agency, a son of Thomas and Donna Nadeau Gardner. He grew up in the Crow Agency area and received his early education in Crow Agency and Seattle, before completing his education at Hardin High School. While in school, he actively participated on the football team and AAU wrestling, where he once pinned an opponent in 28 seconds.

Billy John loved music and his natural "ear" enabled him to become a self-taught percussionist. He was a member of the Black Lodge Church and the traditional Redstone Indian singing group. He was very proud of being a member of the Pretty Eagle descendants and its float-winning tradition during the annual Crow Fair.

His grandparents, William Gardner, John and Elda Nedeau, Donald Stewart, Ike Shane; aunts and uncles, Williamia Gardner, Ruth Lira, Cryella Azure, Russell



**WILLIAM
GARDNER**

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Nadeau, Ed Little Light III Bobbie and Zek Amyotte preceded William in death.

Survivors include his companion, Lindi Lessard of Hardin; his parents, Thomas and Donna Gardner of Crow Agency; two sons, Bowen and Tyler; a daughter, Stonirose; his sisters, Crystal and Magdalynn Gardner, Billie Two Leggings and Tina Cline of Crow Agency, Leeya Hill of Lodge Grass, Heidi Fabian of Hardin, Nellie Ruth Gardner, Crystal Martinez, Priscilla and Ruthie Martinez of Billings; his brothers, Stewart Martinez of Washington, Robert Martinez of Billings, Ryan Silverhorn of Oklahoma, Vince Crooked Arm and Sam Pickett of Crow Agency; his grandparents, Priscilla Gardner, David and Reuben Stewart, Wilma Stands, Beverly Pretty on Top, Alice Mae LaForge, Harold and Vernon White Clay, Sr.; numerous aunts and uncles from Montana, North Dakota and Oklahoma; his extended family including the Stewart, White Clay, LaForge, Nadeau and Poitra families, as well as the Pretty Eagle descendants' families.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Monday, April 26, in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow in the Hardin Fairview Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Fern D. Garfield

Fern D. Garfield, 72, of Billings, passed away Wednesday morning, June 9, 2004, at Parkview Care Center, after an extended illness.

Fern was born and raised in Wyoming. For most of her adult life, Fern lived in Billings. She worked as a cook in several local area restaurants, and later years worked as a personal care attendant.

She enjoyed accordion and polka music, as well as flower arranging. Fern had a giving spirit and caring heart and will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Fern is survived by her son, David P. Malenowsky of Billings; three daughters, Dianne M. Frey of Nashville, Tenn., Jan Scheetz of Sidney and Francine P. Garfield of Sparks, Nev.; 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Fern was preceded in death by her parents, Christine and Luis Loos; and her daughter, Cheryl Ann Lee.

Memorial services will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 12, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary.



**FERN
GARFIELD**

MEMORIALS may be given to Parkview Care Center, Big Sky Hospice or the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

Genie May Garfield

BOZEMAN — Genie May Garfield passed away on April 20, 2004, at Bear Creek Respite Care Center in Bozeman. She was 82.

Genie was born in Forsyth on June 28, 1921, the only child of Malcolm "Mac" and Edith May Cox "May" Philbrick. She was the second baby born in the Rosebud County Hospital. Genie was raised on the Howard and Butte ranches on the Rosebud Creek where her father raised sheep and cattle with his parents.

She attended first grade in Forsyth, where she lived with her aunt and uncle, Fred and Wana Cox. Genie's mother, May, was so lonesome for her daughter that she started the Philbrick School on the Rosebud so Genie could come home. Genie attended the small country school for her remaining grade school years, often riding her horse to school. Genie attended high school in Forsyth, where she graduated in 1938 at the age of 16. Again, she lived away from home with the Marcellus family during this part of her schooling. Genie attended Montana State College in 1938 and 1939. There she became a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority, an association she cherished throughout her life.

In 1940 Genie moved to Northfield, Minn., where she worked in the admissions office of Carlton College. In 1941, Genie

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began work in Spokane, Wash., at the Second U.S. Air Force headquarters. In 1942, the unit moved to Salt Lake City and later returned to Spokane. Genie served as secretary to several officers during her career with the Civil Service.

On May 11, 1943, Genie married Major Russell Merritt Garfield at Fort George Wright chapel in Spokane. They spent their honeymoon traveling by train to Washington, D.C., where Russell received his orders to go overseas. Genie went on to New York City, where she met two of her sisters-in-law for the first time in the lobby of the Commodore Hotel. The city was in a blackout. The three women went on to Hinsdale, N.H., the Garfield's home, where Genie stayed for part of the time while Russell was away. She also returned to the ranch on the Rosebud Creek during the war.

In 1945, Russell was discharged and Genie and Russell moved to Hinsdale, where Russell was the manager of the Ashuelot Paper Company. In 1952, their only child, Debra Jane, was born. Genie was very active in community interests in Hinsdale. She was a Girl Scout leader, a volunteer for the Red

Cross, a member of Eastern Star, Hinsdale Women's Club, and she was the Republican Party chairwoman in Hinsdale. She also devoted many years to the Hinsdale school system, serving on the planning board and as chairwomen of the school board for eight years. Genie and Russ spent nearly 30 years in New England, where they had many friends and relatives. All the time, Genie maintained an active role in her father's ranch, the Diamond Ranch, and she returned to Montana nearly every summer.

In 1973, Russell retired and he and Genie fulfilled her dream of returning to Montana. They took over the operation of the Diamond Ranch following Genie's father's death. Genie was a charter member of the Northern Plains Resource Council and served on its board. She was president of Rosebud Protective Association. Additionally, she served on the Rosebud County Planning Board, the Rosebud County Literacy Council and she was a board member of First Interstate Bank in Colstrip. Genie loved animals and there was hardly a time in her life when she didn't own a dog and several cats. She was a skilled horsewoman, knowledgeable rancher and a good steward of the land. In 1982, Russell passed away. Genie remained on the Diamond Ranch until 2001, when health issues made it nec-

essary for her to move nearer her daughter and family.

During her stay at Bear Creek Respite Care Center, Genie challenged her caregivers with her determination and evoked a chuckle with her wit and sense of humor. She unfailingly asked every day about her grandson, Tyler, while he was away at school. Foremost on her mind was the operation of her beloved ranch.

Genie is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Debby and Jim Bangs of Bozeman; her grandson, Tyler, also of Bozeman; her sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Shirley and George Hanna of Keene, N.H.; her brother-in-law, Dr. John Worden of Brattleboro, Vt.; her brother-in-law, Ralph Burnham, of Phoenix; her loyal ranch managers, the Davenport family of Forsyth; her nieces and nephews; her cousin, Janet Davies of Plockton, Scotland; and her cousin Peter Kelsey of Surrey, England. Genie was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Russell.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in Genie's name may be made to the Northern Plains Resource Council or the Rosebud Protective Association at 2401 Montana Avenue, #200, Billings MT 59101; the Rosebud County

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Animal Shelter, Box 597, Colstrip,
MT 59323; or the Russell M.
Garfield Memorial Scholarship
Fund at Dartmouth College,
Office of Endowment
Administration, 7 Lebanon Street
#307, Hanover, NH 03755.

Funeral services will be held
Saturday, April 24, at 11 a.m., in
the Chapel of Stevenson and
Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth.
Burial will be in the Lee
Cemetery near Colstrip.
Visitation will be on Friday, April
23, in the Chapel of Stevenson &
Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth
from 1 until 8 p.m.

Condolences can be sent to
the Garfield family at
www.stevensonandsons.com.

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

Everett Garner

THE BILLINGS GAZETT

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Everett Garner, 93, of Buffalo, died Monday, July 12, 2004, at the Johnson County Health Care Center.

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Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, July 19, in the Kaycee Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home of Buffalo is in charge.

S. Maxine Garriffa

THE BILLINGS GAZET

FEB 12 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — S. Maxine Garriffa, 83, of Sheridan, died Sunday, Feb. 8, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at Kane Funeral Home.

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Charles David Garton, 71, of Billings, passed away on Wednesday, July 7, 2004, of a heart attack.

David was born on May 5, 1933, in Columbus, to Charles and Anna (Bohl) Garton. He graduated from Absarokee High School in 1950. He then served in the Navy on the USS Navasota from 1950 to 1954 and was a veteran of the Korean War.



**DAVID
GARTON**

David went to work with the Montana State Highway Department as a surveyor in 1959. In 1962, after having been "chased" by her for five years, he married Sally Irene Clayton on June 9. They had three children: Tirzah, Dane and Lance. He loved and supported his children and never missed a sporting event, activity or concert. He retired from the Highway Department in 1984 after 25 years of service. He was well liked by the people he worked with, and his work was highly respected. After retirement, he took a job at Gibsons, where he enjoyed working in the garden center and the sporting goods department.

A common strand that ran throughout David's life was his love of hunting and fishing. He passed his passion for the great outdoors on to his children and grandchildren. David was talented on many levels, from his beautiful watercolor painting to his breathtaking flowers and garden. Dave not only grew the food, but he could also prepare a delicious meal that left everyone full and satisfied. Dave was our great teacher of games. You name it, he knew how to play it: cards, dice, dominoes, marbles and board games. He was always the one everyone tried to beat because he was just that good. Dave never turned down one game. He was always up for a challenge!

David was preceded in death by his father, Charles "Chuck" Garton; little sister, Linda; and stepfather, Willis Leithead. He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Sally; his daughter, Tirzah and

Chris Bruski of Jefferson City, and grandsons Cody David and Wesley Luke; son, Dane and Donna Garton of Great Falls, and grandsons Christopher Drew, Cody Dalton and Charles Dylan; and son, Lance and Jennifer Garton of Billings, and granddaughters Corrine Marie and Samantha Anne; his mother, Anna (Bohl) Leithead of Fishtail; and sisters Gayna Swee of Salt Lake City and Sue Kraft of Spokane, Wash.

Funeral services will be held at 9 a.m. on Monday, July 12, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, with graveside services at 11:30 a.m. at Rosebud Cemetery in Absarokee. A reception will follow at the Absarokee Congregational Church. Visitation will be held at Michelotti-Sawyers starting at 9 a.m. Saturday, July 10.

Memorials in David's name may be sent to the American Heart Association or Saint Vincent Healthcare Dialysis Center.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

Eva Gaub

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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MILES CITY — Eva Buechler Gaub, 86, of Terry, died Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2004 at the Holy Rosary Extended Care in Miles City.

Visitation will be held Sunday, Dec. 26, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Terry, with a prayer service at 6 p.m. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 27, at the Wesleyan Church in Terry. Interment will follow in the Prairie County Cemetery in Terry.

Hilda Gaub

THE FALLON GAZETTE

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FALLON — Hilda Gaub, 94, of Fallon, died Tuesday, April 13, 2004, in Glendive.

Visitation will be held from 1 to 7 p.m. Friday, April 16, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Terry, with a prayer service at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 17, at the Evangelical Church of North America in Fallon. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Prairie County Cemetery in Terry.

Dwight Gauger

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 11 2004

Dwight Gauger passed away at Saint Johns Lutheran Home on Aug. 10, 2004, from cancer.

Dwight was born in Billings

on Nov. 16, 1939, to Manly and Olga (Larsen) Gauger. He was the oldest of five children. Dwight graduated from Senior High in 1958 and received his bachelor of science in



**DWIGHT
GAUGER**

Education degree from Eastern Montana College (MSU-B) in 1964. He began his teaching career in Harlem, where he taught for two years. He then took a teaching position in Watertown, N.Y.

Dwight married Sheila Carpenter in 1968 and they had one son, Brian. They returned to Montana, where Dwight taught mathematics and French at West High until his retirement in 1989. While teaching at West High, Dwight continued his education during the summers, earning his masters of arts degree in 1975.

Dwight enjoyed traveling, camping and fishing with his son.

He also mastered the game of poker. Dwight adored his granddaughter, Mickayla, and loved visiting her and Brian in Connecticut. One of his most memorable times was a father-son four-day "Tiger Cruise" aboard the USS Pittsburgh Submarine that his son was stationed on in New London, Conn.

Dwight is preceded in death by his parents, Olga and Manly Gauger; sister Donna Roberts; and niece, Lacey McFarren. He leaves behind a son, Brian, and granddaughter Mickayla of Colchester, Conn.; brother Dwayne (Lisa) of Twin Falls, Idaho; sisters, Darlene Sparrow (Bernard) of Ketchum, Idaho, Denyta McFarren (Don) of Billings; and 13 nieces and nephews.

Funeral service will be held Tuesday, Aug. 17, at Smith's Funeral Chapel, with interment at Mountview Cemetery. Service time is pending. Visitation will start Sunday, Aug. 15, noon, at Smith's Downtown Chapel.

Special thanks to Saint Johns Lutheran Home and to Big Sky Hospice for their kind and gentle care of Dwight.

Esther Huber Gauthier

THE GAZETTE

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Esther Huber Gauthier, 84, of Billings, formerly of Baker, died Sunday, April 25, 2004.

A prayer service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 28, at the chapel of Stevenson Funeral Home in Baker.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 29, at the chapel of Stevenson Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Plevna Community Center.

Funeral services for Esther Huber-Gauthier, age 84, of Billings, formerly of Plevna, are 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 29, at Stevenson Funeral Home, Baker, with Pastor Stephen Mae and Pastor Howard Haar officiating. Interment will in Plevna Community Cemetery.

Visitation is Wednesday, April 28, from 12 noon to 9 p.m. at Stevenson Funeral Home, Baker, with a prayer service at 7 p.m.

Esther entered heaven on Sunday, April 25, 2004, at St. John's Nursing Home, Billings, due to complications from a stroke.

Esther was born on Oct. 18, 1919, the daughter of John and Magdalena (Lang) Haar in Bowdle, S.D.

Magdalena passed away when Esther was very young. Her father, John, then married Katherine Zeeb Seidel. The family consisted of 11 children and they remained very family-oriented and forever close-knit. On Nov. 30, 1939, Esther married Christian Huber in Bowdle. Together, they moved to a farm south of Baker. After farming and ranching for many years, they



**ESTHER
 HUBER-
 GAUTHIER**

moved to Baker. Over the year they owned and operated a laundromat and a motel. After selling both businesses, Esther was employed by the hot lunch program and throughout the years, she took care of foster children.

Chris and Esther moved to Billings in July of 1984 after retiring to be closer to family. In November of 1989, they celebrated 50 years of marriage. Chris passed away in August of 1993 and Esther married Fred Gauthier in November of 1998.

Esther enjoyed gardening, crocheting afghans, keeping records of family history and memorabilia. Esther believed in the Lord as her personal Savior all her life, and lived it accordingly.

Survivors include her husband Fred of Absarokee; five children and two stepsons, Jim (Evelyn) Huber, Killdeer, N.D., Ben Huber, Billings, Ken (Barb) Huber Long Beach, Calif., Marilyn (Bob) Celandier, Seminole, Texas, Charlotte (Vern) Schroeder, Crane, Rodney (Marta) Gauthier, Absarokee, and Rory (Mindy) Gauthier, Helena; three brothers, Rollie (Betty) Haar, Aberdeen, S.D., Rev. Howard Haar, Mississippi, Clifton Seidel, Iowa;

four sisters, Bernice (Carl) Wilder, Mesa, Ariz., Marlene (Ernie) Steinbeck, Mesa, Martha Huber, Tucson, Ariz., and Florence Gerth, Aberdeen; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Chris; two sons, Arlie and Loren; three brothers, Emil, Oscar and Edward.

We Love You, Mom. God Bless!

Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at stevensonfuneral-home.com.

Leona Coulter Geary *THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

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WORLAND, Wyo. — Leona Coulter Geary, 84, died Friday, Aug. 6.

A graveside funeral service will be held 11 a.m., Tuesday, Aug. 10, at Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Worland. Veile Mortuary is in charge of the arrangements.

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ROUNDUP — Michael Gecho, 83, long-time Roundup resident, passed away on Friday, April 16, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Mike was born in Taber, Alberta, Canada, on May 15, 1920, to Frank and Mary Gecho.

Mike loved baseball and played on the Roundup Miners baseball team. He was a Cubs fan all his life. He enjoyed the televised games from his hospital bed until his death.

He was an avid hunter and fisherman, and spent many years hunting elk on the Madison and fishing the rivers and streams of Montana.

Mike enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1941 and served with the Signal Corps until his discharge in 1943.

On his return to Roundup, he worked at the Klein mine and later owned and operated Gecho Plumbing and Heating until his retirement in September 1974.

Mike and Mary Ellen Graham were married on Nov. 14, 1942, in Roundup. They raised their family of four in Roundup. Mary Ellen passed away in March 1972.

In February 1974, Mike married Shirley B. Gildroy. Shirley passed away in April 1998.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and two brothers, John and Joe; and a grandson, William Frank Gecho Jr.

Mike is survived by his daughters, Ruthmary Campbell and

Rosemarie (Larry) Banka o. Brady; his sons, John Gecho o. Hardy Dam, Mich., and Bill (Phyllis) Gecho of Fremont, Idaho; sisters, Ethel Polich of Roundup, Ester Lasser of Seattle; and a brother, Frank Gecho of Stockton, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be 5 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, April 20, at Wier Funeral Chapel. Memorial services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 21, at the chapel. Memorials may be made to the Roundup Baseball Program, C/O 1st Security Bank of Roundup.

Wier Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

FEB 08 2004

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Anchorage resident Gilbert "Gib" Geering, 82, died peacefully on Jan. 25, 2004, at Mary Conrad Center. A brief memorial will be held Sunday, Feb. 8, at 4 p.m., at Mary Conrad Chapel. Full services will be held later in Hilo, Hawaii, and Billings.

Gib was born Nov. 18, 1921, in St. Paul, Minn. In 1947, he married Suzanne "Sue" Nearman Geering. Together, Gib and Sue celebrated over 50 years of romance and adventure.

An adept airplane and auto mechanic, Gib served in the Army Air Force during World War II and assisted in the construction of the China-Burma-India Road. He was honorably discharged in 1945. Civilian working years Gib spent traveling Montana, selling and servicing equipment for Sperry New Holland, Midland Implement and the Montana farm community. An energetic, hardworking man, during his retirement, Gib founded the "Geering Company," wood stove/home heating business, which is still operated by his nieces and nephew.

Mr. and Mrs. Geering were also residents of Hilo for over 17 years. After his wife died, Gib moved to Anchorage in April 2000 to be close to local family and friends. He loved Alaska's scenery and specially enjoyed watching the ditarod races and the Elmendorf

air shows.

Gib was a great and gentle man, standing over 6'4". He loved and was loved by children and animals. Even in illness, he never lost the sparkle in his eyes, his keen wit and good humor. He always had a kind and friendly word to share. One of his family's fondest memories was of Gib individually greeting each member of the pack of neighbor dogs who gathered to accompany him on his half-mile morning walk when he lived in the country.

Gib's survivors include sister, Phyllis Janey; children, John Geering and Jennifer Gunderson; grandchildren, Eren Geering, Amber Geering, Chris Gunderson and Erik Gunderson; godson Chris Whittington-Evans; and many treasured friends and relatives. Son Jim Geering preceded Gib and his wife Sue in death.

Arrangements were made with Evergreen Memorial Chapel, 737 E St.

ADOLPH EDWARD GEHRCKE

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 26 2004

Adolph Edward Gehrcke's loving family surrounded him during his time of passing on July 24, 2004.

He was born to Adolph C. and Lillie M. Gehrcke on Jan. 15, 1925. Adolph has one brother, Charles "Bud", and three sisters, Betty (Gehrcke) Doyle, Lucille (Gehrcke) Du-bay and Lillie May (Gehrcke) Reimers.



**ADOLPH
GEHRCKE**

Adolph served in the United States Navy in World War II on a light cruiser, the USS Oakland in the South Pacific.

Adolph started his career in the family construction business, A.C. Gehrcke and Sons. Adolph married Lila M. Pretzer on Jan. 25, 1947. They lived in Saginaw, Mich., and raised six children, Mark E. Gehrcke, Cheryl R. (Gehrcke) Franzel, James A. Gehrcke, Jan R. (Gehrcke) McNeil, Shelley L. (Gehrcke) Fiant, and Lisa J. (Gehrcke) Gritten. Adolph has 19 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Adolph was preceded in passing by his parents and three of his grandsons.

Adolph was an avid hunter and fisherman. His other favored pastimes included baking, cooking and gardening. Adolph was a loving husband and a devoted father and grandfather.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be 4 p.m. Tuesday, July 27 at Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Officiating the memorial service will be Chaplain Connie M. Sandvik.

Thank you to Aspen Meadows and all the wonderful nursing staff. In honor of Adolph's wishes, donations may be made to Aspen Meadows Nursing Home, 3155 Ave. C, Billings, MT 59102 or charity of one's choice.

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GILLETTE, Wyo. — Don Gehrett, 55, of Gillette, died April 19, 2004, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette, of complications from cancer.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, April 23, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Interment will be 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 24, at the Highland Cemetery in Casper. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 22, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home in Gillette and also from 9 a.m. Friday until the time of service.

Donald J. Geiger

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COLUMBUS — Donald J. Geiger, age 95, born in Manhattan, Mont., on July 27, 1909, and died on Sept. 30, 2004, in Billings, Mont.

Donald was preceded in death by his wife, Marian (Mason Johnston); his parents, Franklin and Fidelia Geiger, brother, Delos; and sister, Delilah. He is survived by his son, Donnie; daughter-in-law, Diane; three grandsons living in Manteo, N.C.; four nieces, Betty Lou, Colleen, Rosalie and Delores; stepdaughters, Shirley and Judy; stepson, George; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Don worked in various capacities such as a blasting expert breaking rock for road building in Montana, helping construct the Cooke City Highway from 1931 to 1936. He was a carpenter and assayer in Dean, the editor of a newspaper in Absarokee, a miner, and tool and dye maker near Cooke City. He owned and operated a sawmill in Gold Coast, Ore. Don bought the Mohawk Silver Mine near Cooke City in 1933, eventually selling it in 1980.

Don was a lifetime member of the American Federation of

Musicians' Union and a lifetime member of the Masonic Lodge. He danced on the Lawrence Welk Show, sang with the Mill Brothers as a guest for a short time, and performed with Louis Armstrong. Don also tap dance with Mugs Mandeville (Columbus resident) in a traveling show, "The Rose Dawn." Don and Mugs were great pals.

Don and his wife, Marian traveled to Billings at least two times a week to what he called "fancy dance," or ballroom dancing. He used to also get together with several musician friends in the dance clubs once in a while and have jam sessions.

Don was very much loved and will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Graveside services will be held at Rosebud Cemetery in Absarokee on Thursday, Oct. 7, at 11 a.m. followed by a celebration of his life for friends and family at the Congregational Church in Absarokee. A viewing will be held at Smith Funeral Chapel in Columbus from 5-8 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 6.

The family extends special thanks to Dr. Jon Bullman and his nurse, Susie, and caregivers Dee, Marlene Diana and Debbie.



**DONALD
GEIGER**

Francis "Frank" Joseph Geiger

April 22, 1910 — April 5, 2004

Francis Joseph Geiger was born on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation near Solen, N.D., on April 22, 1910. He spent the first 10 years of his life in a small German community that peacefully shared the open plains with the Sioux Indians. He and his family moved to Montana in 1920, first living in Hysham and then Bridger. At an early age, he and his brother Tony left school to help support his family as farm laborers. He met and married the love of his life, Anna Catherine Webber, in 1935. Their 68 years of marriage produced four sons, Gene (spouse Neah) of Denver, Arne (spouse Delores) and Dan (spouse Diana) of Billings and Stephen (spouse Ann) of Belgrade.

His parents were John Anton Geiger and Anna Jochim, who emigrated from Germany and settled in the West. He was preceded in his passing by his parents; four sisters, Julie Kilwine, Margaret Hertz, Sister Barbara (Rose) Geiger and Sister Louise (Minnie) Geiger; two brothers, Anton "Tony" Geiger and Martin Geiger; and a grandson, Brian Geiger. He and his brother Tony were inseparable and Tony was dearly missed when he passed on in 1959.

He is survived by his wife, Anna; his four sons and daughters-in-law; sisters, Lillian

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Palmersheim and Sister Tony (Elizabeth) Geiger; nieces and nephews; 12 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

During his early years, he worked in farming and ranching. He and his brother Tony roamed the Pryor Mountains, and Francis personally broke dozens of wild horses. These horses were used in the construction of several highways, one from Red Lodge to Bear Creek. In 1927, Francis and two friends, Valle Kowis and Louis Mitchell, rode horses over 100 miles from Bridger down the Yellowtail Dam Canyon many years before the dam was built. Here, they befriended and photographed the Crow Indians.

During World War II, he was drafted into the U.S. Army and assigned the important task of feeding the nation by serving as a farmer and working as an interpreter at the German Prisoner of War Camp near Bridger. Later, he worked as an engineer for the Bridger Public Schools, Billings Public Schools, University of Great Falls and the Great Falls Public Schools, where he retired in 1975. Many students knew him and Anna as "Dad and Mom," and over the years, they counted many young people as family.

After his retirement and into

his 80s, he and Anna traveled extensively in the United States, Germany, United Kingdom and Mexico. Also in his 80s, he enjoyed several years of volunteer service for the Senior Citizens Center, often serving those younger than he.

Francis was a lifelong member of the Catholic Church and enjoyed the comfort and serenity of his faith. His fond memories



**FRANCIS
GEIGER**

were of his loving relationship with his wife and four sons and their families. When his children were young, they were accustomed to camping with the bears in the early days of Yellowstone Park. Over the years, he and Anna were a striking couple on the dance floor as they "cut a rug." Known to swoop and slide across the dance floor, they always wowed the crowd.

His golden years and up to a few weeks before his passing, he was blessed with a sharp mind that could match wits with any youngster and hold his own in any card game. He outlived all of his friends and used to remark he knew more people in the cemetery than living. One of his favorite sayings at the loss of a friend was, "I can't believe they passed on. They were only 85

years old."

In his later years, he enjoyed giving small gifts he fashioned to those dear to him. Many of those who met him have a ring fashioned out of a dollar bill. When asked what the most fun thing he enjoyed in life was, he replied with the simple answer, "Snowballs."

He was especially known for his sense of humor and ability to "visit" and make friends with any stranger he met. He enjoyed the friendship of people of other cultures and races and always had something good to say about everyone. He taught tolerance of culture, race and religion through example.

In his passing, he leaves a large community of family and friends who will keep a part of Frank in their hearts. He enjoyed good health to the end and he passed on peacefully on April 5, 2004, in his home, as his spirit left his tired body. His final prayer was, "Bless my family and friends, everything is settled." And his final wish was, "I want everyone to know that I love them."

Family and friends are invited to a celebration of his life and vigi on Friday, April 9, at 5:30 p.m. at Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St West. The funeral service will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 10, at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral with Rite of Committal to follow at Holy Cross Cemetery.

COLUMBUS — On April 13, 2004, after a long illness, we lost our beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend.

She was born in Columbus on June 15, 1919, to Violet and Mack Mason, the oldest of seven children. She attended school in Absarokee and Columbus. She married George W. Johnston on April 16, 1936, and three children were born of that marriage. After their retirement, George and Marian spent winters in Arizona and made many snowbird friends. He preceded her in death in 1972.



**MARIAN
 GEIGER**

Marian worked for Mountain Bell in Columbus, and received a commendation for saving the lives of a family that was overcome by carbon monoxide. She enjoyed working with real estate and was a realtor for Desert Hills Realty in Arizona. A member of the Eastern Star and the Oaks Dancing Club, she enjoyed dancing, sewing and, most of all, her family. She lavished unconditional love upon her family.

She married Donald J. Geiger, and together they enjoyed fishing, dancing, playing cards, and visiting family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, Don Geiger, three children, Shirley (Jim) Fenimore, George T. (Beatrice) Johnston, Judy (Kam) Hovland; six grandchildren, Loraine Adams, Karen (Ben) Daniels, Ron (Kathy) Gilbert, Anne (John) Dunkley, Deborah Johnston, Kamee (Rob) Pasquarello; six great-grandchildren, Madeline Adams, Jessica Gilbert, Katia Gilbert, Jaron Taylor Gilbert, John G. Dunkley, and Nick Pasquarello; five sisters, Helen Saunders, Maxine (Loyd) Sibbit, Doris (Bill) Chinery, Bonnie DuMolt, Elsie Wurgler; and one brother, Donald Mason.

Graveside services will be held at Mountain View Cemetery in Columbus on Saturday, April 17, at 11 a.m., followed by a celebration of her life for friends and family in the Fellowship Hall in the Congregational Church in Columbus.

She married Donald J. Geiger, and together they enjoyed fishing, dancing, playing cards, and visiting family and friends.

The family extends special thanks to Dr. Jon Bullman and his nurse, Susie, and caregivers Dee, Diana and Debbie. Memorials may be directed to Big Sky Hospice. Visitation will be 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 2 at Smith Funeral Chapel.

Arlene Delores Gendreau *THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

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Arlene Delores Gendreau, born Nov. 12, 1934, in Miles City, died Thursday, July 22, 2004, at Valley Health Care Center.

She met and married William R. Gendreau, Dec. 29, 1956. He preceded her in death.

She was very talented at cooking, sewing and in crafts, her latest passion being stamping. She is fondly remembered for her peach and rhubarb pie.

Arlene is survived by her daughters, Mary Moir (Tim) of Cody, Wyo., grandchildren Cole, Seth, Tanner and Shad; Phyllis Simmons (Dave) of Laurel, grandchildren Cassie, Kendra and Keeleigh.

Mom and "Grandma," you can rest in peace now. Your strong faith has put you in the loving arms of God.

We want to thank Valley Health Care Center and Big Sky Hospice for the loving care of our mother.

Donations may be made to Valley Health Care Center or Big Sky Hospice.

Cremation has taken place. A private family ceremony has been held.

Kenneth George

LIVINGSTON — Kenneth George, 77, of Livingston, died Thursday, March 4, 2004, at his winter home in Arizona.

Graveside committal services and burial will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 11, in Shorthill Cemetery, south of Livingston. Memorial services will follow at 2 p.m. at Paradise Valley Community Church. Franzen-Davis Funeral Home in Livingston is in charge.

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Madeline George

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SHERIDAN, Wyo. —

Madeline George (Georgia Baker), 70, of Sheridan, died Saturday, Aug. 21, 2004, at Sheridan County Memorial Hospital.

Cremation has taken place. Friends and family will gather to celebrate her life at 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 27, at the American Legion Post #7 in Sheridan. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

Marlene B. George

(March 23, 1940 — Aug. 8, 2004)

Marlene George, born on March 23, 1940, in Wolf Point, to Amelia and Herbert August Eckart, passed away Aug. 8, 2004. She grew up and went to school in Sidney. In 1957,

Marlene married Lyle George. In over 45 years of marriage, Marlene had two children and was blessed with four wonderful grandchildren. She loved her family



**MARLENE
GEORGE**

and home and took great pride in both. She devoted the majority of her life raising her two daughters and helping with her grandchildren, whom she watched grow and took part in their many activities.

Marlene enjoyed growing wonderful gardens with her green-thumb and cheering for the Raiders. In the last few years, she was active in her community and enjoyed life to the fullest.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her brother Oliver Eckart and her sisters, Irene Reidel and Alfield Eckart.

Left to carry on her memory are her three sisters, Mary Kemp of Bastrop, La., Betty Kringen of Sidney, Barb Schlosser of Butte;

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brothers, Ed Eckart of Great Falls and Jim Eckart of Billings; two daughters, Pam Gabel of Huntley and Jodi Burbank of Huntley; four grandchildren, Andrea Drinkwalter of Billings, Bailly and Shaye Burbank of Huntley and Miranda Gabel of Huntley; 20 nieces and 16 nephews, and many countless friends.

Mom, you will be missed. You're a wonderful mom and a great grandma. Thank you for all you've done to help with the little people.

G'ma, I'll always remember you. You are my best friend and soap opera buddy. You are a selfless teacher to me and many others. My attempt at a "green-thumb" was well taught by you. You have shown me how to be strong and to hold a family together, and most importantly how to love someone so much it hurts. On Aug. 8, you taught me the most priceless lesson. If you love someone, tell them, because on that day I didn't and it is too late. I'll love you forever and miss you tons. Your Dolly.

Devoted mother, grandma, sister, aunt and friend, we all love you and miss you very much. You will always be in our thoughts and prayers.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 13, 2 at the Atonement Lutheran Church, corner of Wicks and Lake Elmo. Interment will follow at Mountview Cemetery.

David Nels Gerber

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

MILES CITY — David Nels Gerber, 79, of Miles City, died Friday, Oct. 22, 2004, at Holy Rosary Hospital in Miles City.

Visitation will be on Monday, Oct. 25, at the Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26, at the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Interment will follow in the Custer County Cemetery.

Helen E. Gerhardt

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BOZEMAN GAZETTE

RED LODGE — Helen E. Gerhardt, 86, passed away peacefully on Friday, Sept. 17, 2004, at the Long-Term Care Center of West Park Hospital in Cody.

Helen was born on April 3, 1918, on the family farm near Boyd, where she lived with her parents, John and Julia (Kruzich) Kostich, and seven sisters and brothers, Albert, John and George Kostich, Ann Kostich, Francis McCluskie, Josephine (Jo) Rowe, and Mary Koski.

It was from her mother that she got her gift for gardening and growing plants.

Other hobbies she enjoyed were sewing, crocheting and making patchwork quilts for her family. She was an avid reader and loved doing crossword puzzles and she played a mean game of Scrabble.

Most of Helen's life was spent in Red Lodge and the surrounding area where she worked at various businesses, including the hospital, and then in her retirement, at the Chamber of Commerce. She also volunteered several seasons for the Festival of Nations.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents; siblings; her husband, Bill; and her eldest son, Gary.

She is survived by her son, Randy (Nancy) Gerhardt, of Billings; daughter, Karen (Tom)

Snyder, of Cody, Wyo., daughter Jackie Stoeckel, of Miles City, daughter-in-law, Shirle Gerhardt, of Bozeman; six grand children; and three great-grand children.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, at the Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel in Red Lodge. Interment will be in the Red Lodge Cemetery. Memorials may be given to charity of choice.

Ellen K. Gerlach

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Ellen was the last of a family of five sisters. Her surviving husband, T.T. Gerlach, is the last of three brothers. She has been cremated and there will be no service. Her death resulted from a fall with a broken hip. They are childless and none of the relatives reside in the west.

Ellen's working career was in banking and in Billings it was with Security Trust.

Internment will be in Arlington Memorial Cemetery, Arlington, Va. They were active members of Albedoo Temple. Memorials may be made to that organization. Arrangements were by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Ronald P. Germann

THE RUTLAND GAZETTE

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Ronald P. Germann, 80, of Sheridan, died Tuesday, April 27, 2004, at his home.

A public viewing will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 30, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 1, at Kane Funeral Home.

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Barbara 'Dolly' Gerrells

On March 12, 2004, Jesus took Barbara "Dolly" Gerrells home after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

Mom was born on March 9, 1934, to Lucas and Barbara (Hilsendager) Gerber. She was the youngest of 11 children.

Mom was raised in the Fromberg area and attended the Wilsey school, Fromberg school and the Billings Business College.

On July 4, 1951, she and Thomas Gerrells were married in Billings. Mom loved spending time with her family, and as everyone knows, she loved to shop, shop, shop!

She will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Tom; her parents; four brothers, Joe, Albert, Luke, and George; also four sisters,

Katherine, Agnes, Clara, and Frances.

Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law, Anna Marie and Bill Macy of Billings, granddaughter and her husband, Theresa and Brian Seibert; their children, her great-grandsons, William and Andrew Seibert of Laurel; two sisters, Rose Russell and Mar Schwend, and numerous other family members.

Our family would like to thank every one at the Horizon Hospice for the wonderful care and making Mom's last two years comfortable.

At Mom's request there will be no services. Memorials may be made to the Horizon Hospice Home at 1019 Neptune Blvd Billings MT 59105. Arrangements were by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Richard F. Gerry

LA JOLLA, Calif. - Richard F. Gerry, who died July 15, 2004, was truly a man for all seasons. He

started off his career building flying fortresses for Boeing and was a member of the Merchant Marine from 1942 to 1950, serving in the Western Pacific. Following that, he attended



**RICHARD
GERRY**

Columbia University and obtained both an undergraduate and juris doctorate degree while he worked his way through college and law school as a doorman at the famous Luchow's Restaurant in New York. After graduating in 1956, he joined the famous personal injury attorney Melvin Belli in San Francisco and shortly became a partner in the firm of Belli, Ashe & Gerry.

Richard Gerry played a major role in the evolution of the rules pertaining to product liability and handling the early Cutter Laboratories live vaccine cases which caused Polio. He also established a reputation of handling numerous airplane crash cases, including representing the families of the Cal Poly football team who were killed in a plane crash. He would later play a major role in the litigation arising from the PSA crash in San Diego

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in 1978. In handling litigation for aviation accident cases, he became proficient at flying airplanes and in an early retirement in 1967, flew his Piaggio Royal Gull Seaplane to Brazil to begin his career as a cattle rancher. After a brief stay, he returned to the United States in order to continue his law practice in San Diego. He was a hunter, sailor, pilot, tennis player, scuba diver. He became president of the National Peruvian Paso Association and raised a national champion horse with the name of "Arrogante." In his later years, when he and his wife Charlotte moved to La Jolla, he devoted much of his time to leisure golf at the La Jolla Country Club.

Above all, his passion was living life to the fullest. An article in the San Diego Union in 1987 spoke about his love of hunting and pursuing large corporations that polluted the environment. This article was precedent to his involvement in the largest case of his career, the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill. When the spill occurred in 1989, Richard Gerry became a

member of the Executive Committee and was one of the four trial lawyers who conducted the now famous trial which lasted for six months in Anchorage. That case resulted in a \$5 billion punitive damage verdict, which at that time was the largest award in the history of the United States. Shortly after the spill, the Valdez was brought to San Diego Harbor and Dick Gerry led the inspection of the vessel in preparation for trial. During his tour, he was recognized in Town & Country as one of the nation's top lawyers. He was also recognized in the publication Best Lawyers of America as one of the top lawyers in the United States. He was inducted into the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, as well as the American Board of Trial Advocates. He also served as a member of the California Trial Lawyers Association, the San Diego Trial Lawyers Association, and was the past president of the Melvin Belli Society and the Western Trial Lawyers Association. He was also a member of the San Diego County Bar Association and the California State Bar Association.

In 1982, Richard F. Gerry was elected president of the largest trial lawyer association in the world, the Association of Trial Lawyers of America. At that time, there were over 50,000 trial lawyers in the United States.

During his year as president, he visited trial lawyers in all 50 states. Less than two weeks ago, he was recognized for his inspirational leadership at the annual convention in Boston of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America. He had also been featured in a book about the history of the American Trial Bar entitled "David and Goliath."

In a courtroom, he was known as both a brilliant and aggressive lawyer. His days in the Merchant Marines gave him an exterior toughness, but he was known for his tender feelings toward his family, friends, as well as those he represented.

He was born in Winona, Minn., on Oct. 4, 1923. While at the Belli office, he met his future wife, Charlotte, his bride of 42 years. In 2001, the Consumer of Attorneys of San Diego inducted him into the trial lawyer Hall of Fame for all of his accomplishments. With his interest in flying, in 1968, he was inducted into the International Order of Characters, an organization which included Barry Goldwater in its membership. His partner of many years, David S. Casey, Jr., stated, "Dick helped inspire a generation of trial lawyers, not

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only here in San Diego, but also nationally. Over the last 20 years, many successful trial lawyers throughout the country have come up to me and told me of how Richard F. Gerry inspired them in their careers. His background was so rich and diverse, a perspective that is very rare today." He once took a case to the U.S. Supreme Court, which he argued in 1984, but lost. However, he never lost heart. In the Exxon Valdez case, he never lost the passion for fighting for his clients, even though the case remains open in its 15th year. Dick's national leadership was recognized in the early days of asbestos litigation. He was asked to serve on the committee that reconstructed Johns-Manville, which he did successfully. He was also appointed by Congress to help develop the rules for the Super Fund beginning in 1981.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte; son, David Gerry; daughter, Eve Adams; and daughter, Lisa Gerry. In addition, he is survived by his granddaughter, Megan Adams; and two grandsons, Colin Adams and Kevin Gerry. In addition, he is survived by his brothers and sister, Henry Gerry of Bozeman, Mont., Ben Gerry of Billings; and sister Joan Fredericks of Winters.

Because of his military background, the United States Navy will have a full casket burial at sea. There will be a celebration of his life at the La Jolla Country Club on Thursday, July 22, at 1:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations to either the San Diego Hospice, 431 Third Avenue, San Diego, CA 92103 or Voices For Children 2851 Meadow Lark Drive, San Diego, CA 92123.

AUG 14 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Venus M. Ghikas, age 81, of Sheridan, died Monday, Aug. 9, 2004, in St. Vincent Healthcare, Billings.

She was born Dec. 31, 1922, in Sheridan, to James and Marie (Evangeline) Matthews.

She grew up and graduated high school in Sheridan. She graduated from Business College and went to work for the General Accounting Office in Washington, D.C. Venus married George Ghikas (whom she met at his father's restaurant where she lunched in Washington) on Nov. 7, 1943, in Sheridan. They lived in Sheridan, where they owned and operated the Palace Cafe until 1987, when she retired. She enjoyed collecting angels, Mickey Mouse memorabilia, dolls and stuffed animals. Venus was always faithful to visit her friends in the hospital and nursing home. She was a 50-year member and Worthy Matron of Order of the Eastern Star Naomi Chapter #2, Grand Electra of the Grand Lodge of Wyoming.

She was a member of Daughters of the Nile Sahida

Temple #86, Nile Patrol, Sheridan Women's Club, Sheridan County Homemakers, American Legion Auxiliary and VFW Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother Peter and sister Margaret.

Venus is survived by her husband George; daughter Marie Herman and husband Larry of Laurel, Mont.; grandson Dr. George Carter; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Trisagion Memorial Service will be 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 16, from Champion Ferries Funeral Home. Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, from St. Peter's Episcopal Church, with Father Gabriel Nicholas and The Rev. Kevin Jones officiating. Interment will be in Sheridan Municipal Cemetery, Masonic Section. Arrangements are with Champion Ferries Funeral Home.

Memorials may benefit the St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 1 S. Tschirgi St., Sheridan, or the Shrine Crippled Children Travel Fund, Box K, Sheridan, WY 82801.

Ronald Francis Giacometto

BOYES — Ronald Francis Giacometto, 39, of Boyes, died Saturday, April 10, 2004, near Nisland, S.D., as the result of an auto accident.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 13, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Broadus. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 14, at Stevenson & Sons in Broadus. Interment will follow in the Valley View Cemetery in Broadus.

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Wilma Loggins Giacometto

SPEARFISH, S.D. — Wilma Allene Giacometto, 92, of Spearfish, passed away Thursday, Oct. 21, 2004, at Lookout Memorial Hospital in Spearfish.

Visitation will be held Sunday, Oct. 24, from 2 until 5 p.m., at Fidler-Isburg Funeral Chapel, Spearfish.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 25, at the United Church of Christ in Spearfish, with Rev. Dave Biebighauser and Rev. Elmer Earley officiating. Burial will follow at Rose Hill Cemetery, Spearfish.

In lieu of flowers, those wishing may make memorials in her name to Women's Fellowship, United Church of Christ, 920 Main St., Spearfish, SD 57783.

Wilma was born Jan. 31, 1912, in Arma, Kan., to Guy Loggins and Bertha Gordon Loggins. In 1916, her family moved to Montana to homestead west of Otter.

Wilma attended high school in Sheridan, Wyo., and graduated from Billings High School in 1930. She enrolled at Eastern Normal School, now Montana State University-Billings, and taught 11 years in rural schools in Carter County, Mont. In 1939, she married Joe Giacometto of Belle Creek, Mont. They ranched there and at Ridge before moving to

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Spearfish in 1953 to farm. In 1968 they began making their winter home in Mesa, Ariz. After Joe passed away in 1992, Wilma continued to spend winters there until 1998. Wilma was a volunteer with Red Cross for 40 years and a member of the United Church of Christ in Spearfish since 1953.

Wilma is survived by her nieces and their husbands, Joyce and Bill Kronholm, Helena Mont., Allene and Rick Mares Seattle, and Loretta and Duane Ledin, Grand Junction, Colo.; and nieces Diane Robertson, Castro Valley, Calif., and Cynthia Janis Austin, Texas; and six great-nieces and nephews.

Wilma was preceded in death by her parents and her husband Joe; brother Harris; sisters Ma and Nadine; and niece Janice.

Arrangements have been placed in the care of Fidler-Isburg Funeral Chapel in Spearfish.

Adelaide Gibbs**MAY 05 2004**

Adelaide Dorothy Gibbs, 96, of Billings, died Monday, May 3, 2004, at the Worland Healthcare & Rehab Center in Worland, Wyo.

Cremation has taken place. No funeral services are planned at this time. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc., of Basin, Wyo. are in charge.

APR 25 2004

SALEM, Ore. — Martha Ostwald Gibb passed away on April 19, 2004, at the Tierra Rose Hospice in Salem at the age of 82 after a long struggle against COPD.

She was born July 12, 1921, the daughter of John and Katherine Ostwald, near Edgar, Mont. She was raised in Laurel, Mont., and graduated from high school there in 1938. After attending business school in Spokane, Wash., she worked at the Yellowstone County Records office from 1939 to 1945. Martha loved to read, did a crossword puzzle daily and liked to play cards with a close group of friends. She also enjoyed bowling and bowled in several leagues for over 40 years, attending almost all state tournaments and some national tournaments as well. She was a member of the 600 Club and the Billings Women Bowling Hall of Fame.

On Oct. 17, 1945, she married John Daniel Gibb. They began married life in a home on Terry Ave. in Billings, moving to 2409 Pine St. in 1950, where they lived most of their lives. John was stricken with heart attacks in 1987 and 1989, and Martha cared for him in their home until his death in 1991.

Martha is survived by her four children, Ellen Marie Willis of Salem, who with her husband Bill provided loving care in her final

years, Katherine Elizabeth Walden (Patrick Hayes) of Rivulet, Mont., Daniel Geoffrey (Brenda) of Colorado Springs Colo., and John Patrick (Cheryl) of Monticello, Minn. Her sisters, Mary Ostwald of Laurel, Lydia Stratford of Billings and Helen Moore of Richland, Wash., also survive her, as well as eight grandchildren: Jennifer Willis (Matt Zeigler) of San Francisco, Jason Willis (Jennie) of Salem, Dr. Erika Gibb (Dave Deaton) of South Bend, Ind., Audrey Rizor of South Bend, Nathan Gibb of Monticello, Minn., Jared Gibb and John Gibb of Colorado Springs, Zach Hayes of Seattle; and one great-grandchild, Cassius Rizor of South Bend.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be scheduled in late May in Billings.

Remembrances may be made to Big Sky Hospice. Friends are encouraged to take a child bowling.

Jerry Gibson

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GILLETTE, Wyo. — Jerald Wayne Gibson, 61, died Sunday, Dec. 12, 2004, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette, of cancer.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 17, at the Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Church in Gillette. Burial will follow at Gillette's Mt. Pisgah Cemetery. Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel and one hour prior to the funeral service at the church.

Mertyn (Mert) Gibson

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 15 2004

LAUREL — Merlyn (Mert) Gibson, 53, of Laurel, died Saturday morning, Nov. 13, 2004, after a long illness.



**MERLYN
GIBSON**

Mert was one of a kind. He was born in Canton, S.D., and lived there for many years. Mert was in the 1st Cavalry, U.S. Army and served in Vietnam. For the past 15 years, he and his family lived in Billings, then Laurel. He was working as a sterile processing technician at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

He is survived by his wife, Carla; daughter, Amy and Amy's fiancé, Glynn Slaton; and sisters, Shirley White and Paula Odegard; and brother, Rick Gibson.

Mert was preceded in death by a brother, Charles; and his parents, Marlon (Gib) and Irene Nelson of Canton, S.D.

He will be truly missed by his family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16.

Mary Gibson

OCT 28 2004

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GREAT FALLS — Mary (Long) Gibson, 89, of 812 Eighth St. S., Great Falls, died Wednesday, Oct. 27, 2004, at Peace Hospice Residence Center, of natural causes.

Mary was born Nov. 29, 1914, in Roberts, where she was raised. She attended Cottonwood School in Roberts. Mary owned a pie shop in Great Falls, where she met her husband, Woody. She married James W. Gibson on Oct. 31, 1943. She lived in Great Falls the rest of her life. She was a domestic worker and caregiver. Mary was a member of Fairview Baptist.

Mary enjoyed cut work, sewing, gardening and embroidery. She was happiest with her hands in the dirt weeding or in the kitchen baking. She was famous for her apple pie and would never give out the recipe.

Mary is survived by her adopted son, Joe Hunter; sisters, Sylvia Hughes and Martha DeVries, both of Billings, and Verna DeVries of Roberts; brothers, Eric Long of Billings and Clifford Long of Roberts; and one grandchild. She is also survived by relatives and friends, nephews and nieces, Vernon Carter and Roy Carter; special friend and caregiver, Rea Thomas; special friend, Glenda Mylan; cousins, Bill and Margaret Long; and her four-legged friend Leo. She was preceded in death

by her parents; and her husband James Woody Gibson, September 1991.

Funeral will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 29, in the Croxson Funeral Home Rose Room in Great Falls. Graveside service and burial will be at 4 p.m. Friday, at Roberts Cemetery in Roberts.

Memorials may be sent to the American Cancer Society or Fairview Baptist Church.

Earl Gierke

POLSON — Earl Dale Gierke, 83, of Polson, died Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2004, at St. Joseph Hospital in Polson.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2005, at the IOOF Hall in Great Falls, 2509 15th St. NE (Havre Highway), Black Eagle. Grogan Funeral Home & Crematory of Polson is in charge.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 30 2004

Alice Gifford

POWELL, Wyo. — Alice Pearl Gifford, 73, died Saturday, March 6, 2004, at her daughter's home in Powell.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 10, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Lovell Cemetery.

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Edith 'Irene' Gilbertson

ROUNDUP — Edith "Irene" Gilbertson, 66, passed away Friday, Feb. 20, 2004, at Roundup Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

Irene was born to George and Edith J. Shepherd in Manitoba, Canada, on, July 19, 1937. She married Gordon O. Gilbertson on October 29, 1998, in Roundup, Montana.

Survivors include her husband, Gordon; her mother, Edith Dinger; stepfather, Fred Dinger; sister-in-law, Dixie Shepherd and nieces and nephews in British Columbia, Canada.

Irene was preceded in death by her father, George Shepherd, her brother, Eddy Shepherd of Rossland, B.C., Canada, and husband Ignatius J. Cushman of Sault St. Marie, Michigan.

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

Irene will be missed a lot by her family and friends. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Gilfeather

 DEC 19 2004
 GAZETTE

At the age of 41, Chuck Gilfeather died tragically in a heavy truck accident north of Missoula, Thursday, Dec. 16, 2004, while returning from a recent train-derailment.

Chuck was a seasoned employee of train wrecking with 16 years of experience; eight and a half years with Hulcher Professional Services, Inc.

Chuck was one of the fortunate few born in Petroleum County on May 26, 1963, enroute to Billings, Mont. At an early age the family moved to Billings from Conrad, Mont. Like his father, he developed a keen interest in 'muscle' cars, heavy equipment, mechanics and hard work at an early age. He also enjoyed spending time at the family ranch in Cat Creek, Mont. Chuck was also involved in Junior High School wrestling and football. Chuck graduated from Billings Senior High School in 1981.

On June 1, 1985, Chuck was united in marriage to Denise Turley in Billings. Chuck and Denise moved to Shepherd and raised three children. He encouraged his children to excel in sports and academics. He enjoyed paintball and was an avid Denver Bronco fan, but his primary focus was his family. Chuck was an avid supporter of

the Shepherd and Billings Wrestling Clubs, coaching and supporting his two sons through several State High School Wrestling Championships. Chuck was also involved coaching Little Guy football for several years, coaching the "Seahawks."

Forthright, hardworking and independent, Chuck was a fine example of a man and parent. With modesty and determination, he provided a wonderful example for his family.

Chuck is survived by his wife, Denise; son Daniel of Billings, daughter Nicole and son Tyler of the family home; his parents Donna Gilfeather of Billings, Thom Gilfeather of Shepherd, brother Larkin (Charna) of Shepherd, sisters Patsy (Larry) Rasch of Clancy, Montana, Jackie (Weston) Barnes of Jefferson City, Mont., Donna Lynn (Mark) Campbell of Parker, Colo., Bob (Candace) of Billings; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Celebration of Chuck's life will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2004, at the Shepherd High School. Burial will be on the family ranch north of Winnett.

Memorials may be made to any wrestling club or youth sporting organization in memory of Chuck Gilfeather.

Dahl Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Hope Gillette

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 24 2004

SIDNEY — Hope Gillette, 84, died Friday, Jan. 23, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center-Extended Care Facility.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Lonsdale United Methodist Church. Cremation will follow. Fulkerson Funeral Home is in charge.

Robert A. Gilliland

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. — Robert a. "Bob" Gilliland, 89, died Wednesday, April 7, 2004, at his home.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 10, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Thermopolis. Burial will follow in Monument Hill Cemetery. Mortimore Funeral Home of Thermopolis is in charge.

Jerry William Gillis

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MILES CITY — Jerry William Gillis, 73, died at his home, on July 9, 2004.

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Visitation will be held from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday, July 12, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held 10 a.m., Tuesday, July 13.

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NOV 21 2004

Leonard Lee Gilman

HELENA — Leonard Lee Gilman age 66, passed away with his family at his side in Helena, on Nov. 20, 2004, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Leonard was born on June 28, 1938, in Harlem, Mont. to Lawrence and Helen Gilman. He was a graduate of Saco High School, Class of 1956. Leonard married Patricia Hanson on May 27, 1961. During their marriage they had two children, Barry, now residing in Helena and Corey, residing in Billings. His daughter-in-laws are JoAnn (Gies) Gilman formerly of Glasgow and Dawn (Bergstrom) Gilman formerly of Nashua. His five precious grandchildren are Nathan, Aaron and Kaleigh of Helena and Ashley and Tyler of Billings.

Leonard was preceded in death by his parents and Brother Roy. He is survived by his sister Lorna Freeman of Carrollton,



**LEONARD
GILMAN**

Texas and his brother Bob of Grand Forks, N.D.

His devotion to duty and his country was evident by his service in the United States Marine Corps from 1956-1960 and the Montana Army National Guard from 1980-1998.

He worked for the Coca Cola Bottling Company and Montana State Job Service before he found his dream job in working for the Montana Army National Guard as a Training NCO and later serving as Recruiting and Retention for fourteen years. His lifetime dream came true last October when the Billings Gazette featured Leonard and his sons for their recruiting excellence.

After retiring from the Montana Army National Guard in 1998, Leonard started driving chartered buses for Rimrock Stages. He was a driver of great demand because of his customer service and sense of humor.

Three years ago he started working at Canyon Creek School as the facility manager. Yet, again he touched so many and put smiles on many of youth, while

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providing direction.

His love for his entire family, sense of humor and zest for life itself will be missed by many friends and family.

Funeral Services will be held at the Holy Rosary Catholic Church Wednesday, Nov. 24, at 2 p.m. Interment will take place at Fort Harrison in the spring.

John W. Girod

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y. —
John W. Girod, 53, died at his
Niagara Falls residence Friday,
Aug. 27, 2004. Husband of Carol
(Gamber) Girod; father of Lani
(Gamber-Girod) Stone of Gold
Bar, Wash. Friends 2-4 and 7-9
p.m. Wednesday at the Lane
Funeral Home Inc., 8622 Buffalo
Ave., Niagara Falls. Services 11
a.m. Thursday.

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EILEEN GOBIASKY and PEPPER

Eileen Theresa Riley Goblasky

Eileen Gobiasky, 76, of Billings, went to meet her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, Monday, Sept. 13, 2004, following a long struggle with rheumatoid arthritis.

The daughter of Hugh and Mary Ann Riley, Eileen was born June 26, 1928, in Brooklyn, N.Y. She attended St. Patrick's School and graduated from St. Joseph's High School. She moved to Lake Huntington, N.Y., in 1976, where she was the regional site manager of the office of aging. Following her retirement, she moved to Cody, Wyo., in 1991 to be near her son John. She has made her home in Billings since 2001.

She had been a member of Sunshine Senior Citizens and the Volunteer Ambulance Corp in Lake Huntington.

Eileen married Edward Gobiasky on June 25, 1949. He preceded her in death in 1979. Eileen was recently preceded in death by her faithful companion Pepper, who passed away Saturday, Sept. 4.

Survivors include her son John and his wife Shelly of Billings; grandchildren Phillip T. and Jack F. Griffin; a brother, John McNaboe of Huntington; an adopted daughter, Nancy LaCounte of Shepherd; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation will be held 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, followed by a memorial service at 2 p.m. Sunday, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Following cremation, the family will arrange interment at a later date.

Memorial may be made to Help for Homeless Pets, PO Box 1282, Billings, MT 59103.

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Victoria Lee Godbehere

Victoria Lee Godbehere was born April 30, 1954, in Omaha, Neb. She had been a resident of the Central Coast of California for most of her life. She left behind many friends to move to Billings in 1993 to be near family.

Vicki was the proud mother of her son, Matthew, who was the light of her life. She was especially excited in the last few weeks of her life by the birth of her first grandchild, Nicholas Matthew Godbehere. She had planned to visit them in June of this year; however, a tragic infection took her life May 7, 2004.

Vicki was a highly accomplished seamstress and crafts person, which were lifelong hobbies. She made her wedding dress and all four bridesmaids' dresses, and an adorable matching dress for her flower girl, step-granddaughter, Amy. She loved to read and to listen to music — especially Neil Diamond, Roger Whitaker and country music. She had an incredible ability to retain and recall entertainment facts. Vicki loved children and spent time baby-sitting and interacting with kids of all ages. She spent time with her niece and nephew, Megan and Justin Starr, and was

honorary "Grandma" to th many children of family an friends. She was a member of th Billings Seventh-day Adventis church.

Vicki worked as a bookkeepe and payroll clerk, which sh enjoyed very much. She volun teered as interim church secre tary, answering phones and typ ing the weekly bulletin. She mad many friends in the church dur ing this time.

Vicki was a loving daughter, mother, sister and aunt and many wonderful family occasions were celebrated during her time in Billings.

One of the happiest times in her life was the wedding of her son, Matthew, and she spent many weeks preparing for her trip to California. She glowed for many weeks after her return.

Vicki is survived by her moth- er and stepfather, Carol and Asa Hurd Jr. of Roundup; her son, Matthew (Dawn) Godbehere of Bakersfield, Calif.; stepdaughter Debbie (Mike) Berryhill and fam- ily of Bermuda Dunes, Calif.; sis- ters, Cathie Hurd Ralph of Norco, Calif., Julee Godbehere of

Arroyo Grande, Calif., Alisha Hurd (Brian) Starr of Laurel; brothers Asa Hurd III of Sunland, Calif., Anthony Godbehere of Tucson, Ariz., Bruce (Holly) Hurd of Vista, Calif., Barry Godbehere of Salt Lake City, Chris (Dawn) Hurd of Roundup; one grandson, Nicholas Matthew Godbehere; numerous "adopted" grandchildren; 13 nieces and nephews; lifelong friend, Cindy (Danny) Gregory and family of Grover Beach, Calif.; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins. She was preceded in death by her husband, Nestor Joseph Silveira; aunt Betty Amsler; and step-daughter, Lynn Farrell.

The family wishes to thank the wonderful staff of the Deaconess Hospital ICU, and doctors Paul Byorth, Steve Peterson and Spike Pueringer for their efforts to save Vicki's life and for the care they showed to us and our dear Vicki.

A celebration of Vicki's life will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12, at the Seventh-day Adventist Church, 3200 Broadwater Ave. Interment of her urn will follow at the Laurel Cemetery.

We look forward to the resurrection morning when we will be reunited and spend eternity together.

Frank Eugene Goble

Frank E. Goble, age 70, of Billings, passed away on June 13, 2004, at his home, with his loving wife, Mary, and Si at his side.

Frank was born on July 10, 1933, in Lingle, Wyo., to Albert and Frances Goble. Upon graduating from high school in Morrill, Neb., Frank joined the United States Navy. Frank proudly served aboard the USS

L.F. Mason, a destroyer, during the Korean War. He was honorably discharged from the Navy in May of 1954. Frank married Ellen Lillie in 1955 and they had two children: Si and Natalie.

Frank was involved in the transportation industry throughout his life, from being a driver to management. He drove everything from buses for Trailways Bus Lines to long haul trucking with Raymond Corcoran. Frank ended his driving career working part-time for Rimrock Stages where he thoroughly enjoyed driving charter buses, especially for Skyview High School teams.

Frank was an avid sportsman who enjoyed camping, fishing,



**FRANK
GOBLE**

boating, hunting, skiing and bicycling. Mary and Frank were married Feb. 14, 1986, in Cody, Wyo. They enjoyed the Montana sunshine and outdoor life.

Frank was from a large family and he was the youngest of six children. His parents and siblings precede him.

His wife, Mary; his son Si and grandson Zachary; and daughter Natalie Rudolph and grandsons Dustin and Travis survive him. Two stepdaughters, Christine (Jeff) Mathis and their children Cecily and Declan and Lori (John) Emmett also survive him.

Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday June 18, at the American Legion Post 4, 1540 Broadwater Ave., with food and fellowship immediately following.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the USMC Toys for Tots Program.

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DEAN E. GODFREY

ROUNDUP — Dean Godfrey, 95, passed away at the Roundup Memorial Nursing Home on March 12, 2004. Dean was courageous to the end; giving up wasn't in his life choices.

Dean B. Godfrey was born at the family home in Clarksville, Ark., in 1908. In the fall of 1920, two years after his dad had died, Dean and his mother, Paralee, moved to



**DEAN
GODFREY**

Montana. Although his mother moved back to Arkansas the very next year, Dean stayed on as a hired hand on a ranch in Hysham.

Alone at the age of 13 he learned to be tough, independent and very hard working. Dean did everything from herding 1,500 turkeys, raising chickens, to working in a mine. The chicken business was short-lived when a Yellowstone River ice jam drowned all of his chickens. Mrs. Jacobs, a former egg customer of Dean's, hired him for a dollar per day on her Musselshell ranch. Dean then set up roots in the Musselshell area by marrying Vera Goffena, the daughter of Lou and Cecelia Goffena in 1934. In 1935, they purchased Ed Sudan's 160 acres on Fattig Creek and

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started ranching. Later they purchased more land in the area, and a ranch seven miles west of Roundup. They raised six kids during some tough years.

Dean's love was his family, hunting, feeding calves and music. In 1975, they sold the irrigated ranch and built a house in Roundup and moved to town to gardening, music and lots of friends. Dean was a great whistler, and when he baked pies or played the drums he would be whistling away and you knew he was happy. He was a member of the Roundup Methodist Church.

Dean was preceded in death by his father, William; mother Paralee; sister, Bettie; two brothers, Walter and Ansel and a niece, Betty Lou. Survivors include his wife of 69 years, Vera; daughters, Jean Bohiman and husband, Edwin, of Musseishell; Lynda Milliron and husband, Jim, of Helena; and four sons, Jerry and wife, Gloria, of Eugene, Ore.; Dale and wife, Jeanne, of Lewistown; Lynn and wife, Nancy, of Roundup; and Roger and wife, Linda, of Roundup; a nephew James of Roswell, New Mexico; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, grandnieces and nephews.

DIAN E. GOUTKY

Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m., on Monday, March 15, with a Prayer Service at 7 p.m. at Wier Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, March 16, at St. Benedict's Catholic Church with the Rev. Myrna L. Havner of United Methodist Church and Father Tony Schuster of St. Benedict's presiding. Burial will follow at Roundup City Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Roundup Memorial Hospital and Nursing Home. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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Ila Godfrey

Ila Marie Sigmon Godfrey, 64, of Billings, died Sunday, Sept. 26, 2004, at her home.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, at the Church of Christ of Latter-day Saints Laurel Ward. Interment will be in the Cowley, Wyo., Cemetery. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge.

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ILLA MARIE SIGMON GODFREY THE LOVELL
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Ila Marie Sigmon Godfrey died September 26, 2004, with her family present and her husband holding her hand.

Ila Marie Sigmon was born on February 5, 1940, the daughter of Victor Edwin and Mamie Bell (Dillon) Sigmon, on a farm at Deaver. She joined the family consisting of her parents and one brother, Lyle Melvin. An older sister, Ruth, died about six months after birth.

She lived at Deaver until after the first grade. During her school years, the family moved many times. It was not unusual for Ila to attend three different schools in one year. Ila was a soloist at her eighth grade graduation. In her high school years she was class secretary, member of the pep squad, cheerleader and majorette. She took many adult night courses, mostly in art. She excelled in her Spanish classes.

In 1957 she met Gene Peterson Godfrey. They were united in matrimony August 22, 1958 at the Church of Jesus Christ

of Latter-day Saints in Cowley. To this union, four children were born: Alan, Trent, Brian and Karie.

On October 15, 1966, she was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She



Ila Marie Godfrey

was active in church and taught Sunday school. She spent five years devoted to cub scouting, first as a den mother and later doing volunteer work for the Yellowstone Valley Council of Boy

Scouts of America.

She had many hobbies including oil painting, crocheting, sewing, punch embroidery, lapidaries, rock hunting and family history. She loved outdoor events such as camping, hiking, fishing, skiing, golfing, rock hunting and exploring the outdoors. She taught all her children to ski. Her approach to any hobby was to thoroughly learn about it. She became skilled at anything she set her mind to.

In 1991 she and her husband purchased their dream place in the country. At first her dream was the peace and quiet of the country. Then Ila discovered her love for animals. They acquired all kinds of animals, including llamas.

A positive person that never sat around complaining, she developed breast cancer in 1992. After an operation, she appeared cured. Then in 1999 the cancer reappeared, and during the next five and a half years she took chemotherapy. During her illness, many people remarked what a beautiful attitude she had.

Ila was preceded in

death by her father, Victor E. Sigmon, and one sister, Ruth Sigmon.

She is survived by her husband, Gene; three sons, Alan (Tammy) Godfrey, Trent (Jessie) Godfrey and Brian Godfrey, all of Billings; one daughter, Karie Godfrey of Billings; her mother, Mamie Sigmon of Deaver, and her brother, Lyle Sigmon. She is also survived by grandsons Nicholas and Daniel Godfrey and Cale Teske and granddaughters Christina Harn and Hailey Teske, all of Billings.

Funeral services were held Thursday, September 30, 2004 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Laurel Ward with interment following at the Cowley Cemetery.

Veronica Mercedes Godfrey

ROUNDUP — Vera Godfrey, 94, of Roundup, passed away Monday morning, June 21, 2004, at the Roundup Memorial Hospital.

Vera was born in Idaho Falls, Idaho, Dec. 4, 1909. When she was 5 months old, her parents, brothers and she traveled on a boxcar with everything they owned to Musselshell County, where she would live the rest of her life. There, she lived on a ranch east of Roundup until she married Dean Godfrey. They moved only a few miles away and started life together, ranching and raising their family of four boys and two girls. In 1956, they bought a ranch seven miles west of Roundup and lived there until they retired and moved to Roundup in 1975. Vera was a lifetime member of the Roundup Ridge Riders, where she was well known for her taffy making throughout the area; Delphia Home Demonstration Club; Goulding Creek Club; St. Benedict's Altar Society; and Roundup Women's Club. She



**VERA
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enjoyed her retirement year: traveling and entertaining family and friends with music, dancing and lots of wonderful home cooking.

Vera was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Dean; grandsons, Brian Hall and Larry Roe; granddaughter, Joy Godfrey; and brothers Paul, Wilbur and Louis Goffena. Survivors include brothers Robert, Wesley and Jerome Goffena; daughters Jean Bohlman (Edwin) of Musselshell, Lynda Milliron (Jim) of Helena; sons, Jerry (Gloria) of Eugene, Ore., Dale (Jeanne) of Lewistown, Lynn (Nancy) of Roundup and Roger (Linda) of Roundup; 18 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

Viewing will be at Wier Funeral Home on Wednesday, June 23, from 3 to 6 p.m. Closed casket vigil services for Vera M. Godfrey will be held on June 23, at 7 p.m., at St. Benedict's Catholic Church. Closed casket funeral services will be held Thursday, June 24, at 10 a.m., at St. Benedict's, with Father Tony

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Schuster presiding. Burial will follow at New Roundup City Cemetery. A luncheon will follow burial in the church basement.

Vera will be fondly remembered for her strong faith, optimistic outlook on life and her love of a good visit.

Memorials may be made to Roundup Memorial Hospital and Nursing Home.

Wier Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Phyllis J. Godsey

HILGER — Phyllis J. Godsey, 73, of Hilger, died Friday, March 19, 2004, at her home.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 24, in the Lewistown City Cemetery. Cloyd Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

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Evelyn E. Goebel

Evelyn E. Goebel, 80, of Billings, passed away on June 10, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic. She was born in Gordon, Neb., on Sept. 11, 1923, to Clarence and Cleo (Bebout) Fitzer. Her family later moved to North Dakota where she went to school and met her future husband, Robert Goebel.

Evelyn and Bob were married in 1940. They had four children while living in North Dakota, and in 1954, the family moved to Billings. Evelyn's husband Bob passed away in 1993, after over 50 years of marriage. She

resided in her home for the 10 years to follow, until moving to West Park Retirement Villa in April of this year. It was here where Evelyn could do what she loved most, socializing with people.

She enjoyed playing Bingo, having her hair done, and traveling around town on the West Park shuttle with Tim. In her younger years, she enjoyed dancing, camping, boating and fishing with her husband and family. She also loved reading, listening to



**EVELYN
GOEBEL**

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country music and spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was an active volunteer and enjoyed helping at Family Services and at the airport.

Evelyn is survived by her four children, Daryl (Teresa) Goebel of Philipsburg, Sandy (Tom) Neibauer of Surprise, Ariz., Bonnie (Casey) Slough of Billings and Sherry (Roger) Thompson of Loveland, Colo.; brothers, Marvin (Lillian) Clementich of Burlington, N.D., and Robert (Betty) Clementich of Spokane, Wash.; sisters, Virginia (Ed) Rudolf of Billings, Dorothy (Ralph) Volk of Wisconsin, Marie Duhamel of Spokane, Phyllis Elixman of Spokane and Gladys (Wally) Holter of Minot, N.D.; grandchildren, Julie Goebel, Tammy (Jeff) Anderson, Thomas (Cheri) Neibauer, Robert Neibauer, Angie (Dan) Paris, Ted Slough, Duane Isom and Daniel Isom; great-grandchildren Kolbi Andersen, Taylor Andersen, Bailee Andersen, Treyton Andersen, Madisyn Neibauer, Delaini Neibauer and Reagan Paris.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Bob; brother, Ed Fitzer and grandson, Rodney Goebel.

Memorial services will take place at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 15, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, with family inurnment at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to Family Services Inc., 1824 First Ave. N., Billings, MT 59101.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

DUNMORE — Clement "Clem" Goes Ahead, 75, of Dunmore, devoted husband, father, brother and uncle passed away Friday, Oct. 29, 2004, in the Billings Deaconess Hospital.

Issaxchise's axpawachish "Sits with the Hawk" was born May 6, 1929, in Pryor, a son of George Goes Ahead and Sarah Weasel High Up. He grew up and received his education in Pryor. In the 1940's, he used his carpentry talents to construct a family home, a talent he passed on to his family. He broke and trained horses for several years. In his early years, he lived and worked in Pryor area, worked for Great Western Sugar in Billings and later as a maintenance man for the Stands and Stewart Crow Tribal administrations.



CLEMENT GOES AHEAD

He married Regina Walks Over Ice on Sept. 2, 1963, in Sheridan, Wyo. and the couple made their home in the Dunmore area. The couple had great hospitality for everyone who entered their home. His traditional sweat lodge was always available on Sunday and Wednesday.

Clem was a traditional Crow

man who took great pride in his heritage, often enjoying Crow social events including, powwows and hand games. He was a devoted member of the St. Dennis Catholic Church, Greasy Mouth Clan, a child of the Big Lodge clan and the Tobacco Society. Clem was a descendent of Chief Plenty Coups, who took pride while participating in the annual Chief Plenty Coups Day of Honor. He was also a board member of the Plenty Coups Museum board.

He was a respected elder and statesman, who proudly represented the Black Lodge District within the Crow legislature. He was often sought after for advice. In his free time, he enjoyed traveling, the outdoors and family gatherings. He was an avid supporter of the Plenty Coups and Hardin High School basketball teams.

His parents, sisters, Mary Dawes, Rose Turns Plenty and Beulah DeCrane and brothers, Hank Bull Chief, Thomas DeCrane and Vincent Goes Ahead, Sr. preceded Clem in death.

Survivors include his wife, Regina; three sons, Carl and Blanche Goes Ahead of Billings, Sam and Cara Bull Shows and Carson and Ava Bell Rock of

Hardin; his adopted son, Bob Kelly; five daughters, Carlene and Eric Grey Bull, Carlene and Gloria Goes Ahead of Dunmore, Sarah and Henry Small of Rotten Grass and Denise Goes Ahead of Billings; his step-daughters, Kathleen and Que Three Irons of Dunmore and Melvina Dawes of Crow Agency; his sisters, Josephine Whiteman of Pryor, Gloria Cummins of Lodge Grass, Agnes and Larry Pretty Weasel of Crow Agency and Charlene Laverdure of Billings; his brothers, Charlie and Gladys DeCrane, Sylvester and Ruby Goes Ahead and David and Lenora Turns Plenty, Sr. of Pryor; adopted sister, Sarah Pretty Paint, adopted brother, Arlin Stewart; 31 grandchildren; 24 great grandchildren; and his adopted children, Fr. Jim Antoine, Deacon Joe and wife, Shirley Kristufek, Arlo Dawes, Manford Walks, Carl Alden, Melville Stops, Aubrey Good Luck, Frank Hugs, Jr., Clement Cummins, Ada Bends, Gema Stewart, Edwina and Carl Venne, Alma and Henry Real Bird, Myra Gros Ventre, Robert Nomee, Bill and Georgia Joseph, Vincent Goes Ahead, Jr., Muriel Holt, Rich Furber, Brian Blaine and Lisa Frost; his beloved nieces and nephews, whom he truly loved and always had a concern for them; his Tobacco Society brother and sisters, Larson Medicine Horse, Deanna LaForge and Rosemary Dawes; as well as members of his extended family

including the Lion Shows, Miami Bull, House, Charges Strong-Wilson, Morrison, Old Horn, Big Lake, Wall, Jefferson and the Smith family from N.D.

Our family is large; if we have missed you, please accept our apology.

Rosary will be recited 4 p.m., Tuesday, in the Bullis Funeral Chapel.

Funeral Mass will be celebrated 9 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 3, in the Crow Agency St. Dennis Catholic Church. Rite of Committal will follow in the Goes Ahead Family Cemetery in Pryor. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Sterling Paul Goffaux BILLINGS GAZETTE

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CODY, Wyo. — Sterling Paul Goffaux, 18 months old, of Cody, passed away Saturday, March 27, 2004, in Riverton. He was born Sept. 3, 2002, the son of Paul R. and Sherry L. (Corson) Goffaux.

Sterling brought out the kindness and compassion in everybody. He was a messenger angel.

His survivors include his parents, Paul and Sherry Goffaux; a brother, Edward; and a sister, Marina, all of Cody; grandparents, Larry and J.K. Corson of Riverton, Lynn Goffaux of Powell and Ed Goffaux of California; and guardians Warren and Kate Murphy of Cody. Also many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral services for Sterling Paul Goffaux will be at 2 p.m. Friday, April 2, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Cody Stake Center, with Bishop Kim Slight conducting services. The casket will be open one hour prior to services. Interment will follow in Riverside Cemetery in Cody.

Scott Mitchell 'Aonghus' Goforth

TRICITIES GAZETTE

JUN 07 2004

Scott Mitchell "Aonghus" Goforth passed away Friday morning in Billings following a motorcycle accident. He was born in Deer Lodge Dec. 30, 1972, to Edward and Vickie (Ruttenbur) Goforth. He attended schools in Butte. Scott was a guy that lived the life that nobody realized was ideal; he got a chance to work his dream job where he got paid to play video games and watch TV. He was also the assistant manager at a fun park and floor manager at a carpet store. Scott lived by each day and spent every penny he had on the little things that nobody else noticed. His life revolved around reading, trinkets, toys, video games, guns and computers. He was the guy who could break just about, anything and fix everything. Scott was a proud member of the Society for Creative Anachronisms where his claim to fame was always missing the good stuff.

He loved muscle cars, movies, languages, debating, playing paintball, cards, taking road trips and being busy doing the things that were important to him and missed by the rest. He never carried a wallet but instead realized the value of an Altoids box that could always be straightened and

never really wore out. More than anything he liked to be with his friends and family, all of which he somehow found time to be with. His greatest fascination was with flying, and he dreamed of some day building an airplane or perhaps even a jet. He will now fly high above the Earth, in the clouds and in our memories. If there is such a thing as guardian angels then we should feel blessed right now. Fly high little buddy, fly high!

He is survived by his mother, Vickie Hawkins and her companion, Bill Opie of Butte; his father, Edward Goforth of the Tri Cities area; brother, Shawn Goforth and his companion, Angel; step-father, Bill Hawkins of Butte; grandparents, Mouse and Erna Ruttenbur of Butte; aunts and uncles, Todd and Tami Hoar of Butte, Bill and Jeni Alger of Helena, Ted and Bonnye Ruttenbur of Dillon, and Bill and Debbie Saunders of McMinnville, Ore.; nieces and nephews including Ali Rai Orr and her mother, Shawna of Great Falls; and his

closest friends, Josh, Michelle, Craig, Thor, Till, Wes and Kevin.

He is preceded in death by his sister, Shana M. Goforth who passed away Sept. 22, 1994.

Cremation has taken place in Billings. Memorial services will be conducted 2 p.m. Wednesday afternoon in Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park.

James 'Jim' B. Gohn

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MODESTO, Calif. — James "Jim" B. Gohn, 61, of Modesto, died Sunday, July 11, 2004, of esophageal cancer.

Jim was a native of Billings. He was a graduate of Billings Central Catholic High School in 1961 and Eastern Montana College in 1968. He taught school in Roberts, Mont. He married Janice Miller of Bismarck, N.D., in 1970. She preceded him in death on May 14, 2004. Jim was a vending broker for ATNIP Company for the past 15 years.

He was also preceded in death by his parents, Harry and Frances Gohn of Billings, and his in-laws, Ann and Joe Miller of Mandan, N.D.

Jim is survived by their son, Bryan A. Gohn, 17, of Modesto, his sister, Nancy (Roy) Pilot of Dearborn Hts., Mich.; his brothers, Philip of Billings and Larry of Rochester, N.Y.; his aunts, Jane Garrity and Mary McLaughlin, both of Great Falls, Mont., and Fern (Mel) Strauch of Billings; his sister-in-law, Kitty Zenker of Mandan; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

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A memorial service will be held at noon on Monday, Aug. 2, at Unity Church, 2467 Veneman Ave., Modesto.

Remembrances may be made to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107; Community Hospice, 601 McHenry Ave., Modesto, CA 95350; St. Patrick's Church, 215 N. 31st St., Billings, MT 59101.

Margaret F. Golberg

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RUDYARD — Margaret F. (Hiler) Golberg, 85, of Rudyard, died Sunday, June 6, 2004, at the Northern Montana Care Center in Havre.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 10, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Rudyard. Burial will follow in the Rudyard Cemetery. Rockman Funeral Chapel of Chester is in charge.

Lee Michael Golden

MERLIN, Ore. — Lee Michael Golden, 64, of Merlin, died Friday, March 19, 2004, at his home.

Mike was born May 11, 1939, in Los Angeles. He grew up in Miles City, Mont., graduating from Custer County High School in 1957. He continued his formal education at Cal-Tech, where he graduated in 1963.

He married Karen Nelson of Forsyth, Mont., Aug. 10, 1958, and they had three wonderful children: Caryn Lita Atkins, Ruskin William Golden and Michael Shannon Golden.

Mike was gifted in that he was able to be accomplished at so many different work disciplines and enjoyed them all. He moved to Grants Pass, Ore., from San Jose, Calif., in 1995.

He enjoyed reading, gardening, woodworking and the great outdoors. Mike had a special love for nature and animals, especially his dogs.

Mike is survived by his children; his former wife, Karen Oman; sister, Ruth Caekaert and brothers, Ruskin Golden and Frank Golden.

Mike was preceded in death by his sister, Leta Dell; and his parents, Ruth Mary and Ruskin Golden.

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Family and friends are invited to meet at Stevenson's Funeral Home in Miles City at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 25. We will all then travel to the Golden family grave site in Custer County Cemetery for a graveside service with the Hon. Rev. Mavis of the Trinity Lutheran church officiating. A lunch and reception will follow in the church basement.

JOSEPH ADAM GOLLMYER

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 23 2004

ORANGE PARK, Fla. — Joseph Adam Gollmyer, 88, passed away at his home in Orange Park Jan. 8, 2004.

He was born in Billings, and retired from the Northern Pacific Railroad. He was a member of Wesconnett Assembly of God.

Mr. Gollmyer was preceded in death by his wife, Ella, who passed away in August, 2002.

Survivors include his son, Robert E. Gollmyer and wife Jane of Orange Park; two daughters, JoAnn (Gollmyer) Loughridge and husband, Everett of Belton, Mo., and Sharon Gollmyer of Orange Park; two sisters, Bertha Friedman and Betty Ann Schieno; 12 grandchildren, and 18 great-grandchildren.

Jeanette Eileen Gomer

Eileen Gomer, 81, died Saturday, May 1, 2004, at Billings Health and Rehabilitation Community.

Eileen was born March 17, 1923, in Bridger, to Roy and Margaret (Bouton) Poole.

She married Herman Gomer, Aug. 31, 1946.

She is survived by husband Herman; son Larry (Sally); and grandsons Preston and Christopher.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 5, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery. Inurnment will be private.

Manuel Gonzales

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 19 2004

LODGE GRASS — Manuel Gonzales, 75, died Dec. 18, 2004, in Billings.

Rosary will be recited 4 p.m. Monday in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Lodge Grass Our Lady of Loretto Catholic Church. Interment will follow in the Lodge Grass Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

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LODGE GRASS — Manuel C. Gonzales, 75, of Lodge Grass passed away Saturday, Dec. 18, 2004, in the Billings Horizon Hospice Home.

He was born May 29, 1929, in Los Angeles, a son of Victor and Julie Gonzales. He grew up and received his education in Los Angeles. In 1963, he met the love of his life, Daisy Mae Old Dwarf, in Ontario, Ore. and they were married. She died in 1994.

Manuel worked for several area ranches including the Little Horn, Westwood and most recently the Murdock ranch.

The passion of his life was being a Los Angeles Dodgers fan, "true to them to the end." He was a gentle person, who was known to be kind to all who knew him.

Survivors include his two sons, Dennis (Antoinette) and Wallace (Tara) Old Dwarf Gonzales; Zackery Old Dwarf, a grandson he raised as his own; God-daughter, Ryanna Pretty on Top; his brothers, Anastasio and Ray Gonzales; a sister, Delores Gonzales; his grandchildren, Lark, Pearl Jo, Antonio, Jack, Paige, Allan and Julia; his nephews whom he loved as his own; as well as his special friends, the Walks and Wallace boys.

Rosary will be recited at 4 p.m. Monday in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Funeral mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Lodge Grass Our Lady of Loretto

Catholic Church. Interment will follow in the Lodge Grass Cemetery.

Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Toma's Gonzales

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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HARDIN — Our son, Toma's Russell Gonzales, entered into Heaven July 9, 2004, at the University of New Mexico Children's Hospital in Albuquerque, due to a sudden illness.

He was born on Mothers Day, May 14, 2000, in Shiprock, N.M., a son of Joseph and Angelena Gonzales of Hardin. His sisters are



**TOMA'S
GONZALES**

Santanna, Esperanza and Cruzes A. Gonzales.

Toma's attended the Hardin Headstart School. He loved school and was eager to learn. He enjoyed reading and collecting books. He was fascinated with superheroes, including Spiderman, Ninja Turtles, Superman, Curious George, Dinosaurs, Dora the Explorer and Spongebob.

He was our real life superhero who showed his beam of sunshine and made friends wherever he went. He always thought of others and was comfort to those who were hurting and gave them his smile and made them forget their worries. He was helpful and indeed his touch gave happiness and joy to many. Toma's touched so many people and has accom-

plished so much in his short time on earth. He traveled to many places, visited museums, enjoyed visiting the library, fishing with his father, playing with his numerous cousins, flying in airplanes and had one last flight on a helicopter. He did more than most people would do in a lifetime. He was our sweetheart and now is God's soldier.

He was preceded in death by Ben, Erin, Angelo M. and Lena M. Lewis, Robert S. Adams, Mary Joe, Charles, Sherry and James Curtis Anderson, Mona Garcia, Sada Molina, Henry, Ramona and Cruz Gonzales.

Survivors include his parents and sisters of Hardin; his grandparents, Annie M. Lewis, Russell and Henrietta Lewis, Archie Begay, Rebecca Anderson and Joe Gonzales, Sr., his great-grandmothers, Elsie Anderson and Jeanie Gonzales; his aunts, Michele, Rowena, Rustina, Rychelle and Heather Lewis, Alicia Crosby, Ernestine Joyner, Altaleigh Ellsworth, Rhonda Burcham, Deanna and JoAnna

Anderson, Lidia Corchado;
Francis Garcia, Delores
Hernandez, Kayla and Shelly
Gonzales; his uncles, Christopher
Teller, Russell Lewis, Jr., Terry
Biggs, Clint, Henry, Henry Joe and
Henry Gonzales, Jr., Curtis, Tim,
Gary, Robert, Mark and Joel
Anderson.

Funeral services will be held 11
a.m. Friday, July 16, in the Bullis
Funeral Chapel. Interment will
follow in the Hardin Fairview
Cemetery.

Bullis Mortuary has been
entrusted with the arrangements.

Should friends desire, memor-
ial donations may be made to the
Dine Christian Center, Box 3319
Shiprock, NM 87420.

Kenneth Lloyd 'Ken' Good

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WHITEFISH — Kenneth Lloyd "Ken" Good, of Whitefish, passed away on Sept. 21, 2004, as the result of injuries sustained in a plane crash on Mount Liebig, while in the pursuit of one of his many passions, the repair and maintenance of communications equipment in the Bob Marshall Wilderness as an employee of the U.S. Forest Service.



KEN GOOD

Ken was born on Dec. 29, 1945, to Lloyd R. Good and Randi Alvida Good in Williston, N.D.

The family moved to Billings, where Ken attended and graduated from Billings West High School in 1964. He then attended Montana State University in Bozeman. Ken enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1966 while working for the Forest Service on a trail crew in Glacier National Park. Ken's four-year tour of duty was spent in Europe, mostly in Germany.

Following his service to his country, in 1971, Ken received advanced education at the School of Forestry and Engineering at the University of Montana, where he met the love of his life, Wanda

Jolliffe. Ken and Wanda were married on Jan. 22, 1972. They have two sons, Craig Phillip Good of Hawaii and Bradley James Good of Whitefish.

Ken, like his father, was a lifetime U.S. Forest Service employee. He started in Billings, at the Custer National Forest in 1971, transferred to the Glacier View District in Columbia Falls in 1976, and to the Flathead National Forest in Kalispell in 1981 until present, where he was a communications technician. Ken was looking forward to his well deserved retirement this winter.

Ken was devoted to his family first; his job second and had an insatiable passion for his hobbies: trains and photography. When he wasn't following his growing sons' many activities, Ken could be found following, researching and photographing trains of all sorts just about anywhere.

Ken was a walking encyclopedia about trains and their history, which led him to one of his proudest accomplishments, which was finding and refurbishing to exact detail the historic engine, GN 181, at Depot Square in Whitefish. He was an active member of the Glacier Camera Club and the Stumptown Historical Society. Ken could always be counted on by his neigh-

bors to be the first and the best snowblower in his cul-de-sac.

Ken was preceded in death by his parents, Lloyd R. Good and Randi Alvida Good.

Ken is survived by his wife, Wanda, at the family home; his sons, Craig and Brad; his sister, Nancy Leiniuse of Lacy, Wash.; his father and stepmother-in-law, Jim and Lynne Jolliffe of Polson; his mother-in-law, Dolores Falcon of Tioga, N.D. Ken is also survived by several aunts and uncles and nieces and nephews. Ken also leaves behind countless friends.

A memorial celebration of Ken's life will be held at the Christ Lutheran Church on Kalispell Ave. in Whitefish on Monday, Sept. 27, at 2 p.m. Immediately following the service, there will be a reception at the Rocky Mountain Lodge on Highway 93 South in Whitefish, hosted by the Forest Service in Ken's honor.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be sent to the Stumptown Historical Society, at 500 Depot St., Suite 101, Whitefish, MT 59937.

Funeral arrangements are through Austin Funeral Home of Whitefish.

Joseph Howe Good

LOVELL, Wyo. — Joseph Howe Good, 81, of Lovell, died Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Lovell. Burial will follow in the Lovell Cemetery.

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Linda Jane (Quale) Goodale

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GLENDIVE — Linda Jane (Quale) Goodale, age 63, of Glendive, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, June 6, 2004, with her sisters and companion at her side, following a hard-fought battle with lung disease.

Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 12, in the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive, with Pastor Paul Everett officiating. Interment will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Linda was born on April 17, 1941, to Sarah Jane Quale at Wibaux. She married Gordon E. Goodale on Sept. 12, 1959. They lived in Wibaux, Beach, Glendive, Rawlins, Wyo., and Roosevelt, Utah. Linda has made her home in Glendive since January 1999.

Linda was a member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary. She enjoyed sewing, gardening, and was an avid TV watcher of any home, garden, crafts, sewing or



**LINDA
GOODALE**

quilting show.

Preceding her in death are her husband, Gordon, on Jan. 16, 1994; a great-granddaughter in October, 2003; her mother, Sarah Jane Smith on Nov. 30, 2003; brothers-in-law and nephews.

She is survived by her special companion, Larry Melton, of Glendive; her daughter, Cindy (Lloyd) Baum and their children, Shilo (Ethan) Tucker, Sierra, Trinity and Travis of Roosevelt, Utah; two sons, Gordon E. (Leah) Goodale Jr. and their children, Angela, Sarah, Joey, Sonnie and Chloe of Meridian, Idaho, Michael Goodale and his daughter, Kira of Roosevelt, Utah; her sisters, Wanda Crawford and Brenda (Richard) Sadorf, all of Glendive; her brother, Burton (Sue) Hitchcock of Palmyra, N.; great-granddaughter, Sadie Ann Tucker, numerous nephews, nieces, sisters-in-law, aunt and cousins.

Memorials are suggested to the Glendive Medical Center Foundation, 202 Prospect Drive, Glendive, MT 59330 or the charity of the donor's choice.

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

Adeline A. Goodan

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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LEWISTOWN — Adeline A. Goodan, 74, of Lewistown, died Thursday, July 8, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 14, at the Cloyd Funeral Home Chapel in Lewistown. At her request, cremation has taken place.

Andrea Good Luck

CROW AGENCY — Andrea Good Luck, 53, of Crow Agency, left us on Christmas Day, 2004, to be with our Lord Jesus Christ. She was a cancer survivor the first time, but the second time around, Andrea succumbed to the good fight.

She was born March 29, 1951, in Crow Agency, a daughter of Louis Good Luck Sr. and Alice Iron. She attended school in Wyola, Lodge Grass, Little Big Horn College and Eastern Montana College. She left us with good memories as a young girl, who was exuberant and enthusiastic, who matured into a beautiful tall woman. She was always laughing and chuckling with friends, especially kids. She became a young grandmother who showed compassion and love for her children and grandchildren.

Andrea was a member of the Pentecostal Church, Ties the Bundle Clan and a child of the Piegan Clan. She was a true believer in Christ and attended many churches including the Crow Agency Spirit of Life, Billings Full Gospel Tabernacle, Wyola and Lodge Grass Baptist churches. She attended several



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evangelistic church conferences in California, Colorado, Minnesota and New Mexico, which brought comfort and blessings to her and her family.

No distance was too far nor was it ever too late for Andrea to drive to Crow Agency, Pryor, Wyola, Lodge Grass, Dunmore, Fort Smith, Billings or Gallup, N.M., to visit her many friends.

Those who passed on before her include her mother and a brother, Gary.

Survivors include her daughter, Lona Lee Fritzler of Billings; two sons, Darren and Elvin Fritzler of Lodge Grass; her father, Louis Good Luck, Sr. of Wyola; her sisters, Joyce Good Luck of Crow Agency, Aneda Hill and LaVonne Spotted Horse of Wyola; her brothers, Clinton, Johnny Lee and Louis Good Luck, Jr. of Wyola; four grandchildren whom she raised as her own, Tahneya, Natasha, Kyle and Jessie LaForge; seven grandchildren; as well as members of her extended family, including the Iron, Three Irons, Brass, Otter Stays In the Water, Star, Bright Wings, Black Eagle, Dust, Hunts the Arrow, Covers Up, Little Owl, Goes Ahead and Walks Over the Ice

families, who will miss her at camp meetings, picnics and excursions into the mountains.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 29, at the Apsaalooke Center in Crow Agency. Interment will follow in the Lodge Grass Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Gordon L. Goodmay

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 27 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Gordon "Gordie" L. Goodmay, 77, of Sheridan, died Tuesday, May 25, 2004, at Sheridan Memorial Hospital.

A rosary will be at 7 p.m. Monday, May 31, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 1, at Holy Name Catholic Church. Interment will follow in the Sheridan Elks Cemetery.

Hal J. Goodsell

1922 — 2004

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 26 2004

ABSAROKEE — Hal J. Goodsell, of Absarokee, passed away at age 82 on May 21, 2004, after an extended illness.

He was born to Gus and Ila Goodsell on May 1, 1922, in Homer, Neb. He attended schools in Homer and Dakota City, Neb., graduating from Dakota City High School in 1940. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War I. He married Arlene Utemark in Emerson, Neb., on Aug. 21, 1944. After the war, he returned to northeast Nebraska, where three children were born to the union and he was an independent well driller in Emerson. After leaving Emerson in 1950, he sold irrigation and well supplies for Dempster Pumps and Fairbury Pipe and Supply in Omaha and McCook, Neb. In 1966, he became a pipefitter for Union Pacific Railroad in North Platte, Neb. After his retirement in 1984, he and Arlene relocated to the Fountain of Youth Spa in southern California. They often spent summers visiting son Alan Goodsell of Absarokee, and finally decided to make Absarokee their permanent home in 1999.

Hal enjoyed life and filled his free time with activities, particularly Nebraska football, boating

and fishing, motorcycles and building model trains. At his death, he was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church and Absarokee and the American Legion Post #0163 of North Platte Neb.

Survivors include his wife Arlene; daughter Nancy Goodsell and son Alan (Terri), all of Absarokee; daughter Mary Kennedy of Henderson, Nev.; four grandchildren, Todd Goodsell (Donna) of Greeley, Colo., Jaime Goodsell of Englewood, Colo., Tracy (Brenda) Kennedy and Erika Kennedy of Simi Valley, Calif. Four great-grandchildren also survive him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Gus and Ila Goodsell; his sister, Marvyl Brown of Sioux City, Iowa; and his brother, Paul Goodsell of Dakota City.

Services will be held at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Absarokee on Friday, May 28, at 11 a.m.

Memorials can be sent to Stillwater Community Hospital, PO Box 959, Columbus, MT 59019.

Thomas Gordon

THE BILLINGS GAZET

JUL 31 2004

Thomas Walter Gordon, 57, passed away of cancer, Wednesday, July 28, 2004, at his home in Billings, surrounded by his loved ones. He was born Sept. 26, 1946, in Plainfield, N.J., the son of Amos and Raechael (Arrants) Gordon. He graduated from Cranford High School in Cranford, N.J. Thomas served in the Army and was stationed in Korea. Following his honorable discharge, he worked as a machinist and then began his career with Exxon Mobil where he worked for over 25 years as a pipefitter. He transferred to Montana in the mid 1980s. On June 23, 1995, he was united in marriage to Linda.

Tom was a lifetime member of the VFW and was actively involved in FOA camps (For One Another Cancer Camps). He was a pilot and enjoyed flying. He also liked ranching; he raised a few cattle. His greatest love was his family, and he enjoyed the outdoors — camping, hunting and fishing.



**TOM
GORDON**

Tom was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Linda on Nov. 4, 2003, as well as their beloved black lab, Molly. He is survived by his children, Laura Leigh Gordon (Kevin Howey) and Kevin Thomas Gordon of Billings; two brothers, Amos Gordon and John Gordon, both of Florida; Linda's children, Eddie Kaderavek of Shepherd and Tina (George) Rivera of Houston, Texas; one niece Bryna Gordon of Florida and a nephew Nathaniel Gordon of New Jersey.

Visitation will be Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m. Funeral Services for Tom will be 2:30 p.m. Monday at the Dahl Funeral Chapel. Interment will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens. A reception will follow at the VFW, 637 Anchor in the Billings Heights. Memorials may be made to FOA, Box 6446, Bozeman, MT 59771 or to the VFW Post # 6774.

William Gordon

BILLINGS GAZETTE

LEWISTOWN — William Gordon, 65, died Thursday, Dec. 2, 2004, in Bismarck, N.D.

DEC 05 2004

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, in the LDS church with interment to follow in the Lewistown City Cemetery. The Cloyd Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Michelle Ann Gordy

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 01 2004

ROUNDUP — Michelle Ann Gordy, 38, died Saturday, Jan. 31, 2004, at Billings Deaconess Hospital.

Visitation will be 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday, Feb. 2, at Wier Funeral Chapel. Funeral Services will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, at Roundup Community Center. Burial will follow at a later date in Dunkirk, Md. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

FEB 02 2004

ROUNDUP — Michelle Ann Gordy passed peacefully away at 7:40 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 31, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic in Billings, where she was surrounded by family and friends.



**MICHELLE
GORDY**

Michelle was born Jan. 23, 1966, in Chevy Chase, Md.

She has had many accomplishments which included being a wonderful wife, mother, sister and aunt. Michelle was an EMT at the 2nd District, Calvert Co., Md. Rescue Squad and also an EMT for the Musselshell Co. Ambulance in Roundup. She is a past president of the PTSA of Roundup. At the time of her death, Michelle was a leader for the Boy Scouts in Roundup. She was currently serving as president of the Primary Organization for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Roundup Branch.

She devoted her 20 years of church service primarily to the children as their teacher, leader and friend, whom she loved equally and completely.

Michelle was preceded in death by her mother, Sheila Ruth Shenberger. She is survived by

her loving family, which includes son, Ronald Wiley Gordy Jr., son, Ryan Warren Gordy, son, Randall Wade Gordy; daughter, Sheila Renea Gordy; and her husband of 18 years, Ronald Wiley Gordy Sr. of Roundup; father, Edward Malcolm Shenberger; sister, Jennifer Lynn Williams; brother, Daniel Ralph Shenberger, all of Calvert County, Md.

Viewing will be Monday evening from 7-9 p.m., Feb. 2, at the Wier Funeral Home at 208 First St. W., Roundup. A Memorial Service for Michelle will be 4 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, at the Community Center in Roundup, which is located at 700 3rd St. West.

The interment will be at Southern Memorial Gardens in Dunkirk, Md.

Please contact Diane Babcock at 323-2457 for any donations in lieu of flowers.

Marianne G. Goss

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 20 2004

SIDNEY — Funeral services for Marianne G. Goss, 59, Sidney, will be 2 p.m., Tuesday, June 22, 2004, at the Lonsdale United Methodist Church, with Pastor Susan Twidwell officiating. Interment will be in the Yellowstone Point Cemetery near Cartwright, N.D., under the direction of Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney. Memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice.



**MARIANNE
GOSS**

Marianne Grace (Gullikson) Goss was born on Jan. 19, 1945, in Williston, N.D., to Alfred and Annabelle (Koch) Gullikson. Marianne grew up in Cartwright, and attended Sioux Crossing School and graduated in 1963 from Sidney High School. Marianne attended Minot State Teacher's College from 1963-64 and then worked at the Richland Bank in Sidney and later operated a day care in her home. Marianne met the love of her life, Raymond "Ted" Goss in 1960, when she tagged along with her brother to a basketball game. She faithfully exchanged letters with Ted while he was in the Navy

and they became engaged in 1966. Marianne and Ted were united in marriage at St. Michael and All Angel's Episcopal Church in Cartwright on Dec. 21, 1968. They made their home in Sidney and together built Goss Construction Company, Inc. A son, Lyle Robert, was born on July 12, 1969, and a daughter, Laura Kay, was born on Feb. 1, 1972. Marianne delighted in raising her family and caring for everyone around her. She had a gentle heart that touched everyone who met her. She loved to play "secret angel," and it pleased her to see people smile. Marianne spent her life battling diabetes and its complications, but she firmly believed "God did not give her anything she could not handle." In 1997, Marianne was "reborn" with a kidney transplant and spent her last six years living life to its fullest. She and Laura celebrated their kidney birthday every year with the entire family. Marianne was a devoted 4-H volunteer of over 25 years, was an active member of

the Lonsdale United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women and spent many loving hours at the Sidney Health Center-Extended Care Facility caring for her in-laws and parents. Marianne loved to read, draw, do puzzles, write poetry and stories and was in the process of preserving family history. Marianne became a grandmother in 2001 and was so proud of all her grandchildren.

Marianne died peacefully in her sleep, at her home, Thursday, June 17, 2004.

Marianne is survived by her husband, Ted Goss; her parents, Alfred and Annabelle Gullikson; son, Lyle (Rebecca) Goss, all of Sidney; daughter, Laura Goss and her fiancée, Darrin Moser of Glendive; grandchildren, Daniel, Brianna, Michael, Matthew; brother, James (Diana) Gullikson of Cartwright, N.D.; her aunt, Frances Wick; uncles, Math (Anne) Koch and Robert (Virginia) Koch; special friend, Ben York and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents; and her mother and father-in-law, Florence and Kenneth Goss.

Joan (Jo Ann) Gountanis

BELLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 12 2004

Joan Gountanis passed away Tuesday, May 11, 2004.

Joan was born Vera Joan Vuylsteke on Dec. 30, 1934, to parents George and Alice Vuylsteke, formerly of Story, Wyo. Joan has two sisters, Joyce Bruce of Helena and Virginia Reindahl of Story, Wyo.



**JOAN
GOUNTANIS**

Joan married John Gountanis in Calgary, Canada, in 1953, and resided in Billings. John and Joan had three children: Steve, Nick (since deceased) and daughter Diane. Joan had one grandchild, Stephanie Anne Wilson, who was the joy of her life.

She took great pride in her volunteer work at Deaconess Hospital for many years.

Joan will be deeply missed by her friends and family and all that knew her. We admire her for the strength she showed through her long, drawn-out illness.

Special thanks from the family to: Dr. Santala, Dr. Karen Klee, Kaye Blair, and also the staff at Valley Nursing Home.

Graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Friday, May 14, at Mountview Cemetery.

Frank L. Gowin

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 1 - 2004

KERRVILLE, Texas — Frank L. Gowin died Monday, July 26, 2004, after a short illness. He would have been 83 on Aug. 16.



**FRANK
GOWIN**

Frank is survived by his wife of 61 years, Verna Gowin, of Kerrville; sisters, Esther Hudson and Carolyn Cochran; brothers, Herbert Gowin and Kenneth Gowin; children Karola Anne (Ted) Tisdale, Carla (Ross) Clark and Ron, Diane and Keesia Gowin of Billings, Paul and Hitomi and baby Kento Matthew (to be born any day) in Okinawa, Japan, and Matt in Missoula.

A memorial service was held at First Baptist Church in Kerrville.

Nadine Goza

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 20 2004

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Nadine Goza, 86, of Gillette, died Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2004, at the Pioneer Manor Nursing Home in Gillette.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 23, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home in Gillette. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 24, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home. Graveside service will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 25, at the Highland Cemetery in Casper.

Lorraine J. Grabofsky

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 26 2004

MALTA — Lorraine J. Grabofsky, 72, died Jan. 23, 2004, at Phillips County Hospital.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27, at the Malta Lutheran Church.

Interment will be in the Malta Cemetery.

Adams Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

David Kent Rafferty-Gradwohl

THE BILLINGS GAZET

MAR 4 2004

HARDIN — David "Pun" Kent Rafferty-Gradwohl, 18, of Hardin, died March 2, 2004.

He was born Sept. 3, 1985, in Billings, a son of Laura Rafferty and Rick Gradwohl. He lived on the family ranch at Buster Creek before moving to Billings. He then moved to Sand Coulee while in the third grade and finally to Hardin during his sophomore year.

Pun knew from the time he started walking that football would be his game. His favorite toy was his football. He started playing football during the



**DAVID
RAFFERTY-
GRADWOHL**

seventh grade and continued playing through his senior year. There wasn't anywhere else he was happier than when he was tackling someone on the field.

He also enjoyed fishing, hunting, shooting pool, Playstation and adding speakers to the stereo system in his car. Most of all, he enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. Everyone who met him loved him.

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Survivors include his parents, Laura (Steve) Carney of Boulder, Rick (Joan) Gradwohl of Ran-
chester, Wyo.; his sisters, Steph-
anie, Rebecca, Alissa and Shaw-
na; his grandparents, Kenneth
and Jenny Rafferty of Hardin,
Dick and Jane Gradwohl of Laur-
el, Robert and Helen Carney of
Sand Coulee; his aunts and un-
cles, Terry (Jeff) Wagner of Laur-
el, Ron (Lori) Gradwohl of Story,
Wyo.; and his cousins, Emily
Gradwohl, Alec and Brandon
Wagner.

Dave, you are going to be
sadly missed by all of us you left
behind. In life they were loved
and gracious, and in death they
were not parted. They were
swifter than eagles; they were
stronger than lions (II Samuel, vs.
123).

Funeral services will be held 3
p.m. Friday, March 5, in the
Hardin Middle Schools Audit-
orium. Graveside services will be
held 11 a.m. Saturday, March 6, in
the Rafferty Family Cemetery, 22
miles west of St. Xavier. Bullis
Mortuary of Hardin has been
entrusted with the arrangements.

Gloria L. Graham

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 4 - 2004

LEWISTOWN — Gloria L. Graham, died, Thursday, July 1, 2004, at the Central Montana Medical Center.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m., Monday, July 5, in St. Paul Lutheran Church with interment to follow in Central Montana Memorial Gardens. The Cloyd Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. *

James Sanford Graham

WYOMING GAZETTE

JAN 04 2004

POWELL, Wyo. — James Sanford Graham, 85, died Friday, Jan. 2, 2004, at Powell Valley Healthcare Center.

Memorial Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 7, at Union Presbyterian Church in Powell. Burial will follow in Crown Hill Cemetery with Powell Veterans Honor Guard according military honors. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home of Powell is in charge of arrangements.

Leslie Lavelle Graham

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 22 2004

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS

— Leslie Lavelle Graham, 79, of White Sulphur Springs, passed away on June 16, 2004, after a short battle with cancer. Les was born Sept. 19, 1924, in Springbrook, Wis., to Eugene and Alma (Buchman) Graham.

Les went to school in Lampson, Wis., graduating in 1942. He joined the army in May 1943 during World War II. He served his country as a combat infantryman in the South Pacific. While on active duty, he received the Asiatic-Pacific Theater Service Medal, four Over Sea Service Bars and the Good Conduct Medal. He was honorably discharged on Jan. 22, 1946.

Upon leaving the military, he moved to Montana. He married Edith Arlene Lind of White Sulphur Springs on Nov. 3, 1951. The couple lived in Wisconsin, Colorado and many different communities in Montana until settling permanently with his family in White Sulphur Springs.

Les worked as a self-employed logger for many years. In the mid 1970s, he joined COP Construction as a heavy equipment operator. He worked construction for COP and numerous other companies until the mid 1990s, when he retired.

Les was Scoutmaster of the local Boy Scout troop for many

years. During his time as Scoutmaster, 10 boys received the rank of Eagle Scout. He was also very active in VFW Post 5409 for over 20 years. He held the rank of Commander for two different terms, as well as that of Chaplain. While with the VFW, he was instrumental in the beginning of the Avenue of Flags Display over Memorial Day.

Les is survived by Edie, his wife of 52 years; his five children, Rick Graham of Butte (wife Diane), Tom Graham of White Sulphur Springs, Kathy Palmer of White Sulphur Springs (husband John), Marcie Scanson of Billings (husband David), and Shannon Graham of Helena; grandchildren, Marc Graham, Dustin and Sean Graham, Natalie Beto, Jay and Cory Palmer, and Esten, Nicholas and Brianna Scanson. He is also survived by his brothers, Lavern Graham and George Graham, both of Trego, Wis.; his sisters, Faith Voightlander and Roberta Kending, both of Spooner, Wis., Louise England of Lauderdale, Minn., and Carol Powell of Star Prairie, Wis. He was preceded in death by his par-

ents, brothers Lawrence, Herb, Mernon and Ron; and a sister, Elaine.

Cremation has taken place. A funeral service will be at the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church at 2 p.m. on June 26, with Pastor Kent Hekel giving the service. Military burial will follow at Mayn Cemetery. A gathering of friends and family will be held after burial at the Senior Citizen's Center. Cremation or Funeral Gallery of Belgrade is in charge of services.

Otten Kolar Graham

ABSAROKEE — Ruth Graham, former Yellowstone County Extension Agent and teacher, died of complications from multiple sclerosis on Sunday morning, Feb. 8, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare, Billings.

She was born on Dec. 31, 1920, to Florence McMillan and Herman C. Otten in Lewistown. She was raised and educated in Glengarry and graduated from Fergus County High School in 1938. She graduated from Montana State College (MSU) in home economics in 1942. She taught in Hinsdale and Harlowton, and then became the County Agent in Yellowstone County in 1945.

She married Joseph C. Kolar in 1948 in Lewistown. They resided in Columbus, where he was Stillwater County Extension Agent. In 1953, he died of polio and also at that time Ruth was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. With two young daughters, she continued to live there until she accepted a teaching job in Absarokee in 1962. She taught there for seven years, retiring in 1969, due to MS. In 1966, she



**RUTH
GRAHAM**

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married Robert C. Graham. They enjoyed many years of activities, travels and living in their Stillwater River home. At the time of her death, Ruth had been confined to a wheelchair for about 30 years.

Ruth was an inspiration to many, overcoming the debilitating effects of her disease to persevere with courage, a positive attitude and concern for others. She loved her family, spending time with friends, laughing, reading, playing bridge and other games, being around people and dancing and music. She always had a smile on her face, an invitation to dinner and a suitcase packed to go traveling. Ruth was grateful for even the smallest things: birds singing, the sound of the river, the view of the Beartooths, a level doorway, the kindness of others. She was looking forward to the birth of a new great-grandchild, due in April.

Ruth is survived by her husband, friend and helper, Bob of Absarokee; two daughters, Janel Brunckhorst of Absarokee and Linda (Leo) Majerus of Lewistown; a stepdaughter, Eileen Stone of Thompson Falls;

one brother, John M. (Jack) Otten and his wife Norma of Lewistown; three brothers-in-law, James Kolar of Joliet, John Kolar of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Frank and Mary Kolar of Raynesford; four grandchildren, Alison (Scott) Mizner of Kalispell, Bill (Mandi) Brunckhorst of Kemmerer, Wyo., Abigail Majerus of Missoula and Megan Majerus of Lewistown; three step-grandchildren, DeAnn (Rick) Stone-Hammond of Fishtail, Joleen (Tony) Francis of Houston and Robert Stone of Phoenix; and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Joe Kolar; two brothers, William (Bill) Otten and Henry C. (Charlie) Otten; five sisters-in-law; and dear friends, Helen and Don Prichard.

Services are planned for 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 16, at the Community Congregational Church in Columbus, with interment following in Mountainview Cemetery, Columbus. Memorials are suggested to the MS Society, 4-H Foundation or charity of one's choice.

Smith Funeral Chapel-Columbus was in charge of arrangements.

Sandy Graham

JAN 25 2004

Our friend, Sandy Graham, 91, peacefully left us Thursday, Jan. 22, at Aspen Meadows. Sandy was born Nov. 27, 1912, in San Diego, one of five children of Fred and Alberta Graham. He attended school in Taft, Calif., and graduated from high school in 1931.



**SANDY
GRAHAM**

Shortly thereafter Sandy began his working career as a truck driver and soon married Lucie Hardesty, a lovely girl who stole his heart. In 1936, he began employment with Axelson Inc., where he remained until retiring in 1976. In 1960, he was transferred to Billings as a regional manager of Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming.

Sandy was a member of Absarokee Lodge AF&AM, Masonic Lodge of Powell, Wyo., and a member of York Rite and Al Bedoo Shrine in Billings. He was an active member of the Camel Herders and Hospital Corps and spent many volunteer hours at St. Vincent Hospital.

Children were important to him. Many a repaired bicycle found its way to a happy child when Sandy saw a need.

Sometimes the doorbell would ring and there he'd be with his latest culinary masterpiece to share. Other times he'd just bring that twinkle in his eye and you'd know he had a new joke to tell. We all cherished Sandy's sense of humor and his willingness to help.

Sandy was preceded in death by his parents; three siblings; Lucie, his wife of over 60 years, and his son, Joe.

He is survived by his brother, George Graham of Oxnard, Calif.; and grandsons, Chris Graham of Council Bluff, Iowa, and Jeff Graham of Davis, Calif.; and their mother Sondra Graham of Vista, Calif.; and his dear friend Lucille Bergstrom of Billings as well as many friends, including the Elizabeth Street gang. Godspeed, Sandy.

As per Sandy's request no memorial will be held. Arrangements were by Cremation or Funeral Gallery & Cremation Society of Montana.

Memorials may be made to the Al Bedoo Children's Transportation Fund at P.O. Box 20673 Billings, MT 59104.

Tom Allen Graham

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

POWELL, Wyo. — Tom Allen Graham, 46, died Sunday, July 18, 2004, at the Powell Valley Health Care Center in Powell.

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At his request, cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 22, at the union Presbyterian Church in Powell. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home of Powell is in charge.

JUL 22 2004

Tom Allen Graham

Memorial services for Tom Allen Graham, 46, who died Sunday, July 18 at the Powell Hospital, will be today (Thursday), July 22, at 2 p.m. at Union Presbyterian Church in Powell. Cremation has taken place according to his wishes.

He was born Nov. 3, 1957, the son of Jackie and the late James S. Graham. He graduated from Powell High School in 1976 where he participated in basketball and track and set a school record for the high jump. He was a member of the Sons of the American Legion and Union Presbyterian Church.



Tom Graham

In 1978 he married Deanna Richmond and they made their home in Douglas for many years. To this union were born three children, Christina (Crissy), Daniel and Nicole, who died in 1996. They later divorced.

Tom worked for an oil production company before returning to Powell where he was equipment operator for Cowboy Contractors. He had many loves in his life including fishing and hunting.

He looked forward to the elk hunting trips in Crandall country with a best friend, Steve Revill, as well as fishing at Buffalo Bill Reservoir with friend Dan Dalton. It was always a contest to see who could catch the biggest fish.

Tom loved to cook and family and friends recognized him as a gourmet cook. While living in Douglas, he often rode his horses and watched his children, Daniel and Nicole, show their horses at county and state fairs.

Tom had a heart of gold and never met anyone he didn't like. He would do anything for people in need.

Survivors include his mother, Jackie, of Powell; son Daniel; daughter Chrissy and children, Alexis and Brett; sister Cindy and husband Rick and children, Shayla, Tyler and Drew; many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

The family suggests donations to the American Heart Association or charity of choice.

Vicki Mason-Graham

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 17 2004

LAME DEER — Vicki Mason-Graham was taken from our lives at a young age of 36 years old.

She lived in Lame Deer and was reunited with her brother and grandmother in heaven on Friday,



March 12, 2004, in an unexpected automobile accident near Colstrip.

Vicki was born in Crow Agency on Oct. 12, 1967, born to Georgia (Mason)

Vicki Mason-Graham

Graham. Vicki grew up and attended school in Casper, Wyo., Colstrip, St. Labre Indian School and in Wyoming.

At the time of her death, Vicki was a secretary for Morning Star Construction. She was always a happy person and always had a smiling face and lived for her four children.

She is survived by her four children, Teir and Brandi Pereau of family home, Catherine and Andrew "A.J." Widhalm of Beaverton, Ore.; her parents, Georgia and Thomas "Rabbit"; her sisters, Merrilee "Mouse" Stollenwerk and husband Paul of Ashland, Pearl Graham of Ashland and Agnes Graham of Ashland; three brothers. George Graham

and his wife Sandy of Upton, Wyo., Bill Graham and his wife Cindy of Gillette, Wyo., Thomas "TL" Graham of Olancho, Calif.; stepbrother Tommy D. Graham of Belgrade; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

She is also survived by her friend and companion, Josh Jenson of Colstrip.

We will all miss your happy, smiling face.

Memorial funds are set up in the name of Vicki Mason's name at First Community Bank.

Condolences can be sent to the family at www.stevensonandsons.com.

Wake services will be held on Wednesday, March 17, at 7 p.m., at the St. Labre Catholic Church in the Social room, in Ashland. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, March 18, at 11 a.m. at the Soaring Eagle Gymnasium in Ashland.

Leah Grainger

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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BAKER — Leah Grainger, 96, died Thursday, Aug. 26, 2004, at Huntington Park Care Center in Papillion, Neb.

Funeral Services are 10 a.m., Monday, Aug. 30, at the Stevenson Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Bonnievale Cemetery.

Bill Grala

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Bill Grala, 82, of Buffalo, died Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2004, at the Johnson County Health Care Center.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo. Private graveside rites will be in Willow Grove Cemetery.

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Eugene E. Gramm

MILES CITY — Eugene E. Gramm, 91, of Miles City, died Friday, Jan. 23, 2004, at the University of Utah Hospital in Salt Lake City.

Visitation will be Tuesday, Jan. 27, in the Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home chapel in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Custer County Cemetery.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 27 2004

Sami A. Gramm

MILES CITY — Sami A. Gramm, 62, of Miles City, died Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Center.

Visitation will be Tuesday, Jan. 27, in the Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home chapel in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Custer County Cemetery.

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JAN 27 2004

Harold Grammar

POWELL, Wyo. — Harold Grammar, 71, died Friday, Dec. 24, 2004, in Billings.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31, at Miratsky Funeral Home in Powell, with visitation one hour prior to services. Burial will be in the Crown Hill Cemetery.

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ARTHUR M. GRAN

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 04 2004

Arthur M. Gran, 85, of Billings, died Nov. 23, 2004, of natural causes, in Billings.



**ART
GRAN**

Art was a paint contractor in Billings for 54 years.

Per Art's wishes, cremation has taken place and his ashes will be spread at the cabin in the Bull Mountains by his family.

Thanks to Primrose Personal Care Home for the great care they gave Dad. Memorials can be made to Primrose in Dad's honor.

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Jake Preston Granbois

WOLF POINT — Jake Preston Granbois "Twin to Helper," 4 months old, died April 9, 2004, at NE Montana Health Services in Wolf Point, of SIDS.

A rosary will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 13, at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Poplar. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 14, at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church



**JAKE
GRANBOIS**

in Poplar. Burial will be in St. Ann's Cemetery in Poplar, with Rev. Mike Schneider officiating. Pallbearers are Clifford Granbois, Mitchell Clark Jr., Calvin Clark and Loren Clark. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge of arrangements.

Jake Preston Granbois joined

the Lord on April 9, 2004, at the age of 4 months. Jake was born Nov. 22, 2003, to Phillip "Beasty" Granbois III and Winona Sloan. He was a sweet little angel and is loved very much by his family.

He was a happy baby, always smiling, loved his brothers and sisters.

Survivors include his parents; brothers Raven and Phillip IV; sisters, Phiona and Sydney; grandparents, Mitchell and Darlene Clark of Nashua, Pauline and Phillip Granbois of Poplar, Gary and Michelle Sloan of Vancouver, Wash.; great-grandmother Carmelita Lambert of Poplar; many more grandmas and grandpas, aunts and uncles.

He was preceded in death by his great-grandparents, Alice Lester Longtree, Clarence Longtree Sr. and Robert Lambert, Beulah and Phillip Harris Granbois Sr.

Mildred 'Nan' Grand

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
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Mildred "Nan" Grand, 93, of Billings, died Saturday, April 17, 2004, at Valley Healthcare Center in Billings. Mom was born in Canon City, Colo., on Jan. 26, 1911. Her parents, Frank and Ellen Pigg homesteaded a ranch near Guffey, Colo., in the Rockies in the late 1890s. She attended grade school in Guffey and high school in Canon City, Colo.

On Nov. 4, 1930, she married Eugene Grand, who was employed by the Government Civilian Conservation Corps in Manitou Springs, Colo. and was transferred to Jamestown, N.D. After a short time, he went to work for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, moved to Bozeman, then to Billings where they spent the rest of their working days.

Mom was a ranch gal and loved the great outdoors. She was blessed with a ready wit, a very strong grip and she thought her two children were nearly perfect. We will miss her!

Nan was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, two sisters and a great-grandchild.

Nan is survived by her son, Ron Grand and his wife, Audrey of Colorado Springs, Colo.; daughter, Suzanne Lombardozzi and her husband, Peter of Billings; 12 grandchildren, five of whom belong to Ron and Audrey and seven of whom belong to

Suzanne and Peter; 30 great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandson.

Funeral Services will be 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 24, at Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Canon City, Colo. Interment will take place at Lakeside Cemetery in Canon City. No local services are planned.

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

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements in Billings and Wilson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements in Canon City, Colo.

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Ervin A. Granlund

Ervin Granlund, 86, passed away in his sleep Feb. 2, 2004, at Parkview Care Center in Billings, where he had been a resident for the past several years.

Ervin was born April 22, 1917, in Alexandria, Minn., to Arthur and Agnes (Hooker) Granlund. He married Helen Hahn in Minnesota and they had three children, Don, Shirley and Virgil Granlund. Ervin served in the U.S. Army during World War II and spent time in Germany.

Ervin moved to Billings in 1952, and he met Marie Sprankel. During the years that followed, he became a second father to Marie's children, Bob Richard,



**ERVIN
GRANLUND**

Glen, Don and Peggy.

He worked as a cement finisher for over 30 years at Hardy Construction Co. and was always proud of the fine work that he did at

Hardy's. Ervin enjoyed gardening and spent time at Parkview helping with the flower beds.

A memorial service will be 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, at Dahl Funeral Chapel. Burial of Ervin's ashes will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Laura Lee Grant

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POLSON — Laura Lee Grant, formerly Laura Lee Todd, age 38, of Polson, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 14, 2004, from injuries received in a boating accident on Flathead Lake.

Laura was born Oct. 8, 1965, in Ronan. She graduated from Polson High School, where she excelled in track, volleyball and later went on to play volleyball for



**Laura
Grant**

Northwest Christian College in Eugene, Ore. She also attended college at SKC and Eastern Montana College.

Laura returned to Polson to help run the family business at Boettcher Park, where she spent her childhood days. Besides making snow cones, popcorn and cotton candy, she was known for making the best burger in town. She was the current Administrative Assistant for the Lake County Solid Waste Department. Laura married Edward Todd in Polson in 1990 and they had one son, Conrad Todd. Conrad was Laura's reason for life and living. Laura had many hopes and dreams for her son, but none more than her wish that he just be happy!! Conrad will miss his mommy very

much, as will Ed who always loved their time together as a family. She and Ed later divorced but remained partners in life, where they enjoyed adventures with friends and family.

Laura's favorite pastimes included fishing with her son Conrad and sitting around the campfire visiting with friends and family.

Laura was known for her generosity and willingness to help anyone in need. Her greatest joys were her son Conrad, music, singing duets with her sister Tami and her love for animals.

Laura is the daughter of Russell and Lillian Grant of Polson. Family members include her biological parents Judy Iverson of Oregon, Russell and Susan Sartin of Oregon and Ted and Shari Iverson of Billings. Her brothers and sisters include Todd Grant of Nebraska, Don of Washington, Richard of California, Erik and Ryan Iverson of Oregon, Karen Tucker and her husband Jerry of

Washington, twin sister Tami Hart and husband Randy of Polson, and Carmen Iverson of Oregon; and many nieces and nephews and cousins.

Her extended family included Bert and Cookie Todd of Charlo, Bill Todd of Kansas City, Mo., and Kyle Todd and wife Veronica of Hereford, Ariz.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 18, from 1 to 8 p.m., at the Grogan Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, Aug. 19, at 11 a.m. at the New Life Christian Center, Polson, with Pastor John Payne (Heritage of Faith Christian Church) officiating. Burial will follow at Lakeview Cemetery, Polson.

Memorials may be made to the Mission Valley Animal Shelter, Polson or to a educational fund set up for Conrad Todd at First Interstate Bank, Polson, c/o Kristy.

Beatrice LaVerne Graves

GREAT FALLS — Beatrice LaVerne (Holzworth) Graves, 66, of 501 27th Ave. N.E., Great Falls, a housewife, died of lung cancer Wednesday, March 4, 2004, at Peace Hospice.

Cremation has taken place under the direction of Croxford Funeral Home and Crematory in Great Falls. A memorial service was held Monday, March 8, at Croxford's.

Survivors include daughters Dixi (Graves) McLain and Kristie (Graves) Sheldon, both of Great Falls; mother Martha Holzworth of Glendive; sisters, Lorna Nerison of Federal Way, Wash., Charlotte Unruh of Billings and Arlene LeSueur of Glendive; a brother, Gordon Holzworth of Spokane, Wash.; and two grandchildren.

In addition to grandchildren Rochelle and Tony D'Attilio, she is survived by best friends Vonnie McLain and Marilyn Stuff.

She was preceded in death by a son, Curtis Lee Graves; her father, Edwin Holzworth; a sister, Bernice Mitchell; and a brother, Earl Holzworth.

Beatrice was born April 27, 1937, in Sidney, and was raised in

Glendive, where she graduated from Dawson County High School. On May 16, 1956, she married Bill Graves in Glendive. They divorced in 1983.

Bea was a housewife for many years before going to work at the Super Save counter. She later worked for the Iron Kettle restaurant for 20 years, where most remember her for her kind ways and, yes, her big earrings.

She enjoyed her children and grandchildren, making them the center of her life. She also enjoyed doing crafts and working in her yard, and she occasionally went dancing.

For those in her family who treasured her the most, we wanted you to know that: "Mom, you were our best friend and we all had a lot of fun together. We love you and will miss you each and every day. Let Curt take you and guide you into your new life. And for our journey, you will be forever etched in our hearts."

Memorials are requested to Peace Hospice.

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Calvin 'Jim' Gray

GLASGOW — Calvin "Jim" Gray, 55, died Friday, Sept. 24, 2004, in Glasgow.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, at First Lutheran Church in Glasgow. Interment will be at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 1, at Scobey Cemetery in Scobey. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

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Eleanor Gray

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FEB 03 2004

MILES CITY — Eleanor N. Gray, 75, of Miles City, died Sunday, Feb. 1, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Extended Care.

Visitation will be Thursday, Feb. 5, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Family will receive friends from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, in the Stevenson & Sons chapel. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Custer County Cemetery.

James S. Gray

JOHNSTOWN, Colo. — On March 24, 2004, at past resident of Bozeman, Mont., passed away. James S. Gray was 92 years old. Jim was born to Sid and Lillian Gray in their farm home on Dec. 11, 1911. Jim grew up on this farm, located south of Johnstown.

In 1968, Jim started a malting barley brokerage firm, Alpine Grain Co., which was located in Ralston, Wyo. This enterprise grew substantially and became the largest malting barley producer in Wyoming. Jim sold this operation to the Anheuser Busch Co. Jim and Dick Boylan of Bozeman began a new malting barley enterprise in the Bozeman region under the name of B&G Grain Co. After several years, Jim bought Dick's share of the business and Jim was joined by his son, James A. "Mack" Gray. He remained active in this until his retirement in 1996, when he returned to Johnstown.

Jim is survived by a son, Richard of Tucson, Ariz.; a son, James (Mack) of Johnstown; a son, Joel and wife Debra of La Junta; a son, Daniel and wife Betty of Greeley; and a special daughter-in-law, Marti Gray of Johnstown, whose husband

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William passed away in February 1997; one nephew, one niece, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Memorial donations can be made to Hospice and Palliative Care of Northern Colorado, in care of Alnut Funeral Services, 702 13th St., Greeley, CO 80631.

Judy A. Gray

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APR 11 2004

HAYS — Funeral services for Judy A. Gray will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 13, 2004, at St. Paul's Mission Catholic Church in Hays, with burial at St. Paul's Mission Cemetery. A Rosary will be at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 12 at St. Paul's Mission Recreational Center in Hays.

Edwards Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Valora Kay Gray

GAZETTE
0 2004

ABSAROOKEE — Valora Kay Gray, of Absarokee, died on April 18, 2004.

She was born in Canon City, Colo., Oct. 7, 1954, to Stuart and Roberta Middlemiss. A supporter of the communities she lived in and people she met, many long lasting friendships were formed. She ran the Absarokee food bank for several years and donated her paintings to the Quick Draw auction. Not only a vocal Denver Broncos fan but proud of her Scottish heritage. A tour of Europe was one of the many high points of her short life. Friends and family helped add to her collection of camels that numbered into the hundreds. Pets include birds and fish along with the dogs and cat. Reading was a passion as she endured many physical restraints.

Survivors include husband Randy; son Zachary (Sergeant USAR); and daughter Ashley; brothers Cliff (Doris) Middlemiss of Canon City, Ivan (Lois) Middlemiss of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Kerry (Clara) Middlemiss of Woodland Park, Colo.

Memorial services are to be conducted at The Cobblestone School in Absarokee on Thursday, April 22, at 6 p.m. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel & Columbus was in charge of cremation.

Emma Faye Green

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DEC 14 2004

HORATIO, Ark. — Our loving mother, grandmother, aunt and sister has gone to be with the Lord.

Mrs. Emma Faye Green, age 74, resident of Horatio, died Friday, Nov. 26, 2004.

She was born Jan. 8, 1930, in Winthrop, Ark., to Robert and Clara Bush, was a homemaker, a seamstress and a former employ-



**EMMA
GREEN**

ee of Coca Cola and Nakoosq-Edwards. She was preceded in death by her husband, S.E. Green.

She is survived by two daughters, Linda Hancock of Horatio, Donna (George) Crumbly of Sheridan, Ark.; three sons, Harold (Rita) Green of Wake Village, Texas, Michael (Kathie) Green of Ripley, Tenn., and Reginald (Laurie) Green of Custer, Mont.; one sister, Martha (Jack) Evans of Kingman, Ariz.; one brother, Robert L. (Nan) Bush of Ashdown, Ark.; 18 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Nov. 30, at the Old Center Church of Horatio, with Rev. George Crumbly and Rev. Richard Bolt officiating. Burial followed in the Old Center Cemetery under the direction of

Wilkerson Funeral Home of DeQueen, Ark.

She will be missed greatly by all her family and friends. We love you, Mama and Grandma.

Memorials can be sent to CC & SSF, PO Box 33, Custer, MT 59024.

Harold C. Green

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Harold C. Green, 83, of Sheridan, died Thursday, March 11, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to noon, Wednesday, March 17, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Elk's Section of Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

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John William Green

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March 22, 1928 — March 22, 2004

MAR 23 2004

MESA, Ariz. — John W. Green went to be with the Lord on his 76th birthday following a long struggle with heart and kidney disease. He spent his last night at his birthday party with golf buddies and other friends.



John was **JOHN GREEN** born in Lame Deer to Kenneth and Pauline Green. He is survived by Cleona, his wife of 51 years; two children, Cynthia (Green) and husband, Lance Savageau, of Glyndon, Minn., and David J. Green and wife, Gail Green, of Billings. Also surviving are seven grandchildren; John, Kevin and Kate Murray of Spokane, Wash., Brady Ellington of Glyndon, Minn., and Arid, Jonathan, and Allegra Green of Billings. He is also survived by two nephews, Stan Lincoln and wife, Pam, missionaries to Uganda, Africa, and Bill Lincoln and wife, Toni, of Riverside, Calif.

John owned and operated Gorham Park Drug in Billings for many years. After retirement, he enjoyed golf, square dancing, and

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five warm winters in Mesa. He enjoyed his family, his friends and his faith. Dad was quick with a smile, and slow to judge others. He ended every conversation with a chuckle. He will be dearly missed.

Cremation will take place in Mesa. A memorial service will be held at Faith Chapel at 10:30 a.m. on April 17. If desired, memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

DEC 05 2004

BROADUS — James Mathew Greenwood, age 19, of Broadus, Mont., was called to the Lord unexpectedly on Friday, Dec. 3, 2004, from injuries he sustained in an accident, while employed in Oklahoma.



**JAMES
GREENWOOD**

James was born on July 12, 1985 in Miles City, Mont. He grew up on Pumpkin Creek in Sonnette, Mont., attending grade school and high school in Broadus. He graduated from Powder River County High School in May of 2004. He was baptized, confirmed and a member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church of Broadus. James liked to hunt, fish and go camping. He spent many hours doing those things with the people who were closest to him. He enjoyed doing almost anything with his younger brother Jade. James had a generous heart, infectious smile and a love for life. After graduation this spring, he went to Mississippi to visit his father and extended family. He also spent his days off from work with his family there. He had been working for Seismic Drilling Services since Aug. 1, 2004.

James is survived by his grandparents Russ and Carol

Greenwood of Sonnette; his sister Brittney, a senior at Powder River County High School; his brother Jade Hunt; and stepfather Jess Hunt and family of Goldendale, Wash. He is survived by his Aunt Vicki DeSart and Rob Goodnough and cousin Travis Greenwood of Spearfish, S.D.; uncles Mike (Darla) Greenwood and Randy Greenwood of Baraboo, Wis.; and cousins Morgan, Andrew, Dillen and Tyler. He is also survived by his great-grandmothers Juanita Greenwood and Ester Neuman of Baraboo, Wis. James is survived by his father Jay (Kim) Pounds of McComb, Miss.; and family members Mike and Stacy and their children Mason and Abigail, Tina and Mitch and their children Chance and Alex and by Jonathan. James was preceded in death by his mother Becky Greenwood Hunt in 1997 and his great-grandfathers George Greenwood and Harold Newman.

James, go with God, go with mom. We love you.

Visitation will begin at 1 p.m., Friday, Dec. 10, 2004, with the family to receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m., at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Broadus. Funeral ser-

services will be held on Saturday, Dec. 11, 2004, at 10:30 a.m., at the Powder River Congregational Church in Broadus. Burial will take place at the family ranch in Broadus, at later date.

Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.stevensonandsons.com. If desired, memorials may be made to a scholarship fund in James name c/o the Greenwood family, Box 509, Broadus, MT 59317 or to the charity of one's choice.

Clara E. Greer

MAR 16 2004

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Clara E. Greer, 87, of Campbell County, died Friday, March 12, 2004, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 16, at the Assembly of God Church. Interment will follow in the Mount Pisgah Cemetery. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel of Gillette is in charge.

HELENA — Crystal Greer, 95 years, died Aug. 27, 2004, at The Big Sky Care Center following a long illness. Crystal was born Aug. 2, 1909, in Silesia, the second daughter of Della and Alfred L. Spaeth.

She attended elementary school in Silesia. Crystal was a graduate of the class of 1927 of Joliet High School. Upon completion of high school, Crystal attend-



**CRYSTAL
GREER**

ed Eastern Montana State Normal School in Billings, earning her diploma in 1929. Along with her sister Margaret, she co-taught at the Erickson School, southwest of Conrad in Gallup City, Mont., where she met her future husband, Millard Fordyce.

She began a lifetime career of elementary school teaching. She earned her bachelor of science in education in 1957 from Montana State University-Billings. Crystal was an exceptional teacher. She loved teaching and her students.

The more challenging the student, the better she liked them. In 1973 her colleagues of the Boise Education Association nominated her as outstanding teacher of the year. Crystal's career spanned over 40 years of teaching in rural

and urban schools. She taught in Gallup City, Red Lodge Creek Broadview and Conrad, as well as the Monroe and Collister Schools in Boise, Idaho. She married Millard A. Fordyce in Great Falls Aug. 22, 1931. Millard died in 1959. In 1970 Crystal married Orval Greer. After their retirement, they traveled extensively within the United States and overseas. Orval died in 1976.

Crystal was a member of the Christian Church of Conrad and the First Christian Church in Boise. She was also active for a time in the Eagle Nazarene Church, Idaho. Crystal was a former member of the Joliet Chapter of the Eastern Star.

Crystal was preceded in death by her parents; her three brothers Alfred, Charles and Ralph Spaeth and her sister Margaret A. Gjullin. She was also preceded by her husbands, Millard (1959) and Orval (1976); an infant son, Carl Lewis; a twin daughter, Elaine M. Fordyce, and son-in-law, Charles Shangle. Crystal is survived by two daughters Dr. Edna M. Fordyce of Laurel, Md., and Marvel Shangle, Seattle, Wash.; three grandchildren, Scott Joanne and Jeana Shangle also of Seattle; devoted friend, Etta Mae Carlson, a cousin Mrs. Violet

Williams; nieces and nephews and former students including Donald Copley and Dr. Jim Burkholder of Helena.

Services were held Wednesday at Helena Funeral Chapel, 314 N. Rodney St. with graveside at Hillside Cemetery in Conrad. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in memory of Crystal may be made to the Elaine M. Fordyce Nursing Education Endowment, St. Peter's Hospital Foundation 2475 Broadway Helena, MT 59601

William H. Greever

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

April 11, 2004

CODY, Wyo. — William H. "Bill" Greever, 87, passed away Thursday, April 8, 2004, in Cody.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 14, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Cody Stake Center. Interment will follow in Riverside Cemetery. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

David Wesley Gregg

David Wesley Gregg was born on March 3, 1918, in Lambert, to Cyrus Sidney Gregg and Mary Elizabeth McCulloch Gregg, Scottish immigrant families, as one of eight children: four sisters and three brothers. Beginning his education, he was an avid reader and would memorize passages from the literary greats throughout his years of schooling. As soon as news of the airplanes became available in Montana, he was eager to become a pilot and soar like the birds. He attended Mt. Ellis Academy for his high school and then moved onto Walla Walla College and Pre-Med. He determined he would be of service in the medical field.

During his second year of Pre-Med, he met Betty Weddle and then was drafted into the Army Air Force with basic training at Nellis Air Base in Las Vegas. After basic training while on leave, he returned to Everett, Wash., where he and Betty were married on May 28, 1942. Together, they traveled to Marfa, Texas for a while and then to



**DAVID
GREGG**

Hobbs, N.M., where they settled and began their family. Still his interest in becoming a pilot never wavered.

From the Army Air Force at the end of the war it was back to Pre-Med and another family expansion. Upon ending college, it was to Loma Linda and graduating from medical school in 1953. David was born during the medical school days. His internship was in Portland, Ore., and then to Greybull, Wyo., until 1962. In Greybull, Debbie was born, Charles and LiAnne were adopted from Korea and Lajuana was adopted. There were also four foster children and numerous other children in need of guidance and assurance.

In 1963, the family moved to Lancaster, Calif., and continued family practice. He was elected as Chief of Staff at Lancaster

Community consecutively three terms. His wife died in 1990 and Dr. Gregg continued working until 1994, so happy he could work past the age his father died. While in Lancaster, he would fly with the Liga Doctors to Mexico

and the remote areas the first weekend of each month, taking much needed medical care to the people of Mexico and many of the patients were brought back to California for gratis major medical care. He instilled in his children the need to not only live a Christian life, but to help others in need.

During all of the years in Wyoming and after, including the delivery of Donna's two youngest children, Donna Lincoln Smith and her family were always a phone call away and both families visited each other through the years. In 1995, Donna and Dr. Gregg became "a traveling team," traveling throughout the United States, Southern Canada, England, Scotland and Wales. Both having friends far and wide, they settled in Billings, with distant family and numerous old friends from school in Lambert and former patients from Wyoming always staying in touch.

Dr. Gregg was proud of his Scottish heritage.

He is survived by seven children; 17 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; the foster children and their children who all still call him Dad and Grandpa; Donna Lincoln Smith, her children; Grands and Great Grands; a sister, Alice Elizabeth Gregg of Loma Linda; and one

brother, Roger Dean Gregg of College Place, Wash.

Dr. Gregg passed away on June 14, 2004.

Memorial services in Billings will be at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, Wednesday evening, June 16, 7 p.m., then taken to Lancaster for viewing on Friday, June 18, at Halley-Olsen-Murphy Memorial Chapel, and funeral services at 3 p.m., Lancaster Adventist Church and burial at Joshua Memorial Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to NAMI, 1645 Ave. D, Suite G Billings, MT 59102.

Rozella Mae Gregg

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 12 2004

WOLF POINT — Rozella Mae Gregg, 84, died Friday, Jan. 9, 2004, at the NE Montana Health Services Facility Trinity Hospital.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 12, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Oswego Presbyterian Cemetery.

Benjamin M. Gregory **THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

SEATTLE — Benjamin M. Gregory, 67, of Seattle, formerly of Billings and Forest Grove, Mont., died Feb. 5, 2004.

A memorial service is planned next summer in Lewistown.

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Olga Grele

CULBERTSON — Olga Grele, 95, of Culbertson, died Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2004, at Roosevelt Memorial Nursing Home.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, at Ebenezer Lutheran Church in McCabe. Viewing will be prior to service on the same day. Interment will be in Ebenezer Cemetery in McCabe. Everson Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel is in charge.

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Roy Norman Grenier

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 08 2004

On Monday, Jan. 5, 2004, our beloved father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend went to be with his Lord.

Roy Norman Grenier, 83, of Billings, was born April 7, 1920, in Sheridan, Wyo., the son of Gabrielle and Nellie (Smith) Grenier. He graduated from Campbell County High School in Gillette, Wyo.,



ROY
GRENIER

in 1938. Upon completing his high school education, Roy farmed with his father until he was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1942, serving during WWII.

Roy met his wife, Lilah Gullard, while corresponding with the Montana Gospel Crusade where Lilah worked. In October of 1945, Roy was discharged from the Army with a Purple Heart service medal. Roy immediately came to Billings to meet his future wife. Roy and Lilah were married Aug. 20, 1946, in Billings at the Church of the Air which is now the Billings Bible Church.

Roy was employed by Keil Co., Gambles and most recently Yellowstone Paper Co., retiring after 34 years. He enjoyed read-

ing and visiting with family and friends.

Roy was preceded in death by his wife of 56 years, Lilah; parents; brother, Bruce; and sister, Marge Bull.

Survivors include his sons, Jon and his wife Susan of Billings, Joel and his wife Linda of Alexander, Ark.; grandchildren, Michelle and Jeremy Grenier of Billings and Joshua and Audrey Grenier of Alexander; great-grandchildren, Michael and Katie Grenier of Billings.

The family would like to extend their thanks to the caring staff at Autumn Care Center where Roy has lived for the past 1½ years.

Visitation will be at Dahl Funeral Chapel Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. There will be a family gathering on Friday at 7 p.m. Funeral services for Roy will be 11 a.m. Saturday at the Billings Bible Church with burial in Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to the Clydehurst Christian Ranch, c/o Billings Bible Church, 802 N. 27th, Billings, MT 59101.

Rose Grenz

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MILES CITY — Rose Grenz, 83, of Miles City, died Tuesday, June 2, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Center in Miles City.

A vigil service will be at 8 p.m. Friday, June 4, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 5, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miles City. Rite of Committal will follow in the family lot in the Custer County Cemetery.

JUN 04 2004

Neal Gresens

SEP 8 2004
BILLINGS GAZETTE

MILES CITY — Neal L. Gresens, 86, died Sunday, Sept. 5, 2004, at the VA Rest Home in Miles City.

Visitation will be on Wednesday, Sept. 8, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 9, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Custer County Cemetery.

John Jackson Gribble

WOLF POINT — John Jackson Gribble, 74, of McCone County, died Friday, Dec. 24, 2004, at the Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 30, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel in Wolf Point. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 31, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Burial will be held at the family ranch cemetery. A reception will be held following the burial at his home.

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Joshua Andrew Gribble

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 7 2004

Josh Gribble, 28, left behind his family and friends on Wednesday, March 3, 2004.

We are all better people to have known him and to have had him touch our lives the way he always did. He will be remembered and missed for the Josh we all knew and loved.



**JOSH
GRIBBLE**

He is survived and will be dearly missed by his wife, Laura Gribble; son, Chase Gribble; stepchildren, Cristian and Kaitlyn Maddox; sister, Heather Munson; nephew, Caden Gaughan; adoptive mother, Karen Bentley; brother, Mike Gribble; Best Friends Brothers, Christopher Rowan, Matthew Rowan, Matthew Sheldon, and Tim Slusher.

We all cared so much about you and know you are in a better place.

Visitation will be held at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary on Saturday, March 6, from 7 to 9 p.m. A celebration of Josh's life will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 7, at Mount Olive Lutheran Church (24th St. and St.

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John's) with interment in Yellowstone Valley Memorial Park. A reception will be held at Mount Olive Parish Hall following burial.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Chase Gribble Scholarship Fund at Wells Fargo Bank. Please call Heather Munson at (406) 860-4331 for further information.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

Joshua, know that we love and miss you with all of our hearts, and that we will never forget how big your heart truly was. Thank you, for always being you. I love you.

Love always and forever.

Daniel Thomas Griffin

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 11 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Daniel Thomas Griffin, 56, of Sheridan, died Saturday, Nov. 6, 2004, at the Sheridan VA Medical Center.

Cremation has taken place in Sheridan. No services are planned at this time. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

Mike Griffin

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Myron L. "Mike" Griffin, 82, of Gillette, died Sunday, March 28, 2004, at the Pioneer Manor in Gillette.

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Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 7, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette.

MAY 26 2004**Dorothy G. Griffith****Oct. 2, 1921 — May 24, 2004**

LAUREL — Dorothy G. Griffith, 82, of Laurel, passed away Monday, at Horizon Hospice Home in Billings.

We give thanks to God and celebrate the life of our precious Dorothy, wife, beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She took the simplest of pleasures, added her gentle spirit, a dose of laughter and thereby became a treasure to us all.

A celebration of her life will be 3 p.m. Wednesday, May 26, at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel, with interment to follow in Laurel Cemetery. Remembrances may be given to Big Sky Hospice.

George J. Griffith

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 02 2004

George J. Griffith, of Billings, passed away in his home on Jan. 30, 2004, surrounded by his loving family. He was one of seven children, born to John and Myra Griffith on Nov. 21, 1916.



**GEORGE
GRIFFITH**

George married Louise Terpstra Shepard on Dec. 4, 1945, upon returning from the service. Together they raised their three daughters: Jeanette, Dorothy and Florence.

He is survived by his daughters, Florence (Bill) Timberman and Dorothy (Bob) Timmerman; one son-in-law, Duane Christensen; brothers, Tom (Eleanor) and John (MaryAnn); one sister, Katherine Stacy; one sister-in-law, Nellie Griffith; 13 grandchildren; 26 great grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Louise; daughter, Jeanette Christensen; brother, Walt Griffith, and sisters, Mary Wallace and Charlotte Berkey.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, Feb. 2, 2004 at 11 a.m. at **New Life Assembly, 2950**

Temple Place off Shiloh Road, with his grandson Dennis Moon officiating. Interment will follow at Mountview Cemetery with military honors.

Smith's Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

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Olive M. Douglas Griffith

Olive Douglas Griffith was born April 4, 1911 in Golva, N.D., the first of eight children. She was valedictorian of her high school class and attended Jamestown College. She later graduated from Montana State University in Bozeman with bachelor's and master's degrees. She was a librarian in Livingston, Sand Point, Idaho, and Butte. In 1930, she married Lloyd B. Griffith. They were the parents of four children, Avis, Douglas, Lynn and Gordon.

She was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers and one sister. Survivors include her brothers, Nyle and Earle Douglas; her children, Avis (Toby) Stapleton of Billings, Douglas (Ely) of Spokane, Wash., Lynn (GK) of Portland, Ore., and Gordon (Jane) of Butte. She had 11 grandchildren, Kymm (Scott) Mutch of Wauwatosa, Wis., Todd (Monica) Stapleton of

Hardin, Corey (Terry) Stapleton of Billings, Rachel Stapleton of Milwaukee Wis., Beau Griffith of Seattle, Kitt Griffith of Seattle, Issac Griffith of Seattle, Erika (John) of Alabama, Mandy of Butte, and Maria (husband) of Colstrip. Grandson JC preceded in her death. There are 14 great-grandchildren.

They raised their family in Livingston and upon retiring spent many happy winters in Mesa, Ariz. Olive and Lloyd moved to Billings in 1991 to Westpark Village. After Lloyd's death in 1997, she continued to live there until May of 2003 when she moved to Magnolia Place where she resided until the time of her death.

Special thanks to the staff at Magnolia Place for the exceptional care she received. Private family services are planned for July 2, 2004 at Mill Creek, outside of Livingston.

Winifred Marion Griffith

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 25 2004

Winifred Marion Griffith, 89, of Billings, died Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2004, at St. John's Lutheran Nursing Home.

The daughter of Charles and Bertha Fredrickson, she was born July 30, 1914, in Great Falls.

Winifred graduated from Great Falls High School in 1933, and received her Bachelor's Degree in Education from Western Montana College in 1943. Winnie received a Master's Degree in Library Sciences from the University of Washington in 1967, and a Masters Degree in Education from Eastern Montana College in 1973.

Winnie had taught school at Goodman Siding, Stanford, and Billings from 1939-1943, and had served as Librarian at Billings Senior until 1945. She was Catalog Librarian at Parmly Billings Memorial Library from 1946 to 1966, and at Eastern Montana College from 1966-1979.

She was a member of the American Association of University Women, Sons and Daughters of Montana Pioneers, Past Grand Regent of Court St. Cecilia, Catholic Daughters of America and St. Pius X Church.

On Dec. 26, 1945, she married John Frederick Griffith in Great Falls. He preceded her in death on May 7, 1996.

Survivors include two nieces Kathy Frink and Cheri Fredrickson, three nephews, Frank, Kenneth and Ronald Fredrickson and several grand nieces and nephews.

Vigil service will be 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 26, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Funeral Mass will be 11 a.m. Tuesday Jan. 27, at St. Pius X Church with Rite of Committal at Holy Cross Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the John and Winifred Griffith Scholarship Fund at MSU-B.

Violet Griggs

OCT 26 2004
BILLINGS GAZETTE

MILES CITY — Violet Lillian Griggs, 88, died Thursday, Oct. 21, 2004, at Holy Rosary Extended Care in Miles City.

Visitation will be Wednesday, Oct. 27, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. A funeral service will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, at Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Interment will follow in the Custer County Cemetery in Miles City.

Richard 'Dick' Grill

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 26 2004

BOZEMAN — Richard "Dick" Grill, of Bozeman, died Feb. 23, 2004, at the Veterans Hospital in Helena.

Born in Joliet to parents Ella and Leo Grill, he attended schools in Joliet. He enlisted in the U.S. Army and served from 1942 until 1944. One of eight children, he was the last surviving member of his family.

Cremation has taken place. Interment of ashes will be at a later date in Joliet Cemetery.

Gorden Grimsrud

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 04 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — A funeral service for Gorden Grimsrud will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 5, 2004, at Plentywood Lutheran Church in Plentywood. Pastor Barb Westhoff will officiate, and burial will be at Antelope Creek Cemetery. Gorden, 85, died at Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home on Friday morning, Jan. 2.



**GORDEN
GRIMSRUD**

Gorden was born March 11, 1918, at Pelican Rapids, Minn., to Albert and Alma Jacobson Grimsrud. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith, attended Lew Wallace and Blue Valley grade schools and graduated from Antelope High School in 1939.

Gorden farmed in the Antelope area prior to marriage with Arlene Eggen of Westby on June 17, 1945. They farmed for 10 years in the Archer community before moving back to Antelope where they farmed until retiring. Gorden spent many hours in the water hauling business, which he enjoyed very much. They retired and moved to Plentywood in 1985.

His interests included farming, water hauling, family activities, traveling, playing cards,

dancing, antiques, historical items, and enjoyed going to Arizona for many years during the winter.

Gorden was a member of the Antelope Creek Lutheran Church and the Plentywood Lutheran Church. He was a Life member of the Antelope Fremgang Lodge of the Sons of Norway, and enjoyed many years of square dancing.

Survivors include son, Ronald Grimsrud, and wife, Linda, and grandson, Phillip, of Colstrip; son, Vernon Grimsrud, and wife, Gayle, and grandchildren Justin, Monica, Mallory, and Garth of Montana City; sister-in-law, Kay Grimsrud, of Billings; brother-in-law, Selvin Rovelstad, and wife, Connie, of Underwood, Minn.; and several nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Arlene, twin son, Donald, brother, Orvin Grimsrud, and sister, Alice Rovelstad.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood is in charge of arrangements.

William M. 'Bill' Grippo

THE BILLING

MAR 21 2004

BUTTE — William M. "Bill" Grippo, 56, of Hardin and Winnett, passed away in the Billings St. Vincent Hospital on Friday, March 19, 2004, following an extended illness.

Bill was born Sept. 2, 1947, in New York City, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Louie Grippo. He was raised in New York City where he received his education. He enlisted in the U.S. Army, on Jan. 6, 1967, and served in Vietnam for two years. He received his honorable discharge March 19, 1969, and then traveled in the Western U.S. settling in Ashland for a few years. Bill moved to Hardin in 1974 and worked for the Larry Dorn farms until he became ill.

Graveside memorial Services for Bill Grippo will be held 2 p.m. on Tuesday March, 23, 2004, in the Hardin Fairview cemetery. Rev. Petang Mackdo, officiating. Military Honors will be furnished by American Legion Post #8 of Hardin.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to the Bullis Mortuary of Hardin.

Bud Grist

TERRY — Lyle Alfred "Bud" Grist, 76, of Terry, died Tuesday, April 27, 2004, at the Prairie County Nursing Home in Terry.

Visitation will be Monday, May 3, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Terry, with a prayer service at 6 p.m. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 4, at the Community Presbyterian Church in Terry. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Prairie County Cemetery in Terry.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
April 29 2004

Elizabeth Grosinger

TORRINGTON, Wyo. — Elizabeth Grosinger, 92, beloved mother and friend, passed away May 26, 2004, at Torrington Community Hospital, Torrington.

Elizabeth was born Dec. 25, 1911, to Robert and Anna Jack in Loveland, Colo. She attended schools in Loveland and graduated from Loveland High School. She attended State Teacher's College in Greeley, Colo., and earned a teaching certificate which allowed her to teach in rural schools at that time. Much later, she returned to Greeley to earn a bachelor's degree (1962).

In 1936, Elizabeth moved to Wyoming, where she met her husband, Paul Grosinger. Following their marriage, they lived in Lovell for many years, where she taught in the Lovell Elementary Schools from 1959 to 1974. Along with teaching, she enjoyed working with community women's groups, Delta Kappa Gamma, Girl Scouts, Federated Women's Club and St. Joseph's Altar and Rosary Society, as well as working in her church. She enjoyed people of all ages and was a loving mother and grandmother.

Following retirement, Elizabeth and Paul truly enjoyed traveling and visiting with friends and relatives until they could no longer travel due to health problems. After Paul's death, Elizabeth moved to Torrington to be near her daughter, Kay. She enjoyed meeting new friends and living near her daughter.

Elizabeth was preceded in death by her parents; husband Paul; and sisters, Marian, Anna, Katherine and Roberta.

Survivors include daughter Kay Grosinger of Torrington; daughter and son-in-law Jeanne and Joe Pomajzl of Cody; granddaughter Lori Pomajzl of Reno, Nev.; grandson and wife Steve and Rikki Pomajzl and great-granddaughter Sydney Elizabeth Pomajzl of Cody. She also leaves many beloved nieces, nephews and their families.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Wednesday, June 2, at 10 a.m., at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Lovell, with Father Kevin Koch of Torrington presiding. Vigil service will be Tuesday, June 1, at

5:30 p.m., at Haskell Funeral Home, Lovell.

Memorials in Elizabeth's honor may be made to Shriner's Hospital — Intermountain, Fairfax Road at Virginia Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84103 or St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Torrington, WY 82240.

Mark E. Grosinger

WEST BURLINGTON GAZETTE

APR 15 2004

POWELL, Wyo. — Mark E. Grosinger, 81, of Powell, died peacefully with his family at his side, Tuesday, April 13, 2004, at the Deaconess Billings Clinic.



**MARK
GROSINGER**

Visitation will be held Sunday, April 18, 1:30 p.m., at Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home

in Powell. The eulogy and rosary will follow at 3 p.m. across the street at St. Barbara's Catholic Church.

Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Monday, April 19, at St. Barbara's Catholic Church in Powell. Interment will follow at Crown Hill Cemetery.

Obituary to follow.

THE POWELL TRIBUNE APR 20 2004

Mark E. Grosinger

Funeral Mass was celebrated Monday, April 19 at St. Barbara's Catholic Church in Powell for Mark E. Grosinger, 81, who died peacefully Tuesday, April 13 in the presence of his immediate family at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

He was born March 24, 1923, in the small town of Fingal, N.D. He was youngest of four children and has joined his sisters, Eleanor and Margaret, and his brother, Paul, in the Lord's hands.

Both sides of Mark's family, the Grosingers and the Baumgartners, immigrated from Pölgersdorf, Austria, to North Dakota, starting new lives in the land of the free. As a teenager, Mark joined the Civil Conservation Corps and moved to Sydney, Mont. He then went to college at North Dakota State in Fargo.

In 1942, at the age of 19, after one and a half years of college, like others his age, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps.

From 1942 to 1946, he served his country in Europe during World War II as a first lieutenant and pilot for the 315th Troop Carrier Group of the Army Airborne. In 1953, he began a career in the lumber business, as a distinguished and award-winning manager, and continued to work until 2003.

He served his community in many service clubs and organizations, as well as youth baseball. He participated in the VFW, American Legion, Kiwanis, Knights of Columbus and ascended to Captain of the Powell Volunteer Fire Department.

Survivors include his wife of 48 years, Mary Jean Grosinger of Powell; four children, Matthew Grosinger (Andrea), Mary Coats (Tom), Lawrence Grosinger (Robin) and Julie Burgener (Eric); five grandchildren, Gwen Mary, Bustos (Nick), Leah Jeanette Grosinger, Jesse Thomas Grosinger, Veronica Jean Burgener and Olivia Ann Burgener; and one great-grandchild, Lily Rose Bustos.

Memorials may be given to the Powell American Legion Baseball team, P.O. Box 57, Powell, WY 83435, or the Northwest College Foundation, 231 W. 6th St., Powell, WY 82435-1895.

Burial was in Crown Hill Cemetery.

Alma Helen Groskurth

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 3 0 2004

MEDICINE LAKE — Alma Helen Groskurth, 94, of Medicine Lake, passed away peacefully Thursday, Nov. 25, 2004, at Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home in Plentywood.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1, with Johnette Grefe officiating at the service at Medicine Lake Lutheran Church; interment will be in Medicine Lake Cemetery.

Alma was born May 21, 1910, in Pleasant Hill Township, Winona, Minn., a daughter of Fred and Anna Fleischfresser. She married Floyd Axness on Jan. 29, 1927, at Rushford, Minn. To this union three children were born: a son, Willard, and two daughters, Adeline and Charlotte. The family moved to Medicine Lake in March, 1945. Alma worked in the Farmers Coop Grocery Store in Medicine Lake for 38 years. Alma and Floyd were divorced in 1947. On June 2, 1951, Alma married Holger Groskurth at Dagmar. Holger died May 19, 1980. Alma continued to work in the store until retiring in 1983.

Alma was an excellent cook and was noted by her family for her homemade chicken noodle



**ALMA
GROSKURTH**

soup. She also canned home-grown tomatoes and dill pickles, and gave them to her children and grandchildren in large quantities. Medicine Lake and Sheridan County sport and school activities were very important to Alma and Holger. She always enjoyed attending events involving her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, whether in music, athletics, or speech and drama; they always knew "Grandma G" was in the stands.

Alma was a member of the Medicine Lake Lutheran church and Senior Citizen's. She joined Medicine Lake VFW Post 8869's Women's Auxiliary in April, 1953, under her husband, Holger, who was a lifetime member of the VFW post. She served as conductress for many years, president for two years, and served in district offices as well. Always early, others counted on Alma to have the doors open, and everything set up for meetings. She assisted with Memorial Day services every year and took great pride in the Auxiliary. She gave everything her own "special touch," including sending cards to anyone — whether get well, sympathy, or just "thinking of you." She will be missed by all her auxiliary sisters.

Alma lived in her home in Medicine Lake until December 2003, when she moved to the Montana Pioneer Manor in Plentywood. She was very happy there, but in September 2004, she moved to Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home.

Alma was preceded in death by both of her husbands, parents, four brothers, two sisters and one great-granddaughter.

She is survived by one son, Willard Axness and his wife Nancy, of Lake Stevens, Wash.; and their children Suzanne, Jennifer and Laura; and by two daughters, Adeline Ueland and her husband Kurtis of Antelope, and their children Keith, Kathleen and Kendal; and Charlotte Tronson and her husband Melvin of Medicine Lake, and their children Steven, Kerri, Stacy, Sharri and Stephanie.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood has charge of arrangements.

FEB 13 2004

William Gros Ventre

LODGE GRASS — William Gros Ventre, 85, of Lodge Grass, died Thursday, Feb. 12, 2004, at the Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Rosary will be at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, at the Bullis Funeral Chapel in Hardin. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 16, at the Lodge Grass Our Lady of Loretto Catholic Church. Interment will follow in the Lodge Grass Cemetery.

FEB 14 2004

William Gros Ventre

LODGE GRASS — William Gros Ventre, 85, of Lodge Grass, passed to the other side, Feb. 12, 2004, in the Deaconess Billings Clinic.



WILLIAM GROS VENTRE

Ische'etcax-pitche (One who's wolf is a bear) AKA Akshipi'taaKinnesh (Black Rider) was born March 28, 1918, on Lodge Grass Creek, a son of John Gros Ventre and Sarah Grandmother Knife. His stepfather, Harry Beads Don't Mix, raised William.

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St. Ann's Mission school on Lodge Grass creek. He later served in the Army National Guard in Washington state. When Pearl Harbor was bombed, he enlisted and became a member of the 81st Infantry Division, fighting in the Pacific, specifically New Guinea during WWII. He was later honorably discharged. He was very proud of his military history and was often called upon to serve as in a color guard for many social events, military events and his favorite, the great Crow Fair.

William married Ruth Rose of Oklahoma in 1945 and was later divorced. He married Velma Covers Up on Nov. 25, 1954, in Hardin. In 1958, the couple moved on a relocation program to Dallas, returning to the Lodge Grass area in 1962, where they made their home. Velma died in 1998.

He was a member of the Big Lodge Clan, a child of the Greasy Mouth Clan, Our Lady of Loretto Catholic Church, an active practitioner of the Native American Church and member of "Our Way of Life" dance troupe, serving as a spiritual mentor. He was often called upon to be a fire keeper of the Sundance way. Through his good fortunes, he has blessed many individuals with Indian names. He served as mentor and

As a youngster, he attended the

spiritual advisor to his grandsons' drum group, the Black Whistle Singers. The name Black Whistle was taken from his first Indian name "Black Rider" and from his making of individual whistles.

William was a staunch Lodge Grass Indians basketball fan, following players from the 1960s to the present. He enjoyed hand-games, watching arrow tournaments and was a strong believer in traditional Crow customs. His love of Indian powwows increased when his sons and grandsons, the Black Whistle Singers, began traveling to various powwows throughout the United States.

His parents, brothers, Richard Bird, Philander and Clem Gros Ventre, Albert and Ted Don't Mix; sisters, Frances Gros Ventre, Mary Francis Flat Lip, Rose, Rita and Amelia Don't Mix and his stepfather Harry Don't Mix preceded William in death.

Survivors include his sons, Bill (Carmen) Gros Ventre of California, Bernard (Delilah) Covers Up of Maryland, Manuel (Linda) Covers Up, Ben (Nancy), John (Michelle) and Colby (Jessi) Gros Ventre of Lodge Grass; his daughters, Ida Gros Ventre of Oklahoma, Sarah Vene (Bernard) Jefferson, Sr., Regina (Archie) Jefferson, Jennie (Raymond) Big Day, Jr. and Thomasa (Tony) Torralba of Lodge Grass; his brothers, Ivan Don't Mix, Cyrus (Lois) Gros Ventre, Charles (Shirley) Stewart, Newton (Delia)

Old Crow, Ironson (Laverne) Big Hair, Russell (Shelia) Wallace, George (Marge) Chandler and Elmer (Theresa) Gun Shows; his sisters, Emma Bad Horse, Mary Helen (Alex) Medicine Horse, Mildred Old Crow, Virginia Covers Up, Harriet Don't Mix and Myra Jean Gros Ventre; his adopted children, Darrin (Bobbi Jo) Old Coyote, Tracie Dawes, Terrence (Gwen) Covers Up, Laura Frances, Tim (Carrie) McCleary, Larry (Jackie) Blacksmith, Lansing (Kim) Bird in Ground, Annie Horseman, Rolanda (Todd) Texley, and Mitchell Hawk; 32 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; as well as his extended family, including the Bell Rock, Bird Hat, DeCrane, Dawes, Old Bull, Hunts the Arrow, Bright Wings, White Hip, Spotted Horse, Male Bear, Moccasin Top, Drags Wolf and Hill families.

Rosary will be recited 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Funeral mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 16, in the Lodge Grass Our Lady of Loretto Catholic Church. Interment with military honors will follow in the Lodge Grass Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin is in charge of arrangements.

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MAR 25 2004

PLENTYWOOD — Funeral services for Eilee Grove will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, March 26. Pastor David C. Curtright will officiate at the service at Plentywood Lutheran Church, with a luncheon at the church following the service. At approximately 2:45 p.m. (MST) the procession will leave the church for interment in the Fortuna City Cemetery at Fortuna, N.D. Eilee, 73, died of natural causes at her Plentywood home, apparently Friday evening, March 19, 2004.



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GROVE**

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Eilee, the youngest of three children of Harry and Emma (Kolberg) McKay, was born June 5, 1930, at their Comertown community home. The family lived in Fort Peck for a time, then returned to Westby, where Eilee attended schools. On Dec. 14, 1946, she married Ted Grove in Plentywood. They lived in Westby for three years, then moved to Plentywood, where Eilee has lived since. Eilee worked at the Ben Franklin store for some time, then at J.C.

Penney's until the store closed, then managed the state liquor outlet in Plentywood until she retired.

A gentle spirit, Eilee loved to spoil her pet dogs, and was happy just to know that her children and grandchildren were safe and happy in their busy lives.

Since Ted's death, Feb. 16, 2000, Eilee has gradually become more independent and has learned to do anything she

put her mind to. She never missed "The Golden Girls" on Lifetime TV and doted on "Sammy," her Shi Tzu companion.. whether short walks or every trip in the car, she and her dog were inseparable! Eilee loved going to coffee with her friends at the "CamAm" convenience store, and the highlight of her week was Tuesday luncheon with that special gang. She has grown very close to her neighbors of 46 years, Daryl and Dorothy Olson, and treasured the "front lawn" that they made for her and helped her tend. She especially enjoyed trips to Tacoma to visit her sisters, and to Denver to see Sherry and her family — she was the "Montana Grandma" to Sherry's granddaughters, Tayler and Payton.

Eilee is survived by two children and their families; her daughter, Sherry Yehbert, lives in Thornton, Colo.; and her son, Ron, and his wife Connie live in

Plentywood. She is also survived by grandchildren, Shane Yehnert of Denver; Rhonda Adams and her husband, Bill, live in Rogers, Ark.; Nikki Sampsen and her husband Cory live at Dagmar; and Kelly and Chris Grove live in Plentywood. Eileen has five great-grandchildren: Collin and Layne Adams; Jillian Sampsen, and Tayler and Payton Yehnert.

Eilee is also survived by her two sisters, Vannie Hammer and her husband Olaf, and Maxine Bennett, both of Tacoma, Wash.; and their children, Steve, Paulette, Mike, Terry and Judy; as well as by Ted's brothers, sister and nephews and nieces.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood has charge of arrangements.

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MJ GROVE

Mary Joan Carroll Grove

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FARGO, N.D. — Mary Joan Carroll Grove, of Fargo, died Monday, March 15, 2004, in Sun City, Ariz. She was 83. She was preceded in death by parents Charles and Norah Carroll, and brother Eugene Carroll, all of Billings.

MJ was born on Dec. 23, 1920, in Billings. After graduating from Billings High School and a successful career as a drum majorette, this spirited cowgirl attended the College of St. Catherine in St. Paul, Minn. There, she met future husband, John M. Grove. They were married in St. Paul on Oct. 31, 1942.

After World War II, MJ and John settled in Fargo, where they raised their six children. They have lived in Fargo for 58 years.

MJ, the most energetic and focused person we ever knew, made Fargo a better place through her efforts. She was active in PEO, Junior League, the Cass County Welfare Board, Heirlooms Hospice Store, Pink Smocks, St. John's Hospital, Nativity's annual Christmas dinner and the Antiquarian Club, among others. For 20 years, she and business partner Mary Ellen Maltry ran Grove-Maltry Estate Liquidators. Their sales were always the talk of the town.

MJ is survived by John, husband of 61 years; her six children, John Jr. (Carmen Coyle) of Orono, Minn., Katie of Bloomington, Ind., Mark (Mary Grove) of Indianapolis, Meg (Shane Albertson) of St. Paul, Jane (Lauris Molbert) of Fargo, and Molly of St. Paul; her six grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and sister-in-law Noreen of Billings.

Visitation: Boulger Funeral Home, Fargo, from 5 to 7 p.m. on Monday, March 22. Vigil service at 7 p.m. Monday.

Funeral Mass: Church of the Nativity, Fargo, at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, March 23.

Interment: Riverside Cemetery, Fargo.

Memorials are preferred to Heirloom Hospice Care, 1617 32nd Ave. S., Fargo, ND 58103.

We will remember MJ for her vim, vigor and vitality!

Arrangements by Boulger Funeral Home, Fargo. Online guestbook at www.boulgerfuneralhome.com.

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Willie Grudzinski

JUN 10 2004

BRIDGER — Willie Grudzinski, 46, of Bridger, passed away unexpectedly Tuesday, June 8, 2004, at his home, with his wife Susie by his side.

Willie was born Nov. 26, 1957, at Red Lodge, to William and Katherine Grudzinski. Willie grew up in Bridger and attended all 12 years of school there, making many friends. Willie worked locally over the years, but spent the past eight years working for Kapor Lumber. He was very active in the community of Bridger and with the BVFD and 10 years as an EMT. He loved to hunt and fish, but the important part of his life he saved for his family.



**WILLIE
GRUDZINSKI**

At the age of 40, Willie married his true love, "Susie," on Dec. 13, 1998. With this union, he also accepted Susie's sons, Anthony and Jimmy, as part of his life, making his family complete. Willie and Susie made their home in Bridger and enjoyed remodeling their home together. He liked

working on his boat and the two of them liked taking it out on the lake to relax and catch a few fish.

In April, a special joy occurred in Willie's life when he and Susie became godparents to Willie's great-nephew Tyler Wight. Willie loved his stepson Anthony and had a special relationship with him.

Willie is survived by his wife Susie and her sons Anthony of the family home and Jimmy of Denver; his mother-in-law, Jessie; one brother, Richard (Robin) of Laurel; and five sisters, Sharon Grudzinski of Red Lodge, Karer (Duane) Shelhamer of Billings, Debbie (Marley) Grewell of Edgar, Lori Ficek of Billings and Kim Grudzinski of Butte; three grandchildren and several nieces and nephews along with many aunts and uncles.

Willie was preceded in death by his grandparents, parents and several uncles.

Willie, we love you and you will be missed by many. We shall lock memories of you in our

hearts and you will never be forgotten.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 12, at the Bridger High School Gymnasium. Interment will be in the Bridger Cemetery. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of arrangements.

Thelma R. Gruel

Thelma R. Gruel passed away Dec. 18, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare following an extended illness.

Thelma was born Aug. 21, 1930, in a small house on the family farm near Sublette, Kan., a daughter and third child of Walter H. and Ora Evelyn Haney. Her family moved to San Bernardino, Calif., where she grew up and attended school. She married Melvin Terribilini in 1946. They later divorced. She married Richard H. Gruel in 1952. They farmed and ranched near Portage, Mont. They later moved to Billings. Thelma worked as a legal secretary for 23 years. Thelma was a loving, caring and generous person. She took in several foster children and was a caregiver for her mother, husband and brother. She loved her family, friends, ani-



**THELMA
GRUEL**

mals, sewing, cooking and her flowers. She was a superb seamstress, great cook and grew beautiful flowers.

Thelma was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Richard; her brother, Walter C. Haney; and grandson, Byron Gruel.

She is survived by her children and foster children, Ron (Peggy) Gruel, Rick (Elaine) Gruel, Sandy Dorsett, Robert (Toki) Gruel, Andy (Brenda) Gruel and Carol Anderson; grandchildren, Ronda (Rob) Gruel-Hott, Jeff (Wendy) Gruel, Kristin Gruel, Albert and Scott Dorsett, Charles (Sara) and Devon Gruel, Erik and Kelsey Anderson; great-grandchildren, Riley and Ryan Gruel-Hott, Kassie Gruel, Nathaniel Gruel; and brothers, Elmer Haney and Warren Pearson.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary with interment in Mountview Cemetery.

Friends may make memorials to the American Lung Association or the American Cancer Society.

Michael Adam Gruener

LEWISTOWN — Michael Adam Gruener, 18, died Friday, Oct. 1, 2004, at a friend's residence.

A vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6, at the St. Leo's Catholic Church. Funeral liturgy will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 7, at St. Leo's Catholic Church. Burial will be in Mount Calvary Cemetery. Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

OCT 5 2004
BILLINGS GAZETTE

Frank A. Grundhauser

THE SPOKANE GAZETTE

DEC 08 2004

SPOKANE, Wash. — Frank A. Grundhauser passed away peacefully Monday, Dec. 6, 2004, at home surrounded by family.

He was born June 29, 1912, in Glendive, Mont.

His parents, John and Susan, five brothers and two sisters preceded him in death. He is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Delia; five sons, Carl of Kennewick, Richard and Donna

of Butte, Mont., Michael and Susan of Mead, David of Billings, Steve and Kathy of Kennewick; and two daughters, Anita Miller of Billings, Frances and Ron Jones of Spokane; two brothers, Joe

and Irene of Phoenix and Tony of Tennessee; 18 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren.

He was a resident of the Spokane area for 28 years and had a strong Catholic faith. Frank began working for the Northern Pacific Railroad when he was 16. He left and worked on his uncle's farm in North Dakota, then went back to work for Northern Pacific Railroad in Glendive in 1940. He retired in Billings in 1975, and moved to Spokane in 1976. Frank was active in Seniors from 1976 to



**FRANK
GRUND-
HAUSER**

the mid-'90s and held office in the program. As an active member of Spokane Seniors, Frank was recognized for his negotiations with the City of Spokane to provide transportation for Senior activities. He was a member of Knights of Columbus in Glendive. Frank loved to dance at dances or just around the house. He enjoyed playing cards with family and friends. Everyone on the block knew and enjoyed Franks' help and sense of humor. Frank loved to tease.

Visitation will be Friday, Dec. 10, from noon to 5 p.m., with a vigil service to follow at 5 p.m. at Hennessey-Smith Funeral Home, 2203 N. Division, Spokane. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Saturday, Dec. 11, at 1 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 4420 N. Jefferson, Spokane, with Reverend Michael Blackburn OFM as celebrant. Inurnment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Spokane, PO Box 2215, Spokane, WA 99210-2214.

Harvey Francis Guay

Harvey Francis Guay, age 77, was called home by the Lord on Jan. 25, 2004, in Billings. Harvey was born on Dec. 10, 1926, in Butte. He attended school in Butte and served his painter's apprenticeship there.

On Dec. 2, 1946, he married the love of his life, Veva Scruton. They recently celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary. He served in the Coast Guard during WWII. Harvey and Veva moved to Billings in 1947.

He and his brothers owned Midland Paint Company for 50 years, which served a four-state region. He painted many Billings landmarks, such as the First Interstate Bank, the Sheraton Hotel, Michelotti-Sawyers, Athletic Pool and others too numerous to list. He and his brother also owned H & G Painting.

Harvey loved his work, but had a passion for mining. He mined asbestos, uranium, gold and silver in Montana. He was also an avid sports fan, watching boxing, football and baseball with friends and family. He loved music, dancing and spending time with people. His engaging smile,



**HARVEY
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contagious laugh and wonderful sense of humor endeared him to old and young alike.

He will always be remembered for being young at heart, always generous with his time, talents and love. He will be sadly missed by his friends and family.

He was preceded in death by his father, Homer Guay, mother Ida Guay, brother Homer Guay and nephew Shaun Madden. He is survived by his wife, Veva Guay of Billings; brothers and sisters-in-law, Ovide and Velma of Elk Park, George and Jeannette of Billings, Edward and Alice of Anaconda; sister and brother-in-law La Vonne and Bert Madden; daughters and sons-in-law, Rachel and Darrel Rosin of Huntley, Cathy and Rick Steigerwald of Carver Creek, Minn., and Brenda and Tom Kelly of Billings; along with seven grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Vigil services will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, at St. Pius X Catholic Church, with interment at Mountview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the
Alzheimer's Association of
Montana Chapter, 3010 11th Ave.
N., Billings, MT 59101.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in
charge of arrangements.

Dolores May Guenther

Dolores May Guenther, 85, of Billings, died at St. Vincent Hospital, Nov. 30, 2004.

Dolores was born in Sheridan, Wyo., Oct. 25, 1919. Dolores was the daughter of James and Della Guenther. Dolores attended grade school and high school in Sheridan and went on to business school in Denver.

Dolores spent the majority of her life in Hardin, where she was diligent in her work as a business manager of Hardin Auto. She also ran her own boutique, D May's, for several years in Hardin. She was a member of St. Joseph's Parish in Hardin.

Dolores found great joy in her family and friends, along with her Scottish terriers.

She was preceded in death by her infant brother, James C.; her parents; and sisters, Eileen Perryman of Livingston, Nellie Briles of Sheridan and Margaret

McCall of Billings. She is survived by her sister Rita Brown of Idaho; and her beloved nieces and nephews, Kathleen King (Clint), James McCall (Irene), Liz McCall (Pat Dawson), Margaret Perryman, Connie Hutchinson (Dev), Jim Perryman (Debbie), Brian Perryman (Cheryl), Gail Bullard (Rick), Ray Perryman (Becky) and Judy Wilkins.

Dolores also had many great-nieces and nephews whom she treated as her own grandchildren, including John King, Mary (King) Ritchie, Becky King, Maggie McCall, Molly McCall, Julia Dawson and Madeline Dawson, all of Billings.

A rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, at Smith West Chapel; 304 34th Street West. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 10:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 3, at St. Thomas The Apostle Catholic Church, 2210 Colton Blvd.

Edith Gulka

DICKINSON, N.D. — Edith Gulka, 82, Dickinson, died Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2004, at St. Benedict's Health Center, Dickinson.

Mass of Christian Burial is 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 13, at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, Dickinson.

Edith is survived by her husband, Nick Gulka, Dickinson; two daughters, Sharon and Larry Salz, Billings, Jeannie and Bob Horning, Laramie, Wyo.; five grandchildren, Mark and Lisa (Ingram) Massad, Seattle, Wayne and Michelle (Negle) Massad, Aurora, Ill., Nikki (Massad) and Jake Kramer,

Strasburg, Colo., Jaime and Michelle (Stanley) Horning, Riverton, Utah, Cheri (Horning) and Travis Phibbs, Lolo; seven great-grandchildren, Mikayla and Emily Massad, Derek and Justin Massad, Colson and Carson Horning and Ani Phibbs; one brother, Ed and Evelyn (Schmidt) Kinzel, Billings; one sister-in-law, Bertha Kinzel, Dickinson.

View the obituary, folder, flowers and sign the guest book at www.pricemurphy.com.

Price-Murphy Funeral Home, Dickinson, is in charge of arrangements.

Alfred V. Gullikson

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CARTWRIGHT, N.D. —
Alfred V. Gullikson, 87, of
Cartwright, died Wednesday,
Sept. 29, 2004, at the Sidney
Health Center - Extended Care
Facility, Sidney, Mont.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m.
to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 3, at the
Fulkerson Funeral Home
Memorial Chapel in Sidney.
Funeral services will be at 2 p.m.
MST Monday, Oct. 4, at the St.
Michael's and All Angels
Episcopal Church, Cartwright.
Interment will be in the
Yellowstone Point Cemetery in
Cartwright.

Lester H. Gunn**MAY 01 2004**

Graveside memorial services for Lester Gunn, who died Jan. 5, 2004, in Billings, will be at 1 p.m. Monday, May 3, at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Cremation or Funeral Gallery is in charge.

Lester H. Gunn

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Lester H. Gunn passed away Jan. 5, 2004. Les was born in the Badlands of South Dakota Aug. 1, 1911. He was the son of George Gunn and Vesta (Curtis) Gunn.



**LESTER
GUNN**

He went to school 11 years at Wall, S.D., and one year at Sturgis, S.D., where he graduated in 1929. He grew up in South Dakota before moving

to the Billings and Laurel area. Les was a trainman for the Northern Pacific and Burlington Northern railroads.

On Dec. 16, 1950, Les married Fern Riddle. She was the love of his life. Both loved fishing, camping, traveling and dancing. Les was preceded in death by his wife, Fern, and his daughter, Judy Black.

He is survived by his daughters, Gloria Asendorf of California, Barbara Hein of Florida; brother, George Gunn (Laura Jean) of South Dakota and son-in-law, Lee Black of Billings. Les has many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He will be missed by all. Cremation has taken place, and a graveside service will be held at a later date and will be posted in the newspaper.

Jack C. Gunter

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EVANSVILLE, Ind. — Jack C. Gunter, 82, of Evansville, died Tuesday, Feb. 10, 2004, at the Hospice of the Visiting Nurses Association of cancer. He was born in Wolf Point, Mont., on Dec. 21, 1921, to John Lloyd Gunter and Edith Martin. He grew up in the Bozeman, Mont., area.

During World War II, he served in the 163rd Army infantry unit in the Pacific Theater. Following the war, he attended the Chinourd Institute of Art in California. He spent his life as an artist and was employed in the advertising industry.

He married Jean McCarty in Minnesota in 1953 and they moved to Billings. They were well known in Billings, as they owned an advertising agency and a photography studio at Hart-Albin Co. He also sold advertising for the Billings Gazette and was the advertising director for Hart-Albin Co. They moved to the Denver area in the late 1970s. She preceded him in death in 1986. Also preceding him in death was his twin brother, Frank Gunter, and his sister, Thelma Brant of Bozeman.

He is survived by sons, Bob and wife Margie, of Littleton, Colo., John of Broomfield, Colo., and Mike of Santa Fe, N.M.; special friend Buelah Wise of Evansville;

and a brother, Bruce Gunter of Great Falls, Mont.; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Interment will be at Soldier's Chapel at Big Sky in the spring.

David C. Gunville

RYEGATE — David Charles Gunville, 50, of Ryegate, died Friday, March 12, 2004, at his home, of natural causes.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 17, at the St. Mathias Catholic Church in Ryegate. Wier Funeral Home of Roundup is in charge.

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COLLINGS GARDEN

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William Fredrick Guptill

FROMBERG — William Fredrick "Fred" Guptill, 83, of Fromberg, formerly of Absarokee, died March 11, 2004, at the Beartooth Manor in Columbus.

A graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, April 16, at the Custer Count Cemetery, Custer. Cremation or Funeral Gallery of Billings is in charge.

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Elaine Gustafson

ELLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 25 2004

PLENTYWOOD — Elaine Gustafson, 73, died Tuesday, June 22, 2004, at Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home in Plentywood.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 26, at Fulkerson Memorial Chapel in Plentywood. Cremation will follow the service, with private interment of cremated remains at the Wankel-Huffman family cemetery, northeast of Raymond. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood is in charge.

Clarence H. Gustman

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TAMPA, Fla. — Clarence was born in Plainview, Neb., on Feb. 11, 1916. He graduated from high



**CLARENCE
GUSTMAN**

school in 1934 and joined Army on his 26th birthday in 1942. He was a member of the 5th Army's 936th Field Artillery Battalion. In Italy, 420 days of action were on the front lines.

Clarence was discharged on Oct. 9, 1945, and married Nell Urwiler from Laurel, Neb., on Oct. 24.

Clarence and Nell were married 45 years and made their home on a farm in Plainview. He moved into Plainview in 1999, then to Tampa, Fla., in January 2003. He was an active member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Plainview.

Clarence was preceded in death by his wife. He is survived by his daughter, Cheryle Pittack and husband Van of Billings; son Chuck Gustman and wife Mary of Florida; five grandchildren, Michelle and Sarah Pittack of Billings, Tyler, Matthew and Shane of Florida.

Memorials may be directed to The Joyful Singers Children's Choir, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Billings. Cremation has taken place, with a memorial service to follow in March in Plainview.

R. Marie (Baird) Guthrie

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 22 2004

POWELL, Wyo. — R. Marie (Baird) Guthrie, age 69, died in Christ on Saturday, March 20, 2004, at home in Powell, Wyo., after a short but courageous struggle with pancreatic cancer.

Marie was born to Henry and Rena (Spinney) Baird at their home on June 18, 1934, in Powell. She was raised in Powell and attended the Powell schools.



**R. MARIE
GUTHRIE**

Marie married Art Guthrie on Dec. 2, 1951. Four children were born to this union — Linda Kloster, Jerry Guthrie, Rick Guthrie and Brenda Hewitt. Art and Marie remained in Powell until employment with Marathon Oil Company transferred them to Casper, Wyo., in 1980, then to Cody in 1985. They lived in Cody until returning to Powell in 1996. They traveled in their retirement years and thoroughly enjoyed the many places they visited.

Marie loved the Lord and was a member of Christ the King Lutheran Church in Cody. She was also a member of her church's LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League)

and the VFW Auxiliary. She loved her family and thoroughly enjoyed being around her eight grandchildren. Her hobbies included quilting, crocheting, knitting and cross-stitch embroidery.

Marie is survived by her children, their spouses and grandchildren, Linda (Larry) Kloster and sons, Ryan and Kyle of Casper, Jerry (Kathy) Guthrie and daughter, Kali of Midland, Texas, Rick (Deana) Guthrie and children, Megan, Corey, Travis, and Sheana of Meeteetse, Wyo., and Brenda Hewitt and daughter, Kelsey of Casper, Wyo. Her brother and sister-in-law, Jack and Barbara Baird of Tulsa, Okla. also survive her, along with numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Art in October 1996; her parents, Hank and Rena Baird; her sister, Estella (Dodie) Howard; and her brother, Bob Baird.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate memorials to Powell Valley Hospice, 777 Ave. H., Powell, WY 82435, or Christ the King Lutheran Church of Cody, 1207 Stampede Ave., Cody, WY 82414.

Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 25, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 1207 Stampede Ave., Cody, with Pastor Timothy Klug officiating. Burial will be 2 p.m. Thursday at Crown Hill Cemetery, Powell.

DEC 17 2004

POWELL, Wyo. — Connie G. Gutierrez, 75, died Monday, Dec. 13, 2004, at the Powell Valley Care Center.

A rosary will be at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, at Miratsky Funeral Home in Powell. Funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, at St. Barbara's Catholic Church in Powell. Burial will be in the Crown Hill Cemetery.

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DEC. 16 2004

Connie H. Gutierrez

Funeral Mass will be celebrated Saturday, Dec. 18 at 10 a.m. at St. Barbara's Catholic Church in Powell for Connie H. Gutierrez, 75, who died peacefully in her sleep Monday, Dec. 13 at the Powell Nursing Home after a short illness.

Rosary will be said Friday at 7 p.m. at Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home.

She was born Sept. 24, 1929, to Santiago and Felicitas (Hernandez) Alvarez in Cody. She was educated in the Powell schools.

On June 30, 1953, she married Rogelio Gutierrez in Billings, Mont. To this union, two children were born.

Connie worked at the Powell Nursing Home as an aide until her retirement in 1992. Since retiring, she spent her time being active in the Powell VFW Auxiliary, especially the annual Poppy Sale and the Christmas Basket Program. She held the office of vice president of the VFW Auxiliary for several years.

She also had been a member of the Powell Eagles Auxiliary.

Survivors include her son, Richard Gutierrez and wife Laura of Byron; daughter Delia Galvan and husband Jaime of Denver, Colo.; grandchildren, Chad, Ryan and Amber Gutierrez; brothers, Tony Alvarez and wife Lola of Cody and Raymond Alvarez and wife Julie of Thornton, Colo.; sisters, Vera Villareal of Sacramento, Calif., and Sally Cruz of Powell; sister-in-law, Minerva G. Rios of Powell; special niece, Gloria Alvarez of Powell; and many nieces and nephews who loved her dearly.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Rogelio; an infant son; and her brothers-in-law, Valentine Cruz, Ed Villareal and Raul Rios.

She will be remembered for her love of family and friends, her gentle smile and joyful laugh. Flowers and gardening brought her special joy, and the sound of Mexican music always made her happy.

Said her family, "You're dancing in heaven now. Connie, where the dance floor is golden, and the music never ends. We will always love you and miss you."

Vicente A. Gutierrez

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In the presence of God and surrounded by his loving family, Vicente A. Gutierrez died Thursday, June 24, 2004, after a brief battle with cancer.

Vicente was born in Shafter, Texas, to Leonardo and Teresa Gutierrez on Nov. 2, 1920. As a young man, he joined the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) and helped construct Balmorhea State Park outside of Toyahvale, Texas. In 1942, he reported to the U.S. Army to serve in World War II and was later honorably discharged. He then came to Montana as a migrant worker.



**VICENTE
GUTIERREZ**

Vicente settled in Laurel after being employed with the Great Northern Pacific Railroad, now known as Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad. Soon after being employed by the railroad, he moved to Billings. When he retired from Burlington Northern in 1981, he had raised nine children with his wonderful wife Cecilia F. Gutierrez. During his retirement he enjoyed leather working, fishing, baseball, playing pool, gardening, shopping at the segundos and being with family. His greatest source of enjoyment

was being surrounded by his children and grandchildren. These are times he most cherished and which we will all miss so very much.

He was preceded in death by his parents; by his wife Cecilia; his sisters, Juliana, Lucia; and his brothers, Serapio and Nieves.

He is survived by three sons, Jose Trevino of Great Falls, Vincent F. of Billings and Roberto F. of Billings; six daughters, Mrs. Ralph (Yolanda) Gallardo of Salt Lake City, Utah, Mrs. Robert (Teresa) Hansen of Monrovia, Calif., Mrs. Jim (Mary) Peterson, Mrs. Duane (Eugenia) Winslow, Mrs. Jeff (Martha) Tanner and Mrs. John (Margarita) McCormick, all of Billings; two sisters, Martha and Margaret Gutierrez, both of Texas; 22 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

The vigil will be said at 7 p.m. Monday, June 28, in Smith Downtown Chapel. The Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 29, in Our Lady of Guadalupe Church with Rite of Committal in Holy Cross Cemetery.

The family would like to thank the Hospice nurses and Dr. Joe Maheras for all the care they showed their father. Donations may be made to Big Sky Hospice in Billings. Smith Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

Lizbeth Gwin

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TERRY — Lizbeth Rockie Gwin, age 8, of Terry, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 2, 2004, at her home in Terry, after a courageous battle with cancer since the age of 2.



**LIZBETH
GWIN**

Lizbeth was born in Billings on March 22, 1996, the daughter of Robert and Emelia (Montero) Gwin. She attended school in Terry and would have been in the third grade this year.

Lizbeth loved animals and enjoyed working in the rock shop with her parents. She helped design bracelets, necklaces and bolo ties.

Lizbeth is survived by her parents, Robert and Emelia Gwin of Terry; and a brother, Bo Gwin of Billings.

Visitation was held Sunday, Oct. 3, at the family home in Terry. Family graveside services were held Monday, Oct. 4, at the Prairie County Cemetery in Terry. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.stevensonandsons.com.

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

Carl E. Gwynn

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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CLARKSTON, Wash. — Carl Edwin Gwynn, of Clarkston, passed away Friday, June 4, 2004, at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in Lewiston, Idaho. Carl successfully fought heart disease for more than 30 years, but lost a short battle with cancer.

He was born Aug. 31, 1928, in Wichita, Kan., to Prince Llewlyn Gwynn and Lucile Doughty Gwynn. Carl attended school in Greenwood County, Kan., and Lucerne and Grass Creek, Wyo., and high school in Thermopolis, Wyo. He joined the U.S. Navy in 1946 and was discharged in 1948. He began working for the Santa Fe Railway in 1948 and the same year, married Ruth Wright of Wellington, Kan.



**CARL
GWYNN**

Carl relocated to Big Timber, Mont., where he joined his father on his ranch in 1950. He farmed in Roberts, Mont., and when Carl and Ruth's daughters reached school age, they relocated to Billings, where Carl worked for the Northern Pacific Railway and Yellowstone Paper Co. until 1959, when he purchased the Harlo Freight Line from his father. Carl relocated to Lewiston, Idaho, where he worked for

Lewis-Clark State College. He started his career with the Bureau of Reclamation in 1966.

Ruth passed away in 1973.

While living in the Boise area, he married Jean Daley Keeler in 1973. They relocated to Coulee Dam, where they lived until they moved to Clarkston in 2003. Carl retired in 1989 as a property management officer.

Carl's favorite hobbies were genealogy and square dancing. He compiled and published two family history books and was very proud of his Welsh ancestry.

He belonged to many organizations, including Square Wheelers International (square dance club) and was a past commodore of the Grand Coulee Dam Yacht Club. He was a lifetime member of the Elks and was a charter member of several square and round dance clubs in the Boise area while living there.

Survivors include his wife, Jean of Clarkston; daughters Karen Andre and Thomas, and Carla Stadtmiller and Lee, all of Billings, and Diane Gwynn-Sanders and David of Bellevue; grandson Matthew Andre and Tara of Billings; granddaughter

Kracinda Mead and Phillip of Kirkland, and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers James Leroy, Robert Wayne and Ray Neil; sister Alma Louise Gwynn; wife Ruth; two sons, Ronald and Donald; and daughter Cheryl Ruth.

Cremation has taken place. Placement of the remains will be in the Gwynn family plot, Monument Hill Cemetery, Thermopolis, at a later time.

No service is planned, per Carl's wishes.