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**Roy Roland Haase**

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**LAUREL** — Roy R. Haase, 64, of Laurel, passed away May 10, 2004, at his home.

Roy was born May 18, 1939, in a small town called Mason City in Washington, to Vernon and Lila Haase. He grew up in Hartline, Wash. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy and was stationed on the USS Midway CV A-41 until his discharge in 1962. While in the Navy, he met and married Rita A. Haase; they then moved back to Washington. In 1963, they moved to California, where he started working for Standard Oil and in 1966, he worked for the Presidio of San Francisco in the Boiler Plant as a stationary engineer until his injury in 1977.



**ROY  
HAASE**

Roy enjoyed fishing and doing different hobbies. He was active in the California State Grange for many years and was Master of the Clear Lake Grange #680, Master of Lake County Pomona #43 and Past Master of both when we decided to move to Montana. His health started to suffer and he

was unable to enjoy the activities he liked.

Roy was a wonderful father to his children and his grandchildren. He is survived by his wife Rita; daughter Donna Ford and her husband Jim of Kelseyville, Calif.; son, Joseph Haase and his partner Robert French of Laurel; son, Darrel Haase and his wife Dawn of Laurel; grandchildren, Jessica Ford, Laurel, Jeremiah Ford, Kelseyville, James Dean Haase, McKayla Ann Haase, Laurel, Rebecca, Racheal and Micheal Haase of Lakeport, Calif., Brandon and Rebecca French of McDonough, Ga.; his father, Vernon J. Haase; brother Vernon J. Haase II; and his sister, Nellie Schrock; and many nieces and nephews.

He was a wonderful and loving husband for 43 years. He was an excellent father and a great friend. We will always love you and will miss you forever.

Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of cremation.

# Jay T. Hackley

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LEWISTOWN — Jay T. Hackley, 64, died Friday, July 23, 2004, at the Central Montana Medical Center of natural causes.

At his request, no services were held, and cremation has taken place. Cloyd Funeral Home was in charge.

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**RED LODGE — Ernest W. Hackman, age 90, passed away April 16, 2004, at Cedar Wood Villa, in Red Lodge. Ernest was born to August and Mary Hackman on April 9, 1914, in Ballentine. He completed his high school education in the Huntley Project school system. Ernest married Anstice Rebecca Hackman in Billings on Dec. 26, 1937. They spent 65 happy years together, and enjoyed living in Missoula and Livingston. They also spent 25 years in Albany, Ore. Ernest was a member of the Elks Lodge in Livingston and was an active Boy Scout leader for his sons. In his spare time, he had a passion for gardening. His career included being a hardware store owner and meat cutter.**

**Ernest was a devoted husband and father, and took great pride in his family. He is preceded in death by his parents and his wife. Ernest is survived by his three sons, Tod (Sharron) Hackman of Mesa, Ariz.; Dwain (Betty) Hackman of Bozeman; and Gary (Eileen) Hackman of Redmond, Ore.; plus six grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. The family would like to extend a very special thank you to the staff at Cedar Wood Villa for the wonderful care they extended to Ernest during his stay there.**

**Graveside services for Ernest will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, April 20, 2004, at Mt. View Cemetery in Billings. Dahl Funeral Chapel is entrusted with arrangements.**

# Lori M. Hackney

In 1905, E.C. and Flora (Barkemeyer) Hackney traveled by railroad to a homestead near Huntley. On Nov. 3, 1910, Lois M. Hackney was born on the family homestead. The family quickly grew and, along with the Barkemeyers,

became founding pillars of the Huntley community, active in church, school and community events. E.C. traveled to Washington, D.C., to participate in the establishment of the Huntley Project Irrigation District and Lois herself was instrumental in the development of the road designation system, which is in use today on the Huntley Project. Except for short periods for college and work, she lived on the family land for 90 years, the last 60 years in the same house. Lois died Oct. 25, 2004, at Eunice's Personal Care in Billings, where she had comfortably spent the last five years of her life.

Lois graduated from high school in 1928, from Northwestern University in 1932 with degrees in music performance and education, and later obtained her master's degree from Rocky Mountain College. She began her teaching



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career at Hysham and Ft. Peck, and then embarked on her career in the Huntley Project School systems. She taught music to many children, first traveling between Huntley, Worden, Ballantine and Pompeys Pillar, and later in the consolidated Huntley Project Schools in Worden. She retired in 1971. Through her teaching, direction of musical performances and involvement in community activities, she touched the lives of many. A warm, loving smile; sincere, caring attitude; and deep generosity greeted all who came into her presence.

Lois is survived by a nephew Lynn (Nancy) Perey of Billings grandnephew, Scott (friend Molly), grandniece Sandra (Troy) Hoppenrath, great-grandnephew Nathan, great-grandnieces, Emile and Anna, all of St. Michaels Minn.; nephew Randy (Jennifer) Perey, grandniece, Jennie (Rich) Saxe and grandnephew Bryan (fiancée Jeanette), all of Wilmington, Del. Also remembered are Bonnie Barkemeyer (close friend); Mary Barkemeyer (close cousin); and other cousins and friends. The family expresses heartfelt thanks to Eunice Ash and her family and staff for the concerned personal care they provided.

A memorial service will be held 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at Faith Evangelical Church, 2832 Broadwater Ave., Billings. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Lois Hackney Memorial Music Scholarship fund for Huntley Project High School, c/o Gerald Baum, PO Box 111, Worden, MT 59088; Eunice's Personal Care, 931 Ave. E; Yellowstone Boys & Girls Ranch; or Huntley United Methodist Church.

## Ed Haerr

LIVINGSTON — Ed Haerr, 83, died at his home Friday evening, April 2, 2004.

A vigil will be 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 7 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 39 View Vista Drive, Livingston. Funeral mass will be 10 a.m., Thursday, April 8. Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery. Franzen-Davis Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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## **Clifford B. Hagadone**

**WOLF POINT — Clifford B. Hagadone, 79, died March 4, 2004.**

Visitation will be from 1 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 9, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel in Wolf Point, with a prayer service at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 10, at the Trinity Lutheran Church of Wolf Point.

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# **Evelyn Conover Hageman**

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A "lady" has left us for eternal life. Evelyn Conover Hageman passed away quietly on Sunday, Dec. 19, 2004.

Throughout her life, she was dearly loved and cherished as a daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, as well as by her many extended relatives and friends.

Evelyn embraced life, enjoying

her music, family and many activities. She was an avid golfer, bridge player, and almost 30-year winter resident in Arizona. She and her husband Alvin traveled extensively during retirement years. She celebrated her 87th birthday in grand style in September, and, with her lifelong friend Lois Hegg Morin, was out dancing as recently as a month ago.

Evelyn Marie Conover was born Sept. 10, 1917, at what was formerly the 20-mile stage station near Comanche, to Carrie Marie Waldrip and Robert Clarence Conover. She joined her older brothers Max and Maurice, and was followed by brothers Richard and Robert Jr. She attended schools in Comanche. Ranelie



**EVELYN  
HAGEMAN**

and Broadview, where she graduated in 1936. She was active in basketball, band and typing. She was the winner of a regional typing award and played locally in dance orchestras.

Evelyn graduated from Billings Business College and worked at the Yellowstone County Agricultural office before marrying Alvin Hageman on July 28, 1939. They were married 57 years before Alvin passed away Dec. 29, 1996. She was a 50-year member and Past Matron of Bitterroot Chapter #96, Order of Eastern Star, and a member of Billings Friendship Chapter #124, Bath Zabbia Temple #21, Daughters of the Nile, Fraternal Mother of the Year of Rapelje, Masonic Lodge #122, and charter member of Broadview Lutheran Church.

They ranched west of Broadview, where they raised their three children, Gayle, Richard and Carol. She was active in the community and actively participated with her husband Alvin in his politics as a county commissioner and state representative.

She is survived by her children, Gayle (Herb) Ottman,

Richard (Beverly) Hageman, Carol (Jim) Schell; grandchildren Jay (Leigh Anne Townes) Long, Shauna Long Walker, Arnie (Dennis) Dill, Mica (Brad) Levery, Brandy (Zach) Lawson, Carrie Hageman and Christie Hageman; and step-grandchildren, Dan (Shauna) Ottman, Vicki (Kirk) Song, Tim Ottman, Michelle (Chad) Handley, Kathy (Andy) VanDeWoestyne, Sara (Dave) Schantz and Justin Schell. She also leaves three great-grandchildren and nine step-great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother and sister-in-law, Robert Conover Jr. and Margaret; her sister-in-law Luverne Conover; and sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Rick and Adra Reichenberger; as well as several cousins dear to her.

She was predeceased by her husband Alvin; by her parents; her brothers Max, Maurice and Richard; her brother-in-law Lester; and sisters-in-law Eleanor and Ethel.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 23, at a location to be announced. Interment to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107, or Broadview Community Center.

Smith's West Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

**Gaylord D. Hagen****MAY 25 2004**

**FORT PECK —** Gaylord D. Hagen, 70, of Fort Peck, died Friday, May 21, 2004, at the Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital in Glasgow.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held in July, with burial in the Fort Peck Cemetery. Bell Mortuary is in charge.

## **Gaylord D. Hagen**

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FORT PECK — Gaylord D. Hagen, 70, died Friday, May 21, 2004, at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital in Glasgow.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, July 23, at Fort Peck Community Church in Fort Peck. Burial will be in Fort Peck Cemetery. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

# Helen Hagen

~~TRAVIS~~ TRAVIS H. HAGEN & SONS

SIDNEY — Helen Hagen, 81, of Sidney, died Tuesday, Aug. 3, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at the Lonsdale United Methodist Church in Sidney. Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

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## **Daniel Hager, Sr.**

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FEB 20 2004

MILES CITY — Daniel Richard Hager, Sr., 51, of Miles City, died Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, at his home.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 20, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miles City. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Custer County Cemetery in Miles City. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

## Harold H. Hager

LAUREL — Harold H. Hager, 77, of Laurel, died recently, of cancer.

Graveside services were held Monday, Feb. 16, at the Lathrop, Mo., Cemetery. Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan, Wyo.

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## **George F. Hagerman, Jr.**

LIVINGSTON — George F. Hagerman, Jr., 62, died Saturday, Sept. 25, 2004 at Livingston Memorial Hospital.

A memorial mass will be 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 29 at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Burial of the cremated remains will take place at a later date. Franzen-Davis Funeral Home and Crematory are in charge of arrangements.

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# Laurel Doreen Haggart

LAUREL — On Dec. 9, 1924, God gave the world a unique gift when Laurel D. Haggart was born in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Her parents were Leslie A. and Golda Pifer. Mom went to be with Jesus on June 14, 2004.

As a small child, Mom's family moved to Portland, Ore. One of her greatest achievements while growing up was that of being a Mariner Scout!

On Aug. 9, 1945, Laurel married Gerald E. Ruby. They produced three children. Being very civic-minded, Mom volunteered and served every community she lived in.

Throughout her adult life, her two driving passions were her dogs and cats and the "Mighty Wurlitzer" Theater Pipe Organ; three of which she personally restored and installed. Through her love of pipe organs, Mom met and married Lee Haggart, June 2, 1967.

Who else but Mom could pilot a Goodyear blimp, single-handedly transform a weedy hillside into a magnificent rock terraced flower garden, meet an astronaut, have a star named after her and



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HAGGART**

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serve on the national Board Directors of the American Theater Organ Society. She was also the first editor of *The Gluepot*.

In 1994, Mom moved to Laurel to begin a new life. She immediately began working at Hardee's. Mom was so proud to be "independent" and have her own home. She loved meeting people and serving "her" customers. She was still working at Hardee's until her illness in March. Again her civic mindedness landed her seats on both the Laurel Water Board and the Laurel City/County Planning Board, positions she took very seriously. Mom was a member of the Laurel Federated Woman's Club, again holding office. Mom loved her friends, yard, trains, music, good books and latch-hooking her own designs.

Laurel is survived by a daughter, Linda (Dan) Murphy; sons Gerald (Pam) Ruby and Bruce (Diane) Haggart, D.C.; eight grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of Mom's life will be held 11 a.m. Thursday, June

17, at Faith Chapel in Billings. Interment will be private family service. If desired, memorials may be made to the Northern Rockies Oncology Center, 1041 N. 29th St., Billings, MT 59101 or the Horizon Hospice House, 1019 Neptune, Billings, MT 50105.

While I will miss you dearly, Mom, I will see you again, pain-free and safe in the arms of Jesus.

# Margaret Ann Haggerty

THE GAZETTE

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After a courageous fight with cancer, Margaret Ann Haggerty, 82, passed away Nov. 17, 2004, at her home, surrounded by her family.

She was born the daughter of Anna (Skophammer) and William James Morey on Oct. 25, 1922. She was raised with two brothers and four sisters in Plentywood, where she remained until the age of 20.

Margaret married Henry Paul Haggerty on Nov. 17, 1942, in Glasgow. Henry shipped off to World War II, and Margaret moved to Silverton, Ore., to live and work in the shipyard with her sister Rosella while waiting for his return. After the war, they returned to Montana, first to Great Falls and then to Billings, to begin raising their family. Their home was on Ryan Avenue, where all the kids grew up. Margaret worked nights at the Turf Café before starting her lifelong career at the front desk of the Northern Hotel. She retired from the Northern after 16 years of service.



**MARGARET  
HAGGERTY**

Margaret is preceded in death by her husband, Henry P.; two daughters, Rose A. Prkut and

Gayle M. Champion; grandson, Kelly Prkut all of Seattle.

Margaret is survived by daughter Linda R. Bogart of Billings; son, William P. Haggerty (Pamela) of Great Falls; granddaughters, Erin M. Barber (Justin) of Louisville, Colo., Megan K. Haggerty and McKenzie L. Haggerty of Billings; grandson, Nick Prkut; great-grandchildren, Austin and Taylor Prkut, all of Seattle, and Blaine Prkut of California. Margaret is also survived by two sisters, Rosella Dick of Canby, Ore., and Evelyn Arneson of Helena.

Margaret was a very special mother, grandmother and friend. She was a very giving person, always remembering the special events in the lives of her friends and family. Margaret never met a stranger.

Mom, we loved the special stories you shared with all of us through your journey of life. In the end, we came to believe your one constant theme, "Everyone was, after all, from Plentywood."

We love you dearly and you will be greatly missed.

Services will be held at the Open Bible Christian Center, 302

19th St. West, in Billings, at 1 p.m.  
Friday, Nov. 19, followed by inter-  
ment at Mountain View  
Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to  
Big Sky Hospice, 123 S. 27th St.,  
Billings, MT 59101.

# **Evelyn Williams Hagstrom**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUN 20 2004**

Evelyn Williams Hagstrom died at Billings Deaconess Clinic on June 18, 2004, at the age of 79. The cause of her death was not determined, but 30 years of rheumatoid arthritis and a variety of medicines were undoubtedly contributors.



**EVELYN  
HAGSTROM**

She was born in Rahway, N.J., the third child of Seymour and Cora Williams. In her immediate family, her older brother Manley survives her, as well as four nephews. Her other brother, Seymour Jr., died 17 years ago.

Evy is the mother of six children, grandmother of 18, and great-grandmother of five: Gunnar Theodore (children, Heidi (husband, Doug Schrock), Josh (children, Jonathan and Angelica); Kristin Ann Hart (husband, Steven; son, David, who preceded Evy to Heaven); Kathryn Adams McRae (husband, Jack; children, Cora, Ian, Kristin, Malcolm); Robert S. "Biff" Jr. (wife, Brenda; children, Katie, Ally, Rob, Marianne); David Ross (wife, Cindy; children, Abram, Thaneet (son,

Jayden), Tensy, Hudson); and Daniel Fuller (wife, Julie; children, Lucy, Andy, Sally).

Evy met her husband, Bob, in 1944, at Columbia University in New York City, where she was a student of nursing and he was in medical school. They were married in October 1946, as soon as Evy had sufficient training to support Bob while he finished his training. They had their first son in 1949 in New York, and had four children by 1954, when they moved from Houston to Billings.

In addition to supporting a husband busy in his urology practice, Evy was a stay-at-home mother of six. She opened her home to foster children and missionaries on furlough. She also went with Bob on over 15 medical missions in Honduras, Mexico and Haiti.

As a committed, lifelong follower of Jesus, Evy had a significant impact on the people around her, particularly younger women. She was instrumental in bringing Young Life, an international Christian organization

aimed at unchurched teens, to Billings and to the state. She was one of the first people in this area to be involved in the charismatic renewal (1961). Evy and Bob attended Faith Chapel for several years, and then joined Hope Center, a church planted by Faith Chapel in South Billings.

A memorial service for Evy will be held at Faith Chapel, 2 p.m., Tuesday, June 22. You may remember Evy with flowers if you wish, but she and Bob would prefer that you follow Jesus' instructions in the Great Commission and help support Young Life (2590 Holman Ave. #B, Billings 59102), or Community Leadership Development, Inc. (PO Box 3381, Billings, 59103), or commit to supporting an orphan through World's Children (PO Box 2979, Winter Haven, FL 33880).

# Michael Thomas Hahn

REED POINT — Mike left this life on Dec. 23, 2004. He was born in Billings, on June 18, 1984.

He attended school in Reed Point, where he received his diploma in May of 2003. While attending school, he was involved in baseball, 4H,

football, basketball and student council. Mike was currently working at Timberweld in Columbus. Mike spent his life with friends and family, doing the many things

that he loved. During hunting season, you could be sure that he would not be sitting in the house on a weekend, but he would not bring home his trophy until the last week (couldn't end the hunting season too soon). He loved to hunt, fish, float the river or just roam around in the great outdoors. He was with his brother (Bill) and his sister (Alyssa) when they killed their first animal. Mike also enjoyed his animals, whether it was swimming or walking with his dog, just riding his horse for the fun of it or working cows, or showing his animals in 4-H. While showing at the 4-H fair he met his love, Brooke Gregorich. He and Brooke had planned to get married, but had not yet set a



**MIKE  
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date. Mike always had a smile for those that he loved and you could be sure that he would have you back in any situation. He had a strong love for his friends and family. Mike's greatest joy was his and Brooke's daughter Kaitlynn Marie.

Mike, we love you and will miss you more than we could ever express. You will always be a special person that all of your family and friends will keep close in our hearts. We will make sure that Kaitlynn does know her father through all of us. I will miss you, my son, more than can ever be imagined.

Mike is survived by Brooke and their daughter Kaitlynn; his mother, Christina Moberly and fiancé Terry Pierce; father, David Hahn; brother, Bill Hahn; sister, Alyssa Hahn; paternal grandparents, Chris (Diana) Hahn and Pat (Roy) Schoessler; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Edgar and Edythe Moberly.

A celebration of his life will be held Wednesday, Dec. 29, at 2 p.m. in Reed Point, at the high school gymnasium.

We will see you again in the place that the Lord has prepared for us all. Save some of the big ones for Ritchie (we are sure that you guys are hunting or fishing) and the rest of us.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund will be set up for Kaitlynn. Cards can be sent to Christina Moberly, 203 Downer Road, Molt, MT 59057.



# Betty Helgeson Haigh

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Betty Helgeson Haigh was born Sept. 26, 1911, to William and Margaret O'Connor on a ranch four miles west of Carlyle, in Wibaux County. She went to be with the Lord on Good Friday, April 9, 2004, at Valley Health Care Center from complications due to a stroke.



**BETTY HAIGH**

In 1935, Betty O'Connor married Daniel Helgeson in Sheridan, Wyo., at Holy Name Catholic Church. They lived in Baker and had two sons, Edward and James Helgeson.

In 1952, Dan Helgeson was killed in a car accident. He was Division Manager for Montana Dakota Utilities. In 1971, Betty married Francis (Bud) Haigh and lived in Seattle for five years. When Bud died of a heart attack in 1976, Betty moved back to Baker.

In 1981, Betty moved to Billings to be near her sons, their wives, families and numerous nieces and nephews.

Betty retired from Mountain Bell Telephone Company in 1966 with 30 years of service as operator, supervisor and chief operator including commercial duties.

She was a Life Pioneer

Member of American Telephone Co., a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church, a Retired Senior Volunteer and a member of several bridge clubs.

While in Baker, she was president of the Baker Women's Club, the Baker Homemakers Club, Chairman of the Hospital Board and Cub Scout Den Mother for many years.

Her greatest joy was her family and friends, walking, cooking, sewing and playing bridge. She was a true lover of nature and all its beauty.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Dan Helgeson; her mother and father; four brothers, Jim, Con, Mike, and Pat O'Connor; one sister, Abina O'Connor Cason; and Bud Haigh.

She is survived by her daughter-in-law, Sharon Helgeson; two sons, Edward (Sandy), and Jim (Jan) Helgeson; 10 wonderful grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren; one wonderful sister-in-law, Joyce O'Connor, and numerous "special" nieces and nephews.

Rosary and prayer service will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 13, and funeral

mass will be at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 14, at St. Thomas Catholic Church in Billings. There will be a church service at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday April 15, at St. John's Catholic Church in Baker followed by interment at Bonneville Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Special K Ranch, Angel Horse or Sacred Heart Renewal Center.

## KEITH W. HAINES

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 11 2004

Keith W. Haines, age 100, of Billings, formerly of Livingston, died Feb. 3, 2004, at Valley Health Care Center in Billings.

He was born Oct. 14, 1903, on a ranch south of Sheridan, the son of J.J. Haines and Jessie Wilcox Haines.



KEITH HAINES

Keith attended grade school at Robbers Roost near his home. He completed high school in Sheridan and two years at Dillon Normal College. Later he received a BA degree at the University of Montana and an MA degree from Montana State University in Bozeman.

He spent 43 years in education, 20 years as a principal and elementary teacher. Keith spent 17 years in education in Bozeman and then moved to Livingston, where he was superintendent of the Livingston School System until his retirement in 1969.

Keith married Marguerite McDonald on Aug. 23, 1928, in Butte. Since 1988, they lived in the West Park Retirement Home in Billings. Marguerite died April 18, 2001, in Billings.

Keith is survived by his son, John D. Haines and his wife Mavis of Wichita, Kan.; a grandson, Craig J. Haines and his wife Denice; and

two great-grandsons, Ross and Keenan of Billings.

Keith was a life member of Livingston Masonic Lodge #32, Scottish Rite Bodies, the Montana School Administrators, the Christian Church in Bozeman and the Rotary Club in Livingston.

A memorial service is scheduled in the spring at the Franzen-Davis Funeral Home in Livingston.

Smith Funeral Chapels of Billings in charge of local arrangements.

Raymond Joseph Hakert, 92-year-old Billings and former Buffalo, Wyo., resident, passed away on Oct. 15, 2004, in Billings.

A rosary will be recited in Billings on Oct. 21, at 7 p.m., at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral. Visitation will be held in Buffalo, at Adams Funeral Home, from 1 to 9 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 22. Rites of Christian Mass will be held on Oct. 23, at 11 a.m., at St. John the Baptist Church in Buffalo, with Father George Von Kaenel officiating. Burial will be at Willow Grove Cemetery in Buffalo, with dinner to follow at the church. Memorial donations can be made in Raymond's memory to the American Diabetes Association or the charity of one's choice in care of the Adams Funeral Home at 351 N. Adams in Buffalo.

Raymond "Ray" Joseph Hakert began his life on April 10, 1912, in Hinkley, Minn. He was the first son born to George Arthur Hakert and Mary Rose Uhl Hakert. When he was still a child, his family relocated to Buffalo. He went to school at the Klondike School on his grandparents' homestead, and later at a schoolhouse that was built by his father for the Hakert Family. He completed his education in Buffalo.

In 1934, Ray filed for one of the last available homesteads in

Johnson County. He married Mary Alyce Simmons on Oct. 24, 1936, on the family homestead and they made their home in the Buffalo area until relocating in Minneapolis. While in Minneapolis, Raymond learned and developed the skill of fabricating artificial limbs and braces. In 1947, Raymond relocated with his family to Billings, where they eventually started his own business, Billings Orthopedic. He was also a well-known and active member of the Blue Creek community for many years.

Raymond enjoyed caring for and providing for his family, reading his Bible, saying his Rosary, watching his family grow, talking about politics and teaching others about livestock, gardening, canning and life. He was a loving and dedicated husband, and an exemplary Christian, father and grandfather. He was a talented artist and a skilled prosthetist.

He is survived by his loving wife of 68 years, Mary Alyce Hakert; four daughters, Kay Becker, Millie Wehrman and her husband Gene, and Lynda Rockwell, all of Billings, and Marybeth Dallenger and her husband Ron of Great Falls; son Doug Hakert and his wife Linda of Sheridan, Wyo.; 24 grandchil-

dren; 35 great-grandchildren; and many foster children.

He is preceded in death by his parents; son Edward Hakert; brother Bert Hakert; sister Marie Key; foster sister Dorothy Matchette; grandson Timothy Wehrman; granddaughter Lisa Hakert; and great-grandson Riley Orvis.

We will miss your sweet presence here on earth, but we know you will continue to watch over all of us with God our Father, Jesus, the Blessed Mother and the angels in Heaven.

**Marguerite (MacDonald)  
Haines  
Keith W. Haines**

MAY 26 2004

Marguerite M. Haines, 94, died on April 18, 2001, in Billings and Keith W. Haines, 100, died Feb. 3, 2004, in Billings. Both are of Billings, formerly of Livingston.

Memorial services for the Haines will be at 2 p.m. Friday, May 28, at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home, in Livingston. Graveside committal and burial will follow in Mountain View Cemetery. Cremation has taken place.

## Betty Kathleen Hale

THE NEWS GAZETTE

LIVINGSTON — Betty Kathleen Hale, 58, of Livingston, died Sunday, June 27, 2004, at Livingston Memorial Hospital.

Cremation took place in Franzen-Davis Crematory, following a family visitation. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 1, at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home in Livingston.

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## **Doris Hall**

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SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Doris Hall, 88, of Sheridan, died Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 1, at the First Presbyterian Church. Interment will be at 2:30 p.m. in the Moorcroft Municipal Cemetery. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.



# Elizabeth 'Betty' Allbee Hall

Elizabeth "Betty" Allbee Hall passed away June 9, 2004.

Betty was born March 7, 1918, in Kansas City, Mo., to Ernest Raymond and Margaret Ennis Allbee. She and her family lived in Idaho, New York, Kansas and Missouri during her growing-up years.

She attended Kansas State University and received a BS degree in Dietetics in 1939. Following graduation, she worked at various hospitals and universities before joining the U.S. Army. In 1943, she was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army Medical Corp and began training for overseas duty. She spent the next two years serving in numerous military hospitals in the South Pacific.

During her tour of duty during World War II, she met her future husband, Warren P. Hall, who was also serving in the U.S. Army. In 1946, they were married and resided in Denver. They moved to Billings in 1955, when Warren established the Billings office of Hall and Hall. Warren preceded her in death in 1981.



**BETTY  
HALL**

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Betty was a member of the National Honor Society in high school and a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority at Kansas State University. She became a member of PEO Chapter S and served as a Pink Lady at Deaconess Hospital in the American Red Cross for 37 years. She also volunteered and supported numerous community organizations over the years.

She is survived by her sons, Douglas Allbee Hall (Lisa) of Billings and Robert Ennis Hall (Mary Pat) of Denver; four grandchildren, Jeffrey Warren Hall of Denver, Erik Chapman Hall of Great Falls, Katherine Elizabeth Hall of Billings and Mary Nelle Hall of Missoula; four step-grandchildren, Pat and Randy Wilson, Jake and Aaron Ballweber; three great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family extends its heartfelt gratitude to the staff at The Vista, where Betty had resided since 1999, as well as the staff at St. John's Lutheran Home. Their support and care for Betty are deeply appreciated. The family also

wishes to thank Drs. Patricia Coon and Robert Sachs, Judith Bowman, R.N., as well as the ER and ATU staffs at Deaconess Billings Clinic Hospital who gave Betty loving care.

A service celebrating Betty's life will be held Saturday, June 12, at 11 a.m., at First Presbyterian Church, 13th and Poly Drive.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Family Service Inc., 1824 First Avenue North, Billings, MT 59101, or to the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

## **Josh Reed Hall**

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THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. — Josh Reed Hall, 19, died Friday, Nov. 12, 2004, as the result of a truck accident on Highway 16.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be announced later this week. Mortimore Funeral Home of Thermopolis is in charge.

**Kathleen Ann Hall**  
**Mother, Daughter, Sister,**  
**Teacher & Friend**

**Jan. 10, 1949 — Aug. 20, 2004**

Kathleen is survived by her son, Cameron Cook, USN, Great Lakes Training Station; her parents Frances and Louis Hall, Billings; her siblings, Sister Maureen Hall, Leavenworth, Kan., Sharon Hall, Reston, Va., Rich (Sally) Hall, Billings, and Tom Hall, Seattle. She will also be mourned by seven nieces and nephews, a slew of cousins, students and friends.

Cameron was Kathleen's great joy. She relished his many successes at school, in tennis and drama. They had each other and they both honored that time.

Kathleen graduated from Billings Central, and received her Bachelors and Masters degrees at Denver University. She passed on Stanford and Columbia to do her post graduate work in Literature at Oxford University. While in England, she met and married Bernie Cook, Edinburgh.

After her return to Montana, and his to the UK, Kathleen worked at the MSU-B Library and also instructed in Composition. Later she moved to the libraries at St. Francis Upper School and Billings Central.

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When younger, Kathleen was a gifted ballet dancer and avid skier. More recently, she attempted to resurrect her athletic past through tennis. It was a sight.

Few could match her understanding of language, her love of books and her rapier wit. For all her gifts, Kathleen also bore the burden of alcoholism.

Kath, we miss you already. You made us proud and frustrated, but we are blessed to have you as a mother, daughter, sister, teacher and friend.

We will say goodbye on Friday Aug. 27, Holy Rosary Church (Fifth Street West and Custer Avenue). Family will be available for visiting at 12:30 p.m., Mass at 1 p.m., with luncheon following. Memorials may be sent to Billings Catholic Schools (Box 31158, Billings, MT 59107) or Young Life (1911 King Ave. West, Billings, MT 59102).

## Robert Warren Hall

Robert Warren Hall, 79, of Billings passed away this Friday, Nov. 5, 2004, after a valiant, two-year battle with cancer.

A native son of Montana, Bob was born on the Yellowstone at Chico Hot Springs on Jan. 7, 1925.

The son of Warren Hall and Margaret Hodson Hall, he was raised in Gardiner as part of the large family which built and operated the W.A. Hall Company general store. He spent



**ROBERT HALL**

his childhood in Yellowstone National Park, Paradise Valley and the Gallatin area and attended high school at Hill Military Academy in Portland, Ore. Graduating in 1943, he went directly into the U.S. Army, serving in demolitions and the paratroopers during WWII.

After the war, Bob trained as a deep-sea diver but returned to Montana to help in the family store. He met and courted Kathleen Edith Evans and they were married in the chapel at Mammoth on Dec. 20, 1947. In Livingston, he joined the Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite, and was he youngest member in the state to join the Shrine Algeria Temple and Elks Lodge. With an account-

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ing degree from Montana State College, he returned to the family business. In 1953, he moved his family to Billings, where he was active in Jaycees and held accounting positions with Arkwright Construction, Coles Department Store and Yellowstone Metra.

Bob's life was guided by a strong ethic and personal strength. It was centered on his family with a marriage that lasted nearly 57 years. His children had his love and support with all their activities and schooling, their Scouting, their college educations, and their lives as they established their professions, married and had children. There were many happy family gatherings, discussions, events, expeditions and trips, with few or many participants. He had genuine friends who shared in these adventures, too.

With his retirement in 1987, Bob had time to pursue his true passions of hunting, hiking, canoeing and wandering through his beloved Montana and points beyond.

Bob is survived by his wife Kathleen; his daughter Sandi and husband Jim Vashro and daughter

Jillian of Kalispell; his son Bill and wife Susan Hall and sons Wesley and Stephen of Salt Lake City; and niece Martha Kuipers and sons Colter and Dustin of Belgrade. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Jean Hall Overfelt.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, at Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. W. Cremation has taken place. Memorials in Bob's name may be given to Big Sky Hospice, P.O. Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107 or the charity of one's choice.

**PLENTYWOOD** — The life and love of Linda Halland will be celebrated at her funeral service, at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 16. Pastor David C. Curtright will officiate at the service at Plentywood Lutheran Church; interment will

be in Redstone Cemetery. Linda died Sunday evening, Oct. 10, 2004, at her home just west of Plentywood. She had struggled with breast cancer for many years, but



**LINDA  
HALLAND**

always maintained a positive cheerful outlook and never gave up — she never wanted others to have a hard time because of her discomfort. She “fought the good fight, and has finished her course.”

Linda was born at Williston, N.D., Feb. 21, 1952, the daughter of Harold and Sophie (Crouse) Friedrich. She grew up in Plentywood, graduated from Plentywood High School, and married Sam Halland at the Trinity Lutheran Church there, Dec. 7, 1973. They moved to Colville, Wash., where Sam worked in the logging industry and Linda performed her duties as housewife and mother and had various jobs when the kids were school age. After 11 years in

Colville, they returned to Plentywood to operate their own trucking business and to be closer to their parents. Linda worked as a secretary, clerk, waitress, dispatcher for the trucking firm, and held other jobs, but her real occupation was as a wife, mother, grandmother ... and making people smile. Her sense of humor, infectious smile and bubbling laughter touched everyone she met. Their home was filled with kids, animals, friends, projects, laughter and love. Linda and Sam's extended family encompass people of all ages, many occupations, and from all over North America.

In 1988, Linda and her sister, Dorothy, started “Dot and Lin's Miniatures” raising, training and showing miniature horses. Her last show was at the Montana Fair in Billings this year, where she and her family had a great time! Linda traded her Volkswagen convertible for a pontoon boat — and boating, camping and fishing trips to White Earth, Rafferty and Fort Peck always included kids, grandchildren, friends and dogs ... “Sherman” and recently “Sadie” were her kids, too! Linda loved her flower gardens, carrying seeds of annuals over from year to year, and everyone loved her

unique and flamboyant decorations for every holiday.

Linda is survived by her husband, Sam, of Plentywood; two children, Jeff Hallard and his wife Brandy of Williston and Toni Yoss and her husband Ray of Nashua; and their children Jeff, Colton, and Dillon. She is also survived by her sister, Dorothy Brockmier and her husband Wes of Plentywood, and their family; and by numerous nephews, nieces and a large extended family of special friends and acquaintances. She was preceded in death by her parents, Harold and Sophie Friedrich; and Sam's mother, Gladys Halland.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood has charge of arrangements.



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## Gordon Hallen

LAUREL — Gordon Hallen, 78, of Laurel died Saturday, March 6, 2004.

He was born in Hettinger, N.D. on Sept. 27, 1925, a son of Albert and Annette (Norheim) Hallen. He was the youngest of 10 children.

He graduated from high school in Hettinger and worked various jobs there. He married Della Huenink on May 14, 1951. They moved to Laurel in 1953. They had two daughters, Tamalyn and Beth.

Gordon worked for Johnston Lumber for 10 years, then worked for Boise Cascade in Billings until his retirement.

Throughout his life, he enjoyed bowling, camping, fishing and especially baseball. He coached Beth in softball, Keith in Little League Baseball and played ball with Lexi. He also liked his morning coffee times with his friends.

He was a member of Our Savior's Lutheran Church and spent many happy hours working

in his church.

He is survived by his wife, Della; his daughter and son-in-law, Beth and John Kuehn; his grandson, Keith Hallen; his great-granddaughter, Alexis Hallen Legare; his sister and brother-in-law, Gladys and Jack Rosenthal of Mesa, Ariz.; his three sister-in-laws, Elna Hallen of Laurel, Carole Rudesill of Baldwin, Wis., and LaRaine Hallen of Denver; and many loving nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Tamalyn; four brothers, Os, Olaf, Alfred and Arnold; and four sisters, Myrtle, Mildred, Julia and Delia.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service to celebrate Gordon's life will be 2 p.m. Tuesday March 9, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Memorials may be given to Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Hospice or charity of your choice. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of arrangements.

# Michael Hallinan

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HULETT, Wyo. — A wake and celebration of Michael Hallinan's life will be held in the early summer in Hulett.

Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

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On Wednesday evening, March 17, 2004, Heaven welcomed its new choir director.

Paul was born March 20, 1933, in Acequia, Idaho, as one of 10 children to Estil and Geneve Halpin. He attended schools in Pocatello and graduated from Pocatello High in 1951.



**PAUL HALPIN**

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Upon graduation he went to work for the Union Pacific railroad until 1954 when he enlisted in the U.S. Army. After completing basic training at Fort Ord, Calif., he was stationed in Heidelberg, Germany, where he met the love of his life, Elisabeth Stech. They were married May 19, 1956.

He was honorably discharged in 1961 as Sergeant 1st class E-6.

After returning to the states they settled in Pocatello where he returned to work at the railroad and enrolled at Idaho State University. There he discovered his God-given talent and the second love of his life, music. He sang in the schools choirs and was a member in the barbershop quartet, the Collegians. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in education, majoring in music and minoring in English.

His first teaching job was in Middleton, Idaho where taught kindergarten through 12th grade music, junior high and high school English and was the assistant high school basketball and track coach. In the summer of 1965 he began working towards his Masters degree at the University of Montana in Missoula. While there he was offered and accepted the position of music teacher and choir director at Fergus County High School in Lewistown, Montana. While in Lewistown he rekindled his love for Barbershop music and formed "The Outdoorsmen", a barbershop chorus. In 1975, he was offered what he considered to be the ultimate choir directing job in the state of Montana as music teacher and choir director at Billings Senior High School.

In a career that spanned 30 years, Paul influenced thousands of lives through the teaching of Choral music. As a choir director in Idaho and Montana he inspired his students to love music and to pursue excellence in their lives through the performance of music. He had a gift for understanding the individual needs of each singer in his choir. He made an effort to make everyone feel welcome and special in the choir, and every rehearsal was dominated by his unique sense of humor. He never took himself too seriously. For Paul, rehearsal was always focused on

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having a good time. He loved to give his singers a hard time and enjoyed it even more when they gave it back. Teaching for Paul was not a job, it was a true calling.

Paul was comfortable teaching all styles of music, whether he was conducting Handel's Messiah with full orchestra and choir, or "Coney Island Baby" with a group of freshmen high school boys, he paid close attention to the musical style of each song. His groups performed everything from standard choral literature, vocal jazz, and barbershop to Broadway musicals. He was particularly fond of the 19th century, especially Brahms and Bruckner.

His demand for excellence took Paul's choirs to select performances in many festivals at the state level. The Varsity choirs under his direction were invited to perform for several northwest regional conventions, and his Swing Choirs, Choralaires, and Expressions were invited to perform for many community groups throughout south central Montana. He also directed the Big Sky Barbershop Chorus, the First Congregational United Church of Christ choir, and sang bass with the Billings Symphony Chorale.

Because of his gift for relating to young people, Paul was also a popular guest clinician and adjudicator. As a guest clinician, he adjudicated or conducted in nearly every Montana High School

Association music district in the state. Always in high demand, it was not unusual for Paul to be booked a year in advance by districts in Montana and Wyoming.

Over the years Paul has trained many young choral directors. It was not uncommon for him to have one or two student teachers each year, and students could always count on getting a real "hands on" experience from Paul. He was adamant about the need for experienced teachers to share their experiences by mentoring beginning teachers.

In the same spirit of mentoring Paul was also dedicated to music teachers' professional organizations. He served as the treasurer of the Montana Choral Director's Association and received their Distinguished Service Award. The Montana Music Educators also recognized him for his years of service.

Paul was also a loving, sharing husband and father. He spent his summer months coaching his sons little league, driving his sons and daughters to their swim meets or taking the family out camping. He always made sure the family had their yearly vacation to see somewhere new and different. He loved to hunt and fish, especially hunting pheasants behind his special dog "Patch" or getting the family out in the boat where there was no escaping his stories.

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*Paul Halpern*

Paul is survived by his wife, Elisabeth; his mother, Geneve; his brothers, Bob and Pat; sisters, Helen, Ruth, Dorothy, and Trudy; sons Gary of Las Vegas, N. M., Bryan, his wife, Tammy and their daughter, Brianna, of Billings; daughters, Kathy Lindell, her husband, Rod, son, Morgan, and daughters, Erin and Emily of Park City, and Lisa, her daughter, Bekah, and son, Theo, of Billings. He is preceded in death by his father Estil; brother, Jack; and sisters, Elizabeth and Caroline.

Memorial services will be held at the First Congregational United Church of Christ at 310 N. 27th Street in Billings on Saturday, March 27 at 11:00 a.m. One of Paul's last wishes was that anyone who sang with him or under his direction please join in and sing together one last time. We have chosen "A Mighty Fortress".

Memorials may be made to the National Marphan Foundation, 382 Main Street Port Washington, New York 11050, or to a Shriners organization of their choice.

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**Halsey****March 24, 1966 — July 7, 2004**

Jennifer Ann Keys Halsey, beloved wife, mother, daughter, schoolteacher, athletic instructor and friend, died early Wednesday morning, at home, of metastatic malignant melanoma. She was 38 years old and spent her last two years fighting cancer with strength and dignity.

Born in Provo, Utah, in 1966, Jennifer lived in Utah, North Dakota, Montana, Colorado and Idaho, before making Billings her permanent home. She was a 1984 graduate of Capitol High School in Boise, Idaho, and received her BS degree from Rocky Mountain College in Billings in 1989. She had passions for academics and for athletics. She taught biology at Central High School and most recently chemistry at West High School. She coached soccer at both schools. She was an active instructor at the Billings Athletic Club and enjoyed the Billings Studio Theater.

In 2002, she married Greg Halsey and later that year gave birth to their son, Kevin. Kevin

**JENNIFER  
HALSEY****JUL 9 - 2004**

was the light and joy of her life. She loved and enjoyed many wonderful friends outside of the family.

Jennifer is survived by her husband Greg and her son Kevin; her parents, John and Dell Keys of Moab, Utah; her sister, Kathe Crawford (husband Dave) and nephew Cascy of Montrose, Colo.; and her sister, Robin Fisher (husband Mike) of Boise; parents-in-law Carson and Linda Halsey of Abingdon, Va.; grandmothers Anna Katherine Avery of Atlanta and Alma Stutts Keys of Muscle Shoals, Ala.; aunt and uncle Dot and Lee Baker and cousins Kimberley Epps, Robert Baker and Ashley Baker of the Atlanta area; and uncle Frank Keys and cousins Lisa Matthews and Leslie Keys of the TriCities, Ala., area.



The family wishes to express sincere thanks to Big Sky Hospice and to the many local doctors and caregivers who have helped Jennifer over the last two years. We also wish to thank many supportive neighbors and friends.

Funeral services are scheduled for this Saturday, July 10, at 10:30 a.m., at First United Methodist Church in Billings, with Pastor Tim Hathaway officiating. Viewing will take place at the church beginning at 9 a.m. Cremation will follow the service. Smith Funeral Chapel is directing the arrangements.

A scholarship has been established at Billings West High School in Jennifer's name. The family requests contributions to this fund in lieu of flowers. Please send these contributions to either Greg Halsey or to Lore Perez at First Interstate Bank.



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# Shirley Ellen Halsey

Shirley Ellen Halsey, 71, died Friday, March 19 at her home in Evanston.

She was born April 16, 1932, in Moorefield, Neb., to John Lew Wood and Eunice Delcie Warner. She was raised on a farm, and at the age of 7, drought forced her family from the farm.

They relocated to Powell where she graduated from Powell High School in 1949.

On June 4, 1953, she married Jessie Robinson and had three sons. They divorced in 1962. She married Russell Halsey in June 1973 in Evanston. The couple moved to Rock Springs in 1975.

She worked for Red Horse Oil for many years at the Get-N-Go store on Elk Street in Rock Springs. She was robbed at gun point twice while at work.

The love of family and friends was her most prized possession. Her 50-year class reunion was a highlight of her life.



Shirley Halsey

Shirley was a member of the First Baptist Church and lived a Christian life, reflected in the poetry she loved to write. She had several poems published.

She loved holidays, Christmas cards, to cook for family and lilacs.

She is survived by

sons Mark L. (Cindy) Boyd, John D. and Marvin D. Robinson, all of Evanston; grandchildren Barry Speicher, J.J.Boyd, Bonnie Mae Boyd, Amy (Travis) Klein, Mandy (David) Nichols, and Jeff Robinson; and great-grandchildren Robert Nichols, Lyric Nichols, Chelena Speicher, Adaisia Speicher and Davis Robinson.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, two sisters and one brother.

Funeral services will take place Thursday, March 25 at 11 a.m. at Crandall Funeral Home in Evanston. Viewing will be Wednesday March 24 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home and one hour prior to the service on Thursday. Interment will follow in the Evanston Cemetery.

## Floyd M. Halverson

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LEWISTOWN — Floyd M. Halverson, 87, died Saturday, Dec. 18, 2004, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

At his request, cremation has taken place and there will be no services. Inurnment will be in Central Montana Memorial Gardens. Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

# Paul Halverson

Paul died on Jan. 22, 2004, at Billings Health and Rehabilitation Center of congestive heart failure. His three daughters were all able to be here and spend quality time with him before he died.



**PAUL  
HALVERSON**

Paul was born in 1916 in Haynes, N.D., where he grew up on the prairie and worked with his father in the family business, Halverson Hardware. As the drought and depression worsened, he joined a CCC camp to be able to help support his mother and family of six after his father passed away. He was sent to California where he saw orange groves and the ocean for the first time. He later returned to Minnesota on beautiful Mille Lacs Lake where he met his future spouse, Florella Waller whose name he changed to Skip.

Their plans for a life together were put on hold when his name was drawn "out of the hat" in April of 1941. He was drafted into the army and sent to Camp Claiborne, La., in the 133rd Infantry Battalion. There he maneuvered the swamps of Louisiana until Pearl Harbor was bombed and was immediately on

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a troop train for the unknowns. When he arrived in Ireland, he was the second American soldier to step foot on European soil. From there he went to England, North Africa and Italy where he was wounded at Anzio Beachhead and sent home to America after 2½ years overseas.

He returned to Pasadena, Calif., where his family now lived and was soon joined by Skip, his "airmail sweetheart." They were soon married after a long six-year absence and Paul went to work as a sanitarian for the City Health Department. Some years later they returned to northern Minnesota to be near Skip's family. Paul went to work for the Monarch Range Co. and was later transferred to Montana as district manager with a large five-state area to cover. After retirement they remained in Billings, the place they had all grown to love.

Paul was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church for 45 years and was the first president of the Golden K Kiwanis Club which now has 100 members and all are very close friends who support each other in every way.

He had his private pilot's license and loved flying. He enjoyed his motorcycle and camper and he and Skip had fun years traveling with it, visiting friends and family along the way. His favorite camping spot was Woodbine campground, and he loved the Stillwater Valley where he requested that his ashes be placed. He had a long and happy life and he and Skip would soon have been married 60 years.

Paul is survived by his wife Florella; one brother, Ronald of Pasadena; three daughters, Paula Goldman of London, England, Julie Kellebrew (Kelly) of Gillette, Wyo., and Margot LaFontaine (Vernon) of Fort, Collins, Colo. Also, he leaves behind his six beloved grandsons, Kade and Karsen Kellebrew of Gillette, Nicholas and Benjamin Goldman of London and Louis and Beaux LaFontaine of Fort Collins.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at the First Presbyterian Church. Memorials may be given to the First Presbyterian Church, 13th St. W. and Poly Drive, Billings, MT 59102.

# **Donna (Branstetter) Halvorson**

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**HARLOWTON** — Donna (Branstetter) Halvorson, 62, passed away of cancer, Sunday, Aug. 1, 2004, at Wheatland Memorial Hospital. She was born Aug. 23, 1941, in Billings, the daughter of Paul and Dorothy (Bromer) Branstetter.

Donna was very proud of her 15 grandchildren and she loved to crochet and knit for them. She enjoyed crossword puzzles. Donna loved to cook for her family and was known for her cooking. She loved the family gatherings. She graduated from Laurel High School in 1955. Donna married David Halvorson May 9, 1960, and they moved to Hawaii, moving back to the States in 1963.

Her parents; her brothers, Danny and Louie Branstetter, preceded Donna in death. She is survived by three sons, Mike (Heldi) Halvorson of Reed Point, Darren (Sandra) Halvorson of Big Timber, Brian (Melissa DeMasters) Halvorson of Big Timber; three daughters, Cheryl (Casey) Meadows of Big Timber, Dena Halvorson (Brandi Csikasz) of Harlowton and Marcie Haines (A.J. Ellison) of Reed Point. Also surviving are her 15 grandchildren, brother Jim (Carol) Branstetter and her sister, Karen Pierce.

Services will be 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, at Perkins Funeral Home. Cremation will follow and burial will take place at a later date. Family requests donations to Wheatland Memorial Hospital in her loving memory.

Perkins Funeral Home assisted the family with the arrangements.

## Hattie Halvorson

**SIDNEY** — Hattie Halvorson, 88, formerly of Bainville and Williston, N.D., died Aug. 28, 2004, at her home.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Pella Lutheran Church in Sidney. Interment will be at 4 p.m. CST in Sunset Memorial Gardens in Minot, N.D. Fulkerson Funeral Home in Sidney is in charge.



## Jessie Wilson Halvorson

**CROW AGENCY** — Jessie Wilson Halvorson, 85, of Crow Agency, passed to the other side on Feb. 2, 2004, in the Crow Agency Nursing Home.

Ka'assaash "Serious Person" was born Feb. 14, 1918, along Reno Creek, a daughter of James A. Wilson, Sr. and Rose Old Bear. She grew up and received her early education in Crow Agency before completing high school at the Flandreau (S.D.) Indian School.



**JESSIE  
HALVORSON**

Following her education, she married Dale Kindness Sr. The couple lived in Crow Agency, Cut Bank, Great Falls and Billings, while Mr. Kindness performed in a band. They were later divorced. She married Jack Halvorson in 1980 in Basin, Wyo.

The couple resided in Wyoming, while Jessie worked as a motel manager. Mr. Halvorson died in 2002.

She was one of the oldest

members of the Greasy Mouth Clan and was a child of the Whistling Water Clan. She was a Crow speaker who was proud of the Crow heritage.

She enjoyed cooking, fishing, hunting and reading. However, the joy of her life was her children.

A daughter, Gale, and a son, Jimmy Kindness, preceded Jessie in death.

Survivors include her four sons, Ty of Washington, Dale, Larry and Bobby Kindness of Crow Agency; her sisters, Agnes Old Bear of Benteen, Phoebe Dillon and Alice Wilson of Crow Agency; her brother, David (Kim) Yarlott, Sr. of Benteen; 30 grandchildren, 62 great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, in the Crow Community Baptist Church. Interment will follow in the Crow Agency Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

## Joyce J. Halvorson

SCOBEEY — Joyce J. Halvorson, 82, formerly of Scobey, Mont., died Friday, Oct. 1, 2004, in Billings.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 11, at Waller Funeral Home in Scobey. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10, and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, at Waller Funeral Home.

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# Hannah R. Haman

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Hannah R. Haman went to meet her Lord on Nov. 22, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings.

Hannah was born July 17, 1930, to Henry and Elizabeth Bernhardt in Billings. Hannah married Robert A. Haman on Oct. 23, 1949, in Pilgrim Congregational Church.

Hannah is survived by her husband, Robert; and loving puppy Katy; children, Donna (Dale) Aisenbrey, Gordon (Bonnie) Haman, Kathy Greene, Dan (Konnie) Haman; grandchildren, Robert (Lura) Aisenbrey and Adam Aisenbrey, Charles (Natalie) Haman, Jennifer (Brian) Woods, John (Kellie) Haman, Brice Greene, Haley and Drew Haman; and great-grandchildren Apryl and Gage Aisenbrey, Connor and McLain Woods, Mariah Haman and Morgan Zabrocki; brother Harold Baker; sisters Clara Watts, Elsie (Jack) Yost; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Hannah is preceded in death by her parents, three brothers and three sisters.

Hannah enjoyed the simple things in life and will be greatly missed by all.

Cremation has taken place and no services will be held, at her request.

Memorials may be made to the Montana Heart Institute or Pilgrim Congregational Church at 409 S. 36th, Billings, MT 59101.

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Georgia C. Hamilton was born July 13, 1950. She left this earth Aug. 16, 2004. Her strong faith in God will insure her place in heaven. She was known for her beautiful gardens and her kind, loving heart. Georgia will be missed and remembered by all whose lives she touched.

She is survived by a son, a daughter, a brother, a sister and her longtime love. She was loved and respected by many.

In celebration of her life, a gathering will be held Saturday, Sept. 4, at her son's home at 2 p.m. A potluck will follow. Everyone is welcome.

The address is 460 69th St. W., Billings. For more information, please call Luke at 656-8869.

# Harvey W. Hamilton Jr.

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Our beloved father, Harvey W. Hamilton Jr., age 86, died peacefully at home in the Autumn Care Center II in Billings on Thursday, April 8, 2004, with his family by his side.

Harvey was born the son of Harvey Sr. and Mary (Bear) Hamilton on Nov. 18, 1917, in Wolf Point. He graduated from Flandreau Vocational High School, Flandreau Indian School in South Dakota. Harvey was united in marriage to Mattie "Peggy" Yellowrobe in Wolf Point in 1949.



**HARVEY  
HAMILTON**

From Sept. 16, 1940, until June 6, 1945, Harvey was decorated and served during WWII with the U.S. Army in the Asiatic Theater, receiving his honorable discharge at the rank of private first class. Upon his discharge, Harvey worked for two summers in Glacier National Park. His career with the Branch of Irrigation, Bureau of Indian Affairs, began in 1952. He retired in 1985, as Supervisory Irrigation System Operator.

Harvey was a charter member of the VFW Post in Wolf Point. He was also an avid golfer and staved with the game well into his

70s. His family was his passion, truly a loving father, grandfather, brother and caring friend. He enjoyed attending the many powwows on the Fort Peck Indian Reservation. Harvey loved all sports, but most especially, rodeo. He was a devoted fan of the Wolf Point Stampede until his recent illness.

Survivors include his son, Thomas Hamilton and daughter, Nell Eby, both of Billings; his step-daughter, Eddy Mae Szymanski of Poplar, Mont.; his sister, Cynthia Midthun, of West Valley City, Utah; and many grand and great grandchildren.

Harvey is preceded in death by his wife; his parents; his sister, Violet Hamilton; brothers, Dale, David, Joseph, Robert and Paul Hamilton; and his step-daughter, Peggy Ann Come, of Olympia, Wash.

We will miss your gentle ways and your loving and engaging smile, dad.

Visitation for Harvey W. Hamilton Jr. will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, April 12, 2004, at Dahl Funeral Chapel. Memorial Services will be at 11

a.m. on Tuesday, April 13, 2004, at Dahl Funeral Chapel. Interment will be in Mountview Cemetery with full military honors. Memorials may be made to Autumn Care Centers or Big Sky Hospice. Dahl Funeral Chapel is entrusted with arrangements.

## Jerry D. Hamilton

## THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 22 2004

**ROUNDUP** — Jerry D. Hamilton, 67, passed away Thursday morning, Feb. 19, 2004, in his home in Roundup, of natural causes. He was born Dec. 30, 1935, in Roundup, to Harold and Minnie (Evans) Hamilton. He attended school in Roundup, worked summers on some of the local farms and ranches or at his family's Pontiac dealership. He joined the US Air Force in



**JERRY  
HAMILTON**

1953, and served four years as an airplane mechanic. While in the Air Force, Jerry was stationed in Miami where he met and married Barbara. After his honorable discharge from the Air Force, Jerry worked for the railroad until his divorce. He then worked at Miami and Otis Elevator Companies. He installed elevators and escalators in some of Miami's largest buildings and shopping centers, including Neiman Marcus.

He met and married Shirley A. Brownlee. She had three children, Diane, Erik and Christopher and they had one son, Michael D. Hamilton. All of the children took the Hamilton name and are loved deeply. Feeling that Montana was a better place to raise children, Jerry

brought the family back to Roundup in 1976. Over the years he worked in the logging industry, in the woods and yards of the local saw mills. His second marriage lasted seventeen years and until his death, in his heart. Jerry then married Virginia Merfield and moved to his parents' family home. They later divorced.

Jerry is survived by daughter, Diane Newton; sons, Erik D. Hamilton, Christopher Hamilton and Michael Hamilton; nine grandchildren; brother, Don Hamilton; and sister, Gay Hamilton.

A Memorial Service for Jerry will be 11:00 a.m. Monday, Feb. 23 at the Odd Fellows Hall in Roundup. Burial of ashes will be in the Roundup Cemetery at a later date. Dahl Funeral and Cremation Service of Billings is in charge of arrangements.

DEC 24 2004

HELENA — Kathryn Claspill Hamlin, 95, passed away on Dec. 21, 2004, at her home.

Kathryn married S. Gregory Hamlin, Jr. on March 22, 1946, in Golden, Colo. In Denver, Kathryn worked as a Secretary to the Manager of Montgomery Ward and for Argo Oil. She was working for Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company when she met Gregg.

While in Denver, she attended the Lamont School of Music and became proficient at playing the piano and organ. Because she liked music so, she spent many hours at her Hammond organ. Kathryn also liked to play bridge and knit. She made many beautiful afghans and "booties" for her children and grandchildren.



**KATHRYN  
HAMLIN**

Gregg was transferred to Billings in 1954, where they lived until 1971. In Billings, Kathryn worked as Secretary to Russ Hart of the Hart-Albin Department Store for many years. In 1971, Gregg was transferred again with Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Co., this time to Helena, where they have lived for the past 33 years.

Kathryn is survived by her husband; her son, S. Gregory Hamlin III and his wife Judy of Bozeman; daughter Carol Burdick and her husband Jack of Prescott, Ariz.; four grandchildren, Theresa Oblander, Linda Peterson, Steven Hamlin, all of the Billings area, and Bruce Burdick of Escondido, Calif.; five great-grandchildren; and a niece, Karen Jamison of Nebraska.

Visitation will begin 10 a.m. Monday morning, Dec. 27, with a vigil service to be held at 7 p.m. in Retz Funeral Home chapel. Mass of Christian burial will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 28, at the Cathedral of St. Helena. Burial will be in Fairmount Cemetery in Denver. The family suggests memorials in Kathryn's name to Lewis & Clark Humane Society, PO Box 4455, Helena, MT 59604.



**JUN 07 2004**

## Chris Hammatt

**BALLANTINE** — Chris Hammatt, 35, of Ballantine passed on doing something he loved most, fishing and boating with friends.

He was born Feb. 1, 1969, the son of Gene and Susan Hammatt. He grew up and attended school at Huntley Project where he excelled in wrestling and football. He worked for Matco, where he installed acoustical ceilings.

Most weekends and holidays you would find Chris spending time with family and friends fishing or camping. He loved anything to do with the outdoors. Wherever Chris went you would also find his two companions, Boy Dog and Sasha, his two Dobermans. Chris made many good friends during his lifetime as was made evident following his tragic accident. Every day his family and many friends could be seen aiding in the search, taking time off work and searching from first light until dark.

He is survived by his parents, Gene and Susan Hammatt; his sister, Julie Beltran, her husband, Albert, their five children, Eric, Elaina, Paul, Jordan and Alex; his brother, Mark Hammatt, his wife, Tonya and their son, Jake; his paternal grandparents, Donna and Melvin Hammatt; his maternal grandmother, Marie Krum-

heuer; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 8, at Saint Bernard's Parish in Billings Heights with burial to follow at the cemetery in Ballantine.



**CHRIS HAMMATT**

MAR 1 2004

**Eleanore Rose Hammer**

Eleanore Rose Hammer, 84, died at St. Vincent Healthcare on Friday, Feb. 27, 2004, of natural causes. She was born on Jan. 12, 1920, in Arvada, Wyo., the daughter of Arthur and



**ELEANORE  
HAMMER**

Grace Ingram. Eleanore grew up in Crow Agency and graduated from Hardin High School. In 1940, she married her high school sweetheart, George Hammer. They began their married life in Seattle where their son Tom was born. After World War II, George and Eleanore moved to Billings where daughters Cheryl and Linda were born.

Eleanore worked at Buttreys Bakery and retired after 25 years of service. One of her favorite pastimes was golfing with George at Lake Hills Country Club. Eleanore had many life long friends and was beloved by an extended family who will greatly miss her.

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Eleanore was preceded in death last year by her husband and best friend, George after 63 years of marriage. She is survived by her son, Thomas G. Hammer (Becky) of San Jose, Calif.; daughter, Cheryl A. Anderson (Wayne) of Billings and daughter, Linda L. Burr (Rand) of Phoenix, Ariz. She is also survived by her brother, Kenneth Ingram, of Reno, Nev. Eleanore has six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

If desired, memorials may be made to the Shrine Children's Hospital.

## Mary Jo Hammer

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 17 2004

FLAXVILLE — Mary Jo Hammer, 72, died Thursday, July 15, 2004, at her home, as a result of a fire.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, July 19, at Zion Lutheran Church in Flaxville. Burial of the ashes will be in the Orville Cemetery. Waller Funeral Home of Scobey is in charge.

# Mary Ruth Hammett

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 09 2004

ST. XAVIER — Our Mom, Mary Ruth Hammett, died peacefully at home, Dec. 7, 2004, surrounded by her family. Mom had primary liver cancer that was diagnosed just two short weeks before her death.

She was born Oct. 1, 1932, in Crow Agency, a daughter of Charles and Helen Pease Wolf. She attended country school on Soap Creek and Lodge Grass public schools. She was selected to attend the 1950 Montana Girls State Convention and graduated with honors from Lodge Grass High School in 1951.



**MARY RUTH  
HAMMETT**

She later attended and graduated with an AA Degree from Rocky Mountain College in Business. Mary worked for several oil companies in Billings, including the Continental Oil and Marathon Oil companies, as a draftsman.

Mary Ruth married her partner in life, John Hammett, Jr., on June 22, 1956, in Billings. The couple ranched in the Rotten Grass and Soap Creek areas, raising sheep and cattle and four girls. She worked side by side with her husband in the hayfields, on

horseback and moving cows on the mountain. She fixed many a meal for the shipping and branding crews from the tailgate of her pickup.

Mom was quite a seamstress, making all of our school clothes, coats and her famous "Soap Creek Hot Caps," probably making over 50 caps. In her spare time, she taught us to ride bikes, cook, sew, garden and drive. She always said, "I have four dishwashers, but can't get any of them to work!" In later years, she did the same with her grandchildren. Mom had a quick wit and undaunted integrity. She was a matter of fact person.

Mary was very active in civic activities including 4-H leadership, election judge and part time schoolteacher. She was very proud of being a weather observer for the National Weather Service.

Her parents and a brother, Buzz Wolf, preceded Mary Ruth in death.

Survivors include her husband, John Hammett, Jr. of St. Xavier; her four daughters, Linda (Gary) Greenwalt of Hardin, Julie

Ann (Max) Hallfrisch of Great Falls, Wanda (Donovan) Sauter of Billings and Barbara Chavez of Billings; her sisters, Beatrice (Phil) Rasmussen of Lodge Grass and Gwen (Jim) O'Brien of Hardin; as well as her nine grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, in the Lodge Grass First Crow Indian Baptist Church.

Interment will follow in the Lodge Grass Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

We sincerely appreciate the respect her friends granted her during her brief illness.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions could be made to the Big Horn County Historical Museum, RR 1 Box 1206A, Hardin, MT 59034.

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CARROL HAMMOND

# Carrol Phillips 'Bud' Hammond

On the evening of April 22, 2004, Carrol Phillips Hammond left behind his family to take up carpentry on a higher plane.

Carrol — known in his younger years as "Bud" and in his later years as "C.P." — was born on May 17, 1925, in St. Cloud, Minn., and was taken home to the family farm near Circle. He was the second of four children born to T.W. and Myrl Hammond and their only son. After graduating from high school in 1942, Carrol enlisted in the Navy in February of 1943. After basic training at Idaho's Farragut Training Station in Idaho, his unit went to the East Coast. Waiting to be shipped overseas, the young sailors whiled away the time swimming. Carrol — diving too deep — broke his neck and spent the next year in bed at the Naval Hospital in Newport, R.I., in a full-body cast after which he was sent home to Circle, with an honorable discharge. He took classes at Montana

State University at Bozeman in pre-engineering for about a year, but quit school, moved to Billings, and went to work.

In September of 1948, Carrol married Patsy Blake. They lived on a ranch on Telegraph Creek east of Billings for about eight years where they farmed on their own and did custom farming for others. Their family grew as Linda, Gwyn and Mike came along. About 1955, Carrol went into trucking full-time, and they moved to Billings where Nancy was born.

In November of 1961, Carrol married Colleen Hansen, and last November they celebrated 42 years of marriage. They lived first in Idaho, then in California and Wyoming, and since 1975, in and around Billings. They had four children — Anita, Wade, Ted and Susan — making Carrol the father of eight!

He loved to work and he loved to play. During the past four decades, he drove truck, milked cows, farmed, worked construction, and worked wood with his hands, building some of the most beautiful heirloom oak furniture imaginable. In short, he was a jack of all trades and invaluable to most any operation — not only for what he could do but also for the fun he

had doing it!

Play came in the form of anything athletic. He excelled at swimming and diving, running and jumping, volleyball, badminton, baseball, and horseshoes. He loved to drive and was an excellent driver, which was a good thing because he also liked to drive FAST! He enjoyed fast cars, motorcycles, and snowmobiles. He reveled in the outdoors, and favorite pastimes were hunting, camping, and boating — but not fishing! He could whistle well and loved the music of Ray Price, Jim Reeves and Patsy Cline. He could — and often did — work all day long and then clean up and dance all night long! He had a great sense of humor and a large repertoire of truly funny jokes, which he told well and with a great deal of pleasure. He was also a great practical joker and loved nothing better than to get the best of someone. He loved to play cribbage and cards, especially pinochle. Carrol belonged to various Lion, Elk and Moose Clubs. For years he was an active member of the Billings Motorcycle Club, and more recently, Carrol supported the Chase Hawks organization. He didn't believe in welfare, and he didn't believe in retirement. He was busy remodeling his granddaughter's house last November before being sent to the Mayo Clinic for open-heart surgery, the complications from which he was unable to recover.

Carrol—preceded in death by his parents and all three of his sis-

ters—left behind a large and grieving family: his wife, Colleen; eight children — Linda (Dick) Grosskopf, Gwyn (Tim) Taft, Mike (Debbie) Hammond, Nancy (Scott) Morrison, Anita (Shannon) Graf, Wade (Annie) Hammond, Ted (Vernice) Hammond, and Susan Ingle; 21 grand children; 5 great-grandchildren; and a scattering of nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services will take place at 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 29, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (in the Billings Heights, west on Wicks Lane at 1640 Broadmoor Drive). On April 30, Carrol Phillips Hammond will be laid to rest in the Cache-Clawson Cemetery at Teton, Idaho.

Donation memorials can be made to Big Sky Hospice (123 S. 27th St. Billings, MT 59101), whose caregivers eased Carrol's final days and made the family's burden bearable.



## Daniel I. Hammond

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 31 2004

MALTA — Daniel I. Hammond, 88, died Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2004, at the Philips County Hospital.

Memorial services will be at a later date, with interment of ashes in the Veterans Section of the Malta Cemetery. Cremation has taken place. Adams Funeral Home & Crematory is in charge of arrangements.

## **Paul Hammond**

SIDNEY — Paul Hammond, 79, died at his home on Sunday, Jan. 4, 2004.

Mass of the Christian Burial is at 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Matthew's Catholic Church. Wake services are at 6 p.m. Wednesday. Interment is in the Sidney Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home is in charge.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 06 2004

ROME, Maine — Graveside funeral services for Rome, Maine, resident and former Basin, Wyo., resident, Richard D. Hammond Sr., age 66, will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2004, at 10 a.m. at the Mount View Cemetery in Basin.

Richard D. Hammond Sr. died on Tuesday, Aug. 31, 2004, at his residence. He was born on March 3, 1938, in Billings, Mont., the son of Frank R. and Olga (Sanderson) Hammond.

He attended local schools in Basin and was proud of the fact that he had been a professional basketball coach with the CBA (Continental Basketball Association) with the Billings Volcanoes in Billings.

Richard served his country proudly in the U. S. Air Force from 1956 until 1959. He always had a special place in his heart for those in need. He will be remembered for the compassion and guidance and advocacy support he provided the veterans in need. For 20 years, he served as director of the National Disaster Relief Services. He was responsible for providing shelter, supplies, food, clothing and would travel cross-country in a tractor trailer. Over the years, he received several awards and citations for his work.

When his family was younger, he enjoyed taking them fishing

and occasionally attempted the sport of golfing.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Kathleen M. Travers Hammond; and two children, Frank R. Hammond and Kathleen E. Lefebvre.

Richard is survived by his wife, Sylvia A. Hammond; his children, Wanda J. Goudreau, Frederick R. Hammond, Cheryl A. Outlaw, Richard D. Hammond Jr., Christine S. Sweetser, and Michael D. S. Hammond, as well as many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc. are in charge of arrangements.

# Anne Hancock Wya Najin 'Standing Woman'

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 06 2004

WOLF POINT — Anne Hancock passed away Jan. 2, 2004, in Billings. Anne was born on Dec. 17, 1914, two miles east of Wolf Point in her grandparents'



**ANNE  
HANCOCK**

log house. Anne was raised by her father (Appears in the day) Tom Hancock, as her mother passed away when she was four months old. Her grandmother Medicine Cloud assisted in her upbringing through the Indian way. She didn't start to speak her second language, English, until she was three years old.

She graduated from Wolf Point High School in 1932 with honors and received two scholarships: she chose the Colonial Dames of America scholarship and attended William Penn School of Nursing in Philadelphia.

The college in Pennsylvania sent Anne on an internship to Sacramento, Calif., then to Winslow, Ariz., and finally to Pawnee, Okla., to gain experience. She returned to Philadelphia and received her diploma for nursing, thus Anne was the first full blood

Assiniboine from the Fort Peck Indian Reservation to become a registered nurse.

Anne worked at the Pennsylvania hospital as a visiting home nurse in the Philadelphia area for 10 years, working in all aspects of the field and with all types of races.

She also worked with other hospitals in northern and southern Pennsylvania.

She finished her tenure as charge nurse of the 15-story Philadelphia hospital, the second oldest hospital in America, working the evening shift.

After working in Philadelphia for 20 years, she proudly returned home to the reservation.

In 1966, she was recruited to run the then-called health and home aide management program for the Tribes, which later evolved into the CHR program. After 22 years of working at home for the Fort Peck Tribes and caring for many of her tribal members, she retired.

She was fluent in her native Assiniboine language and culture.

She spent her remaining years reminiscing of time past, relaxing, doing crossword puzzles,

spending time with her great-grandchildren, driving around and working outdoors. She also enjoyed company, visiting and telling stories of her life ventures, the old days growing up and, of course, her journey off the reservation competing in the non-Indian world and being successful at it.

Anne was preceded in death by her mother, father, three sisters, one brother, niece Joanne Pipe, nephew Gary Medicine Cloud SR. Anne is survived by one son, John Pipe and his family, Shelly, Johnelle, Buddy and Heaven-Lee Devonne; nieces, Marie Esparza and Joy Martin, Iris Anderson and Beverly Ackerman; nephews A.T. "Rusty" Stafne, Bill Whitehead, Lyle Denny, all of Wolf Point and Russell Denny of Ft. Kipp, and a cousin, Lavina Loves Him of San Jose, Calif.

Pastor Ken Azure will officiate the services with Blue Sky ministries providing the music. Evening service will be held on Tuesday beginning at 7 p.m. with funeral services beginning at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Blue Sky Ministries. Burial will be at King Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting [www.stevensonsonandsons.com](http://www.stevensonsonandsons.com) or by e-mail at [csmc@nemontel.net](mailto:csmc@nemontel.net). Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel of Wolf Point has been entrusted with the arrangements.

## Rosemary Hancock

Rosemary Hancock, 86, died Sunday, June 6, 2004, in Billings, of a stroke.

Cremation has taken place. No services are planned. Dahl Funeral Chapel of Billings is in charge.

JUN 11 2004

## Irene C. Hanneman

Irene C. Hanneman, 95, long-time Billings resident, passed away Jan. 15, 2004, in Yuma, Ariz. Because of her medical condition, Irene was moved to Holtville, Calif., in April 2003 to be close to her daughter and family. Irene and her husband, Harold, lived full lives and enjoyed the contact of many close friends.

Irene will be placed with her late husband in the family plot in Glen Abbey Memorial Park in Bonita, Calif. Memorials may be made on behalf of Irene and Harold to MSU-Billings Foundation, 1500 Poly Drive, Billings, MT 59101.

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MAR 10 2004

# Anne Lorraine Hanner

CUSTER, S.D. — Anne Lorraine Hanner, 81, Custer, died Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2004, at the Rapid City Regional Hospital, surrounded by her loving family. She courageously fought a battle against pneumonia and ARDS.

Anne was born Aug. 29, 1923, in Bozeman, Mont., to Raymond and Mae (Jensen) Hall. Anne's early childhood was spent in Gardiner, Mont. She graduated from University



**ANNE  
HANNER**

High School, Laramie, Wyo. After her father was drafted into WWII, the family moved to Seattle, where Anne worked for the local telephone company. After the war, she returned to Gardiner, where she met Warren Hotchkiss. The couple was married on July 22, 1946. To this union, four children were born. Anne was a loving mother and homemaker fully committed to serving her family.

Warren worked for the National Park Service and the family moved to several National Parks in the western U.S. After Warren retired, they moved to Hot Springs until his death in 1983. Later that year, Anne moved back to her beloved Gardiner. She married Cecil Hanner in Belle

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Fourche in 1991. The couple made their home in Wilsall, Mont., until his death in 2000. Anne moved to Livingston, Mont., and resided there until this August, when she moved to be near her son and daughter-in-law in Custer.

Anne was a member of the Bozeman Thread Artists and volunteered at the Tinsley House at the Museum of the Rockies in Bozeman. She attended the Livingston Congregational Church. She will be remembered for her creative needlework, love of baseball, tender loving spirit, warm sense of humor, and willingness to give of herself to others.

Family members include her son, Mike (Charlene) Hotchkiss, Custer, daughter, Barbara Moore, Billings; stepsons, Patrick (Deanna) Hanner, Bozeman, and Scott (Leona) Hanner, Billings; stepdaughters, Penny (Jim) Batzloff and Peggy (Bill) Hoppe, all of Gardiner; sister, Vivian (Hugh) Fraser, Honolulu; also nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. She had numerous nieces, nephews, step-grandchildren and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, J. Raymond and Mae Hall; stepmother, Irene R. White; both husbands; daughter, Kathryn



A. Hotchkiss; son, Warren D. Hotchkiss Jr.; and brother, William James Hall.

Cremation has taken place and a family committal service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 8, at the Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis, with Pastor Mike Martin officiating. Friends may gather at the Kinkade Funeral Chapel in Sturgis, prior to leaving for the cemetery.

Contributions in Anne's name may be given to the Custer Community Hospital.

Anne was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend. She so enjoyed celebrating her 80th birthday last year with many of her loved ones. We dearly love you and will miss you, Mom. Thanks for all you did for all of us.

**MAY 19 2004****Abigail S. Hansen**

**BIG TIMBER —** Abigail S. Hansen, 13, of Big Timber, passed away May 15, 2004, at Denver Children's Hospital.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 22, at Big Timber Lutheran Church. Lowry Funeral Home assisted the family with the services.

**WORDEN** — H. Richard "Dick" Hansen, of Worden, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his family on Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2004.

Dick was born Feb. 28, 1932, in Billings, to Hans and Ella Hansen.

He graduated from Huntley Project High School in 1949, after attending a year at Exeter Academy in New Hampshire from 1947 to 1948. Dick graduated from the University of Montana in 1953, where he was a pitcher for the Grizzlies baseball team, and a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity.

On Jan. 23, 1954, he married Dorothy LaZarus of Helena. To this union, they brought three daughters and a son.

Dick played minor league baseball in Modesto, Calif., from 1953 to 1954, and was drafted by the New York Yankees. As he had a wife and newborn baby at this time, Dick decided to return to Worden and the banking business with his father.

While Dick worked at the Farmers State Bank in Worden, he began selling insurance in the evenings. Upon the death of his parents, he acquired the bank and



**DICK  
HANSEN**

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became President. He later purchased the First National Bank in Hysham. After an illustrious 40-year career as a banker and insurance broker, he sold the banks and retired.

Dick is a member of the Al Bedoo Shrine, and a Past Potentate. He rode with the Shrine Black Horse Patrol, which traveled and performed all over the country. He is a member of the Huntley Project Masonic Lodge #144, Scottish Rite, and Jephthah Chapter Order of the Eastern Star.

Although banking was his business, golf, fishing, hunting and his grandchildren were his passions. The "inside of a basketball gym" was where you would have found him most, over the past 15 years. Although he was a basketball referee, and was inducted into the Montana Officiators Association Hall of Fame, he mostly enjoyed watching his grandchildren play basketball and football.

Dick is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Dorothy; his children, Lynn and her husband Dave Kipp of Littleton, Colo. Jeannette and her husband Ed Kerr of Franktown, Colo., Val and her husband Jay Selman of Worden and Bob Hansen and his

wife Jacque of Worden; a sister, Nancy Gailey of Worden; and 10 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Hans and Ella Hansen; his brother, Bobby Hansen; and a grandson, Dane Robert Hansen.

Dick was loved by his family and friends, and will be dearly missed.

A memorial service in celebration of his life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 2, at the American Lutheran Church, 5 Lewis Ave., in Billings. Smith Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions for the Huntley Project High School Boys and Girls Athletic Scholarships may be made to the Stockman Bank of Worden, PO Box 249, Worden, MT 59088.

# Jerry Hansen

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Jerry Hansen, beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and companion to many good friends, passed away peacefully in his home on Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2004, at the age of 67.

Jerry was born Gerald Eugene Hansen, the son of Thelma and Everett Hansen, in Los Angeles, on April 8, 1937. He was raised and educated in Richey and then joined the Army, spending time in Anchorage and New York. After the service, he attended Dawson County Junior College and worked in the oil fields.

In 1961, he married Edith Corneliusen of Glendive; together, they had two sons and one daughter. They owned and operated two Ford dealerships in Columbus and Tioga, N.D., for 15 years. They were divorced in 1989. Jerry worked for Big Sky Auto Auction in Billings until his retirement in 2001.

Jerry married Emma Kathleen "Kathy" Brodie on April 27, 1992. Jerry always enjoyed a good conversation, playing cards, camping, fishing, woodworking, snowmobiling and most recently, RVing down south every winter with his wife Kathy, brother Alan and



**JERRY  
HANSEN**

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Darlene Hansen. He was a Master Mason, Councilman for the City of Columbus, volunteer fireman and ambulance driver.

Jerry was always easy to talk with and had a story for every occasion. Though after his stroke in 2001, he spent more days just listening with a soft-spoken way about him. His smile, hugs and simple "hello" will be forever missed. It is a comfort to know he is at peace.

Jerry was preceded by his parents; stepfather Ole Jensen; and stepsister Donna (Tom) Placenza.

He is survived by his wife, Emma Kathleen Hansen; three brothers, Alan (Darlene) Hansen of Billings, Robert (Lyla) Jensen of Phoenix, Virel Jensen, Los Angeles; two sisters, Mary (Bryan) Dige of Scottsdale, Ariz., June (Howard) Skillingberg of Homestead; two sons, Greg Hansen (Julie Kainber) of Olympia, Wash., Gary (Wendy) Hansen of Williston, N.D.; one daughter, Lynette (Chad) Fransen of Jacksonville, Fla.; one stepdaughter, Holly Janeal Fredericks of Billings; and five grandchildren, Natalie Hansen, Jarek Hansen, Justin Hansen, Dana Hansen and Halle Fransen. His former spouse, Edith Corneliusen Hansen, survives in Tampa, Fla.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Billings. Visitation will be at Dahl Chapel on Friday, Oct. 15, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, from 9 a.m. until service time. Interment will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens and a reception will follow at Dahl Funeral Chapel. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Salvation Army, 2100 Sixth Ave. N., Billings, 59101; Montana Rescue Mission, 2822 Minnesota Ave., Billings 59101; or the charity of one's choice.

## **Lorna Irene Hansen**

Lorna Irene Nelson Hansen, 91, of Billings, passed away Thursday morning, Jan. 15, 2004, at St. John's Lutheran Home.

Lorna was born on June 27, 1912, in Climax, Minn., the daughter of Carl M. and Ida (Evanson) Nelson. She graduated from Climax High School, where she played the trombone in the band and played basketball.

Lorna married Vernon Hansen on June 4, 1931, in Shelly, Minn. They moved to Fosston, Minn., in 1940, then to Denver, Colo., in 1942. In 1944, Lorna and Vernon moved to Billings, where she worked as a clerk for Noyes Grocery for three years. She then became a dental assistant for Dr. L. L. Dailey for two years. After leaving Dr. Dailey, they moved to Fort Lewis, Wash., where she was employed for the Veterans Hospital for seven years. They moved to Fargo, N.D., where she went to work for Patterson Dental Supply for six years and the



**LORNA  
HANSEN**

Veterans Hospital for eight years. In 1985, Lorna returned to Billings and retired to St. John's Retirement Home until her death.

Lorna was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her brother, Robert Nelson, and her sisters, Adeline Erickson and Helen Hunter.

Survivors include her son, Dr. Wayne Hansen and his wife Clare, of Billings; a brother, Walter Nelson of Powell, Wyo.; a sister, Mildred Boucher of Clearwater, Fla.; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Lorna loved people and music and enjoyed helping others. She was a member of the American Lutheran Church.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at American Lutheran Church. Family interment took place at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Home, 3940 Rimrock Rd., Billings, MT 59102 or the American Lutheran Church, 5 Lewis Ave., Billings, MT 59101.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

## MELVIN F. HANSEN

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 10 2004

Melvin Feurig Hansen, 95, passed away peacefully on Sunday, Aug. 8, 2004, surrounded by his loving family. He had a long and happy life and loved his family dearly. He had just recently celebrated his 62nd wedding anniversary with his wife Daphne.

Mel was born in Great Falls on March 8, 1909, the son of Halder and Gertrude Hansen. His father homesteaded on Frenchman's Ridge outside of Fort Benton, where Mel lived and attended school. After high school, he went to



**MEL  
HANSEN**

Portland, Ore., attending Oregon Institute of Technology. He then worked for three years at Swift and Company in the stockyards and in Swift's Portland office. While working in Portland, he played clarinet for a short time with the Union Pacific Band. Returning to Fort Benton, he worked as a clerk in the Clerk and Recorder's Office.

The most treasured part of his life was shared with his wife and family. He met Daphne Remington in Belt during the time that he ran the old movie theater. They became engaged and later married on Aug. 1, 1947

He was inducted into the army and served as a supply sergeant for four years, stationed in Butte at the induction center. With the induction team, he traveled to Boise, Idaho; Spokane, Wash.; Helena and Great Falls. He received an honorable discharge in 1946. He and Daphne began their family during this time. His first son, Melvin (Pat) Hansen, Jr., was born in 1945, followed by sons Michael and Mark in 1951 and 1954. His wife and sons, along with his brother- and sister-in-law, John and Ruth Billings, and their sons, Johnny and Judson, would remain his best friends and companions for life.

Although he worked at many jobs during his life, his shining joy was the music store he opened in Billings with his brother-in-law, John Billings, in 1947. It was then called the Billings and Hansen Music Box. In 1962, when his brother-in-law decided to make the teaching of music his sole career, Mel changed the name to Hansen Music and it has remained so to this day. He sold the store to his eldest son, Pat,



when he retired in 1979, thus keeping the business in the family. He was always proud of his pianos. He became the sole distributor of Steinway pianos in the region and was trained in New York at the main factory. He genuinely enjoyed meeting people and no one was a stranger for long when he was around. During his business years, he enjoyed membership in a num-

ber of philanthropic organizations. He was a Mason and a member in Ashlar Lodge #29, Scottish Rite Temple and the Al Bedoo Temple, a member of the Downtown Lion's Club, and the Downtown Businessmen's Association. He especially enjoyed performing with the Al Bedoo Shrine Band and Al Bedoo Chanters. After retirement, he and his wife enjoyed many activities. They traveled to Europe and Hawaii and toured the South Western United States and Mexico in their motor coach. He and his wife especially enjoyed Spain and traveled there many times. Mel also enjoyed gemology and lapidary work. He and Daphne spent many happy hours looking for Montana sapphires and agates. He fashioned lovely pieces of jewelry and belt buckles for his family and created unique tables from the agates they found.

The love of the outdoors was something that the whole family shared. In 1964, Mel and Daphne bought a little cabin in the

Beartooth Mountains near Red Lodge, where they spent many happy years. At the drop of a hat, they would pack up and spend warm summer days there, sometimes visiting with their sister and brother-in-law who had a cabin just across the road, or just sitting on their back porch swing and enjoying the sounds of the bubbling little creek nearby. Family gatherings and good memories filled their days at the cabin. Mel shared his love and respect of nature with his three sons, taking them camping, on hikes and teaching them to fish and hunt.

He had a wonderfully rich life with many experiences and adventures, and he loved to share his stories with his family. He had stories of the homestead, about his traveling to the World's Fair in Chicago on a cattle train, of working as a grocery clerk in Fort Benton when the bootleggers came through town, and of his brothers and his pride in their war contributions and service. He was not timid about living in the least. He loved life and grabbed onto it with gusto, enjoying every minute of it.

Mel preceded in death by his parents; by his brothers, Seymour and Claude. He is survived by his wife Daphne; his family, Pat and fiancée Kate, Dr. Michael and Krystel Hansen and Mark and Susan Hansen; grandchildren,

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Alex and Natalie; and sister-in-law, Velma Hansen.

A memorial service for Mel will be held at St. Stephens Episcopal Church in Billings at 12 noon on Thursday, the 2nd of September. There will be a reception afterward at the church. Memorials may be sent to Big Sky Hospice or the Al Bedoo Shrine Hospital Transportation Trust. Smith Downtown in charge of cremation.

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## **Melvin F. Hansen**

Memorial services for Melvin F. Hansen, 95, of Billings, will be held at 12 noon Thursday, Sept. 2, 2004, at St. Stephens Episcopal Church, 1241 Crawford Drive, Billings. Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, P.O. Box 35033, Bgls, 59107 or Al Bedoo Shrine Hospital Transportation Fund, Box 20673, Bgls, 59104.

## Phyllis R. Hansen

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COLUMBUS — Phyllis R. Burns Hansen, 88, passed away Monday, March 22, 2004, at her home in Columbus.

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She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry C. Hansen; son, Christopher Hansen; grandson, Bradley Henderson; granddaughter, Valorie Henderson.

Phyllis is survived by two daughters, Diane J. Barndt and Barbara L. Miller; four grandsons, Cliff Henderson, John O. Miller IV, Jerett C. Miller, Matt Barndt; and granddaughter Dawnette Murray; and she is also survived by six great-grandchildren, Tyson Henderson, Mashayla Henderson, Clayton Murray, Luke Murray, Reese Barndt and Mason Miller.

Graveside services will be held 2 p.m. Friday, March 26, at Whittington Family Cemetery, Red Lodge Creek, Red Lodge.

Arrangements are by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

# Rose M. Hansen

**GLENDIVE** — Rose M. Hansen, age 89, of Glendive, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 28, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care in Glendive.

Memorial Mass will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive. Rite of Committal will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Rose was born on March 8, 1915, in Dickinson, N.D., the daughter of Anton and Margeret (Meckler) Folz. She moved with her family to Glendive when she was 8 years old and was raised and educated in Glendive. She quit school during the Depression and went to work at Douglas and Meade Department Store to bring money home for the family. She married John G. Hansen on July 17, 1943, in Glendive. During World War II, they were stationed in Harlingen, Texas, and returned to Glendive, where they spent the rest of their lives. John preceded Rose in death in 1986.



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Rose was a member of the SoNu Homemakers Club and Sacred Heart Quilters. Rose was a wonderful seamstress and great cook. She enjoyed taking walks. Rose was a terrific wife, mother, grandma and great-grandma.

She is survived by three daughters, Sandra Barth and her husband Don of Hinkley, Minn., June Hansen and Gary Littell of Billings and Barbara Arvik and her husband Rolly of Glendive; one brother, Frank Folz of Silverton, Idaho; three sisters, Mary Pomeroy of Mesa, Ariz., Helen Hathaway of Rancho Murieta, Calif., and Pauline Coleman of Glendive; five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

One last wish for you mom. May there be no twigs or leaves on your lawn in Heaven. May you win all your games of solitaire. May you always get your popcorn in the butter bowl. And may you enjoy many happy walks hand in hand with Dad. We will miss you very much.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: [www.silvernale-silha-funeralhome.com](http://www.silvernale-silha-funeralhome.com).

## Thomas John 'Hank' Hansen

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An undetected heart condition took Tom "Hank" Hansen away from us at the far-too-young age of 40, on May 11, 2004. The bab of the family, Tom was just hitting his stride when his life ended so abruptly. As devastated as we are at his loss, we find comfort knowing that he died peacefully in his sleep.

Born in Bozeman on Aug. 28, 1963, Tom was blessed with a keen wit and the soul of a poet. When it came to delivering one-liners, he was among the best. He loved books, films, music and the arts. He didn't just read a good novel; he stepped inside it and touched and felt and laughed and cried along with the characters therein; the last books he was reading were by John Irving and Robert Ludlum. He played the guitar and wrote many songs as well; he also recorded much of his own music by himself and with friends. He was always up for a few games of bowling with his



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HANSEN**

good friend, Matty, when he came to Bozeman. He was always keen for a game of Scrabble. Like the rest of us, Tom couldn't get enough of Mom's fabulous cooking and we were touched to find her recipe for Buttermilk Pancakes sitting on his counter, waiting for another batch to be whipped up and devoured.

Few people love animals as much as Tom did, and animals always sensed this and flocked about him. He had several beloved dogs in his life, as well as Lenny, the big, gray tomcat from The Bronx. His sensitivity, compassion and good heart were apparent in all of his activities. He genuinely cared for others and never hesitated to step in and lend a hand in times of need. It was no surprise that, with the huge amount of empathy that Tom had for others, he went into a helping profession. He obtained his BS in Psychology, worked several years as a counselor, and he had recently taken an EMT course. This past fall, he joined the VFW in Billings and had put in many volunteer hours

for a variety of efforts with this new group of friends. He was a beloved father, brother, dedicated son and good friend to many.

Tom's greatest joy was his two-year-old daughter, Keegan. He was a doting, protective and unconditionally loving dad. Tom basked in the sunshine of little Keegan's smile, and her antics never ceased to make her Dad chuckle. The two of them took many road trips from Billings to Bozeman to share time with family and friends. It was heartwarming to see the care and attention to details that he gave to his precious daughter; he cherished every second with her. He never looked at parenting as a job or as a routine; he saw it instead as a journey of love, of experience and of joy. Tom was delighted when the "rules" of the guy-cousins' annual "Expedition" fishing trip were relaxed to allow girls on the outing, because he was eager to take Keegan along when she got a little older.

In addition to Keegan Rae, Tom is survived by his soul mate, best friend and mother of Keegan, Kelsey McDonnell; mother, Diana and her husband, Zales Ecton; sister, Mary Anne and her husband, Craig Hall; brother Jimbo and his companion, Cathy; brother Steve and his son Austin; brother Bill and his wife and children, Celeste, Andrew, Leanna and Christie;

brother Jeff and his fiancée and children, Libby, Chelsea, Spencer and Cebron; step-siblings Clark and Kerry Kelly; our "other brother," cousin Alan Sandner and his wife and children, Cindy, Alyssa and Trevor; and numerous other cousins, aunts and uncles, and dear friends. Tom was preceded in death by our dad, Dr. Norman M. Hansen; our step-dad, E. Gordon Kelly, and our beloved Aunt Mary, who played an integral role in our lives after we lost Dad.

Tom will be missed enormously. His touch, his passion and his light will shine brilliantly in our hearts forever. Even though he is gone from this earth, we will not live our lives without him. In our hearts and in our souls, he will live, he will laugh and he will comfort us with his embrace in our times of sadness. We will keep him alive, especially for Keegan and Kelsey. We will love our baby brother always.

A funeral mass in celebration of Tom's life is scheduled for Friday, May 21, 3 p.m., at Resurrection Parish in Bozeman. Memorials may be made to the Keegan Rae Hansen Education Fund at Heritage Bank in Bozeman.

# John Hanser

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**BROADVIEW** — John Hanser, 79, of Broadview, died Thursday, Dec. 9, 2004, in Billings with his family at his side.

The son of John Hanser Sr. and Mary Hanser, he was born May 29, 1925. He grew up on the families' homestead west of Broadview. He attended Broadview schools. At age 17 he joined the U.S. Marine Corp and served in the West Pacific during World War II as a military policeman.

He married Jenny on May 1, 1948. After residing a short time in Great Falls and Billings, they returned to the farm west of Broadview, where they raised their family. John's hobbies included clock construction and repair, woodworking, dancing, collecting antiques and traveling with Jenny. He was also very devoted to his Catholic faith.

He is survived by his children Frank and Marie Hanser of Billings, Joe and Cathy Hanser of Billings, Mike and Jan Hanser of Greybull, Wyo., Tom and Rose Hanser of Colstrip, Mary Ann and Richard Weathered of Sandy, Utah, and Andrew and Caroline Hanser of Seattle; three sisters, Esther, Lois and Beth; along with 22 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his loving wife, Jenny; his sons, John III and Robert Daniel; and two sisters, Mary Jean and Helen.

A Rosary service will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 13, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 14, at St. Thomas The Apostle Catholic Church with Rite of Committal in Assumption Cemetery, west of Broadview.

Memorials may be made to the St. Labre Indian School, P.O. Box 216, Ashland, MT 59003.

# Charles William 'Bill' Hanson

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LEWISTOWN — Charles William "Bill" Hanson, 75, died early Friday morning, April 16, 2004, at Central Montana Medical Center of pneumonia.

Bill was born Jan., 19, 1929, in Lebanon, S.D., to Elmer and Doris (Wells) Hanson. They moved to Montana in 1934. He attended the Dovetail and Long Schools and graduated from Winnett High School, where he played football and basketball for the Rams. After graduation, he drove truck in the area and spent a short time in Alaska. He helped friends and family to build dams and helped construct many area BLM dams. This led to a career in the dirt construction field working all over Montana and Wyoming. Just before retirement, he was employed by the Fergus County Road and bridge crew.

In 1973, he was united in marriage to Anna Lehmann and gained a family of two daughters.

He took pride in his yard, garden and flowers. A bet took place among several friends and neighbors on who would have the first potatoes and peas creamed with onions.

Bill looked forward to football and basketball season — especially following the games of his nieces, nephews, grandnieces and

the neighbor boys. Hunting, fishing, boating and camping were an "any weather permitting" activity to enjoy with family and friends.

Galloway cattle were of special interest to Bill, so he purchased several and spent many hours caring for his cows. He sold cattle all over the United States and animals were purchased from Montana, Wyoming and Canada. He sold his last cow in 2003.

Many hours were spent trying to convince his brothers and son-in-law that Galloway was the breed of choice versus Angus. There were no winners. Bill enjoyed playing cards with his friends.

Bill was preceded in death by his wife, Anna in 2001; stepdaughter, Roxanna Lehmann; sister, Virginia Brady; brother, Harry Hanson; niece, Karen Hanson and his parents.

Bill is survived by this stepdaughter, Marlene (Dick) Hassler of Hilger and three brothers, Jack Hanson and Dick (Phyllis) Hanson, both of Winnett and Tom (Carol) Hanson of Lewistown. Also surviving are nieces and nephews and their families.



Memorial services for Charles W. "Bill" Hanson will be at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 23, the Creel Funeral Chapel. At his request, *cremation has taken place and there will be private inurnment of the ashes at a later date.* Memorials may be made to the charity of donor's choice. Creel Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Darrel Lee Hanson

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

ASHLAND — Darrel Lee Hanson, 76, of Ashland, died Monday, July 5, 2004, at the family ranch near Ashland.

Visitation will be from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, July 8, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons

Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 9, at the Ashland School Auditorium. Interment will follow at the Ashland Cemetery in Ashland.

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## **Delores Hanson**

CODY, Wyo. — Delores Gerene Wald Hanson, 76, died Wednesday, Dec. 29, 2004, at her home.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 3, at Ballard Funeral Home in Cody. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4, at the funeral home. Interment will follow in Riverside Cemetery.

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**DOROTHY HANSON**

## **Dorothy A. Hanson**

Dorothy Alice Hanson, age 90, of Billings, passed away in her home on Wednesday morning, June 9, 2004.

Dorothy was born on Dec. 29, 1913, in Billings, to Irvin Doyle and Anna Ruth Shope. She was raised and educated in Billings and resided here her entire life.

On May 8, 1934, she married Allen D. Potts, who died in 1941 in an auto accident. On July 4, 1947, she married Clarence E. Hanson.

During World War II, Dorothy dedicated over 1,000 hours in volunteer work for the Red Cross in support of our troops.

During her long life, Dorothy enjoyed raising her family, caring for her grandchildren, being an active member of Shiloh Homemakers, sewing, knitting, crocheting, canning, reading and completing daily crossword puzzles. She and Clarence enjoyed 25 years of summers at their second home on Flathead Lake in Big Fork.

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She was preceded in death by her parents; her three brothers Robert, Rodney and Irvin; her sister, Virginia Wagoner; and two infant siblings.

She is survived by her loving husband of 56 years, Clarence; he son, Allen (Claudia) Potts of Lakeside; her granddaughter Michelle (Gregg) Fandrich and her great-grandchildren, Derrick Ashley and Nicholas of Auburn Wash.; her daughter, Diane (John Gerharz; and her daughter, Kar (Tom) Nelson; and her grandchildren Duncan and Kristin, all of Billings. Dorothy is also survived by her sister, Deloris (Floyd Hertz of Harlowton and he brother, Perry Shope of Big Fork.

The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to Dr. McClave and Dr. Kim and the staff at Dialysis Clinic Incorporated for all of the loving care and kindness that they showed her.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, June 14, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Interment will follow at Mountview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Dialysis Clinic, Inc., 2411 Village Lane, Billings, MT 59102.

*"Mom, we will always miss you."*

# Harold S. 'Sonny' Hanson

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUN 30 2004**

Harold S. "Sonny" Hanson was born June 18, 1926, in Great Falls, to Hans Hanson and Mamie Odegard. He spent two years in the U.S. Navy from June 1944 to 1946, serving on the cruiser, "Nashville," and the aircraft carrier, "Boxer." In 1950, he graduated with a degree in



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HANSON**

Electrical Engineering from Montana State College. He moved to Billings in 1957 and was the founder and president of Con'eer Engineering. In 1978, he began Energy Conservation Consultants and retired from that in 1993. He was a member of the board of directors for Security Federal Bank from 1980 to 1996. He was also a member of the Billings Rotary Club, Board of Adjustments, Billings Lions Club, Metra Park Foundation, Metra Park Board (and President in 1997), and the Airport Board of Adjustments.

From 1969 to 1971 he was also Vice Chair of the Montana Highway Commission and Vice

Chair of the Highway Patrol Board. He was also a finance chair for Congressman Battin in 1966 to '68. He actively enjoyed the political process, serving as first as a legislative lobbyist for over 25 years. He was then elected to represent House District 9 in the state legislature from 1991 to 1998.

Harold S. "Sonny" Hanson passed away June 28, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce; twin sons Kim of Billings and Kerry (Nancy) of Satellite Beach, Fla.; and daughter Deborah (Dale Gilbert) of Ulm. He also had one beloved granddaughter, Severin Gilbert and other numerous in-laws, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Memorial services will be held Friday, July 2, at 11 a.m., at King of Glory Lutheran Church, 4125 Grand Ave., in Billings.

Cremation has taken place. Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

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## **Lyle James Hanson**

CODY, Wyo. — Lyle James "Doc" Hanson, 79, died Sunday, May 16, 2004, at the West Park Hospital.

Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, May 20, at the Cody BPOE Lodge. Cremation has taken place. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

## Mervin Hanson

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SCOBEEY — Mervin "Shorty" Hanson, 64, died Friday, Oct. 1, 2004, at the Daniels Memorial Hospital, after a short illness.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6, at the United Methodist Church in Scobey. His ashes will be interred at 2 p.m. Wednesday, in the North Froid Cemetery.



# Ruth L. Hanson

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUN 19 2004**

Ruth L. Hanson, 100, of Billings, passed away on June 16, 2004, at Valley Healthcare.

Ruth was born on Aug. 4, 1903, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Wood in Kulm, N.D. She attended schools in Jamestown, N.D. On March 17, 1922, Ruth married Carl M. Hanson in Moorhead, Minn.

Ruth, Carl and the family moved to Billings in July, 1936, where she resided until her death. While in Billings, she was a 50-year member of Edna Hedges Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, Organized Daughters of the Nile, White Shrine, Beauceants and Billings Woman's Club.



**RUTH  
HANSON**

Ruth spent her last three years at Valley Healthcare, and the family would like to thank the staff at Valley for her care.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, June 21, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to Shriners Transportation Fund or Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, P.O. Box 20673, Billings MT, 59104 (please specify which cause) or the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

She is survived by her son, Carl J. Hanson of Roberts; daughter, Marian H. Wilson of Billings; son, Robert M. Hanson of Graz, Austria; and son-in-law, Arthur J. Harris of Billings. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Juanita Harris.

Ruth also leaves seven grandchildren, Mike and Ray Harris, Bob and Ron Slayton, Brad and John Hanson and Oliver Hanson; and seven great-grandchildren.

# Winifred B. 'Winnie' Hanson

At the age of 96, Winnie Hanson passed away peacefully on Monday, Jan. 12, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare. Winnie was born on Nov. 3, 1907, in Denver, Colo., the daughter of Felix A. and Emilia (Ammann) Bauer. Winnie attended Denver Public Schools and the Barnes Business College in Denver. Upon completing her education, Winnie began her employment with Gates Rubber Co. in Denver; Highway Department of the City and County of Denver; and the federal government in the General Land Office of the Department of Interior (later know as the Division of Investigations of the Department of Interior), working in Denver; Santa Fe, N.M.; Helena and then in Billings where she has resided since. After her retirement from the government, Winnie worked for about a year for W.P. Roscoe Co.

On Feb. 6, 1937, Winnie was united in marriage to Harold M. "Hans" Hanson in Great Falls. Harold died Oct. 28, 1985.

Winnie and Hans shared many memorable times with their children picnicking and camping on the Stillwater, near Red Lodge and in the Beartooths. These camping trips are memories their children will always cherish. Together they made a camping

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trip to Canada, meeting friends along the way.

Winnie served as an organist for St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Denver; St. Francis Cathedral in Santa Fe; Holy Rosary, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church and St. Thomas the



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HANSON**

Apostle Church, all in Billings, and she played faithfully for Dahl Funeral Chapel for 45 years.

Survivors include her three sons, Richard H. (Karen) Hanson of Billings, Robert J.

Hanson of Circle and William M. (Audrey Wagner) Hanson of Billings; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren, and a sister, Eleanor Bauer Mitchell of Mountainview, Calif.

Winnie was preceded in death by her husband, Hans; parents; and her brother, Theodore Bauer.

Vigil services for Winnie will be 7 p.m. Friday at Dahl Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass will be 10 a.m. Saturday at Little Flower Catholic Church. Rite of

Committal will be in Holy Cross Cemetery next to Hans. Memorials may be made to The Arthritis Foundation, 720 Avenue E, #1, Billings 59102 or Holy Rosary Church, 521 Custer Ave., Billings 59101. Arrangements are being handled by Dahl Funeral Chapel.

## **Helen Hape**

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**JUL 20 2004**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Helen Vesta Hape, 88, of Sheridan, died Sunday, July 18, 2004, at Sheridan Manor.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 21, at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Big Horn. Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan is in charge.

## **Ken Haratyk**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Ken "Benny" Haratyk, 46, of Sheridan, died Sunday, Sept. 5, 2004.

An informal gathering to celebrate his life will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Cremation has taken place.

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## **Mark Haratyk**

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**NOV 04 2004**

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Mark Allan Haratyk, 25, of Gillette, died Monday, Nov. 1, 2004, in Wright, Wyo., of work-related injuries.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home in Gillette. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel.

# Mary T. Haratyk

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JUL 29 2004

BOISE, Idaho — Mary T. Haratyk, 89, formerly of Sheridan, Wyo., died Saturday, July 24, 2004, in Boise.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan, Wyo., with burial in Mount Hope Cemetery in Big Horn, Wyo.

## **Gladys I. Harcharik**

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**AUG 10 2004**

Gladys Harcharik, 92, formerly of Lewistown, passed away Aug. 8, 2004, at Azalea Place, a loving assisted care home in Billings.

Gladys was born Feb. 29, 1912, in Great Falls, the daughter of Roy and Cora Fish. She attended school in Belt. On Jan. 1, 1930, she married the love of her life, Andy Harcharik.



**GLADYS  
HARCHARIK**

They settled in Lewistown in 1945, when he became Maintenance Supervisor for the highway and she was the homemaker. She was a great sports enthusiast and enjoyed following her sons and their games. She later loved the "Jazz" and eventually became a Yankee fan.

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

Survivors include her sons, Dale of Bozeman and Ron of Billings; one sister, Ada Vaskey of Belt; five grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place and a grave site memorial will take place Saturday, Aug. 14, at 11 a.m., in Lewistown.



## Edd Hardin

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 9 - 2004

PRAY —Edd Hardin, 85 of Pray, died Wednesday, July 7, 2004, at his home.

Graveside committal services and burial will be at 11 a.m. Monday, July 12, in Shorthill Cemetery, south of Livingston. Franzen-Davis Funeral Home of Livingston is in charge.

## Blanche Harding

POLSON — Blanche Harding, 95, of Polson, died Monday, April 5, 2004, at Immanuel Lutheran Home in Kalispell.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 10, in the First Presbyterian Church in Polson. Grogan Funeral Home of Polson is in charge.

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## **Eileen Gunkel Hardy**

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Eileen Gunkel Hardy, 85, of Albuquerque, formerly of Beach, N.D., died Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2004.

A vigil will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, in the chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Beach. A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, at St. John The Baptist Catholic Church in Beach. Interment will follow at St. John's Cemetery in Beach.

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**FEB 19 2004**

**HARDIN** — Steven Michael Hardy, 51, Bozeman, formerly of Hardin, died tragically of injuries sustained in a car-pedestrian accident, Oct. 31, 2004, near Hardin.



**STEVEN  
 HARDY**

He was born April 23, 1953, in Sac City, Iowa, son of Warren and Dorothy Hardy. He received his early education in Harmony, Minn., graduating from high school in 1971. While in school, he actively participated in class play and choir productions, baseball and golf. He attended and graduated from Hamline University, receiving a BA degree in history, with minors in Speech and English. His passion for writing, justice and stage presence led him to attend and graduate from the William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul, Minn., where he received his JD degree, graduating with honors. While at law school, he was the only first-year student to receive a superior grade in legal writing.

Steven entered law practices in Minnesota and Oregon, serving as a city attorney for several communities. However, he recently found his true passion working with students in the

classroom.

He married Mary Gronneberg in May of 1976 in St. Paul. The couple made their home in Bozeman.

Steven loved animals, music, reading, poetry, sports and martial arts, a joy that he passed on to his sons. He was a student of history with a wealth of knowledge in American History.

A son, Ian; brother Daniel; and a sister, Linda, preceded Steven in death.

Survivors include his wife, Mary of Bozeman; his three sons, John, David and James of Bozeman; his parents, Warren and Dorothy Hardy of Hardin; his brothers, James (Sharon) Hardy of Oregon, Joel (Gloria) Hardy of Red Lodge, Mark and Tim Hardy of Hardin; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place in the Bullis-Eastern Montana Crematory. A Celebration of Life service will be held 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, in the Hardin First Baptist Church; a second service will be held 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 5, in the Bozeman United Methodist Church. Private interment will be held in the Hardin Fairview Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

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## Robert F. Hari, Sr.

**WORDEN** — Robert F. Hari, Sr., of Worden, passed away at St. Vincent Healthcare on April 13, 2004.

He was born on May 25, 1922, in Cissna Park, Ill., to Samuel G. Hari and Mary Oberlander Hari. He married Doris A. Talbot on Aug. 24, 1947, in Melvin, Ill.

Mr. Hari was a World War II U.S. Army veteran and served for four years. He spent two of those years in Germany and France. He was a later a farmer for 20 years and on-the-road factory sales representative for seven years. He was also an apartment building manager for 18 years.

Bob is survived by his wife, Doris, of Worden; and two sons, Robert Jr. (Cheryl) of Worden and Gregory of Santa Rosa, Calif.

He has three granddaughters, Rene Hari-Clark of Minneapolis, Chana Hari of

Marion, N.C., and Amber Hari of Bozeman.

He is also survived by three brothers, Art of Cissna Park, Willis of Watseka, Ill., and Ervin of Tucson, Ariz.; and one sister, Lucille Koehl of Plainfield, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Esther; and his twin brother, Ray.

On Dad's behalf, the family would like to thank the nursing staff and doctors at St. Vincent Hospital and Doctor Stanley at the Worden Clinic for the wonderful care he received.

Services will be held Saturday, April 17, 2 p.m., at the Bethlehem Congregational Church. Burial will follow at Pleasantview Cemetery in Ballantine. Smith Downtown Chapel in charge.

Memorials may be made to Bethlehem Congregational UCC Worden, or Worden Fire and Ambulance Service.

**Ethel M. (Harsch)**

## **Haring**

Ethel M. (Harsch) Haring, 92, of Billings, slipped into Eternity, Sunday, Jan. 25, 2004, at Beartooth Manor in Columbus.

She was born Oct. 23, 1911, at Park City, Utah, the daughter of Rev. Ernest J. and Bessie Mills.

She is survived by one sister, Phyllis Speck of Helena; children, Randall (Mary Lou)

Harsch of Leavenworth, Kan., and Janice (John) Fantz of Columbus. She has eight grandchildren, one step-grandchild and nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by husbands Henry Harsch, R.B. Haring, and son Phillip.

Before marriage, she had been a legal secretary and later worked in retail sales. During her golden years, she enjoyed extensive travel. She enjoyed a good game of bridge. Her family will miss her.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at Smith Downtown Chapel. Cremation will follow. Inurnment will be in Mountview Cemetery. Memorials can be made to a charity of one's choice.



**ETHEL  
HARING**

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**JUN 15 2004****Catherine M. Harker****SHERIDAN, Wyo. —**

Catherine M. Harker, of Sheridan, died Friday, June 11, 2004, at her home.

Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 15, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Funeral liturgy will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 16, at Holy Name Catholic Church. Interment will be in Sheridan Elks Cemetery.

## **Janna F. Harkrider**

SEP 26 2004

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

POWELL, Wyo. — Janna F. Harkrider, 63, died Thursday, Sept. 23, 2004, at Powell Valley Healthcare. Cremation has taken place. At this time, no services are planned. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

THE POWELL TRIBUNE

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## **Janna F. Harkrider**

A former mayor of Powell, Janna F. Harkrider, died Thursday, Sept. 23 at the Powell Hospital (Powell Valley Healthcare). She was 63.

She had just returned from a stay of about a month in a Billings hospital.

She was elected mayor of Powell in 1992 and served through 1996.

Cremation has taken place. A full obituary will follow.



# Leona Harn

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MILES CITY — Leona "Lee" Margaret Harn, 72, of Miles City, died Saturday, Aug. 7, 2004, at her home in Miles City.

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Visitation will be from 1 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10 at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 11, at the Sacred Heart Church in Miles City.

## Raymond C. Harney

*THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*  
APRIL 29 2004

SIDNEY — Raymond C. "Ray" Harney, 74, of Sidney, died Tuesday, April 27, 2004, at his home.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 1, at the Lonsdale United Methodist Church. Cremation has taken place. Interment of cremains will be in the Niche Wall. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

# Barbara 'Bobbie' Harper

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**MAY 06 2004**

Bobbie, of Billings, formerly of Laurel, went home to be with her Lord on May 4, 2004, at

Deaconess Billings Clinic, with her husband George and family by her side. She fought a courageous battle with COPD for several years.



**BOBBIE  
HARPER**

Bobbie was born March 8, 1930, to Roy and Christena Green, at Columbus. She married George Harper in Laurel on May 25, 1947. To this union, two daughters and a son were born. They were to celebrate their 57th anniversary this May.

Bobbie worked for a number of years at Cenex Refinery at Laurel. She was a very dedicated employee, wife, mother and grandmother. Her family was so precious to her. She loved them all dearly — as they loved her the same way.

She loved to go camping in her early years. She never missed her grandchildren's tennis and hockey games and dance recitals. She took so much pride in her grandchildren.

She enjoyed Bible study with her sister. She also liked to work crossword puzzles.

Bobbie was preceded in death by her infant son; dad and mother; brothers-in-law, Ed Speare, Gene McKinney and John Wagner.

She is survived by her daughter, Sheri (Montie) Auer; daughter Roxann Watson; grandchildren Ryan Auer, Rochelle (Raj) Pai, Erika Miller, Stephanie (Dan) Bonner; great-grandchildren, Vanessa Bonner and Gavin Pai; her three sisters, Georgia Speare, Lila McKinney and Patsy Wagner; several nieces and nephews.

Mom, Grandmother — how we will miss you — we loved you dearly and know we will meet again in Heaven — rest now — you were the best!

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Friday, May 7, at Smith's West Chapel, 304 34th St. West. Interment will be at Yellowstone Valley Memorial Park.

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

# ElRay Harper

SIDNEY — ElRay Harper, 83, of Sidney, passed away on Monday, April 12, 2004, at Sidney Extended Care Facility.

He was born to William and Anna (Homestad) Harper on March 17, 1921.

He was one of five children born in

Cartwright, N.D.

He attended

country schools

and then gradu-

ated from

Fairview High

School in 1939.

On Dec. 31, 1942,

he married

Vergie Flynn in Grand Forks,

N.D. To this union, four children

were born: Ronald Harper,

William Harper, Joel Harper and

Jann Harper Leppien.

In 1942, ElRay was sent to

radio school at the University of

North Dakota. After completing

the course, he enlisted in the

army and was sent to Davis,

Calif., for advanced training to

prepare him for his foreign-ser-

vice work. During WWII, he

served in the Army Signal Corp.,

stationed in the Pacific.

On his return from the war in

the late 1940s, he and his partner,

Lloyd Wick, started the Sidney

Oil Company. He continued



**ELRAY  
HARPER**

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to their kids. When at his gas station, friends could always find ElRay on his stool next to the typewriter, where he found time to share short conversations. He then became interested in farming and ranching in the late 1960s and this became his continued interest until his death. A day could not go by without ElRay saying, "I have to go to the farm to feed the animals." It was his work, his avocation and his play.

ElRay's life was filled with many years of farming, enjoyment of family gatherings and visiting with friends and neighbors. He was a member in several organizations, served the community by working on the Sidney School Board and followed the local sport teams. He was an avid sportsman. He enjoyed bird hunting and loved searching for those wild turkeys.

ElRay is survived by his wife, Vergie Harper; three children and their spouses, William and Carolyn Harper of Sidney, Joel and Anita Harper of Stanley, Idaho, and Jann Harper Leppien and Ed Leppien of Great Falls; seven granddaughters and their spouses, Stephanie Harper and

Greg Watson of Lake Oswego, Ore., Jennifer and Willie Lovegren of Sidney, Aimee and Kevin Avison of Polson, Sara and Chris Lambrecht of Columbus, Trisha Harper of Billings, Melissa and Brett Lapham of Billings, and Erin and Bryan Grummett of Billings. ElRay also had three great-grandchildren that he adored: Marcus, Alex and Ty Lovegren.

ElRay was preceded in death by his son, Ron Harper; parents, William and Anna Harper; brothers Gilmore and Ambert Harper; sisters Alice Otis and Claudine Oertli.

We will miss our father's presence, but he will be remembered on a daily basis for his sense of humor, his whistling, his generosity and his perseverance.

A celebration of his life will be on Saturday, April 17, 10 a.m., at the Lonsdale Methodist Church. Burial will follow at the Sidney Cemetery.

### An Irish Blessing

May the road rise to meet you.  
May the wind always be at  
your back.

May the sun shine warm upon  
your face

and the rain fall soft upon  
your fields

until we meet again.

# Gertie J. Harper

## BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Gertie J. Harper passed away May 31, 2004, at Billings Health & Rehab Center.

Gertie was born June 1, 1913, in Lark, N.D. Her parents were Theodore and Julia Mortenson.

Gertie lived in Lark when she met the "love of her life," Floyd Gail Harper, Sr. Gertie and Gail married in Wibaux on Aug. 9, 1938. They moved to

Billings shortly after their marriage and made their home in Lockwood for 29 years.

When her husband passed in 1983, Gertie made her home at Prairie Towers. In 1999, due to health reasons, Gertie moved to the Billings Health & Rehab Center and resided there until her passing.

Gertie is survived by seven children, Floyd G. Harper, Jr., Joyce Bomar (Walt), Norman Harper, Ronnie Harper (Colleen), Carol Taylor (Stanley), Sharon Guckeen (Bill) and Corleen Walters. Her brother, George Mortenson of Carson, N.D.; and her sister-in-law, Bertha Mortenson of Elgin, N.D., also survive her. She is survived



**GERTIE  
HARPER**

by 20 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and her best friend, Bernice Henderson.

Gertie is preceded in death by her husband; daughter Verna Mae; and brothers Melvin, Arnold and Adolph Mortenson.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Friday, June 4, at Smith's West Chapel. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Please join us at the reception immediately following the service at Smith Funeral Chapel at 304 34th St. West.

Mom —

May the road rise up to meet you,

May the wind be always at your back,

May the sunshine warm your face,

The rain fall soft upon your fields,

And until we meet again,

May God hold you in the palm of his hand.

# Vergie Dianne Flynn Harper

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 10 2004

SIDNEY — Vergie Harper, 82, of Sidney, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 7, 2004, at the Sidney Extended Care Facility with her family at her side.

She was born to Charles and Nannie (Sanderson) Flynn on July 3, 1922. She was one of six children born in Fairview. She attended Dore School and then graduated from Fairview High School in 1940. In high school, she enjoyed music and journalism. After high school, Vergie completed specialized



**VERGIE  
HARPER**

work at Young's Beauty Academy of Billings and lived with the J.K. Ralston family during this time. She was a member of the Kappa Delta Chi sorority. Upon the completion of her training, she returned to Fairview to work at Marj's Beauty Salon. On Dec. 31, 1942, she married ElRay Harper in Grand Forks, N.D., and to this union, four children were born: Ronald Harper, William Harper, Joel Harper and Jann Harper Leppien.

Vergie's life was filled with many years of family activities. She faithfully followed the baseball and basketball teams, spending endless hours sitting on benches supporting her children,

grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her family meant everything to her and she meant everything to her family, so her home became the "drop off spot" during lunch breaks, after baseball and basketball games, choir practices, and hunting trips. Grandma Vergie would prepare meals and greet everyone by saying, "Tell me about your day." She is remembered by her family as the woman who made everyone feel special. Her grandchildren remember her by saying, "Her conversation was always about us and what we were doing. You could tell her anything because she turned all her attention towards us. She had time for us."

Vergie enjoyed gardening, reading, music, local history, and researching political and medical issues. She was an active member in the Lonsdale United Methodist Church, serving as the President of the United Methodist Women and for nearly 25 years, she chaired and organized the United Methodist Church fair booth at the Richland County Fair. She loved her flowers, took pride in serving others

and enjoyed family gatherings at the holidays. For many years, she was a member of the Election Board and assisted in registering voters. In addition to her family and community involvement, she took great joy in assisting her husband, ElRay at the Sidney Oil Company and also at the farm.

Vergie will be missed greatly by her family and friends whose lives she touched with her heart and hands of service. She was preceded in death by her husband, ElRay Harper; her son, Ronald Harper; her brothers, Orville Flynn, Robert Flynn, Mike Flynn and Roland Flynn; and her parents, Charlie and Nan Flynn.

Vergie is survived by her sister and brother-in-law, Marjorie Flynn Mavity and Curtis Mavity; her sisters-in-law, Marjorie Flynn and Viola Flynn; her children and their spouses, William and Karolyn Harper of Sidney, Joel and Anita Harper of Stanley, Idaho, and Jann Harper Leppien and Ed Leppien of Great Falls; and her seven granddaughters and their spouses, Stephanie Harper and Greg Watson of Lake Oswego, Ore., Melissa and Brett Lapham of Billings, Jennifer and Willie Lovegren of Sidney, Erin and Bryan Grummett of Billings, Aimee and Kevin Avison of Polson, Sara and Chris Lambrecht of Columbus, and Trisha Harper of Billings. Vergie also had three great-grandchil-

dren that she adored: Marcus, Alec and Ty Lovegren.

Mom was truly an Irish woman. Mom was known to be of good mind and kind heart, a formidable combination of traits. She guided her family toward excellence, placing a strong emphasis on education, developing a sense purposeful work and prioritizing a commitment to family. She was our best friend. Our lives will continue to be influenced by her actions, beliefs, and values, and for these lessons, our family is most fortunate.

A celebration of her life will be on Wednesday, Aug. 11, 10 a.m., at the Lonsdale Methodist Church. Burial will follow at the Sidney Cemetery under the direction of the Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney.

Memorials may be given to: The United Methodist Women, 205 Third Ave. SE, Sidney, MT 59270; the MonDak Heritage Center, 120 Third Ave. SE, Box 50, Sidney, MT 59270; or a charity of one's choice. Cards can be addressed to William Harper, HC 57, Box 4055, Sidney, MT 59270.



## **Charlotte Harpster**

GLASGOW — Charlotte Harpster, 80, died Thursday, Oct. 7, 2004, at Valley View Nursing Home in Glasgow.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15, at Hillview Cemetery in Hinsdale. Interment will be in Hillview Cemetery in Hinsdale. Bell Mortuary is in charge.

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BELLINGS GAZETTE

## **Inze L. Harrington Jr.**

POWELL, Wyo. — Inze L. Harrington, Jr. died Sept. 29, 2004 at the Powell Care Center.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 7 at the First United Methodist Church. Visitation will be one hour prior to service at the church. Burial will be in the Crown Hill Cemetery. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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## Inze L. Harrington, Jr.

THE POWELL  
TRIBUNE

Funeral services for Inze L. Harrington, Jr., 83, who died Wednesday, Sept. 29 at the Powell Nursing Home, will be Thursday, Oct. 7 at 2 p.m. at First United Methodist Church.

A visitation will take place for one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be in Crown Hill Cemetery.

He was born April 15, 1921, in Little Rock, Ark., son of Inze L. and Grace Harrington. The family moved to Paragould, Ark., where he attended school until his father's death when he was 7. Then his mother and family moved to Cato, Ark.

He joined the Civil Conservation Corps and was sent to Camp Corbett in Wyoming April 12, 1939. He moved to Powell after his discharge in 1940.

On Aug. 4, 1941, he married Mildred E. Rowland in Red Lodge, Mont.

He served with the U.S. Marines in the Pacific in World War II, and after his discharge in 1946, he worked in the oil fields of Wyoming. Later he owned S&H Construction in Powell. He retired in 1983.

Mr. Harrington was active in the Little League and Babe Ruth baseball programs. He was instrumental in building the Babe Ruth baseball field, "twisting" arms to get oil field supply companies to donate materials for the field and dugouts, and with help from all, it was laid out, leveled and built.

He worked with the Order of DeMolay and served on the Powell School Board for 10

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years, from 1962 to 1972. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, riding horses and spending time with his grandchildren. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge, Big Horn Basin Foxtrotters and the Shrine Temple.

His wife, Mildred, predeceased him in 1992. She was his wisdom and guidance for over 50 years. She worked with him in the family business, S&H Construction, as secretary-treasurer. He was also preceded in death by a brother, Joe, in 1987.

Surviving are three sons, Gerald (Jerry) Harrington of Corrales, N.M., Robert (Bob) Harrington and his wife Roni of Houston, Texas, and Jason Harrington and his wife Margherita of Arlington, Va.; his sisters, Inez Hall, his twin, and her husband Bud of Shawnee, Ark., and Pat Keeling of Sheridan, Ark.; his sister-in-law, Janeil Harrington; 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

For those who wish, the family would appreciate memorial contributions to the Shriners Children's Burn Hospital 516 Carew St., Springfield, MA 01104.

## **Dora Harris**

LOVELL, Wyo. — Dora Harris, 90, died Saturday, April 3, 2004, at North Big Horn Hospital in Lovell. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 7, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 8, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Lovell. Interment will be in the Lovell Cemetery.

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# Durwood 'Dale' Harris

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE  
JAN 26 2004

LAUREL — Durwood "Dale" Harris died peacefully at St. Vincent Healthcare on Jan. 24, 2004.

He was born May 15, 1914, in Milbourn, Neb., where he lived until the age of 18 when he moved to Torrington, Wyo.



**DURWOOD  
HARRIS**

He married Mary "Ruth" Foster on Oct. 11, 1936. They had three children, Donella Jo, Durwood Cleo and Deanna Ruth. Dale and Ruth farmed for several years before moving to La Puente, Calif., in 1957. Dale worked for Carrier Manufacturing until retiring at the age of 67. In 1985, Dale and Ruth moved to Laurel.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Gertie Mae; brothers, Joseph "Verb" and Charles "Lafe;" and sisters, Eunice and Euzed.

Dale is survived by his wife, Mary "Ruth" of Laurel; sisters, Gladys Rife of Torrington, Wyo., and Iris Rodeman of Douglas, Wyo.; children, Donella (Bill) Smith of Monterey Park, Calif., Durwood (Karen) Harris of La Habra, Calif., and Deanna (Richard) Smith of Sun Lakes, Ariz.; grandchildren, Steven (Joel)

Fallon of Burbank, Calif., Jeffrey (Maureen) Smith of Arcadia, Calif., Tiffany (Mark) Goodson of Laurel, Juli Moden of Helena, Bryan (Cari) Harris of Helena, Holly Smith of Sunnyvale, Calif., and Deanna Lynn (Ken) Miotke of Missoula; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, at Laurel United Methodist Church. Cremation will follow services. Visitation will be Wednesday evening from 5 until 8 p.m. at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel.

**Edwin D. Harris****MAY 21 2004**

DEAVER, Wyo. — Edwin D. Harris, 75, of Deaver, died Thursday, May 20, 2004, at North Big Horn Hospital in Lovell.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held at a later date. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell is in charge.

## Jean Benjamin Harris

WOLF POINT — (Florence)

Jean Benjamin Harris, 55, of south Wolf Point, died Sunday, Sept. 19, 2004, at home, of cancer.

Visitation will be from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Wolf Point High School Auditorium. Interment will be in Greenwood Cemetery.



# Jeffrey A. Harrison

THE HILLMAN GAZETTE

JAN 11 2004

POWELL, Wyo. — Jeffrey A. Harrison, age 16, died in a tragic accidental shooting at the family home near Powell on Thursday evening. He was born on Feb. 22, 1987, in Bountiful, Utah, to Thomas R. and Diana D (Duke) Harrison. During his short 16 years, he lived in Utah, Bozeman and Powell. During the summer of 2003, he was employed at Plaza Fuels in Powell. He was a member of the Shoshone Rock Club, Rocks & Bugs 4-H Club and the Hounds-Around 4-H Club. He enjoyed motorcycle trail riding with his dad and brother Marc, pheasant hunting, rock hunting, tinkering with his truck, training his dog, Buddha, and hanging out with his friends. For the past two years he participated in the Youth Leadership Conference. He will be remembered as a loving son, brother, uncle, grandson and friend.

His loving parents, brother, Marc Harrison; sisters, Angela Harrison and Jennifer Harrison; nephew, Jak Harrison; grandparents, James and Susan Duke, and Ernestine Harrison, all of Powell; aunts, Bonnie Duke and Milton Jordan of Fernley, Nev., and Donna and Greg Koelfgen; and cousins, Quinn and Hayley Koelfgen of New Brunsfeld, Texas, all survive him.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Bob Harrison and an uncle, Max Duke. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, at Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home in Powell. Funeral Services will be at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 14, at Union Presbyterian Church with Rev. David Hunter officiating. Cremation will follow the services.

# John C. 'Jack' Harrison

HELENA — John C. "Jack" Harrison passed away at home in Helena the morning of Feb. 18, 2004, after a courageous and determined battle with cancer.

Jack was born to Arthur and Susan (Pankratz) Harrison on Oct. 12, 1927, in Spokane, Wash. He grew up in Missoula — during the "best of times" — attending Catholic schools and running with a group of buddies whose friendships lasted for the rest of his life. Jack graduated early from Missoula County High School in December of 1944 and immediately entered the U.S. Navy, serving in Guam for the duration of World War II. Upon discharge from the U.S. Navy, Jack attended University of Montana in Missoula and played football for the Grizzlies from 1947 until graduation in 1951.

Jack married Betty Hanson in Superior on May 30, 1956, and they created a happy and successful 47-year union. After initially residing in Spokane, Jack and Betty moved to Great Falls in 1958. Their two children, Brian (1959) and Leslie (1963) were both born in Great Falls. Jack worked for Phillips Petroleum Company until 1964. In 1964, Jack resigned from Phillips rather than accept a transfer to Chicago. In 1964, they relocated to Helena, where Jack purchased and ran the Conoco Bulk Plant until 1974. Jack retired from the

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Worker's Compensation Division of the Montana Department of Labor in 1996.

Jack loved life and was always ready with a joke or tale to share. Jack and Betty both loved to meet people and bring them into their ever growing circle of friends. Jack loved travel and history, dancing at the Elks Club with Betty, and supporting both the U of M Grizzly football program as well as both local high school football programs. Jack always saw the good in everything, living life as it came along and never finding a thing to complain about.

Jack is survived by his children, Brian (Mary) Harrison of Billings and Leslie (Mike) Stably of Billings; and grandchildren Brittanie and Hanna Harrison and Blaise, Trevin and Victoria Stahly; a brother, Larry (Donene) Harrison of San Jose, Calif.; a sister-in-law, Gloria (Gene) Hodge; as well as eight nieces and



**JACK  
HARRISON**

nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife Betty and his parents, Art and Sue. He also lost his brother, Jimmy — one of the firefighters who perished in the infamous 1949 Mann Gulch Fire.

Sincere thanks to those many special friends who helped look after Dad before and after Mom's death, including the staff at Hospice of St. Peter's and St. Peter's Hospital and Cancer Treatment Center. You were all truly angels as you supported him during this last season of his journey.

A vigil service will be Sunday, Feb. 22, 7 p.m., at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 23, at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Military graveside services will occur on Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2 p.m., at Montana State Veterans Cemetery, Ft. Harrison, with Lewis and Clark Veteran Council Conducting. Friends may begin to pay their respects Saturday at 2 p.m. until Sunday at 5 p.m. at Hagler-Anderson Funeral Home.

Family prefers memorials to Hospice of Saint Peter's Hospital 2475 Broadway, Helena, MT 59601 or to the Intermountain Children's Home, 500 South Lamborn, Helena, MT 59601.

## Loy E. Harris

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 15 2004

WORLAND, Wyo. — Loy E. Harris, 96, died Nov. 12, 2004.

Graveside funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, at Riverview Memorial Gardens. Veile Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

# Philip Harris

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 11 2004

Philip Harris passed away Saturday, May 8, 2004, in Billings.

He was born to Kathleen "Banjo" Doyle Harris and Dewey Harris on July 13, 1933, at Crow Agency. He was a member of the Crow Tribe and Ties The Bundle Clan. He lived his life as one of the last real cowboys, working ranches throughout Montana and Wyoming, spending his final years as a race-horse trainer and owner in Billings.

His friends and family will miss him.

His parents preceded him in death. He is survived by his longtime companion, Jolene Not Afraid; children, Roxanne Schuppe, Jon Harris and Elizabeth Harlson of Billings, Patrick Harris of Browning, Mikealena Olson and Jay Harris of Sheridan, Wyo.; a brother, Dick Harris of Harrison; and sisters, Kathleen "Rosie" Harris and Frances Jurosek, both of Billings; and eight grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.



**PHILIP  
HARRIS**

Memorial services will be held at Cremation or Funeral Gallery, 29 Eighth St. West, Billings, at 10 a.m. May 12.

# Phynx Daunte Harris

THE PHOENIX GAZETTE  
Dec 25 2004

Phynx Daunte Harris was born and died on Dec. 10, 2004. He left behind his beloved mother and father, Amber Olson and Robert Harris. We love you, baby boy.



A graveside service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 27, at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Smith

**PHYNX  
DAUNTE  
HARRIS**

Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

# Richard Harris

THE BULLINOZ GAZETTE

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**HARRISON** — Richard Harris, 73 of Harrison, MT, formerly of Crow, entered into rest Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2004 at his home in Harrison. He was born Jan. 26, 1931 to Dewey Harris and Kathleen Doyle.

Dick grew up living a ranch life and early on he displayed a natural ability to work with cattle and horses. He learned to do everything on the ranch and became a true old time cowboy.

He later became a successful jockey, riding thoroughbred horses at tracks in Renton, Wash., Omaha, Spokane, Cincinnati, Portland Meadows, Phoenix and Calgary where he was leading jockey for several race meets. After his riding days he became an excellent horse trainer, training for many stables including the Cliff Roberts Stable. He was a kind, gentle man. Dick had a way with horses that few people have. He loved his family and was always there for them.

His parents, Dewey and Kathleen Harris, wife, Zana Harris, one son, Dale Harris and one brother, Phillip Harris preceded him in death.

Survivors include his nine children, two sisters, many grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday Nov. 23, at the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow in the Crow Agency Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

**April 6, 1931 — Aug. 5, 2004****AUG 11 2004**

Roger Lee Harris, of Billings, died of cancer on Aug. 5, 2004, at the Hospice Hospital. He was born on April 6, 1931, to Jesse and D. Harris at the Abbey Hospital in Miles City.

He grew up in the Sonnette area and attended schools in Powder River County. He was a 1949 graduate of Custer County High School.



**ROGER  
HARRIS**

He worked for his dad on the LS Ranch on Pumpkin Creek until entering the U.S. Army in November 1952. Roger served in Korea and was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge, the Korean Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal and the National Defense Service Medal.

In 1957, he became employed by the Montana Livestock Commission as a brand inspector in Billings and later in Choteau. In the fall 1969, he began ranching east of Lewistown and remained there the winter of 1984. Following his years in the cattle business, Roger lived in the Kalispell area and later returned to live in Miles City.

Roger was preceded in death by his father Jesse in 1958; mother Doris in 2000; brother Jerry in 1979; and brother Donald in 1995. He survived by two sisters, Rita Lindvold of Miles City, Mary Rose Hettinger of Billings; and brother Ed of Colorado Springs.

Roger, an authentic Montana cowboy and a rancher at heart, will be missed by his family and his many friends.

Visitation was held on Monday, Aug. 9, at the Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Funeral services were held at Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home in Miles City on Tuesday, Aug. 10. Burial followed at the Montana State Veterans Cemetery, Miles City. Condolences may be sent by visiting [www.stevensonandsons.com](http://www.stevensonandsons.com).

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to the Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107.



# Ruth Medicine Bird Harris Sevo' ka'e

JUN 22 2004

**HARDIN** — Ruth Harris, 96, oldest living Northern Cheyenne, died of natural causes on Sunday morning, June 20, 2004, at the Heritage Acres Nursing Home in Hardin.

Ruth Medicine Bird was born on Dec. 21, 1907, in Ashland, the daughter of Nelson Medicine Bird and Essa Bullard. Ruth was raised in Ashland, where she attended school at the St. Labre Indian Mission. For a time, Ruth also attended school at the Genoa Boarding School in Nebraska.



**RUTH  
HARRIS**

Ruth worked as a practical nurse at the old Lame Deer Hospital, where she met her husband Bryan. Ruth married Bryan James Harris in 1929. For the next 29 years, Ruth and Bryan Sr. raised their eight children on Greenleaf and in Lame Deer.

Ruth was proficient at beading and sewing. She enjoyed preparing and drying foods in the traditional Cheyenne way. In her later years, Ruth took much joy in trav-

eling to camp meetings and revivals. She enjoyed Christian fellowship and always had a ride to church. Ruth raised several of her grandchildren; Ron, Becky, Pam, Randy and Kenneth (Shane) Harris.

Ruth was preceded in death by her husband, Bryan, in 1958. She was also preceded in death by her parents; stepson, Charles Carl; sons, Chester (Chuck), Gilbert, Bryan Jr. and Dale; grandchildren, Serena, Dale and Gail Harris; and brother, James Medicine Bird.

She is survived by her sons, Francis (Ataloo) Harris of Lame Deer and Kenneth Harris of Colstrip; daughters, Marlene (Joe) Anderson and Connie (Leonard Sr.) Brien, both of Lame Deer. Ruth is also survived by 39 grandchildren, 101 great-grandchildren and 49 great-great-grandchildren. Among those surviving Ruth are members of the Foote, Haugen, Curley, Two Bulls, Limpy, Littlebird, Tallwhiteman, Wolfblack, Spotted Wolf, Pine, Crazy mule and Seminole families, as well as the Redhat family of Oklahoma.

Wake services will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 23, at the Blessed Sacrament Church in Lame Deer. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 24, at the Blessed Sacrament Church in Lame Deer, with burial at the Harris family cemetery on the Birney Divide. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth is in charge of arrangements.

# Shari McCann Harris

SEP 28 2004  
BILLINGS GAZETTE

**WHITEFISH** — Shari Marie McCann Harris, 43, died at her home in Whitefish, on Sept. 23, 2004, after a long, courageous battle with cancer.

Shari was born in Billings on Aug. 9, 1961, to Donald L. and Joneva Svetich McCann. Shari attended elementary schools in Yellowstone National Park and Billings. She graduated from High School in Bozeman in 1979, after spending a year as a foreign exchange student in Japan with her host parents Mikio and Asako Akune. She later returned to Japan, where she attended college before returning to college in Bozeman.

She applied her many talents and creative ability successfully in both her personal life and business pursuits. She married Rex Harris in Havre on May 18, 1985, and was the proud and loving mother of two sons, Evan Alexander and Adam Lee, who were the center of her life. Shortly after they were married, she and Rex also chose to be host parents to Margarita Tdral of Cuenco, Ecuador. She was a caring, giving person who will be remembered for her generosity and take-charge way of helping anyone who needed her.

She is survived by her husband Rex and sons Evan and Adam of Whitefish; her parents

Don and Jonny of Kalispell; her sister, Lesli McIntosh of Kalispell; her brother Mike and sister-in-law Liz of Meeker, Colo., and their sons Jesse and Zach; many friends and a large extended family who love her deeply and will hold her in their hearts forever.

A memorial service is planned for Oct. 9, at 11 a.m. at the Christ Lutheran Church in Whitefish.

Memorials may be made to Wings at 310 Sunnyview Lane, Kalispell, MT 59901, or to the charity of your choice.

# Theresa Rose Harrison

LOVELL — Theresa Rose Harrison, 85, died Friday, Jan. 9, 2004, at the North Big Horn Hospital.

Visitation will be 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, at Haskell Funeral Home. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Lovell. Burial will be in the Lovell Cemetery.

THE SUNDAY GAZETTE

JAN 11 2004

# George Harrison

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 27 2004

BOYD — George Joseph Harrison passed away on Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2004, at the Beartooth Hospital and Health Care Center, where he had been hospitalized after a fall he took recently. George had been residing in Tender Nest in Red Lodge since March of 2004.



**GEORGE  
HARRISON**

George was born to parents William and Elizabeth (Lukesh) Harrison on Feb. 20, 1912, in Currie, Minn. He moved to Montana with his parents in 1912, and homesteaded near Columbus, then to Red Lodge and finally, Boyd. George was a hard worker all his life. He sought employment in Venezuela, South America, in April of 1940 at the age of 28, where he was employed as a road engineer. Later, he returned to Montana and worked on the Fort Peck Dam Project and briefly on the Cooke City Highway on the Beartooth Pass. George met Helen Bell at Fort Peck, where she was employed as a waitress. They fell in love and married in Billings on Oct. 28, 1943, in the Lutheran Parsonage. They had no honeymoon due to the fact that George had to bale hay the next day. George and

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Helen stayed in the Northern Hotel in downtown Billings on the night of their wedding. They returned to Boyd and lived briefly at George's parents on the homestead outside of Boyd. Later, they purchased the still existing home ranch at Boyd. Here, they started one of the best Polled Hereford herds in the state. In October of 1973, George and Helen joined the American Angus Association, and started a registered Angus herd, after learning Angus cattle out-performed other breeds in this harsh climate. One of their very first consignments to Midland Bull Test at Columbus sold as one of the high sellers to Cedar Hills Angus, John Hamilton, Manhattan. Son Douglas and his family operate the ranch to this day as a fourth generation Angus ranch. Later, a ranch at Fox was purchased with son Dennis and family operating this ranch, going on a third generation ranch. George and Helen raised sheep and hay as well as cattle and together raised five children.

George and Helen enjoyed dances, being the very best dancers on the floor, and attended many Fiddler Jams throughout the years. Their son Dennis accompanied his daughter Deanne on the fiddle at many events that brought much enjoyment to George and Helen.

George loved fishing and camping at Cooney Dam with Helen in later years and trips fishing below the Clarks Fork Canyon, near Clark Wyoming with Ed and Dorothy Jakkola. He loved family outings, trips to Cooke City and listening to Lonnie Bell on Sunday mornings. George always had a joke and loved teasing a person. The girls from Tender Nest loved George, as he kept them entertained on a daily basis. George had a strong love for ranching and was very proud of his family. He was loved and will be missed by many family and friends.

George is survived by his five children, Janeice Mydland (Paul, deceased) of Joliet, Lou Anne Jones (Bob) of Billings, Douglas Harrison (Gladys) of Boyd, Dennis Harrison of Fox, and Lowell Harrison (and friend Audrey) of Boyd; 13 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren; one sister, Sylvia Chupp of Billings; numerous nieces and nephews and cousins. George was preceded in death by his wife, Helen Harrison, three sisters, three brothers and his parents.

Funeral services for George will be held on Monday, Aug. 30, at 1 p.m., at Dahl Funeral Chapel, Red Lodge. Burial will follow at Rockvale Cemetery. A visitation will be held on Sunday, Aug. 29, from 2 to 5 p.m. at Dahl's in Red Lodge. Memorials may be made to the Beartooth Hospital and Health Care or to the charity of your choice.

# Helen Elizabeth Harrison

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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BOYD — Helen Elizabeth Harrison passed away on July 3, 2004 at the Bear-tooth Hospital and Health Center, where she has resided since March of 2004. Helen was born Helen Elizabeth Bell to parents Edwin and Ethel Bell on May 3, 1918 in Maddock, N.D. Helen's health had been steadily deteriorating for some time, being diagnosed with coronary artery disease.



**HELEN  
HARRISON**

Helen married Oscar Bell out of high school in North Dakota and they had one daughter together, Janeice Mydland. Later Helen divorced and relocated to Montana at Fort Peck, where she was employed as a waitress. Here she met George Harrison, who was employed as an engineer on the Fort Peck Dam Project. They fell in love and married in Billings on Oct. 28, 1943 in the Lutheran Parsonage. They had no honeymoon, due to the fact that George had to bale hay the next day. George and Helen stayed in the Northern Hotel in downtown Billings on the night of their wedding. They returned to Boyd and lived briefly with William and Elizabeth, George's parents, on their homestead ranch

outside of Boyd. Later they purchased the still existing home ranch in Boyd. Here they raised five children together. George and Helen later purchased a ranch at Fox, Mont. George and Helen raised cattle, sheep and hay, later developing a registered Angus herd that son Douglas and family operate to this day, going on a fourth generation ranch. Son Dennis and family operate the ranch at Fox, being a third generation ranch.

Helen and George enjoyed dances, being the very best dancers on the floor, and attended many Fiddler jams throughout the years. Their son, Dennis accompanied his daughter, Deanne on the fiddle at many events that brought great joy to Helen and George as music was Helen's passion. Helen had a beautiful voice and sang quite often at family gatherings with her daughter, Lou Anne.

Helen enjoyed going to the Boyd Store for coffee with the ladies of Boyd and her daughter-in-law, who was employed there. She loved shopping and attending

her grandkids' sporting events, especially volleyball, which she played quite well in high school. She loved outings to the mountains and to Cooke City with friends and son, Doug and family. Helen dearly loved to eat out and travel going on several trips to Oregon with her daughters. She loved her Mother's Day picnics with all the family on the ranch at Boyd along Rock Creek and the Mydland ranch. Her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren were the most important things in her life, saving anything they gave her or made for her. She always supported her family and she was loved and will be missed by many family and friends.

Helen is survived by her husband, George Harrison of Boyd; and her five children, Janeice Mydland (Paul, deceased) of Joliet, Lou Anne Jones (Bob) of Billings, Douglas Harrison (Gladys) of Boyd, Dennis Harrison of Fox, and Lowell Harrison (and friend Audrey) of Boyd; 13 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren; one niece, Barbara Hayes of Portland, Ore.; and numerous cousins.

Services will be 1 p.m. July 8 at Dahl Funeral Home Chapel at 701 S. McGillen Ave., Red Lodge. Burial will take place at the Rockvale Cemetery with a luncheon following at the Fort Rockvale Restaurant. Visitation will be from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday July 6 and Wednesday July 7. Memorials may be given to charity of choice. Dahl Funeral Chapel of Red Lodge is in charge of arrangements.



**Glenn Harrod****JUN 05 2004**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Glenn Harrod, 94, of Sheridan, formerly of Gillette, died Wednesday, June 2, 2004, at Westview Health Care Center.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Monday, June 7, at Mt. Pisgah Cemetery Chapel in Gillette. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

# Hubert Hart

THE BUSINESS JOURNAL

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POWELL, Wyo. — Hubert Ernest Hart, 91, died Monday, July 26, 2004, at Powell Valley Health Care Center.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Union Presbyterian Church. Miratsky Funeral Home is in charge.

JUL 29 2004

## **Hubert Ernest Hart**

Memorial services will be conducted Tuesday, Aug. 3 at 2 p.m. at the Union Presbyterian Church in Powell for Hubert Ernest Hart, 91, who died Monday, July 26 at Powell Valley Health Care Center.

He was born May 19, 1913, in Garland to Shoshone Project homesteaders Frank George and Theresa Brechwald Hart. He was a Powell High School graduate with the Class of 1931.

On Oct. 19, 1935, he married Wanda Schacht in Powell.

He managed lumber yards in the Rocky Mountain area his entire working life.

He was a member of the Royal Arch Masons, Past Master of Absarokee Lodge and Past Worthy Patron of the Order of Eastern Star.

His hobbies included travel, fishing, gardening, woodworking/carpentry and teaching his basset hound "tricks."

Survivors include his wife, Wanda, at the Heartland in Powell; a son, Hubert E. Hart, Jr., (Joyce) of Cody; two daughters, Marjorie Ness (Don) of Williamsburg, Va., and Celia Hart of Seattle, Wash.; a sister, Clara Mae Laddusaw of Billings, Mont.; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Stephan Brechwald Hart; two brothers, James A. Hart and Howard L. Hart; and one sister, Mildred Huggins.

Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Inga Hart

**PLENTYWOOD** — Funeral services for Inga Hart will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6. Pastor David C. Curtright will officiate at the service at Fulkerson Memorial Chapel in Plentywood; interment will be in Antelope Creek Cemetery. Mrs. Hart, 96, died Monday evening, Feb. 2, 2004, at LaCasa Personal Care Home in Plentywood.

Inga Brekke was born in Bergen, Norway, Oct. 29, 1907, the daughter of John and Anna Brekke. When she was 10 months old, the family came to the United States and settled at Minneapolis, where they lived until they homesteaded near Antelope in 1910.

Inga grew up on the family farm, walking three miles to grade school at the Eden Valley school, and graduated from High School in Antelope. She took nursing training at the University of Minnesota and Fairview Hospital in Minneapolis, then worked as a nurse and night supervisor at Fairview Hospital. She later worked for a year at Dillon, and on March 22, 1943, entered the U.S. Army Air Corps as a nurse.

Following training as an Army chief nurse at Louisville, Ky., she served as a chief nurse in Army hospitals in Louisville and in Sioux City, Iowa. Inga

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was discharged Nov. 7, 1945, and went to work at the VA Hospital at Fort Snelling, in Minneapolis.

She married Warren Hart in Minneapolis, Sept. 12, 1946. They moved to Greeley, Colo., where she continued her nursing career as a supervisor and director of nurses for a 130-bed nursing home. Even after her retirement, she continued to work part-time as an in-service director there.

She and Warren moved to Billings in 1983, and to Plentywood in July 1990.

She was a member of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Billings; and as long as she could be, she was active in church affairs. During her career, she was also active in several professional nursing organizations. After Warren's death March 14, 1994, Inga continued to make her home at the Montana Pioneer Manor until she moved to LaCasa Personal Care Home.

Inga is survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Ivar

and Erling Brekke, both of Antelope, and Thorwald Brekke, of Billings, and by a sister, Ingrid Nelsen.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood has charge of arrangements.

## John R. Hart

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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John R. Hart was born to George and Elizabeth Hart on Feb. 18, 1926. He grew up on the family farm west of Billings. Upon graduation in 1944, he served in the U.S. Army as an aircraft technician and later became a translator between the German citizens and U.S. forces. After his discharge, he returned to Billings, where



**JOHN HART**

he worked in the restaurant equipment and supplies field as a purchasing agent. In 1977, he entered into a partnership in Mountain View Supply, from which he retired in 1990.

John married Shirley Y. Lanier on June 27, 1954. They were looking forward to celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. John passed away April 1, 2004.

John is survived by his loving wife, Shirley; their four children, Kevin Hart of Helena, Tara and Dan Weil, Shauna and Jeff Scheller of Billings, Brett and DeeDee Hart of Albuquerque, N.M.; his five beloved grandchildren, who made his life complete, Brittany, Jared, Rachel, Devin and Kyra.

Also surviving him are his sisters, Dorothy Hart, Katherine Hart, Rosemary McManus, all of Billings, Betty (Francis) Beffert of Everett, Wash.; brothers George (Norma) Hart of Billings, Arthur (Joan) Hart of Helena, Alvin (Marion) Hart of Huntington Beach, Calif. and Harvey (Karen) Hart of Buena Park, Calif.

John was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Ruth Hart and two infant sisters.

Memorials may be made to the VFW, American Legion or to the charity of your choice.

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 7, 2004, at Smith's West Chapel, 304 34th St. W. Cremation will follow the service.

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## Robert D. Hartford

LEWISTOWN — Robert D. "Bob" Hartford, 59, died Friday, March 12, 2004, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center, of cancer.

Cremation has taken place. Services will be at a later date. Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

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**MAR 16 2004**

## **Robert J. Hartland**

*THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*  
JUL 23 2004

MT. VERNON, Wash. — Robert J. Hartland, 35, of Mt. Vernon, formerly of Enid, Mont., died Sunday, July 18, 2004, at the University of Washington Hospital in Mt. Vernon.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, July 26, at the Sidney Cemetery in Sidney, Mont. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.



# Beulah Barney Hartley

SEP 29 2004

## BILLINGS GAZETTE

**LAUREL —** Beulah Barney Hartley, 93, of Laurel, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2004, at Evergreen Laurel Health and Rehabilitation Center.

Beulah was born Aug. 20, 1911, in Wausau, Wis., a daughter of Charles H. and Hazel Rickard Barney. In 1915, the family came to Montana, living on a dryland ranch north of Acton. In 1922, they moved to Laurel, where she attended school, graduating from Laurel High School in 1929.



**BEULAH  
HARTLEY**

She and Frank O. Hartley were married in 1929 and lived in Laurel most of their lives. They were parents of two daughters, Margery Lou (Douglas) Toombs of Laurel and Sandra (James) Nelson of Columbus. There are four grandsons and seven great-grandchildren.

Beulah was a free lance reporter for the Laurel Outlook and Billings Gazette for 10 years. Later she was the first woman hired to be the dispatcher for the Laurel Police Department. She retired from that job in 1979.

She was a member of Laurel Methodist Church and past

matron of Zidonian Chapter, Order of Eastern Star. In 1947, she was appointed Grand Esther of Grand Chapter. She was a member of the Auxiliary of Laurel Volunteer Fire Department and a member of a bridge club for 60 years.

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 1, at Laurel United Methodist Church, with interment in the Laurel Cemetery. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel is in charge of arrangements.

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

## **Aleen Holbrook Hartman**

**BASIN, Wyo.** — Aleen Holbrook Hartman, 90, died Friday, Sept. 17, 2004, at the South Big Horn County Critical Access Hospital.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints—Basin Ward. Burial will follow at the Mount View Cemetery. Viewing will be from 1 to 7 p.m. Tuesday and from 9 to 10 a.m. Wednesday.

Atwood Family Funeral Directors Inc. is in charge of arrangements.

# John G. Hartman

THE BURLINGTON GAZETTE

APR 27 2004

LIVINGSTON — John G. "Jerry" Hartman, 85, of Livingston, died Friday, April 23, 2004.

Cremation has taken place at Franzen-Davis Crematory in Livingston. Graveside committal will be 11 a.m. Thursday, April 29, in Mountain View Cemetery. Family and friends will gather at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home prior to 10:30 a.m. to proceed to the cemetery.

## **F. Pauline Harvard**

THE SHERIDANS GAZETTE

APR 20 2004

WORLAND, Wyo. — F. Pauline Harvard, 87, of Worland, died Friday, April 16, 2004, at Wyoming Medical Center in Casper.

A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, at the United Methodist Church in Worland. Burial will follow at 4 p.m. Wednesday, in the Ten Sleep, Wyo. Cemetery. Veile Mortuary of Worland is in charge.

## **Stewart Harvell**

THE GAZETTE

MAY 05 2004

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Stewart Harvell, 84, of Buffalo, died Saturday, May 1, 2004, at the Johnson County Memorial Hospital.

Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, May 5, at Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo. Graveside funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 6, in Willow Grove Cemetery.

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SEP 05 2004

## **Bill L. Harvey**

The brother of a Powell man died Sept. 24 in Summerset, Ky.

Bill L. Harvey, 52, of Louisville, Ky., is survived by a son, Robert Dyer Harvey; a daughter, Caitlin Eugene Harvey; mother Lucy R. Harvey and brother James R. Harvey, Casper; brother Timothy D. Harvey, Powell; and sisters Helen G. Crain, Pampa, Texas, and Tammy S. Schalla, Bridger, Mont.

## James Wilber Harvey

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

JUL 25 2004

LOVELL, Wyo. — James Wilber Harvey, 49, died Thursday, July 22, 2004, at North Big Horn Hospital in Lovell.

Visitation will be Monday, July 26, 9-9:45 a.m. in the Cowley Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Burial will be in the Cowley Cemetery. Haskell Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Rino Harvey

THE BULLDOG

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Rino Harvey, 69, of Sheridan, died Sunday, Aug. 8, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

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Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Burial will be in the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.



# Robert Eugene Harvey

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**MAY 01 2004**

**POWELL, Wyo.** — Robert Eugene Harvey was born on Dec. 15, 1925, in Denver. He grew up living in various oil camps, but settled in Powell in 1938 with his family. He attended school in Elk Basin and fondly remembered working and living with his uncles, hauling timber to the Big Horns when he was 14.

Bob served in the Army Air Corps during WWII. Upon discharge, he worked for Stanolind Oil & Gas and returned home to the woman he loved. Bob married Lucy Arlene Linn on Sept. 12, 1946, and together, they had six children.

Bob began working at Dicks' Well Service in 1957, where he worked for 32 years. He retired in 1990, but it didn't suit, so he went to work for Axelson and enjoyed this change of work.

Bob was an avid craftsman who enjoyed woodworking and "making sawdust." His greatest joy came from being around the people he loved. He enriched the lives of his friends and family through his playful jesting and



**BOB  
HARVEY**

genuine love.

Bob passed away April 28 2004.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Helen Cora Hibler Harvey; and his father, Rolland Albert Harvey; daughter Janet Lavonne Harvey; brothers Rex Laverne Harvey, Rolland Elvin Harvey, George Raymond Harvey; and sister Donna Lee Johnson.

He is survived by his wife, Lucy; son Tim Harvey, of Powell; son Bill Harvey of Louisville, Ky.; son Jim Harvey and wife Debra of Casper; daughter Helen Crain and husband Bob of Pampa, Texas; daughter Tammy Schalla and husband Rob of Bridger, Mont.; sister Edna Daugherty and husband Carl of Powell; eight grandchildren, one great-grandchild and many nieces and nephews.

Bob and his sense of humor were hugely loved and will be greatly missed.

A celebration of his life will be held Thursday, May 6, at Assembly of God Church at 10 a.m. Please come and share your stories and memories.

Memorials may be sent to: Heart Mountain Disabled American Veterans, Van Fund at the First National Bank in Powell, 307-754-7208.

# Walter Douglas Harvey

BILLINGS GAZETTE

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo.

Walter Douglas Harvey, 59, died Sunday, June 13, 2004, at the home he shared with his father, Walt "Dougie" Harvey.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church with burial in Monument Hill Cemetery. Mortimore Funeral Home is in charge.

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BILLINGS GAZETTE  
JUN 15 2004

## **Melvin B. Harzke**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Melvin B. "Salty" Harzke, 87, of Sheridan, died Thursday, June 10, 2004, at the VA Medical Center in Sheridan County.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 16, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan.

# Frank L. Hassinger

THE BILLINGS HERALD

JUL 17 2004

DENTON — Frank L. Hassinger, 83, of Denton, died Thursday, July 15, 2004, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center in Lewistown.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 20, at the Community Methodist Church in Denton. Interment will follow in the Denton Cemetery. Cloyd Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

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## BILLINGS GAZETTE



**JAMES and MARGARET  
HASTINGS**

### **Margaret Arzula Hastings**

Margaret Arzula Hastings, 89, of Billings, passed away Thursday morning, Sept. 9, 2004, at Abundant Life in Bellevue, Wash.

Born Oct. 24, 1914, in Atoka, N.M., at the family home, Margaret was the youngest of three daughters of George and Addie May Frisch. She grew up in Artesia, N.M., and in 1936, married James Wallace Hastings. Their daughter Paula was born while they resided in Artesia.

The family moved to Billings at the opening of the new Conoco Refinery in 1949. Margaret began working at the Hart-Albin department store in the early 1950s, retiring as a buyer when Wallace retired in 1975.

Margaret was an active person who enjoyed travel, caring for their family homes and gardening. She and Wallace served as test rose growers for Jackson and

Perkins. The couple was known locally for the beautiful rose bushes surrounding their home on Yellowstone. Mrs. Hastings was a member of the Billings Business and Professional Women's Association. Margaret will be remembered as a hard-working lady and for being a loving and supporting wife, mom, grandma and great-grandma.

Margaret was preceded in death by her loving husband, James Wallace Hastings; her parents; sisters Mildred Chunn and Vesta Higley; granddaughter Cheryl Lynn Aubrey; and niece Betty Jean Steelman.

Survivors on Margaret's side of the family include daughter Paula Aubrey of Tacoma, Wash.; grandson Stephen Aubrey and his wife Sandra and their son Jonathan of Renton, Wash.; nephew Perry Johnson (Helene) of Kennasaw, Ga. Survivors on Wallace's side of the family include cousin Oressa Delaney of Canyon, Texas; nephew, Edward J. Foster (Ann) of Plainview, Texas; nephew, Eldon Steelman (Billye) of Las Cruces, N.M.; and a niece, Carolyn Butler (Patrick) of Howardwick, Texas.

Visitation will begin 8 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 16. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Sept.

## **Jim Hatfield**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**MAY 31 2004**

PLENTYWOOD — Jim Hatfield, 92, died Friday, May 28, 2004, at Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 1, at Fulkerson Memorial Chapel. Interment will follow in the Medicine Lake Cemetery.

# Marcella R. Hauber

*THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Marcella R. Hauber, 58, of Sheridan, died Friday, Aug. 6, 2004, at her home.

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At her request, cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan.

## Mary Elwell Hauf

Mary Elwell Hauf, at age 78 years, resided at 3840 Rimrock Road in The Vista Retirement Apartments. Early on Aug. 24, 2004, after a short illness, she went to be with her Lord and be reunited with her loved ones above.

Mary was born on Jan. 11, 1926, in Washington, D.C., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Elwell. Her father was a sci-

entist employed by the United States Government and the family moved often across the United States. It was not unusual for her to enroll in two or three different schools each year in the southern and western states. The family moved to Billings when Mary was a sophomore in high school.

Her education included the University of Montana, Stanford University, and she received her college degree in Home Economics from Marylhurst College in Oregon in 1949. After her college graduation, she was employed by the Montana Power Company as their home service advisor, teaching housewives how to use kitchen and other household appliances. At this time, she lived in Bozeman for about five years before moving



**MARY  
HAUF**

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back to Billings. Mary was active in many organizations in and around Billings.

On Jan. 8, 1955, she married John A. Hauf, an attorney practicing in Billings. She stated that since she had done so much traveling in her younger life, she never wanted to move again. Their four children include: Stephen E. Hauf of Santa Fe, N.M., Kathleen A. Brown (Donald) of Santa Clarita, Calif., Ronald C. Hauf of Whitefish and Julie Ann Primm (Charles) of Edmonds, Wash. She is survived by her husband and four children. She is also survived by six grandchildren; her sister Anne Meyer (Burtis) of Ramona, Calif.; one nephew and three nieces.

A viewing will be held at Smith Funeral Chapel, 120 N. 26th St., in Billings, on Friday evening, Aug. 27, from 5 to 9 p.m. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 28, at St. Thomas The Apostle Church, located at 2055 Woody



Drive, Billings (on Colton Boulevard, near 21st Street). Interment will be in the Elwell family plot next to her father and mother in the Holy Cross Cemetery on Muldowney Lane at 11:30 a.m.

**Please note, 9 a.m. is the correct service time for the Funeral Mass.**

Friends who wish to do so may leave a memorial in her memory to any charity of their choice. A favorite charity was PAX CHRISTI USA, 348 East 10th Street, Erie, PA 16503-1110.

## **Nellie J. Haugan**

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS**  
— Nellie J. Haugan, 76, of White Sulphur Springs, died Sunday, Feb. 29, 2004.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 6, at American Lutheran Church. Twichel Funeral Home is in charge.

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## **Rose A. Hauger**

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**MALTA** — Rose A. Hauger, 92, died Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2004, at a Billings hospice home.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at the Adams Memorial Chapel in Malta with interment in the Malta Cemetery.

**Lorraine Haughian****MAY 05 2004**

**PARK CITY** — Lorraine Haughian, age 76, passed away on Sunday, May 2, 2004, from heart complications, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings. Lorraine means "famous in battle," and she had quite a battle last week. She was surrounded by her children and grandchildren as she went to "rest high on that mountain as her work on earth is done."

**LORRAINE HAUGHIAN**

Lorraine was born on Feb. 17, 1928, in Detroit, the daughter of Theodore Friller and Edna Anna Marie (Amundson) Wood. She attended schools in Brusett and Miles City, where she graduated from Custer County District High School. She married John "Henry" Haughian on Aug. 22, 1946. They lived at Little Sheep Mountain, where they ranched until moving to Park City for their last years of life. In town, Lorraine was thrilled to have all the water she needed for her flowers. She has many special friends there also. Family, friends and even strangers were always welcome in her home; the coffee

pot was always on. She always tried to find the good in everyone.

Lorraine is survived by her four children, Lauralea Caufield of Park City, Gary Haughian and his wife Charlotte of Cody, Wyo., Elaine Evertz and her husband Gary of Joliet and Dale Haughian of Shelton, Wash.; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; three great sisters-in-law; and many nieces and nephews who have proven their love for her this past week. She is preceded in death by her husband; a sister, Katie Bunch; a son-in-law, Gee Caufield; and a daughter-in-law, Shelly Haughian.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, May 6, at 7 p.m., at the Park City Civic Center in Park City. The family will receive friends on Friday, May 7, from 4 to 6 p.m., at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. A vigil service will be held Friday, May 7, at 6 p.m., at

**Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, May 8, at 10 a.m., at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miles City. Rite of Committal will follow in the Old Calvary Cemetery in Miles City. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting [www.stevensonandsons.com](http://www.stevensonandsons.com).**

**Should friends desire, memorials may be made to the Park City Civic Center, Park City, MT 59063.**

# H.C. 'Buck' Hauk

H.C. "Buck" Hauk, 83, of Billings, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, Feb. 27, 2004.

He was born in Perham, Minn., on Nov. 12, 1920, the oldest son of Mike and Catherine Hauk. He was raised on the family farm and attended school in Terry. On Oct. 1, 1941, Buck married **A n g e l i n e Purkett** in Glasgow. They recently celebrated 62 years together.

Buck was a member of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, Elks, Moose, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion.

Buck began his career with Tractor & Equipment in 1938 in Glasgow as a parts man, moved to Sidney where he became Parts Manager, then to Billings, where he became General Sales Manager. He retired after 44 years with Tractor & Equipment as Vice President of Sales. Buck was known and respected for his knowledge and integrity throughout the construction industry in Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota.

Mr. Hauk served in the Army during World War II, receiving a Purple Heart for action in the



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## Battle of the Bulge.

Dad was a quiet man who listened more than he talked. He was a gentlemen and a man of high principles. His Catholic faith and family were most important in his life. He was devoted to his wife. Buck always wanted the best for her, his children and his grandchildren, and he was always there for his family to lend a helping hand.

Family left to cherish his memory include his wife, the two children he was so proud of, Bonnie (Jim) Swenson and Larry (Judy) Hauk, both of Billings; five grandchildren, Michael (Taryn) Hauk of Peerless, Rebecca (Kevin) Pearson of Albertville, Minn., Kelly (Lisa) Hauk of Seattle, Michaela (Steve) Sieber of Santa Clara, Calif., and Paul Swenson of Billings; seven great-grandchildren, Krista and Makayla Hauk, Alison Pearson, Ryan and Aryn Hauk, Anna and Lily Sieber; two brothers, Michael (Marilou) of Billings and Donald (Rae) of Stanford; four sisters, Lucille McGraw of Glendive, Catherine Feldman and Betty Martinson of Billings, and Karol (Burl) Willardson of Terry; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and very special in-laws on the

Purkett side. Preceding him in death were his parents and a sister, Pearl Hardesty.

The family wishes to express their appreciation and gratitude to the staff at the Tender Nest for the care and compassion they have given to Dad these past months.

Goodbye, dad. See you in heaven! Until then, we will always know you are watching over us.

Rosary will be recited Tuesday, March 2, at 5 p.m., at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, March 3, at 10 a.m., in St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, 2210 Colton Blvd. Rite of Committal with Military Honors will follow at Holy Cross Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Jeff Harnish Memorial Fund or charity of one's choice.

# Patsy Haumschild

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**FORSYTH** — Patsy Haumschild, 69, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 28, 2004, after a brief battle with cancer.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Concordia Lutheran Church. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home is in charge.

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ST. GEORGE, Utah — Earl Haun passed away in St. George, Utah, on June 17, 2004, where he as resided since 1994.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Evelyn; his daughter, Annette (Scott) Singleton of Jackson Hole, Wyo.; his son, Mack Haun of Black Hawk, W.D.; his step-daughter, Lynda (Ralph) Wright of California; his stepson, Randy Weisthamel of Colstrip; his grandchildren, Ben, Katie, Kyle, Anna, Meghan, Natasha and Jennifer; his brother, Bill (Gladys) Haun of Casper, Wyo.; sisters, Juanita Lehr of



EARL HAUN

Denver, Colo., Charlotte (Alvin) Schlenker of Billings, Myrtle Ann (Jim) Richardson of Ashton, Ill., and his sister-in-law, Betty Haun of Billings; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Earl is preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Dick and Russell; his sister, Mary Jo; and Evelyn's son, Ricky Allen.

Earl was loved by everyone that he met — our lives were better because of him.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 22, at the Metcalf Mortuary Chapel, 288 W. St. George Blvd. Condolences may be sent through their website at [www.metcalfmortuary.com](http://www.metcalfmortuary.com).

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Heart Association.

## **Helen Agnes Starin Hauns**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUN 13 2004**

Helen, 86, went to be with the Lord on June 11, 2004, at Valley Health Care Center, with her husband Herb and daughter Peg at her side.

She is survived by her husband, Herb; her daughter, Peggy (Rich) Schottlaender; three granddaughters, Denise (Pat) Lemke, Aileen (Jon) Rogers and Michelle (Wade) Pickering; and five great-grandchildren, Kelli Kim, Codi, Gage and Austin.

A memorial service will be held at Valley Health Care Center on Sunday, June 13, at 2:30 p.m.

Memorials may be made to Valley Health Care Center.

Final funeral services and burial will be held in Delavan, Wis., at the First Baptist Church, with other loving family and friends.

# Del Hawkins

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 28 2004

On June 26, 2004, at the age of 70, Del Hawkins passed away in the comfort of his own home with his loving wife at his side. After almost 50 years of being confined to a wheelchair, he is finally free.



**DEL HAWKINS**

Del was born on Sept. 16, 1933, in a log cabin in Pablo, Mont., to Mort and Emma Hawkins. He was the second of seven children.

As a small boy, he and his family moved to Billings, and on April 28, 1955, he was married to Donna Jean Walter. Del was a devoted son, husband and father and enjoyed fishing, hunting and camping. Each Monday in the summertime was dedicated to family time and taking the boat to the lake. He would drive while his children, grandchildren and friends enjoyed waterskiing.

Del worked as a fire dispatcher for the City of Billings for 33 years. He was also a successful businessman. Del served many years as a financial clerk at both the ward and stake levels for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He loved to attend the Temple and had an excellent outlook on life. Whenever he was asked how he

was doing, his usual reply was "fantastic!" Del always put the needs and wishes of others before his own.

Del is preceded in death by his father, Mort Hawkins; and sister, Marie Reichert. He is survived by Donna, his wife of 49 years; children, Allene (Mickey) Pellinen, Steve (Deanie) Hawkins, Bobbi Hansen, Becci (Kendall) May, 12 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Del is also survived by his mother, Emma; three sisters; and two brothers.

The family wishes to express gratitude to all of his loving friends, and extend a special thank you to Carol Matus and Kellie Dowell for all of their loving nursing care.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 30, at the LDS Chapel, Sixth and Avenue D. Interment will follow at Terrace Gardens Cemetery. Viewing will be at Smith's Downtown Chapel starting at 5 p.m. Monday.

## **Dora Hawkins**

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**FEB 15 2004**

Dora Elizabeth Hawkins, 69, former Valley County resident, died Feb. 12, 2004, after her struggle with cancer.

A viewing will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 18, at the Bell Mortuary chapel. A graveside service will follow at 2 p.m. with interment in Highland Cemetery in Glasgow.

# Kevin David Hawkins

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Kevin David Hawkins, 51, of Billings, passed to eternal life at Deaconess Hospital on Friday, Oct. 8, 2004.

Pastor George Burgin and Lonnie Peterson were at his side during his extended illness.

Kevin was born on July 26, 1953, in Billings, and on his Uncle David's 21st birthday.

He was preceded in death by his father Paul; oldest brother Paul Jerome; and stepfather George Dorn.



**KEVIN  
HAWKINS**

Kevin is survived by his mother, Eleanor Dorn of Billings; brothers Conrad of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Joel of Billings; his foster brothers, Mark Luskleet, Ron Lode; and lifelong friend Dwight Letasky. He is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews, as well as his most faithful companion, Simon, his dog.

Kevin loved to take all kinds of fishing and road trips with his mother to see the back roads of Montana.

Friend, brother and son, you will be missed, but to absent from the body is to present with the Lord.

Memorial services will be held 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 13, at Family Christian Center, 1002 Third Ave., in Laurel. Arrangements are by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

# Mildred A. Haworth

## 'Millie'

On Oct. 16, 2004, Millie left us to join her Savior and watch over God's children after a long illness.

Millie was a devoted daughter, wife, mother and grandmother for the 65 years of her life. She was born on July 6, 1939, in Hardin, to Frieda and Fred Stansbury. She spent her childhood in Hardin, Billings, Belfry and Bridger, graduating from Bridger in 1957.

After great persuasion, she married her soul mate, Norman Haworth, on Jan. 31, 1959, in Billings. Through their 45 years of marriage, they did many things together. They ran Karl's Shoe Store for 10 years, fished, camped, traveled and did a lot of dancing. Their faith brought them to Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in 1963, where Millie belonged to Mary Martha Circle and taught Sunday School for 25 years.

Millie's passion for children and God's chosen work for her was being a daycare provider. She cared for over 500 children in her 36 years of childcare. Her gift for listening in her caring way made her a special mom and she was loved by all.



**MILLIE  
HAWORTH**

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She enjoyed her family so much that genealogy became her favorite pastime and gave her the opportunity to meet so many people. She also enjoyed gardening, eating spice gum drops and Russell Stover chocolates, cooking German food, baking pies and cookies and guessing her Christmas presents before she opened them.

The following poem best expresses the gratitude of so many parents:

### *To the One Who Cared for My Child*

*I hope you never fail to know  
We're grateful as can be.  
You're a most important person  
To this little one and me.*

*You take my place when I'm  
not there  
And yet you've never tried  
To take my place in such a way  
That I am pushed aside.*

*You always are included  
Every time I kneel in prayer,  
Dear One who's caring for my  
child*

*When I can not be there.  
By Helen Bush*

Be free, Mom, thanks for taking care of Dad and us kids. You were the best of everything.

Millie is survived by her husband, Norman Haworth; sons, Jeffrey Haworth and Curtis (Sheryl) Haworth; daughter, Pamela Haworth; grandsons, Jeremy and Brandon Haworth; her special aunt, Peggy Kraft; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Frieda Lawton; father, Fred Stansbury; and her brothers, Fred Stansbury and Frank Anderson.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21, at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials can be made in Millie's name to the Billings Heights Lions Club or the Montana Association for the Blind.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

# Doyle Hayden

THE GILLETTE GAZETTE

FEB 21 2004

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Doyle "Bud" Hayden, 80, died Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, in Grand Junction, Colo.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, at the First Presbyterian Church in Gillette. Interment will follow at the Mount Pisgah Cemetery in Gillette. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.



# Betty Hayes

THE JETTER

LIVINGSTON — Betty Hayes, 83, died April 3, 2004, at Evergreen Livingston Health and Rehabilitation Center.

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Cremation has taken place at Franzen-Davis Crematory and a memorial service will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 6 at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home.

## Margaret Hayes

**WOLF POINT** — Margaret Hayes, 79, died after surgery in Billings on Monday, Aug. 30, 2004.

She was born Aug. 6, 1925, to John and Abbey Herzsberg. She ranched in McCone and Roosevelt counties all of her life.

A rosary will be recited at 1:30 p.m. and a service to celebrate her life will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 14, at Immaculate Conception Church in Wolf Point. Interment will follow at the Greenwood Cemetery in Wolf Point.

Preceding her in death was her son, Tommy Hayes, in 1981.

Survivors include her daughter, Kay Daines and her husband, Ivan, from Innisfail, Alberta; their children, Dusty Daines and his wife, Denica, of Calgary, Alberta, Brandi Crowe and her husband, Phil, and their children, Ireland and True of Windsor, Colo., Denver Daines of Innisfail, Alberta; Tommy Hayes' children, Travis and Marci Hayes; and cousins Alice Hogenbock of Custer, S.D., George and Maxine Herzsberg of Gervais, Ore., and Herman and Ellen Herzsberg of Dufur, Ore.



**MARGARET  
HAYES**

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# Mary Hayman

*THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

AUG 18 2004

**BALLANTINE** — Mary Hayman, 87, of Ballantine, died Monday, Aug. 16, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings, after a short illness.

Memorial services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 23, at the Worden VFW. Cremation has taken place. Interment of ashes will be at a later date at Pleasantview Cemetery. Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge.

# Ada Mayor Hays

POWELL, Wyo. — Born Jan. 21, 1911, at Richwoods, Mo., to Henry and Marie Carrel Mayor. In 1922, she moved with her family to a homestead near Kaycee. She attended schools at Richwoods and in the Kaycee area and graduated from Johnson County High School in Buffalo in 1928. She later attended the University of Wyoming for a time. Then she taught in rural schools for several years.

On June 27, 1933, she married A.R. "Slim" Hays in Hardin, Mont. (Slim died in 1997.) They ranched in the Kaycee and Arvada areas for several years. In 1941, they bought a ranch near Jordan, Mont., and lived there for 20 years. Ada still owned the ranch, which is now operated by a daughter and grandsons. In 1959, they bought a ranch in the Clarks Fork Valley near Belfry, Mont., and operated a feedlot there. Ada enjoyed her family and friends, reading crossword puzzles, traveling and all phases of ranch life; she loved the great outdoors and especially the mountains. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Bridger and the former Clarks Fork Valley Women's Club.

Survivors include two daughters, Virginia (Coleman) Murnion of Jordan and Linda (James) Peters of Belfry; 23 grandchildren;

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45 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her husband Slim, three grandsons, four brothers and two sisters.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Tuesday, Sept. 28, at 11 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bridger. Burial will be in the Belfry Cemetery.

Under the direction of Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home.

## **Elby R. Hays**

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**AUG 8 - 2004**

Elby R. Hays, 75, of Billings, passed away Tuesday, Aug. 3, 2004, at Billings Health and Rehab after a long illness of cancer. He has gone to a better place and a place without pain.

He went to join his Air Force Hurricane Hunter crew that has passed before him.

Elby is survived by his wife, Joyce, of 23 years and by his step-daughter, Melissa Weigel, who was always there to help him. His last days were spent at the Billings Rehab, where he was given kind and loving care by the wonderful staff and the special kindness of nurse Kathy.

Cremation has taken place. Have a good flight, Elby, you will be missed.

Arrangements were by Cremation Society of Montana.

## Grace Hays

MESA, Ariz. — Grace Hays of Mesa, formerly of Billings, passed away Feb. 1, 2004, at Encanto Hospice House in Phoenix.

Grace was born in Forest River, N.D., on July 12, 1910, to Leonard and Etta Chamberlin. When she was 7, the family moved to Billings, where Grace was raised and educated, graduating from Billings High in 1927. Following high school, Grace went on to attend Johnson's Business College in Billings before marrying her husband Leonard Hays on July 2, 1932.

Grace pursued many different jobs in her lifetime, beginning with Midland Implement, where she was the secretary. Several summers were spent assisting with the Midland Empire Fair in Billings. For seven years, Grace operated Grace Hays' Fashion and Fabrics. Later, she went on to work for the County Commissioners Office and eventually established herself at the Justice Of The Peace Office where she was a secretary, doing various clerical duties. Grace retired in 1976.

Grace's life was devoted to the Order of the Eastern Star. With the organization, she served as worthy grand matron of Montana in 1968-1969, as well as Ruth for General Grand Chapter in 1971-1972. She was also influential with instituting the Order of Rainbow for Girls in 1949.

Following the death of her hus-

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band Leonard on June 18, 1982, Grace moved to Mesa, where she resided until her death.

Besides her husband, Grace was preceded in death by her daughter,



**GRACE HAYS**

Virginia Vogel of Columbia, Mo.; her sister, Nina Nobles of Billings; and a brother, Albert Chamberlin of Washington D.C.

Survivors include her son, L. Crandall Hays of Mequon, Wis.; and her daughter, D. Jeanne Patterson of Annapolis, Md. Also surviving are her two older sisters, Clara Rembocot and Alice Armstrong, both of California, as well as seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, with interment to follow at Mounview Cemetery. Following interment, gathering of family and friends will be held in the foyer at Michelotti-Sawyers hosted by the Women of the Eastern Star.

Memorials may be made to  
Evangelical United Methodist  
Church, 345 Broadwater Ave.,  
Billings, MT 59101, or the Masonic  
Lodge or Billings Friendship  
Chapter of the O.E.S. #124, 1101  
Broadwater Ave. Billings, MT.  
59102.

## Lenore Slater Rose Hays

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At the age of 98 years and six months, Lenore Hays died Sept. 11 at the Long Term Care Center in Cody. Her granddaughter, Robin, was at her side.

She was born March 13, 1906, in Minneapolis, Kans., to George William Slater and Charlotta Estelle Cleaver Slater. She was preceded in death by her parents; her brothers Jack, George, and Loris; three infant sisters, and her son-in-law Richard M. Hay.

At an early age she moved with her family to Colorado, and then to Meeteetse, where her father was foreman of the 91 Ranch, owned by Eugene Phelps and Charles Belden. "Mr. Eugene" gave her a horse to ride for as long as they lived on the ranch, and she became an accomplished rider as a young girl.

She and her parents moved to Elk Basin, where she married William Hugh Rose. She and Hugh then lived in Gilt Edge, Mont., for a short time. They returned to Elk Basin, where two sons were born, William G. and Loris H. Rose. After a move to Billings, Mont., their daughter, Myrna Ann, was born.

Various relocations were necessary to obtain work and support a family during the depression years, one taking them to New York State for three and a half years, finally returning to Billings.

Sewing was her passion. She made her first doll dress at the age of three, and continued sewing into her 90s. In her early 20s she obtained a loan of \$50 from the Powell bank and opened a shop there for dressmaking and alterations,

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repaying the loan in a very short time. During the years that she and her children lived in Billings, she worked in the Jane Drake shop in the Northern Hotel at the time the hotel burned, and also had positions at Coles Department Store and Doyle's Dress Shop. To supplement her income for herself and three children, she worked at home late into the night doing alterations and dressmaking. She was accomplished in designing and styling women's clothing. A number of brides and their attendants in Billings were privileged to wear the beautiful gowns that she designed.

Lenore enjoyed bridge and made many life-long friends at the bridge table. She continued playing into her last years at the center.

She married Lawrence Hays in Powell in 1955, and they retired to Hemet, Calif., in 1967. After his death in 1980, she returned to Cody to be near her family.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Marjorie Rose of Cody, son Loris Rose of Oregon, and daughter Myrna Hay, of Cody; grandchildren William Grant Rose, Robin E. Ayres and husband Cliff, Mary K. Waudby and husband Michael, Richard B. Hay and wife Gail, Mark W. Hay and wife Susan; her sister-in-law, Irma Slater of Powell; eight great-grandchildren, and numerous beloved nieces and nephews and their families. Through the years, she has remained close to Juanita Rose, Aaron Rose and family, and Wayne D. Rose and family.

Cremation has taken place and private family services will be held later. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

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CODY, Wyo. — At the age of 98 years and six months, Lenore Hays passed away at the Long Term Care Center in Cody. In the absence of her son and daughter, her granddaughter, Robin, was at her side.

Lenore was born in Minneapolis, Kan., to George William Slater and Charlotta Estelle Cleaver Slater. She was preceded in death by her parents; her brothers Jack, George and Loris; three infant sisters; and her son-in-law, Richard M. Hay.

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death in 1980, she returned to Cody to be near her family.

Lenore is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Marjorie Rose of Cody; son Loris Rose of Oregon; and daughter, Myrna Hay, of Cody; grandchildren William Grant Rose, Robin E. Ayres and husband Cliff, Mary K. Waudby and husband Michael, Richard B. Hay and wife Gail, Mark W. Hay and wife Susan; her sister-in-law Irma Slater of Powell; eight great-grandchildren; and numerous beloved nieces and nephews and their families. Through the years, she has remained close to Juanita Rose, Aaron Rose and family, and Wayne D. Rose and family.

Cremation has taken place and private family services will be held later. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

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## **Paulena Mae Hays**

**THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. —**  
Paulena Mae Hays, 79, died Sunday, July 18, 2004, at Hot Springs County Memorial Hospital.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Monument Hill Cemetery. Mortimore Funeral Home is in charge.

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**Robert G. Hays**

CODY, Wyo. — Robert G. Hays, 60, died Friday, May 7, 2004, as the result of injuries received in a vehicle accident.

Visitation will be 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 11, at the Ballard Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 12, at Ballard Funeral Home with interment to follow in Riverside Cemetery.

**Grace Hayward****JUN 02 2004**

**GLASGOW — Grace Hayward, 89, died Monday, May 31, 2004, at the Valley View Nursing Home in Glasgow.**

**Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 4, at First Lutheran Church in Glasgow. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery in Glasgow. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow in charge.**

# Lola Hayward

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JUL 23 2004

MALTA — Lola M. Hayward, 79, formerly of Glasgow, died Wednesday, July 21, 2004, at a Billings hospital.

Vigil services will be at 7 p.m. Friday, July 23, at the Adams Memorial Chapel in Malta. Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 24, at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Cremation will follow the Mass, with interment of her cremated remains in the Malta Cemetery.

# Darren Lee Hazelton

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

GLASGOW — Darren Lee Hazelton, 31, joined Our Lord on Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2004, at his home in Glasgow from complications of the disease he battled most of his life.

He was born April 10, 1973, to Vincent and Derinda Upchurch Hazelton, the first of three beautiful children.

Darren attended Roundup Central School and Roundup High School, where he received his High School diploma in May of 1993. After graduating, Darren moved to Glasgow, Mont., where he resided, worked in various jobs, and made many life long friends.

Darren's love of life was apparent to all that knew and loved him. No matter what adversities came his way, he bounced back with a smile on his face.

His love for fishing began when he was six years old when he caught a six pound trout, at Deadman's Basin, with his family. Darren loved the summer camping and fishing trips with his family, especially his grandparents. Not only did his love for the outdoors include fishing and camping it also included hunting,



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HAZELTON**

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ing, where he "bagged" his first 5-point whitetail buck in the fall of 2003.

One of Darren's favorite pastimes was competing in the Montana Special Olympics, where he made many life long friends. His favorite events were basketball and bowling in which he participated in for the last 20 years.

Darren was preceded by his grandfather Orin Hazelton and Uncle Lindon Thomas Hazelton.

Darren is survived by his parents Vince and Derinda Hazelton of Roundup; his sisters Jamie Lynne Hazelton of Billings, and Lindsey Rae (James) Coppola of San Antonio, Texas; his grandparents Gladys Hazelton of Roundup; G.D. and Mary Jane Upchurch of Vivian, La.; numerous uncles, aunts, cousins, and his extended loving family of Glasgow.

Visitation will be from 6-9 p.m., Monday Dec. 6, 2004, at the Wier Funeral Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Tues., Dec. 7, 2004, at the Chapel.



Interment to follow at the Roundup City Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Milk River Inc. P.O. Box 969 Glasgow, MT 59230, Montana Special Olympics, PO Box 3507, Great Falls, MT or charity of ones' choice.

Wier Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

"If teardrops were stairways and heartache a lane, we'd walk right up to heaven and bring you home again."

## Randy Hazlett

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GILLETTE, Wyo. — Randy Hazlett, 46, died on Oct. 20, 2004, near Wright, Wyo., from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m., on Tuesday, Oct. 26, at the Wright Baptist Church in Wright. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. with Pastor Alan Kiefer officiating. Burial will follow at the Wright Cemetery.

# Darl G. Headlee

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MISSOULA — Darl G. Headlee, 93, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2004, at Community Medical Center in Missoula, of congestive heart failure.

Darl was born on Sept. 24, 1911, in What Cheer, Iowa, to Marvin and Grace (Fort) Headlee. He attended Denton High School. He enlisted in the U.S. Army 83rd Field Artillery, where he served from 1942 to 1945. On June 4, 1939, he married Lois Rimby. They lived in Lewistown until moving to Missoula in 1995. He worked as a parts manager for 32 years at Cooley Chevrolet in Lewistown.



**DARL  
HEADLEE**

Darl was a past member of the Elks Lodge, the Eagles Lodge, the Masonic Lodge #39 and the American Legion. He enjoyed reading about railroads, especially steam locomotives. He also enjoyed his garden and chatting with his neighbors and friends on the front porch. He loved having his family around and he especially enjoyed his grandchildren and watching their activities.

Darl was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Don. He is survived by his beloved wife

of 65 years; two sons, Mike (Barb) of Billings and Jim (Kathy) of Missoula; his grandchildren, Kris, Nic and Michelle Headlee of Missoula, Shane (Hope) Headlee, Andrea (John) Arellano and Annette (Ray) Stoner; and four great-grandchildren, all of Billings.

Memorial graveside services with military honors will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at the Lewistown City Cemetery, with Rev. Ron McConkey officiating. A reception will follow in the Mountain Room at the Yogo Inn. Memorials are preferred to the Salvation Army or to the donor's choice.

# Franklin A. Healy

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DEC 28 2004

HARLEM — Franklin A. "Chick" Healy, 62, died Sunday, Dec. 26, 2004, at Fort Harrison Veterans Hospital, of natural causes.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 28, at the Harlem Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home & Crematory is in charge of arrangements. A memorial mass will be held later when the brothers can be here.

## Gladys Heasler

Gladys Heasler, 80, died at the Powell Nursing Home Friday, Dec. 3.

She was born Gladys Louise Peters to Albert and Anna Peters Sept. 5, 1924, in Glendive Mont. She was the last of four children. Her parents, sister Hazel, brothers Harold "Bud" and Albert Peters preceded her in death. Her father Albert was a 32 second degree Mason and her mother an active member of the Rebekahs.

In 1928 her father moved the family to Powell when he took the job of field superintendent for the newly discovered Badger Basin oil field. He supervised the development of the field to include an on-site refinery and was instrumental in the foundation of the Resolute Oil Company.

Gladys went to grade school and high school in Powell, graduating from Powell High School in 1942. She began dating Dick Heasler in high school and married him in August of that year. Together they had four children, Richard, Patrick, Henry and Margaret. Gladys enthusiastically supported her husband in all his local political endeavors, from his years on the city council to two terms as mayor and 30 years on the hospital board.

She was a member of The League of Women Voters and was committed to the issues they supported. She put a great deal of effort into gaining national support for diabetes research. She never lost her sense of humor and for that she was best known. Her culinary talents were exceptional and she was known throughout the state as an excellent cook. One could always count on a delicious meal served with equally good jokes when visiting

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her home.

She will be greatly missed by her family and all who knew her. A private service will be held. Donations can be made to either Alzheimer or Diabetes research.

## Rev. Arthur G. Heath

GLASGOW — Rev. Arthur G. Heath, 91, retired Baptist and Methodist minister who served many churches, including Lewistown, died Monday, May 17, 2004, at Valley View Home in Glasgow.

Rev. Heath was born Nov. 15, 1912, in Richmond, Calif., to Albert and Katie Heath, immigrants from Australia. Mr. Heath's father died when he was very young, and his mother raised him and two brothers in

San Francisco, an area of orchards and seashore before there were developments. He worked at many jobs to put himself through the University of California at Berkeley and

then traveled across the country to attend Colgate Rochester Divinity School in Rochester, N.Y. He was ordained in May 1943 at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Rochester.

The Second World War intervened and Rev. Heath enlisted as a Chaplain in the Army. He saw duty in England and France, and then shipped through the Panama Canal to the Pacific



REV. ARTHUR  
HEATH

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Front, where he joined the force that was to invade Japan. He served with distinction in Japan, and met his future wife, Dorothy Vernon, while she was an army nurse at Nagoya, Japan.

They were married in San Francisco, March 15, 1947, and accepted a call to pastor the Community Church in Belgrade. Their pastoral life led them to churches in Miles City, Glasgow, Ronan, Scobey, Lewistown and Shelby. Rev. Heath retired to Lewistown in 1981 and served as interim pastor in Chinook.

He was a member of the Lions, Kiwanis, Outlook Club and the United Methodist Men's Group.

Rev. Heath is survived by his wife of 57 years, Dorothy of Glasgow; and by his five children and their families, Pat and Matt Krierim of Glasgow and their children, John, Katie, Annie and David; George and Linda Heath, of Colville, Wash., and their children, Wynden and Robin; Norman and Averil Heath of Belgrade and their children, Reva Wall, Merlin and Jesse; David

and Eileen Heath, and their children, Eagan, Evan and Elliott of Idaho Falls, Idaho; and Beth and Dan Molyneux and their children Rachael and Joshua of St. Libory, Neb. Heath had one great-grandchild, William, born on his 90th birthday to John and Brandi Knierim.

Funeral services for Rev. Arthur Heath will be held at the Lewistown United Methodist Church on Tuesday, June 15, at 11 a.m., followed by inurnment at Lewistown City Cemetery. Cremation has taken place.

Memorials may be made to the Lewistown United Methodist Church, 512 W. Broadway, Lewistown, MT 59457, or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge of arrangements.

## Dorothy Heath

GLASGOW — Dorothy Vernon Heath, 87, died Saturday, Dec. 25, 2004, at Valley View Nursing Home in Glasgow.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 29, at Glasgow Evangelical Church in Glasgow. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

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# Margaret French (Hischier) Heath

Margaret French Hischier Heath was born at home in Provo, Utah, on April 24, 1925, to Fred and Pauline (French) Hischier. She died on Aug. 23, 2004.

Margaret is survived by her husband, Jack. She is also survived by her son Bill (Marla), their sons, David and Garrett, of Bellingham, Wash.; her daughter, Peggy (Rob) Robbins,



**MARGARET  
HEATH**

of Fresno, Calif.; their son, Chris (Dana), and children, Parker and Riley, of Modesto, Calif.; their daughter, Tricia (Jeff) Otto and children, Jeremy, Sean and Maggieann, of Modesto; and her son, Jim (Berte) and children, Mariko and Michael of Billings. Also surviving are Margaret's sisters, Mary (Hank) Reed of Billings and Miriam (Jack) Simpson of Two Dot, Mont., and their families.

Most of Margaret's young life was spent in Provo; Helena, Bozeman and Billings, Mont. She graduated from Billings Senior High in 1943 and attended MSU-Bozeman. She later moved to various parts of California and Arizona, where she was active in PEO and Eastern Star. Her occa-

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sional return visits to Billings brought joy to her many friends, classmates and relatives.

We shall miss our mother, grand and great-grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. Truly, if it could be said of any human being, Margaret's greatest gift was LOVE. Farewell, sweet lady.

A memorial service, with reception immediately following, will be held on Saturday, Sept. 18, at 2 p.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Billings. Memorials may be made to the Boys & Girls Club at 505 Orchard, Billings, MT 59101 or The PCE Project of the PEO Sisterhood.

Luther George Hebblethwaite, 92, passed away peacefully on Jan. 19, 2004, following a stroke on Jan. 14.

Luther was born in Long Beach, N.J., Nov. 13, 1911, son of Agnes Hyde Bayley Hebblethwaite and Howard Hebblethwaite. He graduated from Ryder College in 1933 and then spent two adventurous years in Ecuador working in a gold mine.

Returning to the States at the beginning of World War II, he worked as an accountant in New York City before moving to Vermont. Luther married Anne Duncan Weld (Nancy) on June 17, 1947, and they lived in Burlington, Vt., where he worked at General Electric. The couple had two children, Mary Ellen and Susan, and later moved to Essex Junction, Vt., where Luther loved to garden, boat on Lake Champlain, as well as cheer on the Yankees. The family enjoyed vacations together at Martin's Pond in Peacham and family time together at the "farm" in Lincoln, Vt.

After his retirement from GE in 1976, he was active with the Senior Citizens in Essex, Vt., until he moved to West Park Village in Billings to be closer to his children and grandchildren. For the past 12 years, his remarkably good health enabled him to

enjoy many special friendships there.

Luther was preceded in death by his wife, Nancy; his two sisters, Elizabeth Gollar and Ellen Hebblethwaite. He is survived by his two daughters, Mary Ellen



**Luther Hebblethwaite** Pugh and her husband, Dick, of Cambridge, Idaho, and their two children, Christopher, 18, and Stephanie, 17; and Susan Hogan and her husband, Greg, of Billings and their children Peter, 21, and Meredith, 19.

A celebration of his life will be held at West Park Village Thursday at 3:30 p.m.

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**David L. Hebert**

ANACONDA — David L. Hebert, 73, died Friday, March 12, 2004, following an extended illness.

Funeral Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 16, at Holy Family Catholic Church. Inurnment will follow in Mount Olivet Cemetery with Military honors. At his request, no vigil or wake will be held. Family visitation was held Friday, March 12, at the Anaconda Chapel of KT Riddle Funeral Homes.

## **Mervin Oliver Hedalen**

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**NOV 19 2004**

GLASGOW — Mervin Oliver Hedalen, 68, died Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2004, at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital in Glasgow, of cancer.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 22, at First Lutheran Church in Glasgow. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery in Glasgow. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

## **LaVada M. Hedge**

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POWELL, Wyo. — LaVada M. Hedge, 101, died Monday, Sept. 27, 2004, at Powell Valley Long Term Care Center.

Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, at the First United Methodist Church in Powell. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home of Powell is in charge.

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## **LaVada M. Hedge**

A memorial service will be held at the Powell First United Methodist Church Saturday, Oct. 2 at 10:30 a.m. for LaVada M. Hedge, who died Monday, Sept. 27 at the Powell Valley Care Center at the age of 101.

The Rev. Susan Adams-Trembath will officiate. A reception will follow in Wesley Hall.

Born in Omaha, Nebr., on Nov. 18, 1902, LaVada was stricken with polio as a child, but didn't let it slow her down. She moved with her parents, Ira and Anna Pickett, to Hot Springs, S.D., and then to Grand Island, Nebr., where she attended grade school and high school. She attended Hastings College in Hastings, Nebr., for two years and continued study at the University of Nebraska, achieving a teaching certificate. She taught elementary education in Lincoln, Nebr., and was selected as a demonstration teacher for student teachers.

She married Ivan W. Hedge on Aug. 15, 1928. At the time, he was employed by the State of Nebraska Banking Dept., investing and distributing the remaining assets of failed banks in the Depression in the 1930s. In 1938, they purchased the Filley Bank in Filley, Nebr., and lived there for 40 years.

They had two sons, Paul and Richard.

She was active in church work in the Filley United Methodist Church, leading the church youth group for 13 years, teaching Sunday School and leading study groups for the Women's Society. LaVada wrote, directed and furnished costumes for the Sunday School Christmas programs for many years at the church. She was honored by the United Methodist Women with a life-time membership and also honored by the Nebraska Methodist Conference with a Status of Women award.

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She was active for many years in Eastern Star, holding many offices. She was a member of the Past Matrons Club.

In 1978, LaVada and husband Ivan moved to Powell to be near her son, Paul, and family after Ivan suffered a stroke. She cared for Ivan until his death in 1987.

In 1989, she moved into the Independent Living Wing of the Powell Hospital and into the nursing home in 1996. In Powell, she was a member of the Methodist Church, United Methodist Women, Past Matrons Club and Project Leaders Club.

Survivors include two sons, Paul and wife Lois Hedge of Powell, and Richard Hedge of Denver, Colo.; two grandchildren, Randy Hedge of Oshkosh, Wisc., and Dan Hedge of Boulder, Colo.; and five grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Ivan; her granddaughter, Cathy Hedge Frederick, in 1996; and her brother, James Pickett and wife Ann.

Cremation has taken place. A graveside service will be held Oct. 30 at 10 a.m. at the Filley, Nebr., cemetery. Arrangements are by Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home.

# Julia Ardell Hedstrom

**LAUREL** — Julia Ardell Hedstrom, 80, of Laurel, died in her home on Thursday, Oct. 14, 2004, after an extended illness. She was born Sept 9, 1924, in St. Paul, Minn., a daughter of Dan and Helen Lokken. She received her education in St. Paul at Murray High School, graduating with honors. She moved to Montana, where she taught in a one-room schoolhouse in Brockway. She married Robert Lester Hedstrom on June 21, 1947, in Miles City, Mont. Prior to moving north of Reed Point, they ranched at Lindsey and then moved to Laurel in 1956.



**JULIA  
HEDSTROM**

Ardell worked as a retail clerk at Thriftway and in Jafru sales. She retired from Thriftway in 1983. She enjoyed her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was very creative; she loved to travel, sew, garden and spend time with her many friends. She traveled to New Zealand, Saipan, Australia, Hawaii, Copenhagen, Finland, Poland, Norway, Sweden and Russia.

She was preceded in death by parents Dan and Helen Lokken; sister Ruth Schara; husband Robert; and eldest son, Ole.

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She is survived by one son Chet (Linda) of Reed Point daughters, Julie (Michael) Mason of Great Falls; Connie (Butch) Kuper; Leslie Nicolet, of San Diego; daughter-in-law, Bette Lenehan Hedstrom; Ardell's brother, Ron Lokken, of Bator Roug, La.; and sister, Betty Cook Yakima, Wash. Ardell was blessed with 11 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and loving colleague and friend, Betty Kindsfater.

We will truly miss the loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend Ardell was to each of us. We loved sharing our lives, good food and times together. She remains cherished in our hearts.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 20, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Laurel. Interment will follow at Mountainview Cemetery, Columbus. Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church or Big Sky Hospice. Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel.



JUL 14 2004

Mildred Hefeneider, 91, of Billings, passed away Monday, July 12, 2004, at the Valley Health Care Rehabilitation Center.

She was born Nov. 30, 1912, in Billings, the daughter of George and Sophia (Reiter) Klockhamer. She went to country schools. Mildred married William Hefeneider, June 29, 1935, in Billings. They farmed in the Duck Creek area until 1960.

She was a member of the Laurel Senior Citizens and Pilgrim Congregational Church.

She worked for a period of time for the Michael Leonard Seed Co. and Great Western Sugar Co.

Survivors include her sister, Louise (Ralph) McKelvie of Billings; her favorite sister-in-law, Elizabeth Kaiser of Billings; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband William; her parents; her brother Henry; and her sisters Elizabeth Hiber, Margaret Kramer and Rose Kramer.

"I love you, Aunt Mil," From your special niece Dorothy.

The family would like to thank the staff of St. Vincent Healthcare and Valley Health Care for the special care they gave to Mildred.

Graveside service and interment will be 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 14, at Mountview Cemetery in section 11. Family and friends may meet at Smith Downtown Chapel at 2:15 p.m. and process to cemetery.

## **Chris Heggen Jr.**

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**DEC 06 2004**

**KREMLIN — Chris Heggen, Jr. 76, died Friday, Dec. 3, 2004, at Benefis Hospital.**

**Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 10, at the Holland and Bonine Funeral Home. Burial will follow at the Highland Cemetery. A fellowship will be held at the Eagles immediately after the services at the graveside.**

**Elizabeth 'Betty'  
Hegwood****MAY 23 2004**

LIVINGSTON — Elizabeth "Betty" Hegwood, 80, died at her home early Saturday morning, May 22, 2004. Cremation has taken place at Franzen-Davis Crematory in Livingston and family memorial services will be held at a later date.

# Dianna J. Heimer

NOV 28 2004

**BOZEMAN** — Dianna J. Heimer, 55, of Bozeman, Mont., formerly of Absarokee, Mont., passed away Thursday, Nov. 25, 2004, due to complications of cancer, at Beartooth Manor in Columbus, Mont.

She was born in Pierre, S.D., a daughter of Eugenie and Ambrose Heimer and raised in Dupree, S.D. and attended grade schools there. She moved to Absarokee with her siblings and parents in 1963 and graduated from Absarokee High School in 1967. She attended Kent State University and studied journalism and photography. She returned to Montana in 1978, to Bozeman, and lived and worked there selling real estate and later was a cleaning technician.

Dianna enjoyed life, especially the out-of-doors, traveling and she had a strong faith in God.

Survivors include her daughter Jessica (Bob) George of Three Forks, Mont.; her mother Eugenie Heimer of Absarokee; six brothers: Harold (Gwen) Heimer, Mark (Cori) Heimer, Mike (Lynda) Heimer all of Absarokee, Bob (Dawn) Heimer of Boise, Idaho, John (Laura) Heimer of Battle Mountain, Nev. and Joe (Channie) Heimer of Livingston, Mont.; sisters: Nancy (Tom) Palmer, and Gwen Heimer, both of Billings, Mont., Karen (Terry) Eichelberger of Harrison, Mont., Barbara Heimer of Mesa, Ariz., Ann

(Kevin) Dickey of Sedalia, Colo. and Judy Heimer of Ft. Collins, Colo.; and several nieces and nephews.

Dianna was preceded in death by father Ambrose Heimer, and two brothers: Lewis and Kenneth Heimer.

Memorials are suggested to the: Dianna Heimer Memorial Fund; % Yellowstone Bank; Absarokee, MT 59001.

A memorial service will be held 2 p.m., Friday, Dec. 3, at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Absarokee.

Smith Funeral Chapel-Columbus was in charge of cremation.

Edna Hein was born on a farm southwest of Oakdale, Ill., on Oct. 17, 1930, to Denton and Edna Coates. She went home to be with her Lord on Oct. 26, 2004. She attended Oakdale School and graduated from

Nashville High School in Nashville, Ill. She came to Billings in September 1949 with two of her brothers, Smoky and Dusty Coates. That's when she met the love of her life, Clarence Hein. They were married on April 8, 1951, in Billings.



**EDNA  
HEIN**

She worked for Holiday Inn East in Billings for 16 years. Edna was a charter member of Emmanuel Baptist Church, a member of Billings Friendship Chapter #124 Order of Eastern Star and Bath Zabbia Temple # 21 Daughters of the Nile. Edna did volunteer work for Head Start and was a volunteer for the Scottish Rite Language Clinic, but had to give it up because of health problems.

Edna's pastime was sewing, especially for her daughter and her grandchildren. She loved to make porcelain dolls and dress them.

She is survived by a daughter, Candice (Keith) Kolstad; son Dennis (Tracy) Hein; her grandchildren, Kelsey, Kris and Heather Kolstad, Nanie (Tim) Hance, Ronnie Hein, Corey Ercolin; her great-granddaughters, Tammy and Sammantha Hance; a brother, Smokey (Bobbie) Coates of Tucson, Ariz.; sister-in-law Irene Coates; brother-in-law Jim Hutchinson; nieces and nephews.

Preceding Edna in death was a daughter, Tammy Ray Hein; her parents, Denton and Edna Coates; three brothers, Henry, Denton and Dusty Coates; a sister, Helen Hutchinson.

Memorials may be made to Emmanuel Baptist Church, 328 S. Shiloh Road, Billings, MT 59106; Scottish Rite Language Clinic, 514 14th St. W., Billings, MT 59102; Billings Friendship Chapter #124 OES, Billings, MT 59104.

Services will be held 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at the Emmanuel Baptist Church, 328 S. Shiloh Road. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens

## Walt Hein

OCT 26 2004  
BILLINGS GAZETTE

FORSYTH — Walt Hein, 98, of Forsyth, died Friday, Oct. 22, 2004, at the Rosebud Health Care Center in Forsyth.

Visitation will be from 1 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Burial will be in the family lot of the Forsyth Cemetery.

# Walter Hein

OCT 28 2004

**FORSYTH** — Walter Hein, age 98, of Forsyth, passed away on Oct. 22, 2004, at the Rosebud Health Care Center in Forsyth.

Walt was born the son of Christian and Augusta (Kopplin) Hein on May 29, 1906, in Artesian, S.D. In 1912, at the age of 6, arriving on an immigrant train, with their farm machinery and livestock, the family came out from South Dakota. Walt settled with his family on their



**WALT  
HEIN**

homestead north of Forsyth. Walt grew up and was educated in the Forsyth area. Through the eighth grade, he attended Mud Springs School, north of Forsyth, where he had several perfect attendances. He continued his education at Forsyth High School. Following his schooling, Walt returned to the ranch, where he raised cattle and sheep. In the late 1920s, he bought a new McCormick Deering threshing machine to thresh his own grain crop and for area neighbors. For a short period of time during the 1930s, Walt worked on road construction.

On June 7, 1939, Walt was united in marriage to Vina N. Leary in Miles City. Together, they made

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their home where Walt's family homesteaded and the current ranch still operates. While on the ranch, Walt continued to grow his garden and milk his cow. Walt built several things using rock including the foundation that the original family homestead sits on now.

Walt enjoyed riding his horse, gardening, wood working, playing cards, his chickens and the ranch life, but most of all, he enjoyed his grandchildren.

Walt continued to ranch until 1994, when he and Vina moved to town.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Vina; his sisters, Edna and Ann; his stepdaughter, Marion Kanta; his daughter-in-law, Bonnie Hein.

Walt is survived by his daughter, Esther (Keith) Hein/Leistikow of Klamath Falls, Ore.; his sons, Eddie (Pearl) Hein of Forsyth and Butch Hein of Forsyth; his stepson, Walt (JoAnn) Schulenberg of Casper, Wyo.; his brothers, Gus Hein of Bozeman, Chris Hein of Forsyth and Gene Hein of Kalispell; his sister, Mary Hicks of Twin Falls, Idaho; his grandchildren, Vina, Cindy, Walter William "Bill," Larry, Kim and Scott; 12 great-grandchildren and five great-

great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, Oct. 28, from 1 to 7 p.m. in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth.

Funeral Service will be held on Friday, Oct. 29, at 1 p.m., in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth.

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



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Katherine M. Heins, 100, of Billings passed away at St. Johns Lutheran Home on July 30th, 2004, with her family at her side.

She was born June 26, 1904, in Schondorf, Austria Hungary to Michael and Katherine Keppler Folgert. Her parents came from the Black Forrest area of Schwartzvold Germany and migrated to Austria Hungary.



**KATHERINE  
HEINS**

She arrived in America at Ellis Island, N.Y. with her father, mother, two sisters and a baby brother on the ship, Carpathia, in 1911. They settled in Buffalo.

She met and married George Hein(s) in Buffalo, on May 16, 1925; later moving to Billings, Mont. to make their home and raise their family. He preceded her in death April 28, 1964.

Katherine has been a member of Holy Rosary Church since 1955, where she loved to sing in the choir, she loved to dance and always enjoyed a good Polka tune. She loved camping with the family on the Stillwater River and her flowers and was an excellent gardener.

Survivors include a daughter, Dolores K. Spencer, of Billings; a son, Michael J. (JoAnn) Heins, of Billings; a son, Lester G. (Beverly) Heins, of Columbus; ten grandchildren; and fourteen great-grandchildren. She has been preceded in death by her parents, one brother and two sisters

A Vigil and Celebration of Life will be 7 p.m., Tuesday and Memorial Mass will be held 11 a.m. Wednesday, both at Holy Rosary Church. Private inurnment will follow the reception at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to the Holy Rosary Church or to the Charity of Choice.

## **Kyle Andrew Heitbrink**

**MILES CITY —** Kyle Andrew Heitbrink, 21, of Vernon, Texas, formerly of Miles City, died Monday, Sept. 27, 2004, as a result of a car accident returning home to Texas from his mother's funeral in Miles City.

A graveside service will be at 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, at the Calvary Cemetery in Miles City. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

## **Dagny A. (Hovland) Helberg**

**BIGFORK** — Dagny A. (Hovland) Helberg, 69, Bigfork, passed away from complications after surgery on July 6, 2004, in Green Bay, Wis. She was born Feb. 15, 1935, in Mandan, N.D., to Ingeman and Alice (Renier) Hovland. She graduated from Billings Senior High School in 1953 and furthered her education at units of the Montana University system and Carroll College. She married Eugene Helberg of Helena on Oct. 18, 1957, in Billings.

Dagny and Gene lived in Billings for 11 years before moving to Helena to run the family ranch. They retired in 1993 and moved to Bigfork. She is survived by her husband, Gene, Bigfork; her daughter, Randi (Charlie) Burnham, De Pere, Wis., and their two children, Chase and Alyssa; her sister, Agnes (John) Perkins, Houston, Texas, and their two children, Peggy (John) Fletcher and Mike Perkins. She is preceded in death by her parents.

Her favorite things in life were living in her condo in Bigfork and her daily walks with her good friend, Nell. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother.

Cremation took place in Green Bay. A memorial service will be scheduled in early fall in Bigfork.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established with the American Cancer Society.

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## Helen M. Diede Helgeson

Helen M. Diede Helgeson, 77, passed away after a courageous battle with cancer on March 26, 2004, at her home surrounded by her family.

Helen was born January 29, 1927, in Cleveland, N.D.



**HELEN  
HELGESON**

She moved to Billings in 1943 and worked for Pierce Packing for many years. She met and married William Wear; from this marriage three children were born. In 1953, she married Berton Helgeson; from this marriage five children were born.

Helen's favorite pastime in life was fishing and the greatest joys in her life were her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husbands; two children, Marsha Helgeson and Dennis Wear; one sister, Francis Schultz; two brothers, Morris (Lily) and Raymond Diede.

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Helen is survived by her six children, Betty (Bill) Daugherty, Sharon (Jim) Morgan, Bert (Holly) Helgeson, Bob (Lorrie) Helgeson, Patty Helgeson and Pam (Ande) LaMirande. She is also survived by three brothers and one sister, Wesley (Toots) Diede, Elmer (Sharon) Diede, Lloyd (Joyce) Diede, and Artina Gohner; sister-in-law, Violet Diede; brother-in-law; Norman Schultz; 16 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday March 31, 2004, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery. Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice.

## Douglas Dean Helm

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PRINCENTON, Minn. — Douglas Dean Helm, 43, of Princeton, formerly of Beach, N.D., and Wibaux, Mont., died Monday, Oct. 18, 2004, at his home.

Funeral will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Princeton. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, at Williams-Hanson-Kaun Funeral Home in Princeton and one hour prior to the service on Saturday in the church.

Prayer service will be at 7 p.m. Friday, at the funeral home.

## **Ruth Helmerick**

LOUISVILLE, Colo. — Ruth Helmerick, 74, formerly of Sheridan, Wyo., died Thursday, June 17, 2004, at Hospice Care Center in Louisville.

Funeral services will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 23, at the Westview Presbyterian Church in Longmont. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, June 25, at Sheridan Municipal Cemetery in Sheridan. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge of local arrangements.

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUN 23 2004**

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On Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, Rodger E. Helmts, 76, of Molt, passed away peacefully at Eagle Cliff Manor in Billings. Rod was born March 19, 1927, in Normal, Ill., the son of Clarence and Alta (Finchan) Helmts.

**ROD HELMETS**

Rod served in the U.S. Navy from 1945 to 1946. Upon his discharge, he worked various construction jobs and later began his career as a U.S. Postal Carrier.

Rod's life was devoted to his family and he cared for his parents until his father's death in 1985 and his mother's death in 2001. He was a volunteer fireman for the Molt Fire Department. In his younger days, Rod was an avid hunter. After his retirement, he visited the Post Office daily to keep up on community activities.

Survivors include his sister-in-law, Norma Helmts of Billings; nieces, Julie Dupree and Susan Eisenberg and her husband Bob, all of California, Kay Zolgar of Massachusetts, Patti Helmts of Billings; nephews, Marty Helmts and Greg Helmts and his wife Linda, all of Billings, Russell Helmts and his wife Kim of Miles

City, Peter Helmts of Billings. Rod was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Jerry L., Richard R. "Dick" and Clarence E. "Bill"; and nephew Donald Helmts.

Visitation will be at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Billings, Friday, Feb. 20, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Funeral services for Rod will be 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Billings. Rod will be laid to rest in Sunset Memorial Gardens immediately following the service.

Memorials may be made in his honor to the Molt Volunteer Fire Department.



**SMITH WEST CHAPEL**

*Reception Facility at West Chapel*  
*Adjacent to Terrace Gardens Cemetery*  
304 34TH ST. W. 245-6427  
4 Blocks N. of Central on 34th St. W.

**HELMITS** — Terry R., 37, of Billings. Cremation has taken place at Smith's Crematory. A memorial service will be held after the first of the year. An obituary and further announcements will appear prior to services.(12/25)

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## Hilda Marie Helsper

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 04 2004

BEACH, N.D. — Hilda Marie Helsper, 77, died at her home on Thursday, April 1, 2004.

A Mass Of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 6, 2004, at St. John The Baptist Catholic Church in Beach. A vigil will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, April 5, 2004, in the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Beach. The Rite of Committal will be in the Beach Lutheran Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Beach is entrusted with arrangements.

## Jean L. Helvick

SEP 6 2004

SEP 6 2004

**BIG TIMBER** — Jean L. Helvick, 67, passed away Saturday, Sept. 4, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Big Timber Lutheran Church. Lowry Funeral Home is in charge.

## Jean L. Helvik

SEP 7 2004

THE GAZETTE

**BIG TIMBER** — Jean L. Helvik went to be with the Lord on Saturday, Sept. 4, 2004. She was born April 2, 1937, to William and Marguerite Barnhart in Livingston.

She grew up there and later traveled extensively in the U.S. and abroad. She married Sidney Helvik in 1982 and is survived by him in death. She is also survived by brother Bob (Libby) Barnhart of Laurel, Jim (Paula) Barnhart of Burns Lake, BC, Ed (Edna) Barnhart of Livingston, Marvin (Donna) Barnhart of Kansas, Richard (Dee) Barnhart of Lake Havasu City, Ariz.; sister-in-law Helen Barnhart of Livingston; children Jack (Beth) Fairservice of Mechanicsville, Va., Mike (Lori) Fairservice of Appleton, Wis., and Lynn (Mike) Conner of Columbus; grandchildren Jennie, Gordon, Chance, Heather and Garrick; and very special aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents, brother Bill and daughter Kay.

She lived life with exuberance and was an inspiration to her friends and family. The center of her life was her family and loving others by helping and taking care of people was one of her life's joys. She was

cherished and will be missed dearly.

Services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 7, at Big Timber Lutheran Church. Lowry Funeral Home assisted the family with the services.

## **Earl Hendershot**

*THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

APR 27 2004

**SUPERIOR —** Earl "Mike" Hendershot, 82, died Friday, April 23, 2004, at the Mineral County Hospital.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 27, at the Superior Senior Citizen Center. Interment of his cremated remains will be 2 p.m. Saturday, May 1, at the Malta Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home and Crematory of Malta is in charge.

**Dorothy M. Henderson** *THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

LEWISTOWN — Dorothy M. (Geary) Henderson, 81, of Lewistown, formerly of the Grass Range area, died Wednesday, Aug. 11, 2004, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, at the Cloyd Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow in the Central Montana Memorial Gardens.

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## **Gregory Joseph Henderson**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**DEC 06 2004**

GRASS RANGE — Gregory Joseph Henderson, 85, died Friday, Dec. 3, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Dec. 7 in the Cloyd Chapel in Lewistown. A second service will be 11 a.m. Dec. 11 at St. Junes Catholic Church in Havre with interment at the Highland Cemetery in Havre.

**DEC 07 2004**

## **Gregory J. Henderson**

GRASS RANGE — Gregory J. Henderson, 85, died Friday, Dec. 3, 2004, of natural causes.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 7, at the Cloyd Funeral Home. A second service will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 11, at St. Jude's Catholic Church in Havre, with interment to follow in the Highland Cemetery in Havre.

**Ralph G. Henderson****JUN 15 2004**

GLENDIVE — Ralph G. Henderson, 90, of Glendive, died Sunday, June 13, 2004, at the Glendive Nursing Home.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 17, at the Fulkerson Funeral Home Memorial Chapel in Sidney. Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery.



**Jennifer Ann (Leake)  
Hendrickson**

APR 20 2004

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. —  
Jennifer Ann (Leake)  
Hendrickson, 24, of Chadron,  
Neb., died Saturday, April 17,  
2004, at her home.

Mass of Christian Burial will  
be at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 22,  
at St. Francis Catholic Church in  
Thermopolis. Mortimore Funeral  
Home of Thermopolis is in  
charge.

# **Donald Edward Anthony Henehan**

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**11 30 2004**

**LEWISTOWN — Donald Edward Anthony Henehan, 59, died Monday, Nov. 22, 2004, at his home, after a battle with brain cancer.**

**A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, at St. Leo's Catholic Church. Cremation has taken place. Inurnment will be at a later date in Chicago. Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.**

**MAY 09 2004****Leonard Lafayette Hendry**

GREYBULL, Wyo. — Leonard Lafayette Hendry, 83, died Friday, May 7, 2004, at the South Big Horn County Hospital between Basin and Greybull, Wyo.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 11, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, between Basin and Greybull. Following the funeral services cremation will take place and interment of remains will be held at a later date in Hillside Cemetery in Greybull.

Visitations will be 3 to 6 p.m. Monday, May 10, at the Atwood Family Funeral Chapel in Greybull and one hour prior to funeral services at The Church of Jesus Christ of Later-day Saints.

Atwood Family Funeral Directors Inc. are in charge of arrangements.

## Darwin Henrichs

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

POWELL, Wyo. — Darwin  
"Pinky" Henrichs, 62, died  
Tuesday, March 2, 2004.

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Funeral services will be at 10  
a.m. Saturday, March 6, at  
Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home  
in Powell. Burial will follow in  
Crown Hill Cemetery in Powell.

## Brian Henry

THE BILLY'S GAZETTE  
DEC 03 2004

SIDNEY — Brian Henry, 57, of Sidney, died Sunday, Nov. 28, 2004, at his home.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6, at the Fulkerson Memorial Chapel in Sidney. Cremation has taken place.

## Forest L. Henry

OCT 28 2004  
BILLINGS GAZETTE

JASPER, Texas — Forest L. Henry, 89, of Jasper, formerly of Belle Fourche, S.D., died Saturday, Oct. 23, 2004, in Jasper.

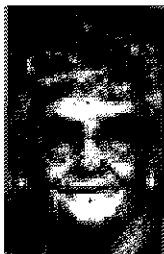
Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Belle Fourche. Interment will follow in the Pine Slope Cemetery. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

## **HAZEL (ADSI) HENRY**

**THE BILLINGS GAZET**

Aug 9 - 2004

Hazel (Adsit) Henry, 73, of Billings passed into the presence of her Savior Jesus Christ on Aug. 8, 2004, at Billings Deaconess Clinic from a stroke the day before. She was born Jan. 1, 1931, to Earl and Charlotte Adsit in an upstairs bedroom in Ranchester, Wyo. with her grandma as midwife. She grew up on ranches, spending from 5 to 15 years old in Kirby, Mont. Both of her parents passed away in her teens, so she boarded with her aunt, Emily Kalasinsky in Sheridan, Wyo., and graduated from high school there in 1948.



**HAZEL  
HENRY**

Hazel went on to Nurses Training at Montana State College in Bozeman and Billings Deaconess Hospital, graduating in 1951 with a Nursing Diploma (RN). She married Robert (Bob) T. Henry in Sheridan on Sept. 17, 1950, and they made their home in Laurel for 42 years, where Bob was a carman with the Northern Pacific Railroad (later Burlington Northern).

Hazel worked part time at the Deaconess Hospital for 40 years and took great pride in caring for sick people and the elderly in

Laurel and later Billings or Mesa, Ariz., where she spent the winters for her last 13 years. She "loved every minute of it" and wanted to be remembered for her friendly and willing service to nurse or help anyone who asked for or needed a helping hand.

Bob coached his sons in Little League baseball for 17 years, and Hazel was a faithful scorekeeper. Hazel brought light to the elderly by bringing her children along on visits, and loved her flower and vegetable gardens (where she also drafted her children). Later she followed her grandchildren (who "meant the world to her") in their sports activities as much as possible. The Henry family camped, fished and snowmobiled together.

Hazel responded to an alter call to receive Christ as her Savior in her teen years, and was confirmed as an adult member of the First Congregational Church in Laurel where she has been a lifelong member. Her mother-in-law, Sophie was a great inspiration to Hazel, and treated her like a

daughter. In later years, Hazel attended women's Bible studies, taped, copied and delivered sermon tapes to shut-ins, and was active with Dorcas Society. In Arizona, she was an active committee woman in her trailer park, especially remembered for chairing the Head Start Children's Christmas drives.

Hazel will be missed greatly by her family and friends whose lives she touched with her heart and hands of service. Her closest companion was her sister Alice Randall of Hardin. They traveled together often and called one another daily. She was preceded in death by her sister, Gladys Pilch of Sheridan; two brothers to accidents, Ray (of Hardin) and Glenn (of Kirby); and husband, Bob in 1992 after a sustained illness.

Hazel is survived by her children and their spouses: daughter, Christy (Randy Vogel, Billings) and children, Matt (Bakersfield, Calif.), Jeremy (Tracie, Billings), and Katie (Jesse Bergman, Billings); son, Dale (Jean) and children, Colin and Timothy (Tashkent, Uzbekistan); son, Alan (Becky, Great Falls) and children, Jonathan, Zachary (USAF), Nathan, Jacob, Daniel, Gabriel, Jessie and Rebecca; son, Mark (Brenda, Spokane, Wash.) and children, Anna, Brian and Micah; nieces and nephews, Cindy Adsit (Renton, Wash.) and Melody Schnell (Boring, Ore.), Karen

Nedens (Bob, Lockwood) and Don (Julianne, Pine Bluffs, Wyo.); and sisters-in-law, Marion Cook (Troutdale, Ore.), LaDonna Foss (John, Helena) and Joyce Armstrong (Rich, Helena).

A Memorial Service to celebrate Mom's Homegoing will be 3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10, at the Laurel First Congregational Church, followed by interment at the Laurel Cemetery.

Tax-deductible memorials may be sent to: Sunshine Acres Children's Home 3405 N. Higley Rd., Mesa, AZ 85215 or First Congregational Church 506 S. 5th St., Laurel, MT 59044.



## **Jack Henry**

**THE RILLINGS GAZETTE**

**DODSON —** John A. "Jack" Henry, 85, died Thursday, Aug. 12, 2004, at a local hospital, of natural causes.

**AUG 14 2004**

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 16, at the Adams Memorial Chapel. Cremation will take place following the visitation. Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, at the Adams Memorial Chapel, with interment of ashes in the Malta Cemetery.

**NOV 05 2004**

## **Norma Jean Hensley**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Norma Jean Hensley, 80, of Sheridan, died Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2004, at Westview Health Care Center in Sheridan.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Interment will be in Sheridan Elks Cemetery. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

## CECELIA LENORE HENTZ

HINSDALE — Cecelia Lenore (Richter) Hentz, 96, died of natural causes at the Valley View Home in Glasgow, on Saturday, Dec. 18, 2004.

She was born April 21, 1908, the eldest of six children, in Chaffee, N.D., to Alexander Leroy and Adeline (McLeod) Richter, McElwain. She lived there for the first year of her life, then the family moved to Pelican Rapids, Minn. In 1912, she moved with her family to Glasgow, along with her father's parents and brothers. In 1913, they took up homesteading seven miles north of Vandalia, where they remained until 1927, when they moved to Hinsdale.

Along with her brothers and sisters, she attended grade school at the Vandalia School, the Richter School and high school in Hinsdale. After completing the 10th grade, she attended Beauty School, and in 1928, opened up a beauty shop in the Lannon Hotel in Hinsdale. She had her shop in Hinsdale for several years, then moved it to the farm. Periodically, she would load the car up with all of her beauty supplies and spend a day or two a month in Saco doing hair. When the women would come to the farm for their hair appointment, she always had coffee and something freshly baked to serve them while they were under the dryer. A recent memory was that on

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one day she gave 11 "machine" permanents.

She married August John Hentz at Spokane, Wash., on July 2, 1930. They bought an 8x10-foot wall tent, which was their first home. It was pitched on the bank of the Deadwood River until late October and then they moved into Hinsdale before they got snowed in. They made their home in Hinsdale until July 2000, when they both moved into Valley View Nursing Home in Glasgow.

Her green thumb with gardens and houseplants won her prizes and accolades at the Women's Clubs' flower show and the county fair. She was very active in the Hinsdale Women's Club, both as an officer and as member. As part of the County Home and Garden activities, her river farm's yard was chosen one year as the winner for the County Home Review. Her gift was that of being able to do beauty work, bake, garden, can, freeze or preserve vegetables, sew, prepare three meals a day and always entertain the new teachers in town or put on a fabulous meal Sunday afternoon for family and friends who would come from several miles away. During the summers, she invariably had city cousins and kids of friends come

and stay on the farm.

She loved music and she saw to it that her children had piano and voice lessons so they could use this talent to glorify God in worship. She felt that her greatest accomplishment in life was her three children.

She was baptized into the Community of Christ church in Vandalia, in 1924.

Her church was most important to her. When the traveling minister would come into the area, she always made sure they stayed with them. Before they would leave, they would have a shampoo and haircut, clean clothes and three or more days of rest on the farm, in between preaching services in the rented Methodist Church in Hinsdale or Glasgow. She served as church pianist for many years, until in her early 90s, when her vision and hands made it impossible for her to play.

She was preceded in death by her husband, August John Hentz; and two brothers, Seldon Richter and Byron "Bud" Richter.

Survivors include one son, John Leroy Hentz and his wife Bonnie of Glasgow; two daughters, Karen Faye Willard and her husband, Myron of Leesburg, Fla., and Dorcas Rebecca Wilkinson and her husband, Larry of St. Louis, Mo.; one sister, Leola Robinson of Seattle; two brothers, Vernon Richter and his wife Helen of Big Sandy and Warrall Richter and his wife

Toddy of Seattle; 14 grandchildren, Thomas Hentz and his wife Cherie of Maitland, Fla., Kenneth Hentz and his wife Chelli of Independence, Mo., Patty Dull and her husband Paul of Hinsdale, Joseph Hentz and his wife Julie of Villisca, Iowa, Sandra Carlile and her husband Dana of Port St. Lucie, Fla., Tammy Dunn of Glasgow, Richard Dunn and his wife Jaime of Cincinnati, Blair Willard and his wife Teressa of Detroit, Deanna Herges and her husband Jeff of Dallas, Leatha Saullo and her husband, Frank of Detroit, Sareah Douglas and her husband, Jay of Olathe, Kan., Darcia Farrell and her husband, Sergio of Miami, Jeremy Wilkinson and his wife, Tiffany of Kansas City, Mo., Peter Wilkinson and his wife, Becca of Overland Park, Kan.; 28 great-grandchildren, four great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews; and her husband's sister, Jean Minor of Ellensburg, Wash.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22, at the Hinsdale Legion Hall in Hinsdale, with Evangelist Myron Willard officiating.

Interment was in the Hillview Cemetery in Hinsdale.

# James Robert Hepburn

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

JAN 16 2004

LIVINGSTON — Jim Hepburn, 71, decided to end his long and courageous battle with cancer on Jan. 14, 2004. Mr. Hepburn died at the family home.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home. Graveside committal will follow in Mountain View Cemetery.

**JUN 29 2004****Gary E. Herbst**

Gary E. Herbst, 58, of Billings, died Sunday, June 27, 2004, at his home. Cremation will take place. A gathering of family and friends will be at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 30, at Charlie Browns, 319 Morey Street, and at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 3, at the VFW Club in Sidney. Cremation or Funeral Gallery is in charge. <sup>14</sup>

## BRUCE HERDEN

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 4 - 2004

**BELFRY** — Bruce John Herden, 68, of Belfry, passed away Monday, Aug. 2, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic Hospital, surrounded by this family, after a yearlong battle with cancer.



**BRUCE  
HERDEN**

Bruce was born Dec. 13, 1935, at home in Big Horn, Wyo. In his early years, he spent most of his time farming and working with racehorses. Bruce graduated in 1953 from Sheridan, Wyo., High School. He moved to Emigrant in 1954 to manage the family ranch. In 1955, he met Mary Minnie, and they were married in 1956 in Sheridan, Wyo. During their early years, they also lived in Townsend, Laurel and Big Timber. In 1972, they moved to Belfry, where they farmed, ranched and established their trucking company.

Bruce was involved with the Yellowstone County Sheriff's Posse, where he enjoyed playing cowboy polo. He also enjoyed team roping throughout the years, as well as teaching his two sons to rope. After retiring from trucking, he drove bus for the Belfry School. He especially enjoyed driving the activity bus.

He was always the biggest fan at all activities involving his children and later his grandchildren. In the last three years, he was blessed with four great-grandchildren that always seemed to bring a smile to his face.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Martha Herden. Bruce is survived by his wife Mary; three children, Willis (Teri) Herden of Belfry, Nancy (Larry) Bangert of Belfry and Ken Herden of Hysham; two brothers, Allen (Bertha) Herden of Park City and Roger (Patsy) Herden of Minnesota; eight grandchildren, Lori (Dennis) Thormahlen, Brad (Laura) Herden, Crystal (Clark) Pinkerton, Loren Bangert, Bryce Herden, Karen Bangert, Michelle Herden and Gary Bangert; and four great-grandchildren; Casey Pinkerton, Alyssa Thormahlen, Whitney Herden and Kenzie Herden.

Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, at Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel in Red Lodge. Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 6, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Bridger. Interment will be in the Bridger Cemetery, with a luncheon to follow at the Belfry School Multipurpose room.

Bruce's family would like to thank the nursing staff in ICU at Deaconess Billings Clinic, especially Stacy, for the loving care and consideration that Bruce received.





**SARAH HEREM**

## **Sarah Ann Herem**

**COLUMBUS** — Sarah Ann Monk Kennison Herem, age 77, of West Jordan, Utah, passed away peacefully at her home, Saturday, March 6, 2004, surrounded by family members.

The youngest of five children born to Benjamin Jones and Augusta Tietjen Monk, she was a child of the Great Depression, learning early to create her own opportunities through unbounded love and hard work. Her mother passed away when Sarah was only 2 months old, so she was placed into the loving care of an uncle and aunt, William and Ethel Monk Kennison. She found the devotion, tenderness and charity that she sought while in their care, and she came to honor them as her parents. She brought uncommon love, enthusiasm and intelligence to every challenge she faced. She became a treasured soul mate for many, many friends whom she lovingly

*Benjamin Jones*

embraced throughout her life. She was an ultra-positive driving force that brought countless blessings to all she loved.

Educated in the Cowley, Wyo., school system and Montana State University's School of Nursing, Sarah excelled as a Registered Nurse, working in surgery and obstetrics at Deaconess Hospital (Billings), Powell General and Kansas City General. She had a special talent for making new friends and for administering to the sick and the afflicted. She was able to connect with individuals of various generations and became a bridge between hearts. She perfected her legacy of love through 18 years of service at the Stillwater Convalescent Center in Columbus.

She was personally acquainted with her Savior. She demonstrated her commitment to His work by her membership in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She served in various church callings, including Relief Society President, Seminary instructor, and as a missionary in the Argentina Salta LDS Mission. Her depth of devotion expanded to include service in the Argentina Buenos Aires, Provo and Mount Timpanogos LDS Temples.

She was the glue that brought her extended family together. Her family includes Elburn (Iris)

Kenison (Bountiful, Utah), Edgar Monk (Richmond, Calif.), Louise Kennison Birch (Idaho Falls, Idaho), Jesse Ray Asay (Wilcox, Ariz.) and Ron (Cheryl) Monk (Englewood, Colo.).

She married Clarence Oliver Herem on June 3, 1953, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. They established their new home on the Sunset Ranch, located on Butcher Creek, southwest of Absarokee. She reared her family by continuing a lifelong pattern of arising early, working with inspired zeal and showing extraordinary charity. She was determined to make a lasting contribution as her gift to her Heavenly Father, and everyone around her joined in. She played the accordion, learned fluent Spanish, baked thousands of pies for the lonely and discouraged, and tutored countless students in reading, math and the sciences. She became a model of compassion and diligence in her chosen profession of nursing, and the doctors she assisted showed their appreciation by delivering her seven children for free.

She is survived by her children, Larry (Connie) Herem of Burley, Idaho, Ann (Gordon) Parker of Absarokee, Norman (Mychelle) Herem of Lehi, Utah, Mary Alice (Archie) Schott of Bozeman, Beverly and Rosemarie Herem of West

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Jarrah Ann  
HEREM

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Jordan, Loretta Herem of Provo, Utah; 21 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Friends and family may honor Sarah on Thursday, March 11, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Smith Mortuary, Columbus. Funeral services will be held on Friday, March 12, at 1 p.m., at the Laurel LDS Church, 504 West 11th, Laurel. Interment: Rosebud Cemetery, Absarokee.

# **Evelyn June Hergenraeder**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**  
**APR 12 2004**

On April 9, 2004, we lost our beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend.

She was born Nov. 7, 1928, in Deaver, Wyo., and grew up on a farm in Garland, Wyo. She graduated from Powell High School and worked at the hospital in nursing. On Sept. 19, 1948, she married Harold Hergenraeder and devoted her life to raising their four children. The couple owned a bowling alley in Powell and Evelyn won several bowling titles throughout the years. Hergie's career afforded the family the opportunity to live in several western states, Canada and Europe, where they experienced many unforgettable adventures. In 1967, the family moved to Billings where they have resided ever since.

Hergie and Evelyn were members of Yellowstone Country Club and LaQuinta Golf Club in California. They loved playing golf and spent most winters in California playing golf with family and friends until Hergie's death in 1992.

She never lost her love of the land and would spend countless hours in her beautiful flower and vegetable gardens but for some reason could never keep a houseplant alive.

She was a very talented crafter

and loved working with her hands. But what her family considered her greatest talent was her baking and cooking. Nothing could compare to her fudge and cinnamon rolls.

In recent years, she kept busy with golf, bridge and attending all of the grandchildren's sporting events, piano concerts and school activities.

She is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Brent and Brenda; three daughters, Cindy and Wendy, of Billings, and Janice of Missoula; grandchildren, Tana, Dustin and Tyson; great-grandchildren, Kaysia and Mariah; sister-in-law, Jane Richards of Powell; nieces, Jerrilyn Richards and Trudy Dayton and family of Idaho; long-time friend, June Bashor; and grand-dogs, Bo and Journey.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Hergie; her parents, William and Marie Richards; and brother, Gerald Richards.

Please join us in a celebration of Evelyn's life 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 14, for a graveside service at Mountview Cemetery.

Memorials may be sent to the American Cancer Society or Big Sky Hospice.

We will miss your smile and  
laugh and will always carry them  
in our hearts. Love you always.

Michelotti-Sawyers has  
charge of arrangements.

## **George H. Herman**

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**  
FEB 24 2004

**SILVER GATE —** George H. Herman, 77, of Silver Gate, died at his home early last week.

Cremation has taken place at Franzen-Davis Crematory. Memorial services will be held this summer at the Cooke City/Silver Gate Community Church.

## Betty Jo Hermann

WESTON, Wyo. — Betty Jo Hermann, 67, died Monday, Jan. 19, 2004, at her son's home in Grand Junction, Colo., of natural causes.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Gillette. Visitation will be from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday at the church. Interment will follow at Gillette's Mt. Pisgah Cemetery. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home is in charge.

THE GILLETTE GAZETTE

JAN 21 2004



# Elsie F. Hernbloom

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 28 2004

Elsie F. Hernbloom, 85, of Billings, passed away early Friday morning, March 26, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic after a brief illness with her loving family by her side.



**ELSIE  
HERNBLOOM**

Elsie was born on May 21, 1918, in Gildford, a daughter of Gustaf and Ellen (Sorman) Hillner. When she was 5, the family moved to the Blue Creek area and Elsie attended school there and in Billings.

Following her education she worked as a clerk and later as a bookkeeper for F.W. Woolworth. On Feb. 20, 1942, Elsie married Manley W. "Deke" Hernbloom. After a few years at home with her daughters, she returned to bookkeeping while tending to her home and family. Elsie later worked in retail sales for Vaughn Ragsdale's, Willie's and Hart-Albins before retiring in 1982. Her free time was spent with her family, loving being "Grandma". Elsie was proud of her 100 percent Swedish heritage. Elsie enjoyed her cats and gardening and sharing her harvest with her neighbors. Elsie was a member of

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the First English Lutheran Church since 1934. For the past four years, Elsie resided with her daughter, Patti, and family and attended the Senior Day Program at St. John's Lutheran Ministries where she made many friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Deke, in 1980; brothers, Carl and Roy; and sisters, Margaret, Violet, Linnea and Mary Jane. Survivors include her two daughters, Cheryl (Gail) McIntyre of Lewistown, and Patti (Hank) Hewett of Billings; four grandchildren, Candi (Mick) Yates of Billings, Kenneth (Agata) McIntyre of Lynnwood, Wash., Todd Hewett of Billings, and Beau Hewett of Billings; a great-granddaughter, Anika Yates; sisters-in-law, Doris and Marie Hernbloom, and June and Helen Hillner; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitations will begin Monday at the Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. West. The burial will be at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 30, at Mountview Cemetery followed by a memorial service at 11 a.m. at the First English Lutheran Church.

Memorials may be made to First English Lutheran Church, St. John's Lutheran Home, or a charity of choice.

## James B. Heron

BELLINGS GAZETTE

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WORLAND, Wyo. — James B. Heron, 62, died June 18, 2004, at Washakie Medical Center.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 22, at the Worland LDS Stake Center. Burial will follow in the Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Veile Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

# Georgie Herren

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

GREYBULL, Wyo. — Georgie Arlene Herren, 59, of Big Horn County, died Monday, Aug. 9, 2004, at the Bonnie Bluejacket Memorial Nursing Home between Greybull and Basin.

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Services are pending and will be held at a later date. Cremation has taken place. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc., is in charge.

# Glara Joyce DeCock Hert

Joyce Hert, 67, Billings, died Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2004, after suffering many years from a very long illness.

She was born Dec. 8, 1936, to Oscar and Margaret (Pearson) DeCock in Forsyth, the second of five children. On Nov. 13, 1971, she was united in marriage with Harold W. Hert in Hysham. Together, they raised six children.

After graduating from Hysham High School, she attended the University of Montana, Missoula, and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree with majors in Business and Home Economics Education. During her 23 years of teaching, she taught high school in Fromberg, Denton, Roundup, Red Lodge, Custer Co. High School in Miles City, where she was Head of the Business Department; Billings Public Schools; College of Commerce, Honolulu; and Denver Business College, Billings Branch.

She enjoyed riding Hondas, fishing, boating, target shooting and visiting with family and friends. During her later years, she stayed in contact with friends, relatives and former students through e-mail. Her grand-



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children were very special to her and she especially enjoyed playing cards and board games with them.

She traveled throughout Europe and Canada. Her husband shared her love of traveling and they traveled extensively throughout the United States and Mexico prior to her illness.

She was a life member of the National Education Association; Delta Kappa Gamma, Alpha Nu Chapter teaching honorary; American Association of University Women in Miles City; Wine and Roses Bridge Club, Women's Club, Cowbells, Big Sky W.I.F.E., Hysham; and St. Bernard's Catholic Church, Billings.

Joyce is preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband, Harold; daughter, Jodi (Shawn) Kesler, Derrick and Kylee; son Chad Hert, Samuel and Hannah; stepdaughters, Susan (Roger) Kesler, John and Joseph; Vicki Hert; Coleen (Ken) Lind, Megan Lind, Sam (Chante) and Tia Marie Lind, all of Billings; and Evelyn Seibel, Anaconda.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, Nov. 4, at 11 a.m. at St. Bernard's Catholic Church, 226 Wicks Lane, Billings, with burial immediately following at Sunset Memorial Gardens, 1721 Central Ave., Billings. No flowers requested.

Memorials to Big Sky Hospice or St. Bernard's Church.

# Richard L. 'Dick' Hertz

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

**POLSON** — Richard L. "Dick" Hertz died peacefully on Oct. 14, 2004, at his home in Polson.

He was born in Bridger on July 10, 1933, at the home of his parents, Adam and Helen Hertz. Dick grew up in Billings. He loved motorcycles and owned the first 650 BSA in Billings. He took many trips on his motorcycles up the Beartooth Highway to Cooke City. At 16 years old, he hitchhiked to Seattle with a high school friend and they caught a boat to Alaska, where Dick worked for the summer in the fish canneries. He graduated from Billings Central High School in 1951.

After school, he joined the Navy Reserve and made a trip to Hawaii. While working on a seismic crew in Malta, he met Virginia Mae White. They were married on March 15, 1953. While living in Malta, Dick worked for Carter Oil and eventually owned his own bulk plant. Virginia gave birth to four sons while living in Malta. In 1959, they moved to Polson, where their fifth son was born. Dick worked in the logging and trucking industry and for Plum Creek Lumber Company,



**DICK  
HERTZ**

where he retired in 1988 after approximately 25 years of service. Dick loved to hunt and fish with his family, enjoyed many camping trips with Virginia and their five sons. He also enjoyed snowmobiling and golfing. Both Dick and Virginia could also be seen at all of their sons sporting and school events. In later years, he also enjoyed watching his grandchildren participate in school events.

In 1989, Dick and Virginia moved to a warmer winter climate, Wolford Heights, Calif., where they met many new friends. They returned to Montana in 1994 and continued to spend winters in warmer climates visiting friends and children.

In 1997, Dick began his struggle with colon cancer. Much to the amazement of his doctors and family, Dick went through many surgeries and fought hard to beat the cancer. However, his battle was stopped short of apparent heart failure.

Dick was preceded in death by his parents and his mother- and father-in-law, Josephine and Pete White. We're confident Dick and Pete are enjoying a hunting trip together in heaven. Dick is survived by his beloved wife and lifelong companion Virginia; three younger sisters, Margie

(Richard) Kelly of Lake Havasu City, Ariz., Judy (Milt) Fretheim of Columbia Falls and Connie (Rick) Smith of Cave Creek, Ariz.; his five sons and four daughters-in-law Mike and Peggy of Missoula, Steve of Polson, Rick and Gayle of Great Falls, Greg and Kate of Polson, and Shawn and Sondra of Ridge Crest, Calif. Dick also has 15 grandchildren, Ryan, Stefani, Sarah, Adrian, Mistee, Dylan, Robin, Danielle, Kristin, Matthew, Adam, Jacob, Hilary, Whitney, Bryson; and four great-grandchildren Adrian, Destiana, Braden, Nicholas.

Visitation will be Sunday, Oct. 17, from 1 until 6 p.m. at the Grogan Funeral Home, and on Monday, Oct. 18, at 8 a.m. at the Immaculate Conception Church. A rosary will be held at 9:15 a.m. on Monday at the church. Mass of the Resurrection will follow at 10 a.m. at the Immaculate Conception Church, with Father Gary Reller officiating. Cremation will follow the services and inurnment will be held at a later date. The family would like to thank all of his doctors and caretakers who assisted Dick with his struggle with cancer. Remembrances may be directed to the American Cancer Society, 3350 Mullan Road, Suite 105, Missoula, MT 59808.

Arrangements are under the direction of Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory in Polson.



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**AMANDA  
HESER**

## **Amanda Rose Heser**

**WOLF POINT** — Amanda Rose Heser went home to be with the Lord on Monday, July 19, 2004. Amanda was born Oct. 14, 2002, in Billings, to Chad and Reanna Heser.

Amanda's favorite thing to do was spend time with her older brothers, playing ball, playing inside and outside, and just following them around wherever they'd go. She also liked spending time with grandparents, family and friends.

Amanda was the light of her family's life. She touched our

hearts and filled our lives with joy. Amanda will forever be remembered by those special moments and memories that each of us has of her.

She is preceded in death by her grandma Lynn Berger and grandma Mazel Petrick.

Her parents, Chad and Reanna Lambert Heser, and three older brothers, Andrew, Kevin and Logan, survive her. Also surviving are great-grandparents Dr. Jack and Mitzi Lambert, Frank and Faye Heser, and Lucille Olson; grandparents Steve Lambert, Connie Lambert and Ken and Agnes Heser, aunt Darci Heser and fiancé Wayne Brown, uncle Ryan Lambert, aunt Kris and son Spencer Lambert; along with numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorials for Amanda Rose Heser can be made at the Wolf Point Federal Credit Union.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, July 23, at 2 p.m., at the First Lutheran Church. Interment will be in Greenwood Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family at [csmc@nemontel.net](mailto:csmc@nemontel.net) or by visiting [www.stevensonandsons.com](http://www.stevensonandsons.com). Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel has been entrusted with arrangements.

## Gene Hetland

LOVELL, Wyo. — Gene Merlin Hetland, 82, of Lovell, died Sunday, April 11, 2004, at his home.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 15, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Byron. Burial will follow in the Byron Cemetery. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell is in charge.

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## **Janie T. Hetrick**

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

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ROUNDUP — Janie T. Hetrick, 84, of Roundup, died Thursday, April 1, 2004, at the Roundup Memorial Nursing Home.

Memorial services will be 10 a.m. Thursday, April 8, at the Roundup Memorial Nursing Home. Interment of ashes will take place at the ODD Fellows Cemetery. Wier Funeral Home of Roundup is in charge.

# EDWARD E. HICKEL

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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ULM — Edward Elmer Hickel, 85, a retired welder/machinist and Army veteran, died of natural causes Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2004, at his home in Ulm.

Services are 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23, at Trinity Lutheran Church, with cremation following the service. Burial of ashes will take place in East Rosebud Cemetery in Absarokee at a later date. Croxford Funeral Home and Crematory of Great Falls is handling arrangements.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth Hickel of Ulm; sons Edward E. Hickel of Bozeman and Harry J. Hickel of Choteau; a sister, Lenore Anderson of Miles City; three grandchildren, Kenneth G. Miller, John E. Miller and Andy Sullivan; and two great-grandchildren, Trevon Miller and Kaylee Miller; and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Ruth; a daughter-in-law, Shyralee G. Hickel; his parents, a sister and a brother.

Edward Elmer Hickel was born May 2, 1919, to Henry and Marie Hickel, at the family homestead at Coalwood, Mont., south of Miles City. He attended the Bobcat and Divide rural schools until moving with his family to Miles City, where he completed his schooling, gradu-

School in 1937.

When World War II began, he was among the first to leave Custer County, and was assigned to Co. B, 821st Aviation Construction Engineers, serving in the South Pacific Theater. After being injured and contracting malaria, he was sent back to the States and given an honorable discharge when the war ended. He returned to the family ranch on the Tongue River to assist his parents.

On June 6, 1948, he married Ruth Harken at Concordia Lutheran Church in Forsyth. They moved to the Great Falls/Ulm area, where they have continued to reside. He was well-known in the highway construction business as a welder and master mechanic, and retired from the State Highway Department in 1982, after 25 years.

He was a longtime member of Trinity Lutheran Church and a charter member of Peace Lutheran Church, where he held various offices. He was also active in the Boy Scout marksmanship program and the Cub Scouts when his two sons were involved. He was a longtime

member of the Ulm Volunteer Fire Department, holding various positions there, and was a charter member of the Operating Engineers in Miles City, the local International Association of Machinists, a lifetime member of the VFW and NRA, and a member of the National Trappers Association.

He enjoyed hunting and fishing, and especially working with and riding his horses. He was always willing to help someone when needed.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in his name may be sent to the organ fund at Trinity Lutheran Church; Easter Seals; or a charity of the donor's choice.

# Capt. Harold Stroud Hicks Jr. (Sonny)

In the still of the morning at sunrise on May 21, 2004, Harold "Sonny" Hicks slipped the surly bonds of earth and touched the face of God. He was taken from his family by pneumonia far too prematurely. He leaves behind his adored wife, Vicki, whom he loved with the passion of a lifetime. Their love stood as an admirable standard to all those who were inspired by their devotion.

He also leaves behind his cherished daughter, Amy Lyn, for whom he felt deep pride for all of her accomplishments and their shared life.

Sonny also had three step-daughters, Halley and Molly Montalban and Joy Giovanini (Jack), who feel fortunate for even their short time with him and the lessons that he shared. Sonny will be dearly missed by his sister and best friend, Juliana Hicks, who he absolutely treasured, and his brother-in-law Tom Thigpen, with whom he enjoyed so many adventures.



**CAPTAIN  
HAROLD  
STROUD  
HICKS Jr.**

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He also leaves behind Juliana and Tom's children, Helen and her husband, Shawn, both enjoyed having fun with Sonny in Montana and Paul Thigpen will especially feel the weight of the loss as he follows in his uncle/mentor's high-flying footsteps as a pilot and a leader. Sonny's love of the Thigpen family is actually what brought him to Montana. Sonny's appreciation of the wonders around the Treasure State made lifelong Big Sky country residents sit up and take notice of the splendor that many often overlook. Sonny strove to not overlook any joys of life.

Harold (Sonny) was born in Shreveport, La., on Oct. 9, 1945, to Captain Harold S. Hicks Sr. and Helen Pipkin Hicks. His early years were spent in Washington, D.C., Alaska and Hawaii, while the latter two were still territories. Sonny's early education was at Punahou School in Honolulu Hawaii and the Hotchkiss School in Lakeville, Conn. He was a proud U.S. Naval Academy graduate. Sonny then began a distinguished career as a highly decorated Naval Aviator. He was a

carrier pilot on the USS Midway during the height of the Vietnam conflict. Following active duty, Sonny continued to serve his country as Commander of a U.S. Naval Reserve unit at Ford Island, Hawaii. He retired in 1994 at the rank of Captain.

He began his commercial airline career at Hawaiian Airlines on May 1, 1978. His accomplishments with Hawaiian Airlines included being Captain on the DC8, DC10, and Boeing 767, as well as Check Airman on the DC10 and Boeing 767. Closest to his heart was to mentor many excellent pilots, including his nephew Paul.

Sonny had an infectious love of life and relished many of the simple things that so many of us take for granted: the breathtaking beauty of Montana rivers filled with trout, the feel of fresh powder as he raced down Red Lodge's trails, the satisfaction expressed by an impressed passenger on one of his beautiful Hawaiian Airlines' flights, taking in the smiles of all of his loved ones gathered together for special occasions, and savoring the perfect fit of his wife Vicki's hand in his.

Some rare people in this world leave a trace of themselves in everyone that they meet. Sonny gently gave away pieces of himself to everyone ... from his heartfelt chuckle, to his deep

appreciation of nature's beauty, his commendable record with both the Navy and Hawaiian Air, his good-natured optimism, and his gentle way of teaching the most complicated skill to a novice with endless patience. Sonny had eternal adoration of his wife Vicki. He touched people's lives in a way that makes him a forever reminder of someone who lived each moment to the absolute fullest.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, at First United Methodist Church. Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

*Oh Captain! My Captain!  
Wake up and see the sun!*

*Our love has weathered every  
storm, your heart at last I've won!*

*Safe harbor's near, the bells I  
hear, my soul in joy transport,*

*A hero's welcome waits for  
thee, as we pull into port.*

## **Robert C. Hicks**

*THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

**FEB 17 2004**

CODY, Wyo. — Robert C. Hicks, 77, died Sunday, Feb. 15, 2004, at the West Park Long Term Care.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18, at Ballard Funeral Home in Cody.



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EULA MAE HIETT

## Eula Mae (Roth) Hiett

MISSOULA — Eula Mae (Roth) Hiett, 68, of Missoula, formerly of Lodge Grass, left the burdens and pain of this earth on Nov. 15, 2004, to be with her Lord.

Her husband Earl and good friend Laura Frickey were at her side when she went home to Jesus. She was born Aug. 22, 1936, in Mt. Hope, Kan., to Walter Scott Roth and Stella Jane (Lewis) Roth.

Eula Mae attended school in Lodge Grass, where she met and married Merle "Hank" Havener in 1953. They had three children. She and Hank spent many years in the outdoors of Montana working on local ranches, horseback riding, and all that goes with ranch life. They eventually moved to town and Eula worked at Stevenson's IGA for many years. She was active in her children's school activities and 4-H projects until she moved to Missoula in 1976.

There she met and married Earl B. Hiett May 6, 1978. She was employed in the Missoula school

district, retiring after 16 years.

Eula Mae enjoyed playing games, spending time with her grandchildren and traveling to see her children. She dabbled in jewelry making and pottery. She loved to cook Mexican food for all and was well known for her chili and tortillas. She enjoyed watching television and particularly liked action and western movies.

Eula Mae was fortunate enough to travel to Japan in 1979 with her husband Earl and in 1989, she took her dream vacation of a lifetime to Hawaii on proceeds she won from the Montana Lottery. In the last few years, Eula Mae spent many hours watching the deer and wildlife outside her window at her home in Missoula.

Her parents and two brothers, Duane and Dennis Roth, preceded her in death.

Survivors include her devoted husband of 26 years, Earl Hiett of Missoula; sister, Ramona Smith of Lodge Grass; brother, Jerry (Carol) Roth of Big Timber; sisters-in-law, Roberta Roth of Lames Deer and Shirley Roth of Billings; children, Vicki Havener-Bakko and husband Rick of Billings, Jolene Wenzel and husband Perry of Belgrade and Clint

Havener of Lodge Grass; grandchildren, Nikole Sapphire Bakko of Billings, Keaton and Kevin Red Star of Bozeman, Quinn Red Star of Billings, Kaley Wenzel of Belgrade and Robie Turner of Lodge Grass; great-granddaughter, Aliyah Kindness of Billings; numerous nieces, nephews and close friends.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, Nov. 22, at 2 p.m., at the Little Brown Church in Lodge Grass. Interment will follow in the Lodge Grass Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Wildlife Affiliation of choice.

Arrangements are under the care of Bullis Mortuary.

**Bryan Arthur Higgins** *THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

Bryan Arthur Higgins, 40, of Billings, died Saturday, July 3, 2004, at his home.

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Private family services will be held at a later date. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

## John R. Higgins

LAUREL — John R. Higgins, 58, of Laurel, passed away Dec. 24, 2004, after an extended battle with cancer.

John was the oldest son of Floyd and June Higgins, born Oct. 18, 1946, at Miles City. He served four years in the Army in Germany and nine years with the Navy Reserves as a Seabee.

John married Kayrene Hatcher in Miles City in 1972. To this union a son, John-Paul "JP," was born in 1975.

John began his railroad career in Miles City with the Milwaukee Railroad in 1972. He retired from Montana Rail Link as a carman/welder with 30 years of service in September of this year due to his illness.

John enjoyed time with



**JOHN  
HIGGINS**

family and friends, hunting and shooting with his son and reading. John was blessed with a dry sense of humor.

He was preceded in death by his father and his in-laws. He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Kayrene; his son, John-Paul (Julie); his mother, June of Miles City; his three sisters, Carla (Roger) Muggli of Miles City, Cheryl D'Remy (Scott) of Anaconda, Connie (Dave) Anderson of Brighton, Colo.; one brother, Michael (Myrna) of Miles City; brothers-in-law, Tim (Sandy) Hatcher of Miles City, Patrick (Leslie) Hatcher of Aloha, Ore., and Bryce Hatcher of Miles City and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. John's Lutheran Church with interment in the Laurel Cemetery. Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Tuesday at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel. Memorials to charity of one's choice.

# Jean Starr Higham

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COOKE CITY — Memorial services for Jean Starr Higham will be held on July 25 near Cooke City.

She will first be remembered among others at the Mount Republic Chapel of Peace between Cooke City and Silver Gate at 10 a.m.

At 11:30 a.m., we will meet at the park in Silver Gate to shuttle to the memorial site. In case of rain, the service will be held at the church at noon. Dress is casual for both.

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# Harold W. Higlin

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**KNOXVILLE, Tenn.** — Harold W. Higlin, 90, of Knoxville, formerly of Miles City, Mont., died Tuesday, July 27, 2004, at the Shannondale Care Center in Knoxville.

Cremation has taken place. A committal service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, in the Custer County Cemetery in Montana. Bullis-Graves Memorial Chapel of Miles City is in charge.

# Barbara Jean Clark Hill

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COLORADO CITY, Colo. — Barbara Jean Clark Hill died on Feb. 20, 2004, after a lengthy battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). She was born on March 12, 1940, in Lander, Wyo. She was the only child of Walter and Ina Clark of Shoshoni, Wyo. Barbara graduated from Shoshoni High School in 1958, then attended the University of Wyoming and received a bachelor of arts degree in Education in 1962. She married Roger W. Hill on July 15, 1962.

Barbara is survived by her husband Roger; children, Roger Scott and his wife Carie, Robert Clark and his wife Jackie; grandchildren Dillon and Tyler.

The family moved often during Roger's career with Holly Sugar Corporation. His career path took them to several locations in Wyoming, Colorado, California and Texas.

Barbara was a committed and loving wife, mother, homemaker and friend. She was a dedicated member of Sunrise Methodist Church for many years, serving the Lord in different capacities. Barbara's greatest asset was her love of people and how she reached out to help them in their time of need. She had a large circle of longtime friends in every place she lived. She found exceptional joy being with her family and her grandsons and niece Jenée. Barbara loved to travel, play bridge

and spend time with her friends. She was noted for her quiet, commonsense "Wyoming Logic" approach to life and its challenges. She was a beautiful, sweet spirited woman who will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

A visitation viewing will be held at Swan-Law Funeral Home, 501 N. Cascade Ave. Friends of the family are welcome from 4 to 7 p.m. Feb. 23. A graveside service will be held at Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 3825 Airport Road at 11 a.m. on Feb. 24, followed by a memorial service at Sunrise Methodist Church, 2655 Briargate Blvd., at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the ALS Association, Rocky Mountain Chapter, PO Box 7964, Boulder, CO 80306.

# Betty Hill

**ROBERTS** — Francis Betty Hill of Roberts, loving mother and grandmother, passed away on July 5, 2004, after a short battle with cancer.

She was the second child of Otis and Florence Teegarden, born in Upton, Wyo., on July 6, 1924. She grew up in Wyoming and then attended Billings Polytechnic Institute and Black Hills Teachers College, graduating with a degree in teaching.

Betty married Ed Hill on July 5, 1953, in Red Lodge, and they made their home on the family farm in Roberts, where they raised four children.

She taught in several country schools in the Red Lodge and St. Xavier area. Betty served her country by working at Boeing Aircraft Company in Seattle during World War II. She was employed with the U.S. Postal Service for 22 years, retiring in 1989 as the Roberts Postmaster.

Betty was a member of the Roberts United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women throughout her adult years, serving the church in several offices and capacities. She



**BETTY  
HILL**

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was a past matron of the Venus Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star of Red Lodge, last serving in that position in 2004.

Betty is survived by her four children, Dennis and Wes of Roberts, Cherie' Mondragon of Billings, Janice (Dale) Voelz of Whitewater; grandchildren, Jaime Voelz of Sheridan, Wyo., JoDee Voelz of Whitewater and Jay (Debbie) Voelz of Carrollton, Texas; sisters and brothers, Margie Zupan of Powell, Wyo., Dorothy Gustafson of Boise, Idaho, Bob Teegarden of Billings, Jack Teegarden of Boise, Idaho, and Tom Teegarden of Laurel. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Ed; sister, Mary Jane Fletcher; and brother, Don Teegarden.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, July 9, in the Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel in Red Lodge. Visitation will be 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, July 8, at the Olcott Chapel. Interment will be in the Roberts Cemetery. Following the graveside service, a reception for family and friends will be held at the Roberts United Methodist Church.

Memorials may be made to the Roberts United Methodist Church, or to a charity of one's choice.



## Claude G. Hill

Claude G. Hill was born in California, Mo., to Charles "C.P." and Mellie Hill on March 25, 1910,

and died on Feb. 1, 2004. He moved with his family to Sheridan County, Wyo., in 1918. He married Josephine Holub in 1939 and raised two children, Norman C. Hill and Carolyn (Walter) Eucker. He



**CLAUDE  
HILL**

worked as a miner, for the railroad and as a farmer until the family moved to Billings in 1956.

Claude owned the Billings Bar for a number of years and later worked as a bartender in various neighborhood bars until he finally retired at the age of 78.

Claude was known for his clever sense of humor. Claude and Jo spent happy days fishing

many of the lakes and streams of Montana and growing bountiful gardens.

His parents and son Norman Hill preceded Claude in death. He is survived by his wife Josephine of Billings; daughter Carolyn (Walter) Eucker of Columbus; sister Mildred Rohrbach of Sheridan, Wyo. Other survivors include his daughter-in-law Judy Hill of Billings; grandson Pat (Val) Hill; granddaughter Mandy (Rex) Kleinsasser; and two great-granddaughters, Eliza and Olivia Kleinsasser, all of Bozeman.

A private memorial service will be held later in the year. Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice. Smith Downtown Chapel in charge of arrangements.

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John Hill, 84, of Billings, formerly of Worden, passed away Thursday evening, Jan. 29, 2004, at the Billings Health and Rehabilitation Community.

Survivors include five sisters: Hanna (Bob) Ness of Billings; Minnie (Jim) Steffan of Grand Junction, Colo.; Rosie Freeck of Billings; Clara Michelcic of Billings and Lydia Hill of Cody, Wyo. Also surviving are two brothers: Jake (Carol) Hill Jr. of Nauvoo, Ill., Adam (Alice) Hill of Shepherd and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2004, at the Open Bible Church in Worden. Memorials to the Open Bible Church in Worden, or the charity of one's choice.

# Larry Hill

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Larry Hill passed away on Jan. 23, 2004, due to an extended illness. He was born Aug. 4, 1942, to Vern and Ann Hill of Billings.



**LARRY HILL**

He is survived by his son, Larry Hill Jr.; three daughters, Rochele Wilson, Jennifer Jones and Brooke Hill; one stepdaughter, Ryan Meza; his brother, Randy Hill; and special companion, Miah.

Larry was preceded in death by his sister, Laverne Hill; and parents, Vern and Ann Hill.

Larry seemed to be the happiest while fishing, camping and going out to early breakfast with his daughter, Brooke.

A special thank you to all that cared for Larry in his time of need.

Don't worry about tomorrow, just worry about today.

Mass will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27, at Holy Rosary. Cremation or Funeral Gallery is in charge of arrangements.

## **Pauline Dinstel Hill**

**BROADUS — Pauline Louise Dinstel Hill, 70, passed away on Jan. 12, 2004, at her home of natural causes.**

**Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church. Interment will be at a later date on the family ranch. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home is in charge.**

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**JAN 15 2004**

# Raymond Hill

PRYOR — Raymond S. Hill, 54, of Pryor, died Tuesday evening, April 6, 2004, after a brief illness.

"Baapaala Irishishe" (Growing up with medicine plants) a name given to him by his grandfather, Ben Bear Below, was born Jan. 27, 1950, in Sheridan, Wyo., a son of Sylvester Hill, Sr. and Pearl Bear Below. Katie and Floyd Real Bird raised him. He grew up and attended schools in Lodge Grass, graduating in 1968. While in high school, he excelled in football, track and basketball. In the 1968, he was selected to participate in the East-West Shrine All-Star Football Game and was also selected to an all-conference basketball team for his free-throw shooting abilities.

Raymond was united in marriage to Renita Plain Feather in June of 1970 and the couple made their home in Pryor.

He attended and graduated from Haskell Junior College, Lawrence, Kan., with an AA degree in Business in 1975. He later attained a major BS in Business Administration and a BA in Sociology from Eastern Montana College in 1985.

Raymond worked for various companies including the Crow Tribe, BIA, IHS, Billings Urban Indian Center and the Pryor Public School. He was a member of the Lodge Grass Baptist

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Church, Big Lodge Clan and child of the Greasy Mouth Clan. He enjoyed traditional activities, especially arrow throwing events throughout the Crow Reservation.

His parents; adopted parents, Kate and Floyd Real Bird; and a sister, Sharolyn, Brown preceded Raymond in death.

Survivors include his wife, Renita; three sons, Ray (Caroline) of Lodge Grass, Carey (Crystal) and Corey (Patricia) of Pryor; his daughter, Cassy (Mitch) LaForge of Pryor; his grandchildren, Sharolyn, Kalo, Kaleo and Fawntaya of Lodge Grass, Anthony of Hays, Shelby, Cynthia, Chatterly, Ebony and Sammy of Pryor; his brothers, Maynard (Mercy) and Sylvester Hill of Crow Agency, Dean (Lydia) Hill of Billings and Benjamin (Teatta) Bear



RAYMOND HILL

Below of Lodge Grass; his sisters, Lenora (Arthur) Plenty Hawk, Sr. of Wyola, Jeannie (Daniel) Bad

Bear of Hardin; a sister-in-law, Shirleen Hill of Crow Agency; his aunts, Mary (James) Deputee of Crow Agency, Mary Ann Bear Below, Mildred Old Crow, Clara Bear Don't Walk, Ruth Alden and Francis Bends of Lodge Grass; his uncles, Frankie Back Bone, Sr., Vincent (Mary Kate) and Pius Crooked Arm of Crow Agency, Tommy Back Bone, Ira, Anthony (Agnes), Marshall (Barbara) and Fredrick Left Hand of Lodge Grass; his Tobacco Society adopted parents, Grant and Linda Bull Tail of Crow Agency; an adopted brother, Eymard (Sara) Left Hand; an adopted sister, Sara (Clyde) Redwoman and an adopted son, Richard (Lori) Crow, Jr. He is also survived by his extended family, including the Bear Below, Left Hand, Back Bone, Crooked Arm, Hill and Big Hair families, as well as a host of friends.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, April 10, in the Lodge Grass First Crow Indian Baptist Church. Interment will follow in the Lodge Grass Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary has been entrusted with the arrangements.

## **Elmer C. Hillier**

SEP 22 2004  
SHERIDAN GAZETTE

STORY, Wyo. — Elmer C. Hillier, 79, of Story, died Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, at the Grace Chapel in Story. Burial will be in the Quiet Rest Cemetery in Story. Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan is in charge.

## **Shirley Winters Hiltabrand**

LAUREL — Shirley Winters Hiltabrand, 72, of Laurel, passed away March 9, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings. She was diagnosed with cancer in 2002. She survived the cancer and died of natural causes surrounded by her family.

Shirley was born Feb. 27, 1932, in Sidney, to Lola and Henry Winters. They moved to Roberts where her family owned and operated a general store and blacksmith shop. She attended Roberts School where she was a straight-A student, captain of the basketball team and graduated as valedictorian in 1949.

After graduation, she moved to Helena, where she met Harold Hiltabrand. They got married on Jan. 14, 1950, in Helena and moved to Roberts and later to Red Lodge.

Shirley was a waitress for Natali's Restaurant. She had six

children. In 1980, the family moved to Laurel and in 1982, she lost her husband of 32 years. She enjoyed working on crossword puzzles, jigsaw puzzles, reading, collecting state quarters and crocheting. She especially enjoyed going to the Cherrio every Tuesday for tacos.

She is survived by four children, Mike of Laurel, Cindy of Billings, Toby of Laurel, Lisa of Billings; seven grandchildren, Tara, Jason, Amanda, Josh, Heath, Tristan and Tony. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold; one son, Randy; one daughter, Debbie; one brother, Fred and her parents, Lola and Henry Winters.

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Monday, March 15, 2004, at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel with interment in the Red Lodge Cemetery. Visitation will be 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday, March 14, at the funeral chapel.



**Charles Hilyard, Jr.**

JUN 30 2004

**PLENTYWOOD** — Charles Harold "Bud" Hilyard, Jr., 74, of Plentywood, died Sunday, June 27, 2004, at his daughter's home in Great Falls.

Memorial services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 30, at Fulkerson Funeral Home in Plentywood. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 1, at the Plentywood Lutheran Church. Graveside service will follow in the Veterans Section of Plentywood Memorial Cemetery in Plentywood.

## **Martys Hindman**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUN 05 2004**

**BELLE FOURCHE, S.D. —** Martys Hindman, 56, of Belle Fourche, died Tuesday, June 1, 2004, at Lookout Memorial Hospital in Spearfish, following a lengthy illness.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, June 7, at St. James Lutheran Church. Interment will be in Black Hills National Cemetery. Visitations will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Sunday, June 6, at the Funeral Home of the Northern Hills, and one hour prior to the service at the church.

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**HARLOWTON** — Clyde Romulus Hiner of Harlowton passed away on Dec. 24, 2004, at Wheatland Memorial in Harlowton.

Clyde was born in Reedpoint on Dec. 31, 1910, to Romulus and Mae (Russell) Hiner. He married Margaret Muller on Jan. 10, 1939.

Clyde and Margaret ranched in the Harlowton area. In 1945, they purchased a ranch six miles northwest of Harlowton, which is still a family ranch. They had three children, all college graduates, which was a source of great pride for both parents.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 50 years, Margaret, on Nov. 19, 1989, and by two sisters, Mary Hiner Westre and Leonora Hiner Kinyon.

He is survived by his three children, Marjorie (Glenn) Barrows of Helena, Bill (Bobbie) Hiner of Harlowton and Kathy Hiner of Harlowton; six grandchildren, Nathan Barrows of Greeley, Colo., Marshall (Nora) Barrows of Vancouver, Wash., Armon (Katie) Barrows of Byers, Colo., Todd (Kay) Hiner of Harlowton, Tracie (JP) McCrossin of Darby and Travis Hiner of Harlowton; and four great-grandchildren, Josh, Ryan, and Zach McCrossin and Alia Hiner.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 31, at Perkins Funeral Home.

# Harold Hines

Oct 26 2004  
BILLINGS GAZETTE

JOLIET — Harold Thomas Hines, 89, was born on Sept. 18, 1915, and went to his final rest on Saturday, Oct. 23, 2004.

Born in a second floor bedroom of a log cabin near the then popular health spa, Mont Aqua, Harold was the son of John Thomas Hines and Armina "Bessie" Bain Hines. He attended schools in Edgar, Fromberg and Joliet. He worked on area farms and ranches, and during World War II, he was a test driver for tank retrievers that were manufactured in Billings.

On June 4, 1941, Harold married Veronica (Vera) Carroll in Fromberg. They resided at various locations in Montana before returning to Joliet. Harold retired after a 25-year career as a custodian for the Joliet School District. In retirement, Harold was able to devote more of his time to the welfare of the community of Joliet, and was elected Mayor of Joliet. He donated much of his free time to community projects, many which are still being utilized. Harold was a well known and well liked figure in the Joliet area during the remainder of his



**HAROLD  
HINES**

life. Harold was preceded in death by his spouse of Fifty Years, Vera Hines.

Survivors include three sisters, Mary Lenore Horner of Cody, Wyo., Ethelyn Taylor of Ogden, Utah, and Annabel (Gene) Franck of Guernsey, Wyo.; five children, Kathleen A. (Robert) Flick of Bozeman, John H. of Joliet, Donald R. (Maria Elena) of Miami, Elvera H. (Andrea) Hines-Pabon of Elgin, Ariz., and Edward J. (Bea) of Bakersfield, Calif.; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and family friends who will miss his caring and joyful nature very much.

Graveside memorial services will be held at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27, in the Joliet Cemetery. Cremation has taken place under the direction of Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel of Red Lodge. Memorials may be given to the charity of one's choice.

# Evelyn Lehner Hinthner

JORDAN — Evelyn Marie (Lehner) Hinthner, age 80, of Jordan, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 12, 2004, at the Garfield County Health Center in Jordan.

Evelyn was born on Feb. 19, 1924, in Jordan, the daughter of

Max and Mary (Mull) Lehner. She was raised in Jordan, where she attended country schools and graduated from Garfield County High School as valedictorian in 1940. Evelyn

married Karl Hinthner on Nov. 11, 1942, in Miles City. The couple made their home in Jordan, where they raised three children. She worked at the Garfield County Hospital as a bookkeeper for several years after her family was grown. Evelyn also kept books for their service station, bus services and marina enterprises.

Evelyn was a lifetime member of the VFW Auxiliary and the St. John's Lutheran Church in Jordan, where she served as president of the WELCA for many years. She enjoyed traveling and fishing with Karl and her family, doing the finishing work on Karl's woodworking projects and also sewing, making many of her children's clothing as they were



**EVELYN  
HINTHNER**

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growing up. But most of all, Evelyn loved spending time with her family and especially her grandchildren.

Evelyn is survived by her husband of 62 years, Karl Hinthner of Jordan; two daughters, Anita and her husband Joe Twitchell of Mountain Home, Idaho, Noreen and her husband Mike McKeever of Jordan; her son, Ron Hinthner and his wife Denise of Circle; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, Joel Twitchell and his children Bailey and Riley all of Ely, Nev., Aaron Twitchell of Austin, Texas, Etoile and her husband Clint Bengé of Hailey, Idaho, Todd McKeever and his wife Annie and their daughter Ava, all of Laurel, Angela Belus and her children Mitchell and Abby all of Jordan, Jason McKeever of Fargo, N.D., Courtney Hinthner and her daughter Kayla of Bakersfield, Calif., and Cara and her husband Robert Vannattan of Bridger; a brother, Ervin Lehner of Jordan; two sisters, Maxine Sickles of Jordan and Clara Brown of Shelby; and by several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and an infant brother, Robert.

Private family prayer services will be held on Thursday, Dec. 16, at 7 p.m. at the St. John's Lutheran Church. Funeral services will be held on Friday, Dec. 17, at 10 a.m. at the VFW Hall in Jordan. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Pioneer Cemetery. Should friends wish, condolences may be sent to the family by visiting [www.stevensonandsons.com](http://www.stevensonandsons.com).

Should friends desire, memorials may be made to the Garfield County Health Center, the St. John's Lutheran Church, the VFW or to the charity of one's choice.

**DEC 15 2004**

## **Evelyn Hinther**

JORDAN — Evelyn Marie (Lehner) Hinther, 80, of Jordan, died Sunday, Dec. 12, 2004, at the Garfield County Nursing Home in Jordan.

Private family prayer services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, at the St. John's Lutheran Evangelical Church. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 17, at the VFW Hall in Jordan. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Pioneer Cemetery. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

## Frederick Hinz

SHERIDAN, Wyo. —

Frederick Hinz, 76, died Sunday, Jan. 4, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Viewing is from 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday at Kane Funeral Home. Services are at 1 p.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church with interment in Oregon Trails State Veterans Cemetery in Evansville.

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## **Ellen Hirsch**

**MILES CITY —** Ellen Hirsch, 93, of Miles City, died Friday, Oct. 8, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Extended Care in Miles City.

Visitation will be held on Monday, Oct. 11, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City, with a prayer service at 6 p.m. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Custer County Cemetery.

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**BILLINGS GAZETTE**



## Ray Hjelseth, 65

## BILLINGS GAZETTE

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A husband, dad, brother, grandfather, Ray Hjelseth was born Oct. 5, 1941, to Louise and Eberhard Hjelseth in Billings. He passed away Dec. 2, 2004. Ray spent his youth in Billings, graduating from BSHS in 1959. He joined the Air Force the same year and he met and married his first wife, Nora, in Newfoundland. They had two children, Randi and Scott. He divorced Nora and left the service, losing touch with his two children. Later in life, he got to know them all over again, along with his grandchildren. Ray lived different places over the years and in Atlanta, he met and married Sharon on Feb. 14, 1983. He inherited from Sharon more children and grandchildren.

He was close and special in his sister Paula's eyes. Together, they loved doing woodworking projects. Ray is preceded in death by his parents and a sister.

Surviving family are his wife, Sharon Hjelseth of Douglasville, Ga.; daughter Randi Moran of Springhill, Fla.; son David Scott Wray, Whitby, Ontario, Canada; sister Paula Hjelseth, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; brother Gary Hjelseth, Billings; three grandchildren and five step-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place. Services pending in Atlanta. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society.

## **Anna Patricia Hoaglan**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Anna Patricia Hoaglan, 84, died Sunday, Jan. 4, 2004, at Westview Health Care Center.

Cremation has taken place. Private services will be conducted at a later date. Kane Funeral Home was in charge.

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JAN 07 2004

# Louise Hoback

Louise Hoback, 90, of Billings, died on July 18, 2004, at St. John's Lutheran Home. Louise was born to Ernest D. and M. Naomi Voorhees on May 23, 1914, on her dad's homestead in the Andes Community in northeastern Montana. She attended grade school in Culbertson and graduated from Sidney High School.

Louise met J. Garrett Hoback in Great Falls where both were employed by Home Oil & Refining Company. They were married in Butte on June 23, 1939. Outside of three years spent in Oklahoma where Garrett worked for a refinery, Montana had been her home.

They moved to Billings in 1948 where Louise was employed as an accountant for Houck Transport Co. and by W. K. Good CPA until 1968. The following 20 years were spent as a self-employed accountant. Her husband passed away in 1976.

She was a member of Edna Hedges Chapter #15, OES with a

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transfer to Moss Agate Chapter #126. She was a member of Billings Business and Professional Women's Club for some 35 years.

Louise was a very active volunteer with time given to many projects, dedicating over 40 years to her organizations. In 1957, she became a Grey Lady under the Red Cross, working at St. Vincent Hospital. Sponsorship of the volunteer workers was later transferred to St. Vincent Hospital, where she continued to work for many years.

Louise was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two brothers and a sister. She is survived by her nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place and a Memorial service will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 20, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Interment of cremated remains will follow at Mountview Cemetery.

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

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

# Kathi Ann Hobbs

Kathi Ann Hobbs, 56, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 24, 2004, at St. Vincent's Hospital in Billings. She was born Dec. 2, 1947, in Chicago, to Earl and Elsie (Jett) Rousseau.

She graduated from high school in Fullerton, Calif. She received her CDL license and traveled all over the United States from 1993



**KATHI  
HOBBS**

to 1998. She attended Computer School in 1998. She was a Computer A+ Certified Technician, had a Real Estate license and was a tax consultant. She was an active member of St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral and served on the parish staff as a Homebound Minister. Kathi enjoyed fishing, biking and especially spending time with her grandchildren.

Kathi is survived by her son, David (Veronica) Walker; grandchildren, Joseph, Mathew, Kailey and Ethan Walker, all of Billings, and Alexandria Hughes of Maine; sisters, Arlyne Dillabough of California, Shirley Spaulding of Florida and Debbie Beck of California; brothers, Richard McDonald, Jackie McDonald, Edward Rausseau and William Rausseau, all of California. She

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was preceded in death by her parents.

Visitation will be Friday, Nov. 26, Saturday, Nov. 27, and Sunday, Nov. 28, from 1 to 5 p.m. at Dahl Chapel. Vigil Services will be 5:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 29, and Funeral Mass will be 12 noon Tuesday, Nov. 30, both at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral. Burial of ashes will be 9 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1, in Holy Cross Cemetery.

## Josephine E. Hobbs

THE PULLMAN GAZETTE

NOV 27 2004

STORY, Wyo. — Josephine E. "Josie" Hobbs, 77, of Story, died Friday, Nov. 26, 2004, at her home, of breast cancer.

Cremation has taken place. A celebration of life will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1, at the Story Women's Club. Memorial services will be at the Simpson Methodist Church in Pullman, Wash. Inurnment of cremains will follow in the Pullman City Cemetery. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

## Josephine E. Hobbs

THE PULLMAN GAZETTE  
NOV 28 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Josie Hobbs, 77, died Friday, Nov. 26, 2004, at her home, after a courageous 20-year battle with breast cancer.

Cremation has taken place locally, and a Celebration of Josie's life will be held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 30, at the Story Women's Club, with the Rev. Richard Edgerton officiating. Memorial services will be held at the Simpson Methodist Church in Pullman, Wash. Inurnment of the cremains will follow in the Pullman City Cemetery. Kane Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

# Alvin Hochhalter

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MAR 15 2004

Alvin Hochhalter, 88, of Billings, passed away Sunday, March 14, 2004, at St. John's Lutheran Nursing Home, where he resided since Nov. 5, 2003.



**ALVIN  
HOCHHALTER**

Alvin was born on Feb. 16, 1916, at Wishek, N.D., to John and Magdaline Hochhalter. He received his education in Wishek. He married Ida Wolff at Ballantine on Dec. 7, 1940.

He worked in many capacities and had worked for Elk River Concrete for 39 years, where he was Plant Superintendent from 1957 until his retirement in February 1981.

He loved fishing, camping, bowling and doing woodwork.

Alvin loved his granddaughters and great-granddaughters very much.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Ida; daughter Jean (Ron) Holtan; son Don (Glenda) Hochhalter; two granddaughters, Lori Schneider and Randi (Jim) Crietz; two great-granddaughters, Emm and Piper Crietz; two sisters, Maggie Wolff of Billings and Lea Esienbies of Wishek; and many nieces, nephews and friends. Alvin loved his family and God.

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Dad, you were the very best. We thank God everyday that we were blessed to be your daughter and son. We are all going to miss you so much. Someday we will meet again in a better place.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Thursday, March 18, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, with interment in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to Rimrock Baptist Church or the charity of one's choice.

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# Roger Hockett

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE  
DEC 30 2004

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Roger Hockett, 65, of Gillette, died Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2004, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette, of complications of multiple sclerosis.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette.

## Dewey Hodgson

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 21 2004

Dewey Hodgson, 74, of Billings, passed away at St. Vincent Healthcare on Thursday, May 20, 2004.

At Dewey's request, no formal services will be held. Friends may gather at his home on Monday, May 24, from 3 to 5 p.m. Arrangement are being handled through Dahl Funeral & Cremation Service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his name to the Northern Rockies Cancer Center, PO Box 369, Billings, MT 59101 or to the charity of your choice.

### Dewey Hodgson

**SHEPHERD** - After a long and courageous battle with cancer, Dewey Hodgson, 74 died peacefully at St. Vincent Healthcare on Thursday, May 20, 2004.

Dewey was born in Arcadia, Nebr. In 1957 he moved to Anaconda, Mont. where he was a B.A. & P. switchman, cat skinner in the Berkley Pit and a semi truck owner and operator. In 1979, Dewey moved to Shepherd where he drove for Consolidated Freightways until his retirement.

Dewey liked to "fix it," fish and was a "bull shitter" from way back. He'll be missed by his family, friends and listeners.

Dewey leaves behind his wife of 53 years, Norma; two sons: Doyle of Sheridan, Wyo. and Jeff of Ecuador; two daughters: Debra Mathewson of Longmont, Colo. and Julie Stone of Nampa, Idaho; eleven grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; sister, Vivian Wajda of Ord, Nebr.; sister-in-law, Maxine Hodgson of Scotia, Nebr. He was preceded in death by his daughter Beverly and a brother, LaRov.

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Cremation has taken place. At his request no formal service will be held. Family and friends gathered at his home on Monday, May 24.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to the Northern Rockies Cancer Center, P.O. Box 369, Billings, MT 59101 or to the charity of your choice.

# Kathleen Lois (Squires) Hodgson

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BILLINGS GAZETTE  
divorced in 1976.

HOUSTON — Kathleen Hodgson passed away from complications with lung cancer on Aug. 8, 2004, surrounded by her children and husband of five years, in Houston.

Kathleen was born on July 26, 1939, to George and Velma (Anderson) Christensen in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, the second of three children. Kathleen's family traveled extensively in the north-west, as dictated by her father's position with the forest service.

While growing up, she was active in Jobs' Daughters and later in the Eastern Star.

She graduated high school in Colville, Wash., in 1957. She moved to Spokane, Wash., to attend school, where she met her first husband, Rodney Doan. They married in December of 1957 and produced four children, one of which died shortly after birth. Rodney and Kathleen divorced in 1965, and she moved with her three children to Missoula, Mont., to be near her parents.

In 1965, she started working at the cab company in Missoula and met her second husband, Ralph Squires. They married in 1968, creating a blended family of nine children. They produced one child together, bringing the total to 10. Kathleen and Ralph

In 1978, Kathleen went to work for the mill in Frenchtown, Mont., becoming one of the first female licensed boiler operators. She worked there as a boiler operator until her retirement 22 years later in 2000.

Kathleen fostered independence in her children and expected the best from them. She loved holidays when meals were served in shifts and she had been up cooking since dawn. She could not cook for a few, only an army, and everyone went home with leftover food.

In 1999, she married her third husband, Cecil "Cy" Hodgson, who was also her high school sweetheart from Colville. Together, they built a house in Trinity, traveled in the summers in their motor home with their three dogs and one cat.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son; two aunts; one uncle and one granddaughter.

She is survived by her husband, Cecil Hodgson; her sister, Cecilia Christensen, Missoula; her brother, Bob (Marcy) Christensen, Ashton, Idaho; her children, Jody (Jeff) Grovijahn, Worden, Mont., Marie (Terry) Doan, Seattle, Robin (Sam) Schmill, Missoula, Susan (Dennis) Bellefeuille,

Minneapolis; her stepchildren who still consider her Mom, Dean (Janey) Squires, Missoula, Marita Squires, Missoula, Kerry (Newt) Crocker, Missoula, Danny (Charlotte) Squires, Portland, Ore., Debbie Squires, Missoula, and Patti Moderic, Missoula; 20 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Services are planned for Sept. 11, Garden City Funeral Home, Missoula.

## Dale LeRoy Hodson

THE BILLINGS TRIBUNE

Dale LeRoy Hodson, 54, of Billings, died Sunday, Dec. 5, 2004, at his home.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held at a later date. Cremation or Funeral Gallery is in charge.

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**Clem Hofer****MAY 20 2004**

**MALTA — Clem (Darius) Hofer, 59, of the East Malta Colony, died Tuesday, May 18, 2004, after a lengthy illness of kidney problems, at a Billings hospital.**

**Wake services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 20, at the East Malta Colony. Funeral will be at 1 p.m. Friday, May 21, at the East Malta Colony, with burial to follow in the Colony Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home of Malta is in charge.**

## David E. Hofer

*THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

FEB 10 2004

LORING COLONY — David E. Hofer, 68, died Saturday, Feb. 7, 2004, at a Great Falls hospital, following services.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, at the Loring Colony. Burial will be in the Loring Colony Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home of Malta is in charge.



**Leonard D. Hofer**

JUN 24 2004

**ROUNDUP** — Leonard D. Hofer, 54, of Roundup, died Tuesday, June 22, 2004, in Huntley, of natural causes.

Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday, June 24, at the Wier Funeral Chapel in Roundup. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 25, at the Wier Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow in the Roundup City Cemetery.

## Rebecca Hofer

WILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 13 2004

LORING — Rebecca Hofer, 90, of Loring, died Tuesday, May 11, 2004, at her home.

Funeral services will be 12:30 p.m. Thursday, May 13, at the Loring Colony Church, with burial in the Colony Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home of Malta is in charge.

## David Hoffer

FALLON — David Hoffer, 84, of Fallon, died Monday, Sept. 20, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Extended Care in Miles City.

Visitation will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Terry, with a prayer service at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 24, at the Grace Lutheran Church in Fallon. Interment will follow in the Prairie County Cemetery in Terry.

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DAVID HOFFER - GAZETTE

## Linda Hoffer

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ALBERT S. SABBETTI

FALLON — Linda Hoffer, 80, of Fallon, died Monday, Oct. 11, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Extended Care Facility in Miles City.

Visitation will begin at 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Terry, with a prayer service at 7 p.m. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at the Grace Lutheran Church in Fallon. Interment will follow in the Prairie County Cemetery in Terry.

**Adolph J. Hoffman****JUN 25 2004**

Adolph J. "Shorty" Hoffman, 87, died June 15, 2004, in Billings.

He was born March 6, 1917, in Medina, N.D., son of Carl and Elizabeth (Oxner) Hoffman. He attended elementary school and later enlisted in the U.S. Army. Following his discharge, he moved to Billings, where he worked for various farmers.

Adolph is survived by a brother, Reinhert Hoffman of Minnesota. He was preceded in death by his parents, five sisters and nine brothers.

Services are pending in Medina. Dahl Funeral Chapel is helping with arrangements.

## **David Hoffman**

GILLETTE, Wyo. — David Hoffman, 75, died Sunday, Jan. 25, 2004, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette, of cancer.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 30, at the Family Life Church. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

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**JAN 28 2004**

# Vernon LeRoy 'Lee' Hoffman

GLENDIVE — Vernon LeRoy "Lee" Hoffman, age 67, of Glendive, passed away on Wednesday, April 14, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center.

Private family committal service will be in the St. John's Cemetery in Beach, N.D. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Vernon was born on Sept. 17, 1936, in Beach, the son of Vernon and Frances (Houck) Hoffman. He was raised and educated in Beach. Vernon joined the U.S. Air Force, where he served in the Korean War. He married Carmen Alindogan on Dec. 12, 1958, in the Philippines and they moved to Glendive in 1962. Vernon worked for the Glendive Police Department and Dawson County Sheriff's office where he was the undersheriff. After 14 years in law enforcement, he went to work as a truck driver for Haliburton and later for Cenex. He retired in 1999. Vernon enjoyed fishing and boating at Fort Peck Lake.

Survivors include his wife, Carmen, of Glendive; four sons, Allin Hoffman and his wife LeAnn of Powder Springs, Ga., Arnold Hoffman of Indian Trail, N.C., Vernon Hoffman Jr. and his wife Marilyn of Berkeley, Mo., and Terry Hoffman and his wife Angie of Matthews, N.C.; one

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daughter, Cammy Sprout and her husband Craig of Billings; two sisters, Alice Fredrick of Phoenix and Carol Harper and her husband Bob of Niceville, Fla.; 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at [www.silvernale-silha-funeralhome.com](http://www.silvernale-silha-funeralhome.com).

# Clara Hofmann

SEP 4 2004  
BILLINGS GAZETTE

Heaven welcomed a new angel in the early hours of Sept. 1, 2004, when Clara joined her daughter Carol and other loved ones.

Clara was born to Adam and Anna Thaut in Edgar on Oct. 13, 1919. As a child she moved with her family to Billings and Forsyth before they settled in the Shepherd area. Her education was cut short to help care for her eight siblings and work on the farm.



**CLARA  
HOFMANN**

Clara married the love of her life, Clarence Hofmann, on June 30, 1940, in Worden. They made their home in Worden and in 1952 built their "dream home." It was a great source of pride for Clara and was evident by her immaculate housekeeping, well groomed yard, weedless garden and colorful flowers of all varieties.

Clara excelled in her job as homemaker. Family was not just the center of her universe — it was her whole universe, and it was apparent by all the family gatherings and dinners she so enjoyed. She gave as much love as she received and never wanted or needed anything more than to have her family together.

Clara loved music, especially hymns and polka and waltz music. Even when she could no longer dance, from her easy chair her toes were tapping to the beat of the music.

The loved ones who survive Clara are her husband of 64 years, Clarence; sons, Don (Kay) Hofmann of Ismay and Bob (Peggy) Hofmann and daughter Janice (Dean) Fuller, all of Billings. Her 10 grandchildren include David (Jeannine) Hofmann, Andrea Hofmann, Lynette Mocabee, Alan (Kim) Mocabee, Brad (Melissa) Fuller, Brian Fuller, Julia (Justin) Shovar, Pam (Rod) Reeves, Maria (Brandon) Beltrand and Rebecca Hofmann. The great-grandchildren who gave her so much pleasure and happiness are Adam and Carolyn Kelsey, Haley and Bryce Mocabee, Austin Johnson, Mason Reeves, Ethan Peterson, Elise and Allison Shovar, Jordan and Madison Harris, and Ellie Bertrand.

Clara's surviving siblings are George (Ruby) Thaut of Belgrade, Ed (Esther) Thaut of Shepherd, Carl Thaut of Billings, Herman (Cora) Thaut, Loraine Welsh and Shirley Wittman, all of Shepherd.

Preceding Clara in death are her parents; daughter, Carol



**Jackson; brother, John Inaur, and sister, Ruth Wakefield.**

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 7, at the Bethlehem Congregational Church in Worden. Interment will follow at Pleasantview Cemetery in Ballantine. Memorials to the Bethlehem Congregational Church in Worden, Big Sky Hospice, P. O. Box 35033, Billings, 59107 or the charity of your choice.

# Daniel J. 'Danny' Hoggatt

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 05 2004

MISSOULA — Daniel J. "Danny" Hoggatt, 32, of Missoula, passed on, April 30, 2004. He was born Aug. 27, 1971, in Billings. He attended schools in Havre, Dillon and Missoula. Danny graduated from Missoula Hellgate in 1989, and MSU-Bozeman with degrees in Economics and Finance.

He was chosen to be in the North by Northwest Choir all three years of high school. He was a self-taught guitarist. Music meant a lot to Danny.

In his younger school years, he played baseball, soccer, basketball, track, cross country, and swimming.

He enjoyed hunting and taking pictures of wildlife. Some of his most memorable years were spent of the Sun River Ranch with Mark Young.

Danny was kind and considerate of everyone and especially those in need.

Surviving are his sisters, Erika Hoggatt, Shana Hoggatt and her son Mario; mother Cheri Hoggatt; aunt Sharon Young;

uncles Phil Young and Stan Hoggatt; cousins Kathy Joles, Arlene Young, Janine Young, Lee Hoggatt, Nancy Delgado; and his grandmother June Hoggatt. He was preceded in death by his father Ray Hoggatt; grandfather Dean Hoggatt; and cousin Laurie Young.

Services will be held in Billings, at the Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. West, at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 8.



**DANNY  
HOGGATT**

Bozeman - 300 Highland Blvd.  
(406) 586-5298

**HOLLAND** — Mary  
"Mickey," 61, of Springhill,  
passed away Wednesday.  
Cremation will take place.  
Services are not planned at  
this time.(11/29)

*THE BULLOCKS GAZETTE*

NOV 27 2004

# Velma Hoke

BAKER — Velma Hoke, 96, died July 28, 2004, at Quality Personal Care.

Visitation is from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday before the services at 2 p.m. Monday at Stevenson Funeral Home.

THE BAKER FUNERAL HOME

JUL 28 2004

**Scott A. Holen****MAY 13 2004**

**COLUMBIA FALLS** — Scott A. Holen passed away Monday, May 10, 2004, from a motorcycle accident near Columbia Falls.

**SCOTT  
HOLEN**

Scott was born in Minneapolis, Dec. 4, 1968, to Dan and Arlene Holen. He was educated and graduated from Billings Senior High in 1987. He and his brother Steve started a lawn service in their junior high years.

Scott spent three years in Big Sky doing construction. He lived and worked in Alaska for a short period of time, returning to Billings to do lawns and mowing fields. In 2001, he went to Pilchuck Glass School in Washington. He loved blowing glass and also doing stained glass. He moved to Columbia Falls in December 2003, hoping to pursue his glass business.

Scott loved the outdoors; he loved fishing, camping, snowboarding and riding his dirt bike in the hills. His spirit was free and wild as the wind.

Scott was preceded in death by all his grandparents; brothers Steven, Micheal and Joseph. He is survived by his parents, Dan and Arlene; sisters, Jo (Troy) of Minnesota, Gen (Klay) of Alaska; and many loving aunts, uncles and cousins.

A memorial service will be held Friday, May 14, at First English Lutheran Church at 10 a.m. Memorials may be made to charity of your choice.

## **Emma Isabelle Holkan**

Funeral services were conducted at the Catholic Church in Wheatland Monday for Emma Isabelle Holkan, who died Tuesday, April 6 at the age of 101.

She was born in Matamora, Ill., daughter of Peter and Sophia Streb. She married George Holkan on Sept. 17, 1929. The family moved from Webster City, Iowa, to Wyoming to work on the Pitchfork Ranch at Meeteetse in 1943, then later moved to the Penrose area. In the mid-1950s, they moved again to Dwyer, Wyo., and finally to Wheatland.

They had five children, sons Ted, Tom and Bill; and daughters, the late Ethel Graham of Powell and Donna of Wheatland. Locally surviving grandchildren include Roxann Lovell of Clark, Gloria Soto of Powell, John Graham of Worland and Grace Melberg of Ontario, Canada; also numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George, and her daughter, Ethel Graham.

# **Thelma Collier Holladay**

SEP 26 2004  
LEXINGTON GAZETTE

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Thelma Collier Holladay, 88, widow of Milton B. Holladay, died Friday, Sept. 24, 2004.

Born in Jackson, she was a daughter of the late Robert and Ida Jett Collier. A homemaker, she was a graduate of the University of Kentucky.

She is survived by a daughter and son, Donna Manning, Billings, and Robert Holladay, Lexington; two grandchildren, Stephanie Manning and Jennifer Manning. In addition to her husband, a son, Milton Brown Holladay, II, preceded her in death.

Services will be private.

W.R. Milward Mortuary-Broadway is in charge of arrangements. Visit [www.milwardfuneral.com](http://www.milwardfuneral.com).

## **George Holland**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUN 01 2004**

**MILES CITY —** George Holland, 93 of Miles City, died Saturday, May 29, 2004, at the Cottonwood Care Home in Miles City.

Visitation will begin Tuesday, June 1, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 2, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Custer County Cemetery.



# Dorothy Mae Hollatz

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 18 2004

Dorothy Mae Hollatz, the youngest of six children born to William and Elsie Hollatz, died peacefully in her sleep, Friday morning, May 14, 2004. She was born in Plentywood, March 7, 1939.

Dorothy was a graduate of Outlook High School and Billings Business College. Her secretarial career spanned 40 dedicated years with the Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch Foundation, where special and loving friendships grew.

She enjoyed music, reading, playing cribbage, and had a fondness for crossword puzzles.

Dorothy is survived by sister Evelyn Hawks; sister-in-law Eleanor Hollatz; numerous cousins, nephews, nieces and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers Norman and Merton; and sisters Vivian Hollatz and Lucille Preble.

Dorothy was an independent and truly remarkable lady.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held Thursday, May 20, at 1 p.m., in the Chapel at Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch, with a reception following.

Memorials to Yellowstone Boys & Girls Ranch or of one's choice in lieu of flowers.

# Elmer Hollenbeck

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Elmer Hollenbeck, 78, of Gillette, died Saturday, Aug. 14, 2004, at Pioneer Manor in Gillette.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Graveside funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 18, at the Mt. Pisgah Cemetery in Gillette.

AUG 17 2004

# Helen Hollis

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 11 2004

Helen Hollis, 91, died July 9, 2004, in the arms of her granddaughter at the Horizon Hospice Home.

Helen was born August 19, 1912, in Manown, Pa. to Mary and John Reho, immigrants from Czechoslovakia.

She came from a family of 12, with nine sisters and two brothers.

She grew up speaking both Czech and English. Her mother died when she was a young girl. Growing up in the depression, with an unstable family life, she endured many hard times.

One of her strongest values, born of necessity, was thriftiness.

Helen married Julius Hollis at the age of 17. She moved to California early in her marriage, where she lived for most of her life. She loved her job of packing oranges, which she did for over 25 years. She had two children, Nancy and John (Bill). Her husband, Julius, died in 1966, leaving Helen widowed for the last 38 years of her life. Helen was very close to her son, Bill, who also preceded her in death in 1991. His loss affected her deeply.

Helen maintained a close relationship with her siblings, visiting

when able. She is preceded in death by sisters, Ann, Mary, Jay and Pauline and brother, Adam. She is survived by sisters, Kate, Sue, Betty, Barbara, Vera and brother, Jack.

Helen was a surrogate mother to her granddaughter, Lori Dross and they shared a special bond. They enjoyed many happy times together and cared for each other in times of need. Helen came to Billings in 1996 and spent the next seven years living with Lori and her husband, Whit. She enjoyed traveling with Whit and Lori, fishing, canning, going for walks, playing with the dogs, sewing, video gaming and attending the senior lunch program at St. Bernard's prior to her health declining. Playing "21" was also a passion of Helen's and she enjoyed trips to Las Vegas and teaching her granddaughter Lori how to play.



HELEN  
HOLLIS

Helen maintained a close relationship with her siblings, visiting

Helen's family would like to express their sincere thanks to Big Sky Hospice and the wonderful and caring staff at the Horizon Hospice Home for their loving care. They would also like to thank Dr. Guzman for his kind and compassionate care of Helen over the years.

Cremation has taken place and inurnment will occur in California at a later date. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, July 13, at Horizon Hospice House, at 1019 Neptune, Billings. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Big Sky Hospice.

# Ray E. Hollister

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MAY 23 2004

**FORSYTH** — Ray E Hollister, age 87, formerly of Billings, passed away in Billings at St. Vincent's Healthcare on May 19, 2004, after a hard-fought battle with cancer. Ray was born on March 28, 1917, in Miles City, the son of Joseph Hollister and Pauline Kurrle Hollister. The Hollister family moved to Billings when Ray was less than 3 years old. During World War II, Ray served in the U.S. Army. During the '40s and early '50s, he owned Treasure State Salvage in Billings and Ray's Second-Hand Store in Red Lodge. Later, Ray owned and operated R Hollister Scrap Metals.



**RAY  
HOLLISTER**

On Nov. 23, 1939, Ray married Beverly Droste in Billings. Ray and Beverly had two children, Robert Hollister of Forsyth and Bonnie Hollister Crockett, who is deceased. During retirement Ray and Beverly lived 20 years at Hamilton and, in more recent years, resided at Forsyth, Mont.

Ray has been an inspiration to his family and friends because he truly lived by the Golden Rule. Ray loved driving across the

countryside, visiting friends, playing cards, the Masonic Lodge and fishing. He possessed a good sense of humor and enjoyed true wit.

Survivors include his wife, Beverly Hollister of Forsyth; son, Robert (Bob) and wife, Marilyn, of Forsyth; granddaughters, Patty Williams of Helena and Sandy and husband, Kodi Donley, of Forsyth; grandsons, Scott, and wife, Jodi Crockett of California and Ryan Crockett of California; a great-grandson, Alex Crockett; and four great-granddaughters, Abby Williams, Cassie Williams, Taylor Crockett and Shay Donley.

Visitation will begin at noon on Sunday at Smith Downtown Chapel. Memorial funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 25, 2004, in the Smith Downtown Chapel with burial and military honors to follow at the Sunset Memorial Gardens. Should friends desire, memorial may be made to Shrine Children's Hospital Transportation Fund at Box 20673, Billings, MT 59104.

# KimLe Holloway

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 19 2004

GILLETTE, Wyo. —  
KimLe Holloway, 40, of  
Gillette, died Nov. 15, 2004,  
at her home, of natural  
causes.

Graveside services will  
be at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 19,  
at Mt. Pisgah Cemetery in  
Gillette. Visitation will be  
from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Friday,  
at the Stevenson-Wilson  
Funeral Home Chapel in  
Gillette.

**Stella Mildred Holloway** **THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

GLENDIVE — Stella Mildred Holloway, 73, of Glendive, died Wednesday, March 17, 2004, at the Deaconess Billings Clinic.

**MAR 19 2004**

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, March 22, at the Zion Lutheran Church in Glendive. Interment will be at a later date in Cut Bank next to her husband. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is in charge.

# **Donna May Hollowell**

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**  
**JAN 09 2004**

**MILES CITY — Donna May Hollowell, 66, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Center.**

**Family will receive friends from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. A family graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at the family lot in the Custer County Cemetery.**



## **Elene E. Holmes**

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Elene E. Holmes passed away March 12, 2004, at Sutter General Hospital, Sacramento.

She was born in Red Lodge, Mont., to John and Lela Robinson. She graduated with a master's degree from California State University. She spent her lifetime as an instructor in business at Elk Grove High School, Valley Hi High School and was a professor at Sacramento City College. She was former chairman of California Scholarship Federation.

She is survived by her daughter, Marsha Jean Holmes of Sacramento; a sister, Mertis Robinson-Saarela of Boyd, Mont.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Emerson Holmes; and by her second husband, Walfred Jackola.

Elene will be greatly missed by family and friends.

Services were held Monday, March 15, at South East Lawn Mortuary.

Contributions may be sent to the American Lung Association.

THE SACRAMENTO GAZETTE

MAR 15 2004

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**WILBUR HOLMES**

## **Wilbur Louis Holmes**

**ABSAROKEE** — Wilbur Louis Holmes of Absarokee passed away in Billings on Monday, Dec. 27, 2004, at the home of his daughter, Kathleen Albertson, after a brief illness. Wilbur was born April 27, 1919, in Thawville, Ill., the sixth child of Louis Christian and Anna Scott Holmes.

Orphaned, Wilbur came to Montana to live with his sister Mabel. He started out working as a ranch hand, herded sheep, and worked on the Fort Peck Dam. Wilbur married Dorothy Hudson on June 7, 1937. They operated their own ranch on Grove Creek/Fishtail for 43 years.

Their marriage was blessed with four children, Lena Marie, who died at birth; Gerald Wilbur, who passed away in 1987; and Louis (Lewis) Ernie, who died in 1969. Kathleen Cleo (Holmes) Albertson of Billings is their only living child. Wilbur delighted in his seven grandchildren and 12

great-grandchildren. They were the joy of his later years.

Wilbur is survived by his wife Dorothy of 67 years. Pearl Carlson of Livingston is Mr. Holmes' only surviving sibling. He was preceded in death by sisters Laura Joerger, Esther Ipsen, Mabel Madison, Louise Phipps and brother Albert Holmes.

Wilbur was a well-loved civic leader in Absarokee and Stillwater County. He served as chairman of the school board, the water board, the soil conservation board, was trustee of the Congregational Church, and an honorary FFA chapter member. He also enjoyed snowmobiling, camping and square-dancing. He also played pool with the Good Ol' Boys at the Cowboy Bar in Fishtail. Wilbur Holmes was a true gentleman: a compassionate, sensitive, caring man. He will be greatly missed.

Services will be held at the Congregational Church in Absarokee on Friday, Dec. 31, at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Big Sky Hospice, Community Congregational Church of Absarokee, the Cobblestone School Preservation Fund, or the charity of your choice.

# Herbert F. Holmgren

COLUMBUS — Herbert Franklin Holmgren passed away on Jan. 5, 2004. Herb was born Nov. 9, 1924, to John and Nellie Holmgren. He graduated from Columbus High School in 1942 and joined the Army in April, 1944. Herb was wounded while serving with the 10th Mountain Division in Italy and was awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star.

Following his discharge in May, 1946, Herb attended Montana State University and graduated June 11, 1951. Herb remained active in the American Legion throughout the years.

Herb worked on the family ranch located west of Columbus for many years. He married Geraldine "Jerry" Bolton Scovill on Oct. 18, 1975, and they lived in California for several years before returning to Columbus. Herb dearly loved their little Chihuahua, Molly, and was often observed taking her for daily walks. Herb enjoyed playing pool with his wife and numerous friends at the



**HERB  
HOLMGREN**

NEWS GAZETTE  
JAN 08 2004

Senior Citizen Center in Columbus. Herb and Jerry enjoyed visiting in Arizona in the winters.

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

Herb is survived by his wife, two stepsons, Tom and Don Blankenship, and stepdaughter, Donna Blankenship, of Billings. Herb is also survived by his brother John and his wife, Margo, also of Billings, and a brother Paul and Margaret, of Fishtail. Herb also has numerous nieces, nephews and friends who will miss him.

Funeral services will be at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at the Community Congregational Church in Columbus. A reception will follow.

# Celesta Johnson Holscher

OCT 3 2004

Celesta Johnson Holscher, 87, passed away peacefully in her sleep at home after a long illness.

Celesta was born Oct. 25, 1916, in Earl, Ark., to Robert Clayton Johnson and Celesta Neal. She was raised in an extended family that included her beloved Aunt Mattie Vernon; her cousin R.B. Vernon; her stepmother Augusta; her el-



**CELESTA  
HOLSCHER**

der brother Robert; and her half brother Woodson Johnson and half sister Sherrie Johnson. The family moved to Denver when Celesta was 11 years old, and she graduated from North High School in 1934. Her desire to become a registered nurse was fulfilled when she graduated Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing in 1940. Celesta served as a first lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps from 1941 to 1945 and was part of the Paupan and New Guinea campaigns. She married Paul F. Holscher Jr. in Denver in June 1946. They had three children: Paul F. III, Franz Siegfried and Marianne. Paul Jr. was tragically killed in a car accident in 1952. Celesta did not remarry and dedicated her life to raising her chil-

dren. She worked for many years as a nurse and head nurse at Children's Hospital in Denver. She also worked for several years as a nurse in Kremmling, Colo.

She finished her career as the diabetic educator at the St. Anthony hospital system in Denver. In 1998, Celesta moved to Billings, Mont.

Celesta is preceded in death by her father, Robert. C. Johnson; her birth mother Celesta Neal; her brother Robert Johnson; her husband, Paul; her son Franz; and her daughter-in-law Marsha (born Shultz). She is survived by her daughter Marianne Lorenz of Boulder, Colo.; her son Paul of Denver; her grandsons Franz and Tim Holscher; her granddaughter Julie Grell; her great-granddaughter, Abigail Marsha Grell; her step-mother Augusta Johnson; her half sister Sherrie Wyman of Albuquerque; and her half brother Woodson of Gaithersburg, Md. She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Through the years, the Holscher family (Essie McClure, Sue Tickel and Franz Holscher) in North Carolina was of great support and comfort to Celesta and her children and they also mourn her loss.

The family would like to express its great appreciation for

Carol Matus for the loving, expert care she gave mom during her final illness.

No words can describe the powerful force our mother and grandmother has been in our lives. Her warmth, strength, humor and intelligence have touched everyone who ever met her and we will remember her always as the great person she was. The sparkle in her eyes will shine through all of us forever.

Graveside services will be 10 a.m., Wednesday, Oct. 6, at Mountview Cemetery.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

# Donna Holst

AUG 18 2004

PLENTYWOOD — Funeral services for Donna Holst will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19. Pastor David C. Curtright will officiate at the service at Fulkerson Memorial Chapel in Plentywood; interment will be in Plentywood Memorial Cemetery. Donna, 92, died early Monday morning, Aug. 16, 2004, at Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home, where she has been resident since 1991.

Donna was born in Helmsburg, in Brown County, Ind., Nov. 17, 1911, the daughter of John A. and Lemanda A. (Marshall) Myars. When Donna was 3 years old, the family moved to Montana and settled in the Comertown Community; she attended schools there and in Westby and Plentywood, and went to work as a clerk in the Westby Post Office in 1929. She married Kenneth Holst, Nov. 10, 1932, in Comertown. They farmed in the Comertown community for two years, then lived in several Montana communities and in Portland, Ore., before returning



**DONNA  
HOLST**

“home” to Northeastern Montana in the early 1950s, and have lived in Plentywood since. Donna dedicated her life to her Lord, and to caring for her husband and disabled daughter, Connie.

Her life seemed like that of the New Testament’s “Martha” — always tending to other’s needs instead of her own: the coffee pot was always on, and visitors never left her home without a meal! Donna was active in the Assembly of God church until declining health forced her to enter Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home June 3, 1991.

Donna is survived by two brothers, C. Junior Pedersen and his wife Lorraine of Plentywood; and James Petersen and his wife “Gene” of Fort Worth, Texas; and by two sisters, Dorothy Hiner and her husband John, and Muriel Lagerquist and her husband Ted, both of Plentywood. She was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth Holst, May 5, 1991; her daughter, Connie Holst, March 4, 1995; and by her father, John A. Myars; her mother and stepfather, Chris and Lemanda (Marshall) Pedersen; a sister, Mildred Lagerquist; and a brother, Dale.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood has charge of arrangements.

# Earnest E. 'Earl' Holt

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**JUN 11 2004**

**LAUREL** — Earl Holt, 84, Laurel, passed away Wednesday, June 9, 2004, at his home, with his family by his side.

Dad was born March 27, 1920, at Valley Bend, W.Va., to Jasper and Lena Holt. He grew up on the family farm with eight brothers and sisters. He left home at the age of 13 and moved to



**EARL  
HOLT**

Montana. Dad served his country by joining the Army in 1941. It was in the Army that he started his lifelong career as a chef. He was the personal chef to his Commanding Officer.

On July 15, 1939, Grandpa married his lifelong companion, Alice Ferguson. Together, they built a life that would prove to be exemplary of what can be accomplished through dedication, communication, honesty and unwavering love of family.

Dad worked as a chef for the Northern Hotel in Billings, The Samoan Village and Caravan Inn in Phoenix; The Harris Club in Reno, Nev.; The Antlers Plaza in Colorado Springs, Colo.; The Ramada Inn in Billings; the Laurel Golf Course and the Laurel Senior

Citizens. Dad prepared meals for John Wayne, Charlie Pride and Gene Autrie, to name a few that he had the privilege of meeting, giving them the privilege of sitting at his table. Anyone that has ever had a meal prepared by Dad will remember it forever. The kitchen was where he shined.

We have lost a true friend who taught us the tremendous value of family. Every person who had the privilege to know him instantly became a member of his family. Dad never knew a stranger, and always welcomed a friend; he instantly became "Gramps" to everyone. Honesty, integrity and trust were among his greatest values. He took great pride in helping his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren through life's struggles, offering many words of wisdom and always some laughter through the toughest times. Gramps never hesitated to hug his children and grandchildren and tell them how proud he was of them and how much he loved them. He offered the same compassionate care to those he only just met.

Dad is survived by his wife of 65 years, Alice Holt, Laurel; his son, Richard (Pat) Holt, Kallispell; his two daughters, Diana (Duane) Swecker, Laurel, and Sharon (Jim) Jones, Olympia, Wash.; and two sisters, Mabel Boone, Ravenswood, W.Va., and Jay Adamovich, Dearborn, Mich. He had 15 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Jasper and Lena; four brothers, John, Foster, Pat and Ott; two sisters, Virgie and Edith; two grandsons, Bob and Jeff; and one great-grandson, Ryan.

You have forever touched our hearts and shown us the true meaning of life. May the wind that took your breath now be the breeze that carries your whispers to our ears, letting us know that you are still our guide. We loved you and will never forget what a truly great man you were. May your precious soul rest in peace. Until we meet again, your family.

Cremation has taken place. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 12, at the Calvary Baptist Church, 820 West Ninth St., Laurel. In lieu of flowers, the family has suggested memorials be made to the Calvary Baptist Church of Laurel.

Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of cremation.



# Mary Ann Holt

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE  
APR 25 2004

Mary Ann Holt, 98, of Billings, passed away Saturday April 24, 2004, at Eagle Cliff Manor.

Mary was born Jan. 23, 1906, in Munister, Sask. She was raised and educated in North Dakota. On June 16, 1927, she married Lloyd P. Holt in Moorhead, Minn. Following their marriage, they

came to Montana and lived in Red Lodge until moving to Roundup in 1927. In 1947, Lloyd opened a garage in Cooke City and they lived there during the summers until 1962 when they began making



**MARY ANN  
HOLT**

their home in Cooke City full time. Mary operated the Quick Lunch Café until 1972. In 1981, she moved from Cooke City to Billings.

Mary enjoyed all types of needlework, especially knitting and crocheting. She had made many afghans for the church bazaar at Mt. Republic Chapel in Cooke City.

Her husband Lloyd, preceded her in death on Sept. 28, 1972.

Survivors include her sons, LeRoy and his wife, Dolores, of Cooke City, and Orville and his wife, Peggy, of Billings; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren

and one great-great-grandson.

Cremation has taken place. Graveside services will be 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 27, at Sunset Memorial Gardens. A memorial service will be held later this summer at Mt. Republic Chapel, Cooke City.

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

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

# Vernon 'Jack' Holtz

Oct. 6, 1928 — Feb. 5, 2004

ABSAROEKEE — Vernon "Jack" Holtz, 75, of Absarokee, passed away Thursday, Feb. 5, 2004.

Jack was born Oct. 6, 1928, at

Columbus, a son of Elizabeth (Flanagan) and Vernon Holtz. He grew up around Absarokee and moved to Washington when he was approximately 8 years old. He graduated from Arlington (Wash.) High School and moved back to Absarokee in 1946 with Mary Margaret and Junior Arthun. He served in the Army during the Korean War from 1950 to 1952.

He met Mary Jane Kirch and was married June 7, 1953. Matthew and James were born to this union. Mary Jane passed away June 16, 1976. Jack married Cindy Cornutt on May 1, 1985. They were divorced in 2003.

Jack was a salesman for Sherwin Williams for many years and was custodian for Absarokee School from 1979 through his retirement in 1990. His interests included fishing, mountains, cribbage, card games and playing pool with the "Good



**JACK HOLTZ**

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Ol Boys." His grandchildren meant everything to him and were his greatest joy.

Jack was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Jane; his parents, Elizabeth and Vernon Holtz; stepfather, Alex Ross; sister Margie Haux; and brother Keith Holtz.

He is survived by his two sons, Matthew (Lori) Holtz and James Holtz both of Absarokee; stepson, Rob Vann; grandchildren, Christian Holtz of Absarokee, Elizabeth Holtz of Stevens Point, Wis., Levi Holtz and Michael Holtz of Absarokee, Jennifer Vann and Jordan Vann of Laurel; stepsisters, Mary Margaret Arthun of Roscoe, Donna Nystul of Columbus, Marge Willis in Washington; stepbrother, Jack Ross of Absarokee; ex-wife, Cindy Holtz; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Jack will be 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 9, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Absarokee. Interment with military honors will be in the Nye Cemetery. Smith Funeral Chapel-Columbus is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials: Arthritis Foundation, American College of Rheumatology Research and Education Foundation or American Cancer Society.

## **Rosalie Holzworth**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**NOV 16 2004**

LEWISTOWN — Rosalie (Hauck) Holzworth, 89, of Lewistown, died Saturday, Nov. 13, 2004, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

Cremation has taken place. At her request, there will be no services. Cloyd Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

**Doris Homan****JUN 09 2004**

**FORSYTH — Doris Homan, 86, Forsyth, died Monday, June 7, 2004, at the Rosebud Health Care Center in Forsyth.**

**Visitation will be from 1 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, June 9, in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 11, in the family lot of the Fort Benton Cemetery.**

# Doris Homan

**FORSYTH** — Doris Homan, age 86, passed away peacefully at the Rosebud Health Care Center in Forsyth on June 7, 2004.

She was born the daughter of Ernest and Ruby (Bedard) Pearce on Aug. 23, 1917, on the family homestead at Canyon Ferry. Doris grew up in Canyon Ferry and East



**DORIS  
HOMAN**

Helena, attending high school in Helena. Due to an earthquake that destroyed the high school building, Doris finished her senior year in railroad boxcars. Following her graduation, she attended business school. On June 5, 1947, Doris was united in marriage to Robert G. Homan in Helena. To this marriage, their beloved daughter Carole was born. The family moved to Colorado and then to Wyoming. They returned to Montana as Bob was transferred for his job, making their home in Laurel, Forsyth, Dillon and finally Fort Benton. Doris's dream of a lifetime came true in 1977 when she traveled to England with her brother Richard and his wife Gladys to visit their cousin with whom she had corresponded since childhood.

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Bob passed away in 1980. In 1985, Doris returned to Forsyth to be closer to her family. She later resided in the Rosebud Health Care Center Nursing Home, where she spent the last 8 1/2 years of her life, cared for with tenderness, dignity and love.

Doris loved and treasured her family, including the pets that were part of her life. She loved to read and shared her love of learning and books with her daughter and granddaughters. While she never realized her dream of becoming a teacher, through her caring and love, she taught everyone around her beautiful lessons of life.

Left to treasure the memory of her sweet, loving gentleness are her daughter Carole Mougey and her husband Larry of Colstrip; her grandchildren Karissa Atkinson and her husband Rob of Aberdeen, Wash., and Krista Mougey of Colstrip; as well as the staff of Rosebud Health Care Center. She is also survived by her brother Richard Pearce and his wife Gladys of Helena; cousins

Geoff Scantlebury and his wife Pat of Charlotte, N.C., and John Scantlebury and his wife Brenda of England.

Graveside services will be on Friday, June 11, at 2 p.m., in the family lot of the Fort Benton Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, June 9, in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer Association Montana Chapter 3010 11th Ave. N., Billings, MT 59101.

Condolences can be made to the Homan family at [www.stevensonandsons.com](http://www.stevensonandsons.com). Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Forsyth is in charge of the arrangements.

# William H. Hombach, MD

THE GAZETTE

8 0 2004

DEWEY, Ariz. — William H. Hombach, MD, 80, of Dewey, died on April 16, 2004.

William was born on Feb. 21, 1924, in Grand Island, Neb. He graduated from Stanford University Medical School. During the Korean War, he served as a flight surgeon in the Air Force. He practiced obstetrics in Billings for 35 years and moved to Dewey when he retired.

William is survived by his wife, Barbara; a daughter, Gretchen Hombach of Chandler; a son, William G. Hombach of Purcellville, Va.; and four grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Mayer, on Saturday, April 24, at 12 noon.

# Banji Michelle Hood

Banji Michelle Hood, 29, of Billings, born Oct. 5, 1975, ascended to Heaven, on Oct. 5, 2004. Banji was a loving mother of five beautiful children.

Banji is survived by her daughters, Britney (10), and Katherine (5); sons, Ricky (8), Patrick (3), and Jonathon (4 months); her mother Connie Donez; her sister Angelina; nephews Christian, and Anthony; her husband Derek; many aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her older sister Lucita; her younger brother Richard; and Grandmother Priscilla Romero.

The joys of her life were her five children.

She will be dearly missed by her family and friends.

## *I'm Free*

*Don't grieve for me for now I'm free, I'm following the path God laid for me. I took His hand when I heard His call. I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day, to laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way. I found the peace at the close of day.*



**BANJI HOOD**

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*If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remembered joys. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, O yes, these things I, too, will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine to tomorrow. My life's been full. I savored much, Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief; don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart, and peace to thee, God wanted me now, He set me Free.*

A rosary service will be held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, on Oct. 11, 2004, at 7 p.m. A funeral mass will also be given at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church on Oct. 12, 2004, at 10 a.m.



# Jolue Hook

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 16 2004

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Jolue Hook, 88, died Tuesday, April 13, 2004, at her home.

Private family interment will be held. At her request, no public services will be held. Adams Funeral Home of Buffalo is in charge.

## **Doris K. Hoops**

*THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

APR 24 2004

LIVINGSTON — Doris K. Hoops, 82, of Livingston, died Wednesday, April 21, 2004, at Livingston HealthCare Hospital.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, April 26, and from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 27, at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home in Livingston. Graveside committal services and burial will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, at Mountain View Cemetery in Livingston. Family and friends will gather at the funeral home prior to 1:45 p.m. Tuesday to proceed to the cemetery.

## Mary Brenda Falvey Hope

BEAUFORT, S.C. — Mary Brenda Falvey Hope, 63, of Custer, Mont., died Friday, Sept. 10, 2004, in Beaufort.

Services will be in Staten Island, N.Y.

Mrs. Hope was born July 8, 1941, in Staten Island, a daughter of Charlotte Hall Falvey and Harold Falvey.

She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Carl Hope of Custer; a daughter, Ardell Trusty of Big Horn, Mont.; a son, Victor Cifre of Staten Island; her mother of Staten Island; two brothers, Michael Falvey of Beaufort, Martin Falvey of Booneville, N.Y.; a sister, Muriel Keene of State Island; and three grandchildren.

The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to Friends of Caroline Hospice, 1110 13th St., Port Royal, SC 29935.

Copeland Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Dr. Albert B. Hopkins

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 01 2004

SUMMERVILLE, Ore. — Dr. Albert B. Hopkins, 95, died Jan. 29, 2004, at the Grande Ronde Hospital in La Grande, Ore. Funeral services will begin at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2004, at the Summerville Cemetery Chapel with graveside services following.

Dr. Hopkins was born on Sept. 29, 1908, in Texarkana, Ark., to the Reverend Benjamin Franklin Hopkins and Mary Ann Green. In 1929, he moved to La Grande with his family when his father was assigned as the minister of the Methodist Episcopal South Church on North Fir Street. That summer he joined the first class at the newly opened college in La Grande, now known as Eastern Oregon University.

On May 7, 1932, he married Phyllis Nadine Munn in Baker City, Ore. For the next seven years, the couple taught at the Oregon Trail School south of Nyssa, Ore. From 1939 to 1946, Dr. Hopkins was a teacher, coach and superintendent at Imbler, Ore. For the next four years, he was the superintendent at Union, Ore., before moving to Eugene, Ore., in 1950, to earn his doctorate at the University of Oregon. He was chosen in 1952, to be the dean of education at Montana State University-Havre. Two years later he joined the faculty as the dean of education at Montana State University-Billings where he

retired in 1975 as professor emeritus.

He earned his bachelor's degree from the College of Idaho at Caldwell in 1938, his master's degree at Oregon State University in 1948 and his doctorate from the University of Oregon in 1955. He was a lifelong educator who enjoyed success in all of his endeavors. While at Union, the district won the state championships in football, basketball and track.

Upon his retirement, he returned to his farm near Summerville, which the couple has purchased during World War II. Dr. Hopkins enjoyed the outdoors, hunting and fishing and working with cattle and chickens. He particularly enjoyed cutting his winter firewood. He was actively engaged with his farm work up until two years prior to his death.

Survivors include his wife with whom he was married for 71 years, his two sons and spouses, Doran and Fran Hopkins and Gerald and Mary Hopkins, all of Summerville. He had four grandchildren, Frank Hopkins of Devine, Texas, Rene Marinelli of San Antonio, Texas, Ann Smith of Killeen, Texas, and Angela Mitsch of Columbia Falls and nine great-grandchildren. Also

Surviving are his Drouer Olin Hopkins of Salem, Utah, sisters, Edith Hopkins of Baker City and Dorothea Weinmann of Redmond, Ore. Four brothers and three sisters died earlier.

Those who wish, may make contributions in memory of Dr. Albert Hopkins to the Elgin Methodist Church in care of Daniels Chapel of the Valley, 1502 Seventh St., La Grande, OR 97850. You may view an unedited obituary and sign the guest book online at [www.danielschapel.com](http://www.danielschapel.com).

**Glen Sheridan Hopkins**

JUN 16 2004

HOMER, Alaska — Glen Sheridan Hopkins, 61, of Homer, formerly of Gillette, Wyo., died June 8, 2004, in Homer.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 19, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan, Wyo.

**Hannah Lou (Haws)  
Hopkins**

**WOLF POINT — Hannah Lou (Haws) Hopkins, 43, died Saturday, May 15, 2004, in Wolf Point.**

**Viewing will be Tuesday, May 18, at the Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel, with a prayer service at 7 p.m. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 19, at the Dakota Presbyterian Church in Wolf Point. Burial will be in the Oswego Presbyterian Cemetery.**

# Catherine Ann (Kay) Hoppel

Mrs. Catherine Ann (Kay) Hoppel, of 1415 Yellowstone River Road in Billings, passed away on Wednesday, July 14, 2004. She was almost 89 years old.

Mrs. Hoppel was an avid duplicate-bridge player, having attained Life Master status. She also was a student of Montana history, loved sports, enjoyed traveling and took delight in her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The former Catherine Ann Tomlinson, whose great-grandparents and grandparents were early Montana settlers, was born on Aug. 29, 1915, in Joliet. Her parents were Joseph and Margaret Tomlinson. Catherine and her family moved to California in the early 1920s, and Catherine was a 1932 graduate of Los Angeles High School.

During periodic visits to Montana to see both sets of her grandparents, Catherine met John M. Hoppel. The two were married on Feb. 21, 1936, in Missoula, where John was employed with the Northern Pacific Transport.



**CATHERINE  
HOPPEL**

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The couple lived in Missoula from 1936 to 1943 (during which time they became parents of two sons), moved to Anaconda for approximately one year and then relocated to Los Angeles, Calif., where John embarked on a home-building career.

The Hoppels returned to Montana in August of 1950, settling in Laurel, where John had graduated from high school 20 years earlier. As John continued to build houses, Catherine devoted most of her time to homemaking work. She also was busy in Scouting activity, serving as a den mother, and owned and operated Kay's Flower Shop in Laurel for a brief period in the late-1950s.

In June of 1960, the Hoppels left Laurel when John joined the construction division of the J.C. Penney Co. John's foreman responsibilities turned the couple into permanent travelers-and work assignments took them to Alaska, Florida, Puerto Rico and throughout the western United



States, where they spent weeks or months in one locale. It was during this time frame that Catherine developed her fondness for traveling and cultivating new friendships.

In 1973, shortly before John's retirement, the couple built a home on the shore of Bull Lake in northwestern Montana, near Troy. When John's health began to fail in 1977, the Hoppels decided to return to their favorite city, Missoula, where medial facilities were more accessible. A year later, John and Catherine took up residence in Billings so they could be closer to family members.

Mrs. Hoppel, who was a member of Holy Rosary Catholic Church, is survived by two sons, Jack Hoppel (Della) of Billings and Joe Hoppel (Nancy) of St. Louis, Mo.; a sister, Gwen Call (Kenny) of Pomona, Calif.; six grandchildren, Marty Hoppel (Gail) of Belgrade, Monty Hoppel (Rita) of Midland, Texas, Shelly Lehto of Victoria, Texas, Mike Hoppel (Nina) of Belgrade, Mark Hoppel (Christina) of Billings and Matthew Hoppel (Jodi) of Laurel; 12 great-grandchildren, three nieces and one nephew.

Mrs. Hoppel was preceded in death by her husband, John, who died in 1980; and by a sister, Margie, who died in 1987.

No funeral is planned. A graveside service and burial will take place at 10 a.m. on Friday, July 23 at Missoula City Cemetery in Missoula.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

## Boyd E. Hopper

MCALLEN, Texas — Boyd E. Hopper, 76, passed away Feb. 15, 2004, in Weslaco.

He was born in Lodge Grass, Mont., the son of Charley "Red" and Inza Fay Littrell Hopper. He grew up in Wyola, Mont., where his father worked for the CB&Q Railroad. Upon graduating from high school, he joined the Navy in 1944. He was a member of the Naval Armed Guard assigned as a signalman aboard the Liberty Ship SS WM. H. Ashley.

After returning home, he worked as assistant manager for the Broadway Bowling Alley in Billings while attending Billings

Business College. After graduating from Billings Business College, he moved to Seattle and worked for Boeing, Inc. He was recalled to service during the Korean conflict, then returned to work at Boeing in Seattle until being transferred by Boeing to New Orleans.

He is survived by his wife, Phyllis Hopper of McAllen; three sons, Ronne, Gary and Kevin Hopper, all of Red Lodge, Mont.; one grandson, Dennis Fisher of Seattle; one sister, Evelyn (Bill) Hunter of Casper, Wyo.; one brother, Dale (Sharon) Hopper of O'Brien, Ore.

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SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Judith H. Hornbeck, 65, of Sheridan, died Sunday, Aug. 8, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 11, at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Sheridan. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to noon, Thursday, Aug. 12, at Montgomery-Stryker Funeral Home in Laramie. Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, at Montgomery Funeral Home. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge of Sheridan arrangements.

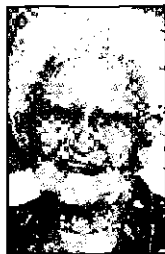
# Eva Burghardt Horning

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Eva Burghardt Horning, 93, of Billings, passed away peacefully on Oct. 19, 2004, at Billings Health and Rehabilitation Community. She was born on Nov. 22, 1910, to John and Catherine Richter in Napoleon, N.D.

In 1928, Eva married Wendelin Burghardt and together, they had six children. They moved to Billings in 1942, where they raised their family and where Eva worked a wide variety of jobs, including 19 years at Hart Albin. Wendelin passed away in 1969.



**EVA  
BURGHARDT  
HORNING**

Years later, in 1987, Eva married George Horning. Their seven years together before George's death brought much pleasure to Eva. They enjoyed their retirement, spending time fishing, traveling and countless hours of dancing. George died in 1994.

Eva was a devoted member of St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral and was affiliated with the Catholic Daughters of America.

Survivors include her three sons, Alfred (Kay) Burghardt of Evansville, Ind., Gene Burghardt of Riverbank, Calif., and John Burghardt of Billings; daughter, Sally (Jerry) Cople of Alamo,

Calif.; daughter-in-law, Judi Burghardt of Vancouver, Wash.; sisters, Ann of Yreka, Calif., and Bobbie of Roseville, Calif.; 10 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild; as well as nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husbands; sons, Tony and Ken; one brother and four sisters.

Funeral Mass will be held at 12 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 22, at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral, with Rite of Committal in Holy Cross Cemetery. A luncheon will be held following the service.

Memorials may be made in lieu of flowers to St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral, 215 N. 31st, Billings, MT 59101.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

## Ruth Horsley

DAYTON, Wyo. — Ruth Edna (Reavis) Horsley, 95, of Dayton, died Sunday, March 7, 2004, at her home.

Graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 11, in the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery in Sheridan. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

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# Richard 'Dick' B. Horton

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 12 2004

LAUREL — Dick Horton passed away Thursday, June 10, 2004, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Dick was born Aug. 11, 1924, to David and Sarah Horton in Omaha, Neb. Soon after, the family moved to their homestead in Ekalaka. Dick served as a paratrooper in the U.S. Army in France during WWII.

In 1947, Dick married Vivian Mundt. From this marriage there were three children, Albert "Punky," Donna and Georgia. He drove truck for many years. In 1983, he married Adeline Mundt and they resided in Laurel, where they acquired many cherished friends. Adeline and Dick spent their time together traveling, fishing, going to baseball games and bowling. Dick was proud of his bowling accomplishments, including starting the Laurel Senior Citizens Bowling League.

After Adeline's death, he spent much of his time with his dear friend Birdie Walshe of Billings. They enjoyed movies, going to

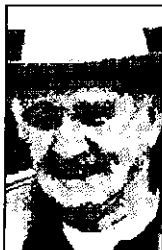
dinner and family gatherings. Dick loved his friends and family especially his grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; son, Albert; daughter, Donna; stepdaughter, Doris; stepson, Gale; brother, Joseph; and his sister, Helen.

He is survived by his daughter, Georgia (Jac) Grams; stepdaughters, Mavy. (Marv) Ingraham, Donna Erickson and Diane Piane; stepson, Derald Francis; sisters, Sarah "Sally" and Mary Ellen; 25 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews, as well as many dear friends.

The family would like to thank Dr. Purcell and his nurse Vicky for going the "extra mile" to show their dedication. We cannot express how much he and his family appreciate you!

As long as we have searched, through all the tears we've cried, we have tried to find the reason for this long goodbye. Now it's time for you to be finally freed from this disease. We love you and will miss you.



**DICK  
HORTON**

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, June 15, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, with interment with military honors to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

## Lloyd J. Hostetler

**THE BELLINGHAM GAZETTE**

GLENDIVE — Lloyd J. Hostetler, 88, of Glendive, formerly of Bloomfield, died Monday, March 22, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility.

**MAR 24 2004**

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, March 26, at the Evangelical Church of North America in Glendive. Interment will be in the Red Top Mennonite Cemetery in Bloomfield. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is in charge.



## **Kenny J. Hough**

NOV 09 2004

LOVELL, Wyo. — Kenny J. Hough, 22, died Sunday, Nov. 7, 2004, of injuries sustained in an auto accident.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, in the Lovell LDS Stake Center Chapel. Interment will be in the Lovell Cemetery. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell is in charge.

## Kenny J. Hough

Funeral services for Kenny J. Hough, 22, Lovell, who died Sunday, Nov. 7 of injuries sustained in an automobile accident east of Powell, will be conducted today (Thursday) at 1 p.m. at the LDS Church in Lovell.

Graveside services will be at the Lovell Cemetery, under the direction of Haskell Funeral Home.

He was born June 13, 1982, in Casper. He lived most of his life in Lovell with his mom and dad, Mike and Audrey Bay.

Kenny loved his horses and lived for his Broncos. He enjoyed riding motorcycles with his dad and living life to the fullest each day.

He joined the U.S. Navy in October, 2000 and served his country aboard the aircraft carrier, USS Abraham Lincoln, out of Everett, Wash. He served 10 months overseas in the Persian Gulf in Operation Enduring Freedom, the war in Iraq. He returned home after being honorably discharged on Oct. 29, 2004, having achieved the rank as petty officer.

He was employed by his mom at the 4 Corners Bar in Lovell and planned to move to Nevada to start a new life.

Survivors include his parents, Mike and Audrey Bay of Lovell; adopted sister, Angie Spann of Lovell; grandmother and grandfather, Ken and Virginia Bowen of Casper; Grandpa Lloyd Adams of Van Hassel; grandmother Lorina Bay of Hurricane, Utah; father and stepmother, David and Nancy Hough and half-brother and sister, Nicole and Steven Hough of Cody; very close friend, Cristant Bremer of

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TRIBUNE  
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Everett, Wash.; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his Great-grandfather Overman; a cousin, Brian Ladwig; Grandmother Mary Adams; Grandfather Bay; Grandfather Hough; and Great Aunt Ethel.

## Robert D. Houghton

Robert Dean Houghton, 80, of Billings, passed away peacefully Jan. 3, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic after a long battle with emphysema and COPD.

Robert was born April 22, 1923, in Bridger (to Birdie Mae Higgins) and Frank S. Houghton, the seventh of eight children. The family moved to Roberts where Dad attended school. In 1941, they moved to the Luther area where he helped work the family farm until enlisting in the Army. He served from 1943 to 1947 in the Philippines and New Guinea, earning two honorable discharges.

Upon returning from the war, Dad met and married Juanita Gerondale, June 11, 1949, and settled in Red Lodge. Dean, as his



**ROBERT  
HOUGHTON**

friends called him, worked in the sawmill in Red Lodge, cut timber near Cooke City and drove a logging truck over the Beartooth Pass.

In the early '50s Mom and Dad moved to Billings where he worked at Pierce Packing Co., retiring from there after 22 years.

Robert is survived by his devoted wife of 54 years, Juanita; four sons, Ron (Carolyn) Gerondale, Tom Gerondale, Robert (Kathy) Houghton, Bill (Anne) Houghton; brother, Jim Houghton of Bear Creek; six grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

A simple graveside service is scheduled for 1 p.m. Thursday at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Dahl Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

The family wishes to express the deepest gratitude to Dr. Rollins, the nurses and staff at the Pulmonary Dept. at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

# Mary Elizabeth House

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

GREYBULL, Wyo. — Mary Elizabeth House, 76, died Friday, Feb. 20, 2004, at the South Big Horn Hospital between Greybull and Basin.

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Graveside funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, at the Mount View Cemetery in Basin. Burial will follow immediately after the services. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc., are in charge.

## Walter Stanley House

THE LINDS GAZETTE

LOVELL, Wyo. — Walter Stanley "Stan" House, 74, died Wednesday, May 12, 2004, at the Salt Lake City VA Hospital.

May 15 2004

Visitation will be from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Monday, May 17, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 18, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Lovell. Burial will be in the Lovell Cemetery.

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## Walter Stanley House

THE HOWELL  
TRIBUNE

Funeral services will be conducted today (Tuesday, May 18) at 10 a.m. in the LDS Stake Center in Lovell for Walter Stanley House of Powell, who died Wednesday, May 12 in the Salt Lake City, Utah, VA Hospital after a valiant fight with cancer.

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Burial will follow in the Lovell Cemetery.

He was the oldest son born to Oscar William House and Elna Tilda Wasden House in Powell on Dec. 7, 1930. He grew up on the family farm in Ralston and attended Powell schools.

He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War and was honorably discharged. His life's career was driving truck for Jim Averett, Caribou Four Corners, Lovell Clay Products and for many years, Dick Jones Trucking. He was awarded the 1995 Truck Driver of the Year award by the Wyoming Truckers Association.

He loved fishing and spending time with his family.

His wife, Ruth Allred House, died in the summer of 1974. He was also preceded in death by his father, Oscar William House, and sisters, Peggy Allen and Linda House.

Survivors include his children, Joyce House Duvall (Phil) of Sheridan, Jim House, also of Sheridan, and John House (Teresa) of Tekoa, Wash.; stepsons Chris Finkle (Wendy) of San Diego, Calif., and Tim Finkle of San Diego and Great Lakes, Ill.; his mother, Elna Tilda House of Cody; his brothers, Dean House (Helen) of Powell, Vern House (Nancy) of Bozeman, Mont., and Neil House of Chino, Ariz.; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

For those who wish, the family suggests a donation to the hospice of the Salt Lake City V.A. Medical Center, 500 Foothill Boulevard, SLC Utah 84148

## Wesley L. House

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

Wesley L. House, 79, of Billings and formerly of Broadview, passed away Sunday evening, Sept. 26, 2004, at the Parkview Care Center.

Wesley was born Jan. 23, 1925, at Nunica, Mich., and entered the Army at the age of 16. Following his time in the military, he moved to Billings, where he met and married Lillian Maynard in 1950. They owned and operated the Sportsman Bar in Broadview from 1967 until 1985. Mr. House had resided at Parkview Care Center in Billings since 2001.

Survivors include his son, Daniel of Billings; two grandchildren, Susanne Selwyn of Las Vegas and James House of Fayetteville, N.C.; and a great-granddaughter, Courtney Selwyn. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife.

A graveside memorial service with military honors will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 1, at the Veterans Columbarium in Mountview Cemetery. Smith Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

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**JAKE HOUSE**

**CROW AGENCY** — William T. "Jakie" House, 61, of Crow Agency, passed away early Thursday morning, Jan. 22, 2004, in the Crow Agency IHS Hospital.

Returning Crow "Aalihtakuush" was born Nov. 6, 1942, in Crow Agency, a son of Franklyn and Mae House. He grew up in the Black Lodge area and attended Hardin schools. Following his education, he worked for Floyd Warren Farming and the Wilcutt ranching outfit. He later worked heavy equipment on highway construction projects, worked for the Sarpy Coal Mine, worked as a Crow Tribal Game warden and most recently as a facility supervisor for the Crow Tribe for 10 years, retiring due to ill health.

Jakie married Sarah Other Medicine on June 27, 1963, in Sheridan, Wyo., and the couple made their home in the Crow Agency area.

He was a member of the Black Lodge Pentecostal Church, Big Lodge Clan and a child of the Whistling Water Clan. He was the lead singer for the Black Lodge Wrangler Traditional singing group. He and his group were often requested to sing at many traditional gatherings including sun dances, hand games, and push dances. He was the general manager for Crow Fair Celebration in 1991. He also has won several champion best hand game singers.

Jakie was an active person, who trained the racehorse Alisha Dawn. He loved the outdoors and knew the areas of the reservation better than most. However, the joy of his life was his family, especially his grandchildren, whom he gave nicknames and often honored them with Crow names.

His father, Franklyn; sister, Roseabelle Fighter and Thorann House, and brother, Tommy Medicine Horse, preceded Jakie in death.



Survivors include his wife of 40 years, Sarah; his mother, Mae House of Black Lodge; his daughters, Amelia (McKinley) Sees the Ground and Farah (Avery) Pretty on Top of Hardin, his baby girl, Villamina (Cameron) Rides the Horse and Etheleen Mountain Sheep of Black Lodge; his sons, William L. House, Fred (Cindy) Alden, Lloyd (LaTonna) Long Soldier, Lance (Renita) and Stephen (Leanne) House of Crow Agency; his sisters, Gracemae (Jerome) Hummingbird and Ruth Alden of Hardin, Irene Reed and Mary (Edward) Iron of Fort Smith, Vera White Clay of Black Lodge, Donna (Norman) Pretty on Top and Fannie (Kenneth) Plenty of Garryowen; his brothers, Richard (Agatha) and Raymond House of Black Lodge; his adopted sons, Daryl Three Irons, Dezmond Rides Horse, David Jefferson III, Gary (Janice) Dawes, Kevin White, Elliott Sandy) Mountain Sheep and Thomas House; his adopted daughters, Amelia Other Medicine, Sarah Page, Marshae Little Light and Opal (Donald) Domee; his adopted brothers, Robert Iron Maker, Larry (Carol) Old Elk, Lloyd (Mary) Top Sky, Alex (Harriett) Bear Crane, Clifford (Ardeth) Bird in Ground and Paul (Joy) Matt; his aunt, Elizabeth Smart Enemy; his uncles, Louis Weasel Boy and Joe Ironman; 25 grandchildren; one great-granddaughter, Keyonna

Hogan; sister-in-laws, Dineen Other Medicine, Vanetta Dawes, Sandra Other Medicine, Ardena Other Medicine, Marie Lincoln and Ann Horseman all of Crow Agency; brother-in-law, John (Elizabeth) Other Medicine of Crow Agency; family friend, Eli Aramjo and many, many nieces and nephews. His extended families include Bad Bear, Big Medicine, Three Irons, Bird Hat, Black Hawk, Goes Ahead and Black Eagle; Stump, Denny, Standing Rock and Top Sky of Rocky Boy; Buffalo and Saddle Backs of Hobbema Alberta, Canada.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday in the Crow Multipurpose Building. Interment will follow in the Crow Agency Cemetery.

Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

# Houseman Doris Vivian Taylor

Our mom, Doris Vivian Taylor Houseman, passed away Nov. 29, 2004.

Our mom was born June 3, 1911, in Spiketon, Wash., to Charles and Lenora Taylor. Due to her mother's health problems, she was raised by her grandmother, Ersline Taylor, and aunt, Tressa Noyes.

They homesteaded in Garfield County, left due to poor conditions there, lived in Seattle during most of her school years, back to Billings with her aunt for her college education. She talked often of her happy school days in Seattle, where she was involved in all sports, including swimming, where she earned lifeguard certificates and loved every minute. She graduated from Billings Senior High School in 1929, attended Eastern Montana Normal School and received her teacher's certificate, of which she was very proud. She had her first teaching job at Coburn School, "a little tarpaper shack," on Pryor Creek, riding her little black mare eight miles morning and night. She married Wm. Leonard Houseman, Nov. 9, 1932 at Hardin. In that area teach-



**DORIS  
HOUSEMAN**

ers could not be married, so they kept that quiet as long as they could, and she continued to board with families on Pryor Creek. They lived on Pryor Star Route on the Houseman Ranch for many years.

She loved card games, baseball, playing and watching, and could pitch horseshoes with the best of them. She enjoyed risqué jokes and had a playful gleam in her eyes when telling or hearing one. Very giving of herself to family, friends and neighbors, and willing to help anyone.

She never turned a stray dog or cat away, always putting something out for them to eat, and made sure every day her many birdhouses were well stocked with bird seed. On the ranch, she had bum lambs and baby chickens in the kitchen to care for until they could fend for themselves.

Her life always included children in some way, teaching, childcare and eventually enjoying 10 years in the Foster Grandparents program in the Billings schools. She was happiest when she was with kids, playing games, down on the floor

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with puzzles, crayons, scrap-books, reading or doing activities outside with them...(not house cleaning)! She was the best "Gramma" in the whole world.

She loved her flowers and garden and thought weeds were as good as flowers and had many geraniums of various colors that bloomed profusely year after year. Her lawn and flowers were tended to daily and no one could do the job of lawn mowing as well as herself. She was still mowing with straight lines at 90 years of age.

She could tackle most any home improvements and build shelves everywhere, even if they weren't always level. She believed that practice made perfect, reflecting in her beautiful penmanship, proper English and spelling. She also believed in proper ladylike behaviors, saying girls should know how to sew, cook and bake, iron clothes and take care of the home. She never wore pants, only housedresses and aprons...never forgot a birthday and always had a greeting card to fit any occasion.

She was preceded in death by her parents; aunt; grandmother; four sisters; four brothers; her husband, Wm. Leonard Houseman; and two sons, Richard Lee and James Leonard; also, one grandson, Timothy Raymond Oberg.

Survivors are three daughters, Helen and husband Clyde Oberg

and Hazel Tanner of Billings, and Linda Houseman, Boise, Idaho; one brother, Burton Taylor of Wisdom; and one sister, LaVonne Paul of Butte; 13 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at Smith's Downtown Chapel, 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 3. Luncheon following return from Mountview Cemetery at American Legion Post #4, 1540 Broadwater Ave., Billings. The service will be a closed casket.

Mom, God bless you as you join Daddy and Jim, and know you are always in our hearts. We love you. We will miss you.

Memorials to the Billings Animal Shelter or Ronald McDonald House.

**David L. Houston****MAY 19 2004**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — David L. Houston, 62, of Sheridan, died Saturday, May 15, 2004, at his home.

Cremation has taken place in Sheridan. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 19, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan.

# Margaret E. Houts

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

JAN 16 2004

LIVINGSTON — Margaret E. Houts, 94, died at her home Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2004.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Saturday at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home. Graveside committal and burial will follow in Mountain View Cemetery.

**John B. Hoversland****JUN 20 2004**

**WOLF POINT** —John B. Hoversland, 80, died Wednesday, June 16, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Visitation will be 1 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel in Wolf Point. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday at the chapel with interment in Greenwood Cemetery.

## Hazel Hoversten

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 11 2004

SIDNEY — Hazel Hoversten, 92, died Tuesday, Nov. 9, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center - Extended Care Facility.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, at the Pella Lutheran Church. The casket will not be open at the church. Interment will be in the Cherry Creek Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.



**BOB HOVEY**

**Bob Hovey**  
**1916 — 2004**

Lawrence Robert Hovey, 87, died Friday evening, Sept. 10, 2004, in Billings.

Bob was born in Frazer, Valley County, Mont., the son of L.E. & F.P. (Grey) Hovey, on Dec. 12, 1916. After graduating from Frazer High School, he attended St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minn. Bob graduated from the Minneapolis Business College in Minneapolis. On Sept. 7, 1939, he married Bess Terry in First Lutheran Church in Glasgow. During World War II, Bob served in the United States Army with the 163rd Infantry Battalion.

A great enjoyment in his life was business. His involvement in various businesses included retail grocery, restaurant, wholesale candy and tobacco sales, retail jewelry, apartment management, automobile sales and service, real estates development, banking, franchise food service, hotel management and

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stock trading. Bob served on the General Motors Planning Board.

He was a member of First Lutheran Church in Wolf Point, a Mason and a member of the Al Bedoo Shrine Temple, a Charter Member of the BPOE Lodge # 1764, and was active in the Wolf Point Lions Club and Wolf Point Chamber of Commerce.

Bob is survived by his wife, Bess, of Billings; two sons, Larry (and Bev) Hovey of Poway, Calif., and Bob Hovey of Billings; grandson Larry (and Kirsten) Hovey of Portland, Ore.; granddaughters, Sarah (and Mark) Marien of Vancouver, Wash., and Jennifer Hovey of New York, N.Y.; and great-granddaughter, Anna Hovey of Portland. He is also survived by his sister, Doris Leask of Metlacatla, Alaska; brother-in-law, Rudy Racki of Shasta Lake City, Calif.; eight nephews and four nieces.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother, C. E. "Bud" Hovey and two sisters, Dorothy M. Racki and K.G. "Sis" Charleson.

Funeral services will be held 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 16, in the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd at 1108 24th Street West in Billings, with Pastor Timothy Singleton officiating.



Interment will be held 10:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 17, in Greenwood Cemetery in Wolf Point, with Pastor Gregory Holler-Dinsmore officiating.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary & Crematory of Billings and Clayton-Stevenson Memorial Chapel of Wolf Point are in charge of arrangements.

# Dallas Edward Howard



SEP 2 2004  
BILLINGS GAZETTE

FRAZER — Dallas Edward Howard III was taken by the creator on Aug. 29, 2004, at the University of Utah Hospital.

A wake was held on Wednesday at the Frazer Community Hall. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Frazer High School with interment in St. Joseph Cemetery. Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel is in charge.

## **Martha Iona Howell**

SEP 27 2004  
BILLINGS GAZETTE

POWELL, Wyo. — Martha Iona Howell, 81, died Sept. 24, 2004 at the Powell Valley Care Center.

Memorial services will be 4 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28 at the Miratsky-Easton Funeral Chapel. Inurnment will be in the Ft. Rosecrans National Cemetery in Point Loma, Calif. at a later date.

## Martha Iona Howell

THE POWELL  
TRIBUNE

Memorial services were held Tuesday at Miratsky Memorial Chapel in Powell for Martha Iona Howell, 81, of El Cajon, Calif., who died Friday, Sept. 24 in Powell.

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The Rev. Jack Phillips officiated. Inurnment will be at Ft. Rosecrans National Cemetery in Point Loma, Calif.

She was born April 5, 1923, in Windfall, Ind., to Ross and Grace (Gillapsy) Tolle. She married Charles F. Howell on Feb. 15, 1948, in Indiana.

They later moved to El Cajon where they lived for 51 years. She was a school secretary.

Her hobbies were playing cards, knitting and square dancing.

She is survived by children Charles J. Howell of Laughlin, Nev., Debra Phillips of Palmer, Alas., and Jeff Howell of Powell; brother Phillip (Deanne) Tolle of Windfall, Ind.; nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband and eight siblings.

## Robert L. 'Bob' Howland

ABSAROKEE — Robert L. "Bob" Howland, 90, of Absarokee, passed away Friday, Dec. 17, 2004, at Stillwater Community Hospital.

He was born June 29, 1914, at Billings, a son of Harry and Ethel Howland, and was educated in Absarokee and graduated from Absarokee High School. He married Bertha F. Elam, Sept. 7, 1939, in Big Timber.

Survivors include his wife, Bertha of Absarokee; one son, Ronald of Absarokee; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Marilyn Faye Stien; and one brother, Arnold J. Howland. Cremation has taken place and private memorial services will be held at a later date. Memorials are suggested to the Absarokee Volunteer Fire Dept.

Smith Funeral Chapel-Columbus was in charge of cremation.

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**JUN 08 2004****Dr. Burt Allen Hoyt**

Burt was born in Billings on Jan. 13, 1961, to Hudson and Paula Hoyt. He graduated from Shepherd High School in 1979 as class valedictorian. He attended Carroll College in Helen and graduated magna cum laude. Burt received his doctorate from Pacific University in Optometry.

**DR. BURT  
HOYT**

Burt enjoyed music, reading, theater, lightning storms, celebrating the 4th of July and Halloween, and loved spending time with his family and friends.

He was a kind and loving son, brother, uncle and friend.

He is survived by his parents, Hudson and Paula Hoyt of Billings; his brother, Brett (Kathi) and nephews Morgan and Logan; his sister, Allena Siefken, husband Rob; his nephew Cody and niece Meghan.

We love you and will miss you, Burt!

A memorial service will be held 2 p.m. Friday, June 11, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church.

## **Alma Hrubes**

*THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

DEC 22 2004

**WIBAUX —** Alma Bertha Hrubes, 83, of Wibaux, formerly of Glendive, died Sunday, Dec. 19, 2004, at the Wibaux County Nursing Home in Wibaux.

Interment will be Thursday, Dec. 23, in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silba Funeral Home of Glendive is in charge.

## Irene Huber

PLEVNA —Irene Huber, 80, of Plevna, died Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2004.

Funeral services are at 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 4, at the First Baptist Church in Plevna. Prayer service will be at 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 3, at the Chapel of Stevenson Funeral Home. Burial will follow in the Plevna Community Cemetery.

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## Jacob 'Jay' Huber

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 08 2004

TERRY — Jacob "Jay" Huber, 29, of Terry, died Thursday, May 6, 2004, at his home, after a long illness.

Visitation will begin at 11 a.m. Monday, May 10, at the Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Terry. A prayer service will be at 6 p.m. Monday, at the Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 11, at the Community Presbyterian Church in Terry. Interment will follow in the Prairie County Cemetery.

## Leida E. Hubing

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 09 2004

Leida Hubing, 86, was born Dec. 15, 1917, on a homestead near Moorcroft, Wyo., and died in Billings on Dec. 7, 2004, after a long battle with physical ailments and Alzheimer's.

She is survived by her husband, Robert of Billings; daughter Kathy (Dave) Hodges; grandson Gage Hodges, all of Billings; her sister, Ella Rawhouser of Newcastle, Wyo.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place and at her request, no services are planned. Arrangements are by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

## Lucy Diane Huckman

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

FEB 19 2004

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. —

Lucy Diane Huckman, 60, died Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2004, at Canyon Hills Manor.

Cremation has taken place. At her request, no services will be held. Mortimore Funeral Home of Thermopolis is in charge.

## Eugene W. Hudson

THE GILLETTE GAZETTE

JAN 02 2004

UPTON, Wyo. — Eugene W. Hudson, 80, died Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2003, at the Pioneer Manor Nursing Home of Gillette, Wyo.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m., Jan. 3, at the Moorcroft First Presbyterian Church. Visitation will be 11:00 a.m. until the time of the service Saturday. Interment will follow at the Moorcroft Cemetery in Moorcroft, Wyo. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge of arrangements.

## **Jason B. Huebner**

SEP 19 2004  
**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

### **WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS**

— Jason B. Huebner, 35, formerly of Melstone.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 20, at the Melstone Community Center. Interment with Military Honors will follow at the Melstone Cemetery. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Jason Bruce Huebner

SEP 17 2004

## BILLINGS GAZETTE

**WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS**  
— Jason Bruce Huebner, 35, of White Sulphur Springs, formerly of Melstone, passed away unexpectedly Sunday, Sept. 12, 2004, at home.



**JASON  
HUEBNER**

He was born Feb. 6, 1969, in Oxnard, Calif., to John and Tamara Huebner. He grew up and attended school in Melstone, where he graduated in 1988. After high school, he attended Rocky Mountain College for one year, and played the game he loved — basketball — for the Battling Bears. He then enlisted in the United States Air Force for four years. He was stationed in Frankfurt, Germany, and served during Desert Storm, as well as Lackland and Kelly Air Force Bases in San Antonio, Texas, where he earned an electronics degree. After his time in the service, he enrolled at Dickinson State University, where he graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration in 1996. He then moved to Terry, where he worked as a telephone technician for Mid Rivers Telephone.

In 2000, Jason moved to White Sulphur Springs and began work-

ing for Central Montana Communications as the area telephone technician. Fellow employees looked forward to traveling to White Sulphur to work with 7-1 and Jason loved and entertained all of them. Jason had a love for all kinds of music — good music. He converted many of his friends and family into becoming "Hag" fans.

Jason was a wonderful person with a big heart and made people feel at home when they came to visit. He was funny and quick-witted and had a love for the great outdoors. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and snowmobile trips with friends. Jason always looked forward to branding each year with his family at the Grebe Ranch.

In June of 2003, Jason embarked on a business venture with his friend and partner, Ken Kellum. They founded Medical Imaging Connections, Inc. in Roundup. Jason was an intelligent, goal-oriented person and was living out his dreams through his work, friendships and his new business.

Jason was preceded in death by his birth mother, Tamara East Huebner; grandparents Buck and Peddie East; grandfather Bob Eike; grandmother Marge Belles and his Grandfather Huebner. He

is survived by his family, Ed and Leta Grebe, Jason (Janel) Grebe, Laurie (Brad) Kent, John Grebe, Todd Grebe; and nephews Brody and Bryce Grebe and Riley Pinkerton. He is also survived by his best friend and the love of his life, Tana Pinkerton, and their dogs Bailey and Oattis. His birth father, John Huebner, along with cousins Jan, Willie, Waylon and Carmella Fisk, also survive him.

Donations can be made to the Jason Huebner Scholarship Fund at Wells Fargo Bank in Roundup, Roundup Memorial Healthcare, Musselshell County Ambulance or the charity of one's choice.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, Sept. 20, at 11 a.m. at the Melstone Community Center. Interment at the Melstone City Cemetery. Luncheon to follow at the Community Center. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## **Bert Leroy Huff**

ST. MARIE — Bert Leroy Huff, 66 of St. Marie, died Monday, March 29, 2004, at his home, of emphysema.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, April 2, at Bell Mortuary Chapel in Glasgow. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery in Glasgow.

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## Charles D. 'Buzz' Huffine

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 4 2004

LEWISTOWN — Charles D. "Buzz" Huffine, 68, died Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center, due to complications of diabetes mellitus.

Charles was born Jan. 29, 1936, in Lewistown, to Charles E. and Katherine (Kalfatic) Huffine. He received his schooling in Lewistown and graduated from Fergus High School in 1955.

He served in the U.S. Army and the Montana National Guard, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant.

On Aug. 9, 1975, in Lewistown, he was united in marriage to Judith K. Lervick. She preceded him in death on May 15, 1996.

Charles worked for Fergus County, driving truck for the road crews. He also worked as a delivery man for Paris Cleaners, was a school bus driver for the Grass Range School and worked part-time at Snowy Lanes Bowling Alley.

He was a member of First Presbyterian Church, the Moose, the Eagles, the American Legion and the VFW.

He was an avid bowler and pool player, and coached and umpired for men's, women's and youth baseball and softball teams. He also enjoyed helping Barney Berger with Lewistown recreation programs.

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Survivors include his mother, Katherine Huffine; a brother, Dale (Carol) Huffine, all of Lewistown; two nephews, Dan Huffine of Denver and David Huffine of Phoenix. In addition, he is survived by several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Judith, in 1996, and his father, Charles, in 1950.

Funeral services for Charles D. Huffine will be held at the Creel Funeral Chapel on Saturday, March 6, at 2 p.m. Burial with military honors by Fergus American Legion Post #16 will be at the Lewistown City Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the First Presbyterian Church, the Central Montana Hospice or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Creel Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Tom F. Hufford

Funeral services for Tommy F. "Tom" Hufford of Riverton were scheduled for Tuesday (today) at the Davis Funeral Home in Riverton.

Mr. Hufford died at his home in Riverton on Thursday, March 25. He was 65 at the time of his death.

He was born Aug. 3, 1938 in Baker, Mont., the son of Tommy Wallace Hufford and Dorothy (Cretsinger) Hufford.

He married Sharon Ann Martin in Powell on April 25, 1959.

The family resided in Riverton for 35 years. He was a petroleum consultant.

Mr. Hufford was a Christian and his family said his interests centered on family life.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon Hufford of Riverton; son, Wally Hufford of Nikiski, Alaska; daughter, Jeri Liston of Green River; grandchildren Kirsten Liston of Casper, Laura Jun and Amily An Hufford of Nikiski; brothers, Bill Hufford of Portland, Ore., and Delbert Hufford of Libby, Mont.; and a sister, Debbie Drange of Willison, N.D.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Davis Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



**Tom Hufford**

GREYBULL, Wyo. — E.A. "PeeWee" Huffman, 83, of Greybull, died Friday, July 30, 2004, at the Bonnie Bluejacket Memorial Nursing Home between Greybull and Basin.

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No services are planned. Cremation has taken place. Atwood Family Funeral Directors, Inc., are in charge.

# Wilbur Huggins

THE SHERIDAN GAZETTE

APR 04 2004

STORY, Wyo. — Wilbur Huggins, 89, died Friday, April 2, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 6, at Kane Funeral Home. Interment will follow in the Quiet Rest Cemetery near Fort Phil Kearney. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan, Wyo., is in charge of arrangements.

## **Bud Hughes**

THE BILBO'S GAZETTE

AUG 21 2004

GLASGOW — Donald "Bud" Hughes, 73, died Thursday, Aug. 19, 2004, at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital in Glasgow.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 24, at First Lutheran Church in Glasgow. Interment will be in Highland Cemetery in Glasgow. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

# **Charlotte Hoffman Hughes**

**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE**

**FEB 19 2004**

**MILES CITY —** Charlotte Lucille Hoffman Hughes, 59, of Miles City, died Sunday, Feb. 15, 2004, in the Billings Evergreen Nursing Home.

Funeral services will be at 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, in the Bullis-Graves Memorial Chapel in Miles City. A private interment be Friday, Feb. 20, in the Custer County Cemetery.

# Ethel Clanton Hughes

THE BILLINGS HERALD

DEC 21 2004

Ethel Clanton Hughes, of Billings, and Mesa, Ariz., passed away in Mesa, on Nov. 9, 2004.

Ethel was born in Billings in Nov. 1, 1922, to Albert and Gladys Frisby Clanton, who lived on their cattle ranch at the head of Blue Creek, Yellowstone County. The ranch is still owned by the Clanton family.



**ETHEL  
HUGHES**

Ethel was the oldest of three daughters. She was the grand-daughter of pioneers William and Elizabeth Clanton, who settled in early Billings in 1883. They purchased land at present-day Virginia Lane and Pioneer Park. This became known as Clanton Heights. The Clantons were community leaders. William was a charter member in 1884 of Ashlar Lodge No. 29, AF & AM, and Elizabeth, a charter member of the First Baptist Church. William Clanton was a pioneer stockman and sheep rancher, owning ranches and running bands of sheep from Musselshell to Pryor Mountains.

father, was born on June 4, 1884, in Billings Territory. He was a well known musician and singer.

Ethel was also a grand-daughter of Charles and Emma Frisby, who came to Montana by covered wagon in a family group from Iowa, to Clarks Fork Valley in May 1900, bringing their oldest child, Gladys, 9 months old, who was Ethel's mother.

Ethel spent her early years growing up on the Clanton ranch and attended a one-room school for six years. At Pleasant View, she gained a rich knowledge of the values of life, as well as a good education. Ethel graduated from Fromberg High School and Eastern Montana College. She taught at a country school in the Silesia area for a time. In Billings, Ethel was employed by Dr. A.L. Hammerel for 16 years, then, worked for the Billings Clinic for 25 years, before retirement in 1986.

In 1949, Ethel married Claire E. Hughes of Billings, who had just been discharged from the U.S. Navy after eight years of service.

Albert Clanton, Ethel's



Graveside services will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21, at the Clanton Family Plot at Mountainview Cemetery. Smith Funeral Chapels is in charge of arrangements.

Since retiring, they have spent 18 winters at their home in Mesa, Ariz. and have enjoyed entertaining many friends and relatives, who came to visit every winter. Ethel cherished her friendships with her wonderful Arizona neighbors.

Ethel was a member and past president of Pioneers of Eastern Montana, a charter member of Yellowstone Historical Society, a member of Montana State Mayflower Society, serving as treasurer for 10 years, a member of Poudre Mountain Chapter of DAR, First Baptist Church and Museum of Women's History.

Ethel greatly treasured her pioneer heritage. She enjoyed visiting with her many friends. She was a kind and caring wife and sister and will be greatly missed. One of her joys in life was working in her gardens and flowers.

Ethel was preceded in death by her parents and nephew, Samuel Wegner. She is survived by her husband of 55 years, Claire E. Hughes; sisters, Marjorie (Frank) Clark and Donna (Dick) Wegner of Laurel; a nephew, Douglas Clark; a niece, Susan Wegner; and several cousins. In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials be given to First Baptist Church.

# Vida Ione Hughes 'Ishta-Toh-Toh'

THE BELKNAP GAZETTE

JAN 29 2004

**POPLAR** — Vida Ione Hughes, "Ishta-toh-toh," began her life's journey on Dec. 26, 1933, in Savoy, when she joined Sylvia, Ruby, T.L., Bud, Malcolm and Marian to become the seventh child born to Mike and Estelle Campbell.

Aunt Tote frequently recalled her days growing up in a rough 'n tumble world, the youngest of seven children.



**VIDA  
HUGHES**

Like so many rural members born in the era of the Great Depression, there were hardships which strengthened and molded them to become the unique, one-of-a-kind individuals they are today.

Though she never had children, many depended on her since she was a child herself. The early loss of Tote's father when she was 2 and the loss of her mother when she was 9 was the beginning of many unique challenges to face Aunt Tote and her brothers and sisters. The family's loss of Mike and Estelle left a void the impacted generations to follow.

So, if you have parents or grandparents, give them a hug

and tell them how they made life so much better. Grandpa "Tuffy" (Andrew Enemy Boy) married Estelle and Aunt Tote recalls the many, many times her stepfather was there to support her and younger brothers, Punkin and Levi, and nephew Squeaky, especially after the loss of Estelle.

Tote reunited with sister Marian at the Flandreau (S.D.) Boarding School where they formed lifelong friendships and learned many valuable life lessons, first and foremost, sharing and looking after one another.

It was good to have a big sister with a strong sense of humanity that, when put in charge of supplies, immediately decreased the stockpiles of inventory, including the much sought-after flannel night clothes, by giving them out to all the girls, especially the girls from Fort Belknap. Aunt Tote's second marriage and the love of her life was to Richard "Dick" Hughes, a handsome, gracious man whose girls, Jorgie and Diane, grew to love her too. Marriage to "Uncle Dick" was

the capstone of her life, she loved him, she loved the farm, and all too soon, she lost him.

Aunt Tote faced the final challenge of her life when she was diagnosed with cancer with the same indomitable, unwavering spirit that carried and sustained her throughout life.

Helping to her journey's end were Marian, Bonnie, Judi, Weazel, Pat, Toni Rae, and Loretta, R.N. Special thanks to Ellva, Squeaky, Dr. Maldonado, Dr. Uphues, Loretta Taylor, R.N., Leonarda, Loss, Mickey, Wayne, and Jerry, Dailing, George McClammy and family, Dana Comes Last, Buddy Baker, Stinker Crowe, the late Eleanor McKay. And to all those who sent their love and prayers. We honor your life Aunt Tote, we'll never forget you, we will always love you.

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A long time ago.

By Edna St. Vincent Millay

Aunt Tote left this world Sunday morning, Jan. 25, 2004. She made known her wishes for cremation. In April, "Omaha at Savoy," where her ashes will be.

Memorial services will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 3, at 10 a.m. at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel in Poplar. Condolences may be sent to the family at [csmc@nemontel.net](mailto:csmc@nemontel.net) or [www.stevensonandsons.com](http://www.stevensonandsons.com). Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

## TAVERN

*I'll keep a little tavern  
Below the high hill's crest,  
Wherein all grey-eyed people  
May set them down and rest.  
There shall be plates a-plenty,  
And mugs to melt the chill  
Of all the grey-eyed people  
Who happen up the hill.  
There sound will sleep the  
traveler,  
And dream his journey's end,  
But I will rouse at midnight  
The falling fire to tend.  
Aye, 'tis a curious fancy —  
But all the good I know  
Was taught me out of two grey*

## Warren L. Hughes

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

GLASGOW — Warren L. Hughes, 70, died Thursday, Sept. 2, 2004, in Valley View Home of natural causes.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Lutheran Church in Jordan. There will be a private family burial. Bell Mortuary is in charge.

Melvin L. Hultgren, 97, of Billings, formerly of Bozeman, died Saturday, July 24, 2004, at his home in Billings.

He was born June 19, 1907, at Midale, Saskatchewan, Canada, the son of August and Annie (Arneson) Hultgren. In 1914, the family moved to Westby, where he was raised and educated.

Melvin attended the Palmer School of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa, graduating in 1931. He moved to Bozeman in 1933 where he practiced as a chiropractor. He married Myrtle Keilmeyer in 1935 in Malta. They lived in Jamaica from 1937 to 1939 and then returned to Bozeman. He retired in 1986, and they lived at Hillcrest in Bozeman for six years until moving to Billings to

be near family. Mrs. Hultgren died Dec. 25, 1999, in Billings.

Melvin married Myrtle Fletcher on Jan. 3, 2002, in Billings. She died June 9, 2002.

Melvin was a member and Past Master of Gallatin Lodge No. 6, AF & AM in Bozeman, Scottish Rite Bodies of Livingston, Algeria Shrine of Helena and had been a member of the Rotary Club in Bozeman.

Survivors include two sisters, Helen Lindroth and Ruby Boyer, both of Sacramento, Calif., and several nieces and nephews.

Graveside service will be 10 a.m. Thursday at Sunset Hills Cemetery in Bozeman.

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

# Caren Mae Hummell

BAKER — Caren Mae Hummell, 93, of Baker, died Monday, Oct. 4, 2004.

Funeral Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 8, at Stevenson Funeral Home in Baker.

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**Jake Alexander  
Humphrey**

**BILLINGS GAZETTE**

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You lived in my womb I felt your presence we knew your soul you were our friend. Then, my child, you died. Your spirit, as real and as complete as our other child, lives in our heart. You are now and forever, our precious son. We need to tell you that. We love you, Mom and Dad.

Graveside services will be held 9 a.m. Friday at the Holy Cross Cemetery in Billings.

# Harry Hunter

Harry Hunter, 86, of Billings, passed away June 16, 2004, at St. John's Lutheran Home.

He was born Sept. 14, 1917, in Klein, the son of William and Elizabeth Hunter Sr. He was raised in Klein as the eighth of 10 children and graduated from the Klein School. As a Montana and Wyoming champion Golden Gloves boxer and the winner of several tournaments throughout the United States and Canada, boxing has always been a part of dad's life. One unique opportunity dad had was to meet King

George VI and Queen Elizabeth of England at an international boxing tournament in Canada. He continued his involvement of the Golden Gloves as referee of many tournaments in

this area. He married June Nelson in Roundup, July 5, 1946, after a five-week courtship, and raised two children. His military service to his country involved tours in the Army and the Air National Guard. Upon returning to Montana, he was employed by the Singer Sewing Machine Co., sold insurance, and cooked at various



**HARRY  
HUNTER**

establishments; he enjoyed cooking, bowling and golfing. He retired from the Billings Public Schools in 1984.

He is survived by his two children, Gayle and her husband Jerry of Rockypoint, Wyo., and Dave and his wife Connie of Billings; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Dad loved his grandchildren and always enjoyed being around them. His grandchildren will always remember his singing and his quick and humorous wit. Other survivors include three sisters, Liz Burns of Billings, Jessie Gunn of Arizona and Jeanne Malcomb of Oregon. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, one sister and five brothers.

Services will be at the First Alliance Church at 1 p.m. Saturday. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

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# Helen Annette Hunter

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Helen Annette Hunter, 92, joined her Lord early Wednesday morning, Sept. 8, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic Hospital. Her fall and resulting broken hip was just one too many trials for her heart to endure after years of suffering from osteoporosis. What a blessing that "Little Helen" celebrated her 92nd birthday in glorious fashion just four days before.



**HELEN  
HUNTER**

Helen was born Sept. 4, 1912, near Pelican Rapids, Minn., on the family homestead, a landmark in the area. Her parents, Samuel and Tillie Severtson, were both first generation immigrants from Norway. She graduated in 1930 from Lake Park High School where she excelled in her studies, women's basketball, and singing at the Lutheran Church and community functions with her sisters.

She married Thomas Roland Hunter in Fargo, N.D., in 1931. Throughout her life, she treasured learning and was a self-taught woman. She worked as a bookkeeper for Martinson's Jewelry in Moorhead, Minn., for 28 years. She loved sewing, embroidery and craft making.

Her quilts were legendary. She and Roland were active in bowling and organized many league tournaments as well as winning many bowling awards through the years. After retirement, she was an active volunteer for Eventide Lutheran Home, The Moorhead Thrift Shop, and her church, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, in Moorhead, where she headed the Quiltmakers for many years.

In 1998, she moved to Billings to be closer to her only daughter and son-in-law, Marilyn and Don Floberg. For the past 6-1/2 years, there have been many good times in Helen's life. At Mission Ridge and St. John's Lutheran Home, she was known for her enjoyment of people, making new friends, her faithful attendance at church services, Bible studies and sing-alongs, her famous peanut brittle recipe and for her courageous daily battle with the effects of osteoporosis. She was a member of American Lutheran Church, where the pastors always made her feel treasured and welcome.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1986; and her parents, grandparents, three sisters and two brothers, and a step-grandchild. She is survived by her only daughter, Marilyn Floberg and husband Don of Billings;

grandchildren David Bjornson of Missoula, Dana Bjornson and wife Gabrielle of Overland Park, Kan.; and great-grandchildren Nicholas, Daniel, Kristina, Emma, Blake and Chase. In addition, she is survived by three step-grandchildren, Kim Floberg of Billings, David Floberg of Miami, Andrew Floberg of Duluth and great-grandchildren Kate Floberg of Billings and Denny Carlson of Minneapolis. She is also survived by many nephews and nieces and their children.

Grams, we love you and will miss you dearly in our daily lives. You have been such a blessing to your daughter and family and we treasure the blessings we have enjoyed in sharing these last years with you. Now you can walk free of pain and can be once more with your loving husband.

Visitation will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept 11, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. A memorial service will be held in Billings at St John's Ocee Johnson Chapel on Sunday, Sept. 12, at 2 p.m. In addition, a memorial service will be held in Moorhead on Thursday, Sept. 16, at 11 a.m. at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd. Interment will follow. Memorials may be made to American Lutheran Church, 15 Lewis Ave., Billings, MT 59101 or Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 500 Sixth Ave. S., Moorhead, MN, 56560 or St. John's Lutheran Home Foundation at 3940

Rimrock Road, Billings, MT 59102.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary in Billings and Korsmo Funeral Service in Moorhead are in charge of arrangements.

## **Stuart Reginald Hurdle**

Stuart Reginald Hurdle, "Bud," died Thursday, May 27, 2004, at Horizon Hospice Home in Billings, at the age of 93. Stuart was born at Glendive, July 13, 1910. His parents were Reginald Truman Hurdle and Gertrude Inez Stewart Hurdle.

He was preceded in death by all of his brothers, Gardiner, Willard and Tom; and his sister, Virginia; and his son, Stuart Arthur Hurdle; and his wife, Elna Hoffman Hurdle; and by his second wife, Montana Stiles Hurdle.

He is survived by his daughter, Joan Hurdle of Billings; a granddaughter, Chrissy Hurdle of Seattle and Duff, Jon and Neil Schoonmaker, respectively of Bandon, Ore., San Diego and Spokane, Wash.

He had a long construction career in the west beginning with Boulder Dam, later renamed Hoover Dam, Parker Dam, also on the Colorado River, and Shasta Dam, in Northern California near Redding. He also worked for a time at Fort Peck and at Bonneville Dam. He worked for Standard Oil in Venezuela. He worked on numerous jobs throughout the west for Western Knapp Engineering Company.

In 1950, Stuart Hurdle was the rigger superintendent at Canyon Ferry Dam near Helena. Following that job, he was superintendent of the Glory Hole spillway at Hungry Horse Dam, a job he described as "the toughest." His last jobs were construction of telescopes at Kitt Peak, Arizona, and at Mount Tololo in Chile, South America, for NASA.

## **Aldon O. Hurlburt**

**BELLING'S GAZETTE**

**NOV 04 2004**

**THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. — Aldon O. Hurlburt, 74, of Thermopolis, died Monday, Nov. 1, 2004, of ALS, Lou Gehrig's disease.**

**Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Mortimore Funeral Home of Thermopolis is in charge.**

## Ruth Hurley

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Ruth Vera Hurley, 95, of Sheridan, died Saturday, Feb. 28, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 4, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Interment will follow in Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

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# Anna Huschka

DICKINSON, N.D. — Funeral services for Anna Huschka, 100, of Dickinson, formerly of Belfield, are 10 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 6, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church, Belfield, with Father Shannon Lucht celebrating. Interment will follow in St. Bernard's Cemetery.

Visitation is Thursday, Feb. 5, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Stevenson-Mischel-Olson Chapel, with a rosary led by the Catholic Daughters and vigil being said at 7 p.m., led by Father Lucht, with visitation continuing one hour prior to the service.

Anna passed away on Sunday, Feb. 1, 2004, at St. Benedict's Health Center in Dickinson.

Anna was born March 30, 1903, in New Hradec, N.D., to Frank and Rosalia (Roller) Krushensky. She grew up and attended country school in the New Hradec area. On June 15, 1925, Anna married Andrew J. Huschka in New Hradec.

They moved to a farm south of Belfield, and together they farmed and raised their family for the next 40 years, where her children were the center of her life. Anna would raise a large garden and canned all the family's vegetables. They also raised chickens and pigs and milked a few cows. Anna sewed most of the boys' shirts without a pattern. They moved to Belfield in 1965.

Andrew died in 1993 and in July of 1996 Anna entered St.

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Benedict's Health Center. Church being very important to her, she enjoyed singing in the Gaylord Catholic Church Choir. Anna was a member of the Catholic Daughters and St. Bernard's Catholic Church, Belfield. Anna was so happy at St. Benedict's Health Center, she would often tell her children how wonderful it was there along with the care provided by everyone.



**ANNA  
HUSCHKA**

Anna is survived by her sons, Clarence (Ann) Huschka and Joe Huschka, both of Miles City, Fred (Angie) Huschka of Ellensburg, Wash., Holly (Dawanna)

Huschka of Torrance, Calif., Ray (Kay) Huschka of Norwalk, Calif., Richard (Trudy) Huschka of Fergus Falls, Minn., Andy (Connie) Huschka of Cypress, Calif., and Bill (Alice) Huschka of Mandan; daughters, Rose (Bobby) Cook of Austin, Texas, and Jan (Bill) Champion of Miles City; daughter-in-law, Marge

Huschka of Davenport; sisters-in-law, Barbara Krushensky of Dickinson and Clementina Faller of Dickinson; 41 grandchildren, 70 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Andrew; parents; son Leo; daughters Elenore and Maggie; brothers Frank, Louie, Andy and Joe; sisters Josephine, Cecilia and Lucy; four grandsons; one granddaughter and one great-granddaughter.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to St. Benedict's Health Center and St. Bernard's Catholic Church.

Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at [stevensonfuneralhome.com](http://stevensonfuneralhome.com).

## **Wendy Ann Huseby**

**MILES CITY — Wendy Ann Huseby, 30, died Jan. 3, 2004.**

**Visitation is on Wednesday at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Services are at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Assembly of God Church with burial at the Custer County Cemetery.**

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## **James Hutchens**

SIDNEY — James Hutchens, 78, of Sidney, died Sunday, April 25, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center.

Funeral services will be at 2

p.m. Thursday, April 29, at the Fulkerson Funeral Home Memorial Chapel. Interment will be in the Evergreen Cemetery in Wood, S.D.

# Frank Hutchings

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Frank Hutchings, beloved husband, father and grandfather, passed away in his home on Oct. 21, 2004. He was 77 years old.

Originally from Somerville, N.J., Mr. Hutchings became a resident of Billings in 1993, after the devastation of his home in Florida by Hurricane Andrew.



**FRANK  
HUTCHINGS**

Mr. Hutchings was a 100% service-connected Disabled American Veteran. He was a Seaman First Class in World War I.

He is survived by his wife and daughter, who currently reside in Billings.

He will be missed greatly.

Cremation was performed by Smith's Funeral Chapel, and a military funeral is planned for the spring.

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## Robert Hutton

AJO, Ariz. — Robert "Bob" Hutton, 77, of Gillette, Wyo., formerly of Ekalaka, Mont., died Saturday, Jan. 31, 2004, in Ajo.

Family will greet friends during a visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, at Stevenson Funeral Home in Ekalaka. A

funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, at the Ekalaka Bible Church. Burial will take place at Beaverlodge Cemetery.

# Montana 'Tana' Wiegler Hyde

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

LEWISTOWN — Montana Wiegler Hyde was born Nov. 3, 1929, to George and Helen Wiegler in Lewistown. She grew up in the town of Maiden, attending Maiden and Lewistown schools and graduating from Fergus County High School in 1947.

On Jan. 29, 1949, Tana married Robert Hyde. They lived several places in Montana, Texas, North Dakota and Wyoming. Tana and Bob had three daughters. In 1958, the family settled in Lewistown, where Tana worked for FCIC, Federal Land Bank, Fergus County Court House, and finally Realty Title. Due to her declining health, she was forced to retire in November 2003.

She spent her final days in her beloved home, enjoying her magnificent view of Little Casino Creek, receiving loving care from her family under the gentle guidance of her daughter, Niki, and the caring staff and volunteers from the Hospice of Central Montana.

She passed away peacefully at her home on Sept. 3, 2004.

Tana was preceded in death by her parents, George and Helen Wiegler; her husband Robert Hyde in 1997; sister Marjorie King in 1996; granddaughter, Nicole Karaffa in 2003. She is survived by

her three daughters, Niki Hyde of Denver, Connie Hyde and Peggy (John) Twedt, of Lewistown; her sister, Selma Hanley of Lewistown; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services for Tana will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 11, at St. Leo's Catholic Church. Cremation has taken place and the family is handling the service arrangements. The family suggests memorials to Hospice of Central Montana or the charity of choice.