

Margaret Jarrett

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Margaret Jarrett, 87, longtime resident of Billings, passed away Thursday morning, May 27, 2004, at her home. She was born in Riverton, Wyo., on June 2, 1916, the daughter of Hugh Clinton and Jennie June (Sipes) Lawer.

She was raised in Riverton, went to college in Iowa, and in 1938, married Amos Jarrett from Hillsboro, Texas. They moved to Denver in 1941 and to Billings in 1943, where they resided since. Amos preceded her in death in 1997. Margaret was a mom, a school teacher, a ski instructor and a gardener. She enjoyed playing golf.

Survivors include her three children, Jim of Belgrade, David of Bozeman and Barbara of Boise, Idaho; six grandchildren, Justin Jarrett of Seattle, Jen Jarrett of Los Angeles, Mike Jarrett of Bozeman, Jill Jarrett of San Francisco and Liza and Suzanne Rchetto of Boise, Idaho; and one great-grandchild, Emma of Bozeman. She is also survived by her sister, Evelyn DeMarco of Redding, Calif.

Cremation has taken place and a private memorial service is planned at a later date. Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

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ROUNDUP — Virginia May Jasbeck died peacefully in her sleep, Feb. 8, 2004. May was born on the family ranch north of Roundup on June 22, 1915, to Edward and Rosana Harris, the oldest of five children.

May attended Signe School north of Roundup. May met and married Matt Jasbeck, the love of her life, on June 8, 1935. They made their home on a ranch north of Roundup, where they raised sheep, cattle and farmed. She enjoyed riding horses and tending the livestock. May raised chickens and for many years and sold dozens of eggs to her loyal customers in town. She loved to read and crochet.

May was preceded in death by her two sisters, Lottie and Rosana; and two brothers, William and Wesley.

She is survived by her husband, Matt of Roundup; her sister-in-law, Marie Harris of Shepherd; her brother-in-law, Frank Skufca of Helena; and her numerous nieces and nephews. She will be sorely missed by her family and friends.

Visitation will be prior to service. Services will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, at the Wier Funeral Chapel. Cremation will follow services and interment of ashes will take place at a later date.

Memorials can be made to charity of choice. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Harry J. Jaunty

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Harry J. Jaunty, 95, passed on Sept. 12, 2004, at Billings Health and Rehab Comm., in Billings.

Cremation has taken place and there will be no service, per Harry's wishes.

In place of flowers, Harry has asked that donations be made to the Arthritis Foundation. Both Harry and Bernice suffered from arthritis.

Harry and his wife Bernice, now deceased, moved to Billings in 1987. Harry was born in the Minneapolis area in 1909 to John and Theresa



**HARRY
JAUNTY**

Jaunty. A long-time resident of the Minneapolis area, Harry and Bernice lived in a houseboat on the Minn. River for seven years before fire burned their houseboat.

They built a home and shop at the same site. Harry and Bernice built dressers, end tables and other wood products. Also, kit boats were built, along with some full-sized cabin cruisers. Later on, Jaunty Coach Sales was formed to sell pickup campers and pull trailers. Harry had a love of adventure and enjoyed being a member of the Quartzsite, Ariz., rock club. Harry and Bernice enjoyed the Quartzsite area for many winters.

Harry is survived by his only child, Alberta Armstrong and her husband Ray. Harry has quite a number of families in the Twin City area and in Florida.

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Vivian A. Jelinek

MERCER ISLAND, Wash. — Vivian A. Jelinek, 98, of Mercer Island, formerly of Miles City, Mont., died Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2004, at the Mission Healthcare at Bellevue.

Visitation will be Sunday, Oct. 17, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City, with a vigil service at 6 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 18, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miles City. Rite of Committal will follow in the family lot of the Calvary Cemetery.

Ernest Jellison

HARLOWTON — Ernest "Ernie" Jellison, 87, of Harlowton, died Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2004, at Wheatland Memorial Hospital/Nursing Home.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at Faith Chapel in Harlowton. Perkins Funeral Home of Harlowton is in charge.

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**FERN
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Fern Beard Jennewein

Fern Beard Jennewein, 89, of Billings, died Thursday, May 13, 2004, at Horizon Hospice House, where she has resided the last month.

The daughter of Emery and Karen Close of Lewistown, Fern was born March 14, 1915, in Miles City. She graduated from Ismay High School and from the Lady of Lourdes School of Nursing in Hot Springs, S.D., in 1937. Fern had worked as a pediatric nurse in Gillette, Wyo., and Rapid City, S.D., before working as a school nurse in Rapid City.

Fern married Jack Beard; he preceded her in death in 1959. In 1968, she married Coye Jennewein; he died in 1992.

She liked to knit and crochet. Fern spent winters in Arizona and summers with family before moving to Billings in 1990, where she enjoyed living at

Western Towers and Prairie Towers.

Survivors include her son, Mike Beard and his wife Joanne of Billings, and their children Rachel and Grant, both of Frisco, Texas; a stepson, Ken Jennewein and his wife Judy of Yuma, Ariz., their children, Mike and family of Phoenix, Mark and family of Denver, and Jodie and family of Tucson, Ariz.; two sisters, Phay Schoenek and her husband Roy of Lewistown, and Evaughn Elliott of Tampa, Fla.; two nieces, Karen Erdie of Roundup and her children, Jennifer (K.C.) Hickok and family of Bridger, and Kristi (John) Williams of Seattle, and Vonnie Lee Kerrick and her husband Tom of Las Vegas and their children, Lisa Harmon and family and Julie Kerrick; two nephews, Frank Elliott, his wife Donna and family of China and Jeff Elliott, his wife Karen and family of Athens, Ga. Also surviving are many extended family and very good friends in Rapid City.

Cremation has taken place. Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Monday, May 17, at the Lewistown Cemetery, Lewistown. There will also be a service in Sturgis, S.D.

In lieu of flowers, memorials for Horizon Hospice House may be sent to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107-5033.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

LEWISTOWN F. JENNI

LEWISTOWN — Lawrence F. Jenni, 79, of Lewistown died Saturday, March 13, 2004, at his ranch of an apparent heart attack. He was born July 24, 1924, in Lewistown, the son of Fred and Bell Jenni. He attended the Jenni Country School through the eighth grade and then attended Fergus High School, graduating in 1942. He then attended MSU for one year. He served in the Army during WWII in the Pacific Theater. On Sept. 7, 1947, he was united in marriage to Esther Rolfsness in Lewistown and they made their home on Hanover Road for 56 years where he farmed and ranched until the time of his death. He loved the ranch and took great pride in it. His family and grandchildren were very special to him.

He loved music, playing the organ and the accordion for many occasions. He often played the Uni-Fon as a Shriner in parades. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, serving as an elder. He served on the local school board, soil conservation district, and Republican precinct committeeman, member of the American Legion, Eagles Lodge, South Moccasin Club and the Sons of Norway. He was a member of the Farm Bureau, serving as president and in 1957 the Jaycees selected him as Outstanding Young Farmer of the area and placing third in the state of Montana.

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Lawrence was a member of Friendship Lodge #37 AF&AM, serving as Master in 1973. He received his 50 year pin in 1999. He was a member of the Lewistown York Rite Bodies and served as presiding officer of each of them. In 1977-78, he served as G.H.P. of the Royal Arch Masons of Montana. He was a Worthy Patron of Marie

Chapter Order of Eastern Star and on both the Rainbow and DeMolay boards, receiving the DeMolay Cross of Honor. State Masonic honor organizations included Red Cross of Constantine and the Knights of the Cross of Honor. He began serving as Grand Organist of the local and state York Rite bodies in 1968 until his passing. He was Grand Organist for Grand Lodge in 1991, 95 and 98. He had the honor to serve as General Grand Organist for York Rite International in 1990-93 and 1996-99. He joined Al Bedo Shrine in 1964 and the Scottish Rite Valley of Great Falls in 1987.

He is survived by his wife, Ester of Lewistown; daughter, Carol and husband, Pete Nelson of Kalispell and their children, Jean of Kalispell and David of Bozeman; son, Don and wife, Nancy (Covver) of Lewistown and their three sons. Thaddeus.

Scott and Michael, all of Lewistown; daughter, Patti Jo and husband, John Meshnik of Eugene, Ore., and their children, Kendra, Haley, Paul and Greg; brother, Floyd and his wife, Peggy of Lewistown; and two sisters, Mildred Gatz of Lewistown and Helen (Carl) Rice of Sequim, Wash; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services for Lawrence F. Jenni will be 2 p.m. Thursday in the First Presbyterian Church with interment to follow in the Lewistown City Cemetery. The Cloyd Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Friends may make memorials to the First Presbyterian Church, the Shrine Crippled Children's Transportation Fund or the charity of their choice and they may be left at the Cloyd Funeral Home.

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BELGRADE — Fern Lunt Jennings, 83, of Belgrade passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2004, at Bozeman Deaconess Hospital following a short illness. Cremation has taken place and no services are planned. Arrangements by Cremation or Funeral Gallery of Belgrade.

Fern began her journey through life on April 22, 1921. She was blessed with three children; Carol Snyder of Fort Collins, Colo., and two sons, Steve Snyder of Bozeman and Stan Snyder of Belgrade. Then came her grandchildren; Carol's sons Troy Higgins (deceased), Travis Higgins, and daughter Tristeen Toombs, all of Casper, Wyo.; Steve's daughter Alison Snyder, of Portland, Ore. and son Aaron Snyder of Billings; and Stan's son Shannon Snyder of Bozeman. Now we are blessed with their children and someday, their children.

Ma, thank you for our journeys and for taking us on yours through both life and death. We miss you.

Lester Luverne Jens

TERRY — Longtime Prairie County rancher Lester Jens died Thursday, Jan. 29, 2004, at the Prairie County Nursing Home.

Lester Luverne Jens was born on March 1, 1914, in Williston, N.D. He was the only child of August and Ella Jens. The family migrated to Montana two years later and made their home on the west side of the Powder River 20 miles south of Terry. He attended Sutherland School through the eighth grade and boarded in Terry during his high school years. He excelled in sports, especially football, graduating in 1931.

Lester worked at various jobs during the "dirty Thirties," accumulating a nest egg in order to marry his high school sweetheart, Adele Falkenstern, Jan. 14, 1939. Their only child, Larry, was born in 1941. They worked on the Roddie McAulay-Chris McRae ranch north of Terry and then the Allie Bradshaw Ranch near Locate. In 1943, they bought the Preller place on Conn's Coulee adding adjoining property in later years. They raised Hereford cattle there until retiring in 1988, when they moved into Terry. He had been a resident of the Nursing Home for 2-1/2 years.

A devoted husband, father and grandfather, Lester is survived by his wife of 65 years, Adele, his son, Larry, and wife

Judy; two grandchildren, Dale (Krisi) Jens and Laurie Frohlich; great-grandchildren, Carlie and Casey Frohlich and Dalton and Dharbi Jens.

Lester was an active member of many community and state organizations. He was a Prairie County Grazing Board member for 39 years, a member of the Montana Public Lands Council, the State Association of Grazing Districts and the Prairie County and Montana Association of



LESTER JENS

Conservation District Boards. He served on the District 5 School Board, Prairie County Planning Board, and Hospital Board. He belonged to Montana Stockgrowers Committees and the Range Riders Museum Board. He was a member of the Community Presbyterian Church for 46 years and served as an elder and a trustee. Lester belonged to the Terry Masonic Lodge and the Order of the Easter Star.

Lester is one of the last of the old cowboys of the area. He loved ranching and the cowboy life, and enjoyed telling stories of earlier times. In later years, he wrote a column for the Terry Tribune retelling those stories that was avidly read and enjoyed by many. He was often contacted for historical details of the area. He was always an avid Terry sports supporter. He played the fiddle and guitar and enjoyed music until his last days. The western scenes he painted and the leather items he flower-stamped were admired by all who saw them.

Visitation will begin Sunday, Feb. 1, at 1 p.m. in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Terry. A prayer service will be held on Sunday, at 7 p.m. in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Terry. Funeral services will be held on Monday, Feb. 2, at 2 p.m. at the Community Presbyterian Church in Terry. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Prairie County Cemetery in Terry.

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

Dorothy 'Tiny' M. Jensen

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WORLAND, Wyo. — Dorothy "Tiny" Jensen, 79-year-old Worland resident, died at her home on July 15, 2004.

Graveside funeral services will be held on Tuesday, July 20, at 10 a.m., at Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery, with Pastor Mike Brush officiating. Memorial donations may be made to the Worland Senior Center in care of Bryant Funeral Home, PO Box 524, Worland, WY 82401.

She was preceded in death by her parents; stepmother Gracie Shaker; sister and brother-in-law, Etna and Lee Feather, and husband Vern Jensen. She is survived by her sons, Greg Jensen of Boring, Ore., Brooks (Maureen) Jensen of Anacortes, Wash.; grandchildren Tiffany (Jason) Mach and Rhiannon Jensen.

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Isabel M. (Swanson) Jensen was born June 20, 1939, in Wolf Point to Charles E. and Deana Howe. She graduated from WPHS in 1948 and then traveled to Minot, N.D. where she was employed at Murphy Finance Company. There she met Eugene P. (Gene) Swanson and they were married Oct. 16, 1949. To this union five children were born. Gene passed away Sept. 10, 1990.



**ISABEL
JENSEN**

Isabel liked to travel, read, play bridge and be with her family and friends.

Isabel was a past Worthy Matron of Riverside Chapter #84, Order of Eastern Star and a Past Mother advisor for Rainbow for Girls Assembly #53, receiving the Grand Cross of Color. She was also an active member of the Daughters of the Nile. She was active in the community by serving as a Brownie Scout leader. She was a lifetime member of the 1st Presbyterian Church in Wolf Point, serving as elder, deacon and choir member. She had also worked for the State Highway Department in Wolf Point.

Survivors are three daughters, Sharon (Eldon) Dschaak of Wolf Point, Linda (Calvin) Hanson of Cut Bank, and Deanna (Darryl) Keen of Azle, Texas; two sons

Charles (Valarie) Swanson of Huntley and Richard (Lori) Swanson of Belt; 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. One sister, Thelma (Les) Hudiburgh of Billings and one niece and one nephew also survive her.

On April 22, 1995 she married her long time friend Donald (Felix) Jensen in Wolf Point. To her pleasure she acquired an extended family of five step-daughters, Deanne (Jim) Stone of Hope, Ariz., Jennifer (Darrell) Zimmerman, Mary Ellen (Alan) Hoversland, all of Wolf Point, Colleen (Mark) Halsey and Cathleen Jensen of McCook, Neb.; two step-sons, Dennis (Gail) Jensen of Troy, Idaho, and Danny Jensen of Rapid City, S.D.; 13 step-grandchildren and 13 step-great-grandchildren.

Isabel passed away July, 27, 2004, at Northeast Montana Health Services in Wolf Point. Visitation will be held on Friday from 1 to 8 p.m. with a public Eastern Star service at 7 p.m. at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Interment will be at Greenwood Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family at csmc@nemontel.net or www.stevensonandsons.com. Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel has been entrusted with arrangements.

Michael J. (Mike) Jensen

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Michael J. (Mike) Jensen, age 45, of Billings, passed away at Horizon Hospice Home on June 5, 2004, after a short battle with multiple myeloma. He was born June 1, 1959, in Billings to Robert R. and Anna D. Jensen.



**MICHAEL
JENSEN**

Mike attended school in Sidney, Bozeman and Helena. While in high school, Mike obtained the rank of Eagle Scout and worked on a grain farm at Poplar during the summers. Upon graduation from Helena Capital High in 1977, he attended college in Bozeman. He went on to work in the oil fields at Culbertson, and various jobs in Billings and Muncie, Indiana, and out of the Plumbers and Pipe Fitters Union Hall, Local 41, Butte.

On Nov. 5, 1988, Mike married Amber Newton of Muncie, Ind. They had one daughter, Mecca Lynn.

He greatly enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, boating, flying and spending time with his devoted daughter and other family members.

Survivors include ex-wife and good friend, Amber of Billings; daughter, Mecca Lynn of Muncie Ind.; parents, Bob and Anna Jensen of Joliet; brothers, Tom of Billings and Pat (Debbie) of Shepherd; and sister, Robert Jensen of Laurel; and three nephews and two step-nephews. His paternal grandparents, Ray and Marguerite Jensen; and maternal grandparents, Tom and Catherine Wetsch predeceased him.

Memorials may be made to Horizon Hospice Home, 1019 Neptune, Billings, MT 59105, or to a charity of one's choice.

Graveside services will be 1 a.m. Tuesday at the Rockvale Cemetery with Dr. John Lauenberg officiating. A reception will follow at the Joliet Christian Church, Joliet.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Peter Larrin 'Pete' Jensen

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KALISPELL — Peter Larrin "Pete" Jensen passed away on Monday, Feb. 23, 2004, at his home in Kalispell.

Pete was born on Feb. 20, 1944, in Billings, to Lester and Charlotte Bohl Jensen. As a child, Pete lived in Ballantine, Laurel, Custer, Pompeys Pillar and Cut Bank. Pete attended Wren-Croff Country School north of Cut Bank for four years. He graduated from Cut Bank High School in 1962. He served for three years in the U.S. Army with the 118th Aviation Company as a Helicopter Crew Chief. During his enlistment, he served his country for 18 months in Vietnam, where he received the Purple Heart, a Bronze Star for Valor and the Air Medal with 16 Oak Leaf Clusters. He was honorably discharged from the Army in 1965.

He returned to Montana, where he worked as a civil servant at Malstrom Air Base in Great Falls from December of 1966 until October of 1980.

Pete married Anita Acord in 1966 in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; they were divorced later on. He married Irene Lorge on March 8, 1987, in Whitefish.

He worked construction for several years before being

forced to retire due to a back problem.

He loved horse racing and had worked at several race tracks, including tracks at Helena, Kalispell, Great Falls and Missoula. He loved playing with his dogs and working in the yard. He had taken up golf at the age of 52 and dearly loved it. With Pete, you always knew where you stood. He was well known as being very honest and up front with everyone he knew.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife Irene; four daughters and their spouses, Suzie and Tim Doughty, Cindy and Jim Clark, Linda and Mark Smith and Jaylene and Tracey Murphy; 10 grandchildren, Laura, Derek and Cole Doughty, Jennifer, Justin and Tyler Clark, Ashley and Jessica Smith, Kayla and Cody Murphy, all of Great Falls; one sister, Carol Mattson Chester; one brother, Tim Jensen of Sheridan, Wyo.; five nephews; several aunts, uncles and lots of cousins; and two very special Springer spaniels named Krissy and Megra.

A gathering to celebrate and remember his life will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 29, at Spencer and Co. Steakhouse. Military honors will be conducted by the United Veterans of Flathead Valley.

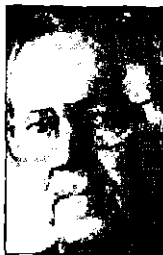
Memorials in his name are requested to the Home Options Hospice or charity of donor's choice. Buffalo Hill Funeral Home and Crematory caring for the family.

OLIE R. "JESS" JESSEE

Ollie Russell Jessee had a number of nicknames during the course of his life. At various times he was Bud or O.R., but for most people he was just Jess. He passed away on Aug. 7, 2004, from head injuries he sustained in a fall at his home on July 25. He was 87 years old.

Jess was born April 16, 1917, on a farm outside Hugo, Okla. He was the child of Lilburne Arvel Jessee and Mary Elizabeth Pratt and was the second of three sons. Shortly after he was born, the family moved to Ranger, Texas, where Jess went to school. In 1931, they moved to Hatch, N.M. Jess quit school then and went to work to help support his family during the Great Depression. He worked on farms in the area and enjoyed raising and racing horses.

Jess married Tilda Norville in 1938. Together they had two children, Tom and Barbara. In 1940, they moved to Hawthorne, Calif., where Jess worked at the Union Oil Refinery during World War II. When they divorced in 1949, Jess came to Billings to help build the Humble (now Exxon) Refinery and discovered the



**OLLIE R.
"JESS"
JESSEE**

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place he called "heaven on earth."

He met Lylamae Zieske shortly after he moved to Billings. They were married in 1950 and had four sons—Terry, Russ, John (Jack), and Rob.

Jess loved Montana because of the wide open spaces and because of the fishing. An avid angler, he spent much of the last 55 years walking the banks of Montana's rivers with Lyla, the boys and friends. His favorite by far, was the Boulder, a river he thrashed for trout on a regular basis.

He was also a gardener who loved raising flowers and vegetables. On a trip to Texas in 1984, he brought back Hungarian red pepper seeds from a stop at Hatch, and used those to raise his own New Mexico peppers for many years. He liked to experiment at raising plants that people told him he couldn't grow here and managed to get grape vines to thrive in his back yard. He was never more tickled than when he could share those little grapes with family and friends.

Jess was a pipefitter and plumber and was a 50-year member of the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Trades. He was fiercely proud of his craft and his profession and was active with Local 30 in Billings. He was a past president of the local, and was pleased to swear in sons Terry and Russ when they joined the union apprenticeship program in 1973. Jess worked on construction and renovation of many area building projects including the Exxon and Conoco refineries, the United States Courthouse, Yellowtail Dam and Billings West High School. He finished out his career at Colstrip, where he was foreman of the pipe fabrication shop on Colstrip 1 and 2. He retired in 1979.

Jess was a gifted and entertaining storyteller. He talked often about old friends, about hunting and fishing and about the crazy things he did growing up. Asked once about the family name, he explained that anyone who spelled the name with two final "e's" was probably related. "But don't look 'em up," he said. "They'll ask for money."

He loved baseball—playing, coaching Little League and watching his beloved Braves. One of the highlights of his life was flying to Atlanta with grandson John Curgis to watch the Braves play the Cincinnati Reds.

Jess was a gentleman of the old school—hard-working, independent, tough, stoic, honest, loyal, dignified, and polite. He made certain that his children understood those values. "You have to decide what your ethics are," he said once. "Then you stick by them. If you don't, you're no kind of man."

And he loved those children. He celebrated their successes, and fretted over their setbacks. Nothing to him was more important than family and his children.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his stepfather Johnson F. "Dubbs" Clifton; his brothers Wyatt and Jerry; his son Jack; and by Lyla, his soulmate for 46 years.

He is survived by his children Tom (Linda) of Rogue River, Ore.; Barbara Moore (O.C.) of Valley Springs, Calif.; Terry (Cynthia) of Billings; Russ (Kristi) of Belt; Rob (Kathee) of Framingham, Mass.; by his grandchildren Ocee Moore (Linda), Lorrie Hancock (Todd), and Marc Moore (Kelly); Megan and John Curgis Jessee; Isaac, Casey, and Bailey Jessee; Kaitlin and Tyler Jessee; John Thomas and Joanne Jessee; by great-grandchildren Stephen and Jessica Moore; and by nieces, nephews, and many friends, including Jean Smith and his coffee and gardening pal, Ron Maul.

Cremation has taken place. The celebration of his life will

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take place at 1 p.m. on Friday,
Aug. 13, at Michelotti-Sawyers
Mortuary.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in
charge of funeral arrangements.

Memorials can be made to the
Billings Food Bank, especially at
Thanksgiving and Christmas
when the need is greater.

Bon Voyage, Prince Valiant.
We love you forever.

HARRY PATRIC JEWISON

No more divots, only pars and birdies. Harry P. Jewison was called by the Master Pro to the great links in Heaven, Nov. 3, 2004.

Harry P. Jewison was born in Red Lodge on March 18, 1923. He

grew up in Columbus and went to and graduated from high school in Polson. He

rushed to enter the Marine Corps at 17 years of age and the opening days of WWII. He

served 36 months and six days, earning a purple heart.

Upon returning to Montana, he met and married the love of his life, Alberta "Bertie" C. Beckman. To this marriage, a daughter, Cathy, and a son, Patric, were born.

He spent 36 years with the Post Office and was the Station Manager of Pioneer Station. He retired from the Post Office to baby-sit his grandchildren, Kenan and Keilah.

He is survived by his wife, Bertie; two children, Cathy and Pat; his two grandchildren; four sisters and one brother.

Along with his baby-sitting duties, he took up his second greatest passion, golf. His first



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passion was for God and his family.

Although his Savior called him for an early tee-time, it was most unexpected and sudden. He did not suffer.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorials to either the Montana Rescue Mission, Billings Symphony or to the Yellowstone Girls and Boys Ranch.

Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Faith Evangelical Church, 2832 Broadwater Ave. Interment will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Smith Downtown Chapel in charge of arrangements.

Tyler Gabriel Joe

CROW AGENCY — Tyler Gabriel Joe, 6, of Crow Agency, passed away peacefully at his home June 5, 2005, surrounded his family.

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K K a c h i s h**
(Accomplishes Deeds) was born Oct. 8, 1997, in Crow Agency, a son of Nathaniel Joe and Peggy White Clay. He was a child of the Crow Big



TYLER JOE

Lodge and a member of the Big Lodge Clan, a member of the Hidatsa Water Buster Clan and the Navajo Water Edge Clan.

His grandparents, Joyce, Eloise and Phillip White Clay Sr., Thomas and Lottie Shearwood Youngbird Sr. and Mary Thompson preceded Tyler in death.

Survivors include his parents of Crow Agency; his brothers, Wyatt Joe, Austin DeCrane, Thomas, Boveau, James, Dallas and Vidal White Clay; his sisters, Teonna Little Light, Tashina Jones, Susanna White Clay and Sadie DeCrane; his grandparents, Hugh and Karen Young Bird White Clay, Rebecca (Dennis) Buffalo, Veronica, Vera and Clydine White Clay, Rachel (Fred) Beatty, Dawna (Robert) Nelson, Verna (Franklin) Jcfferson,

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Rebecca (Calvin) Jefferson Tyrone and Phillip White Clay Jr., Franklin (Rebekkah) White Clay, Leo Thompson, Louise Joe and Benny Joe; his adopted mother, Bonnie White Clay of Hardin adopted brother, Chey White Clay of Dunmore; his aunts Jaime, Holly, Jolee, Nicole and Autumn White Clay, Rhea and Trish Beatty, Michelle (Kenton) Lovan, Marietha (Marty) Cook Lissa (Andre) LaFrance, Bernadine and Madeline Grinnell, Christina Taurman, Shavone, Latonya, Chassity and Charmayne Begay, Fawn Jones, Chelsea and Chantell Gaddy, Lucinda Lewis, Chrissy Springfield and Whitney Bernardis; his uncles, Burney (Michelle), Thomas (Michele), Delbert (Michelle), Monte and Frank White Clay, Cody Wilhelm, Chaney (Luann), Francis, Edwin, Jeremiah and David Springfield, Sam DeCrane, Jodi Koch, Waylen Joe, Aaron Begay, Kenasa and Kendall Gaddy, Kendrick John, Darrin, Ryan and Bryan Lewis, Bryson and Tyson Jones, RJ,

Mike, Duane, Justin, Kevin, Pete, Stewart and Robert Youngbird, Jr.

Wake services will be 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Crow Agency St. Dennis Catholic Church Social Room. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Wednesday June 9 in the Church. Interment will follow in the Crow Agency Cemetery. Bulis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Neal Johansen

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GILLETTE, Wyo. — Neal Johansen, 71, of Gillette, died Sunday, Feb. 29, 2004, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital, after complications of knee surgery.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 4, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette.

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E. Millicent Johnerson

E. Millicent Johnerson, of Billings, died unexpectedly in her sleep on Feb. 13, 2004, joining her husband in the presence of their Lord and Savior.

Millie was born June 15, 1925, the third child of Ove and Amalie Gjerness in Eau Claire, Wis. She grew up and attended school through her sophomore year of high school in Eau Claire. She then attended and graduated from Hillcrest Academy in 1943 at Fergus Falls, Minn.



Millie married her best friend, Hilton Johnerson, on Dec. 21, 1946. They moved to Billings and raised four sons.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 48 years in 1995. Millie is survived by her older sister, Arline Eliason of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, Canada; her older brother, Omar Gjerness of Fergus Falls, Minn.; four sons, Kent of Billings; Ned and Terri and their children Tyler, Ryan, Wylie and Jill of Bozeman; Mark and Debbie and their children Kristyn and Michael of Billings; and Dan and Jenny and their children Eli, Matthew and Chad of Ennis.

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Memorial service will be 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 20, at the First Alliance Church at 19th St. West and Central Ave. The family will greet friends on Thursday, Feb. 19, at First Alliance Church, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Cremation is planned.

Smith's Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Wallace E. Johnsboen

PLENTYWOOD — Wallace "Wally" E. Johnsboen, 70, died Wednesday, Aug. 18, 2004, at Sheridan Memorial Hospital in Plentywood.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 25, at Plentywood Lutheran Church, with Military Honors following the Christian service. Private interment of cremated remains will be held at a later date. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood is in charge.

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Adellas Johnson

SENTINEL BUTTE, N.D. — Adellas Marie Johnson, 88, of Sentinel Butte, died Sunday, Dec. 19, 2004, at St. Joseph's Hospital in Dickinson.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 27, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Beach. Interment will follow at the Sentinel Butte Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Beach is in charge.

THE SENTINEL BUTTE GAZETTE

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Bert Johnson

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THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. —
Bert Johnson, 90, died Friday,
March 19, 2004.

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Funeral services will be at 10
a.m. on Wednesday, March 24, at
the First Baptist Church in
Thermopolis. Burial will follow at
Monument Hill Cemetery.
Mortimore Funeral Home of
Thermopolis is in charge of
arrangements.

Bonnie Marie Johnson

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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LAUREL — Bonnie Marie Johnson, 60, formerly of Columbus, was born Nov. 9, 1943, to Mabel and William Herriges. On Friday, April 16, 2004, she died tragically in an automobile accident.

In 1960, Bonnie married Bruce Johnson and from this union she had six children. She had resided in Columbus from 1978 until 2002. She then moved to Laurel. Bonnie was a member of St. James Lutheran Church. She had worked for Montana Silversmiths for 17 years while in Columbus and was working at Goodwill at the time of her death.

Bonnie is survived by two sons, Dean (Kelli) Johnson of Laurel, and Tim Johnson of Columbus; and a daughter, Becky (Mike) Wommack of Laurel. She has five grandchildren that she loved dearly, Kaylee and Taryn Wommack, Landon Whitford, and Olivia and Matthew Heidinger. Bonnie is also survived by her children's father, Bruce Johnson of Columbus; a brother, Bill (Bev) Herriges of Wisconsin; many nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles; and a very special friend, Elinor McDaniel of Columbus. Bonnie was preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, Denise; and her sons, Scott and Dennis.

There will be a viewing from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 22, at the Smith Funeral Chapel in

Columbus. The funeral service will be 10:30 a.m. on Friday, April 23, at the St. James Lutheran Church. Interment will follow at the Mountainview Cemetery. Memorial donations are suggested to St. James Lutheran Church.

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Brenda Jayne Johnson

DICKINSON, N.D. — Brenda Jayne Johnson, 30, Dickinson, N.D., died Friday, March 5, 2004, at her home as the result of cancer. Brenda's funeral mass will be at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 9, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Dickinson, with Fr. Austin Vetter as the celebrant. Entombment will follow at the Dickinson Mausoleum.



**BRENDA
JOHNSON**

Visitation will be from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday, at Ladbury Funeral Service, Dickinson. There will be a vigil at 7 p.m. Monday, with Fr. Austin Vetter presiding at Ladbury Funeral Service.

Brenda Jayne Benasky was born Dec. 16, 1973, at Glendive, the daughter of Robert Benasky and Jennifer (Meek) Benasky. She was raised and educated in Eastern Montana and Western North Dakota. The family lived in Wibaux until she was a freshman in high school, when they

moved to Beach, N.D. Brenda completed her schooling at Beach High School. Following graduation, she attended three years at Dickinson State University where she also met Dan Johnson. Together they moved to Duluth, Minn., where she attended two years of college.

Brenda and Dan returned to Dickinson to be married on June 20, 1997. They resided in Duluth for six years where Brenda worked as an orthodontist assistant for Dr. James Fellman. Dan and Brenda returned to Dickinson in May of 2002 where she worked in Customer Care with PCS.

Brenda is survived by her husband, Dan; her parents, Jennifer Ledford, Dickinson, and Robert Benasky, Vallejo, Calif.; one brother, Brad (Bekki) Benasky Riverton, Wyo.; and her grandparents, Arleigh and Theresa Meek, Wibaux, and Vern Benasky, Miles City. She was preceded in death by her grandpa, Leonard Benasky.

Diane R. Johnson

POWELL, Wyo. — Diane R. Johnson, 57, of Powell, died Monday, Sept. 20, 2004, at the Powell Valley Hospital.

The memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 24, at Glad Tidings Assembly of God.

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Diane K. Johnson

Services will be conducted Friday, Sept. 24, at 10 a.m. at Glad Tidings Assembly of God Church in Powell for Diane R. Johnson, 57, who died Monday, Sept. 20, at the Powell Valley Hospital after an intense battle with cancer.

She was born Dec. 10, 1946, in San Luis Obispo, Calif., the daughter of Philipp and Margret June (Perkins) McGrath.

She graduated with a bachelor's degree in education and a master's degree in library science. She was a homemaker and accomplished singer, having published two tapes of original religious songs. She was a long-time member of Glad Tidings Assembly of God Church.



Diane Johnson

She married James (Frenchy) R. Johnson on Feb. 4, 1974.

Survivors include her husband, James; two sons, Dominic and Ronald James; one daughter, Mary Lou (Robert) Shepherd; one sister, Carol Headrick; and six grandchildren.

Family friend Bill Stafford will conduct a special celebration of her life Thursday, Sept. 23, at 7 p.m. at Glad Tidings Church. The Rev. Don MacPherson will officiate at the memorial service Friday morning. Interment will follow in the Crown Hill Cemetery in Powell.

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Doreen Renee Johnson

Queen Creek, Ariz. — Doreen Renee Johnson, age 26, of Queen Creek, Ariz., formerly of Forsyth, passed away Dec. 14, 2004, due to a medical helicopter accident while on a paramedic call to help someone in need.

Renee was born on May 23, 1978, in Billings, the daughter of Toby and Lois (Haugland) Johnson. She grew up in Forsyth and attended school in Forsyth and later Colstrip, where she graduated in 1997.



**DOREEN
JOHNSON**
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Doreen was very active in her community while growing up. She was a member of the Forsyth Federated Church as well as a Sunday school teacher. She was also active in the Girl Scouts. When Doreen was 13, she entered the Wider Opportunity Contest in which she won a trip to New York City. Throughout her four years of high school, she was a member of the Business Professionals of America (BPA). Each year at state conventions, she qualified for the national conventions which were held in Phoenix, Orlando, Nashville and San Francisco. During her senior year, Renee completed the courses necessary

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to become an EMT. Following her graduation, she moved to Phoenix where Renee attended the DeVry University. Renee returned to Montana where she completed her paramedic degree from the College of Technology in Billings. Shortly after receiving her degree, Renee was quickly employed by the American Medical Response (AMR) in Colorado Springs, Colo. Renee loved to cook and while in Colorado Springs she "adopted" several of the fire stations to cook for and helped out in whatever way she could. Renee was also involved in the Colorado Springs school system, volunteering as a teacher aid for the first grade class.

In August of 2002, Renee was accepted to the Scottsdale Culinary Institute in Arizona. She graduated as a Cordon Bleu Chef. During her schooling, Renee continued to serve as a paramedic, being employed with the Southwest Ambulance Service. Later, she took an additional job with the AirEvac Ambulance Service, flying in both helicopter and fixed wing medical emergency transportation. She was employed at both AirEvac and

Southwest at the time of her death.

Renee dearly loved both children and animals. She was a life-long caregiver with a warm and loving personality. Renee touched many lives and had a positive influence on the people she helped, her coworkers, her friends and loved ones.

She is survived by her parents, Toby and Lois Johnson of Forsyth; her brother, Wade Johnson of Queen Creek, Ariz.; her grandparents, Marjorie and Roger Francis of Billings and Pearl Bach of Forsyth. She is also survived by her aunts and uncles, which include Rusty and Ruthie Johnson of Forsyth, Robbin and Bryan Redmond of Billings, Terri and Glen Derby of Casper, Wyo., Craig and Ruby Haugland of Gold Canyon, Ariz., Nancy and Jeff Graff of Dickinson, N.D., Harold and Linda Haugland of Missoula; and numerous cousins. She also leaves behind her life time soul mate, Ski Stambaugh of Security, Colo.; as well as her much loved pets, Sandals, Baby and Midnight.

Renee was preceded in death by her grandfathers, Leo Russell Johnson and George Haugland; her uncles, Wade D. Johnson and Bill Butler; and also her cousin Leo Shane Johnson.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 21, from 1 to 9 p.m. in the Chapel of Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Family will receive friends from 4

Chapel.

Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 22, at 2 p.m. in the Chapel of Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Interment will follow in the Forsyth Cemetery.

A Memorial Service will be held in Phoenix on Tuesday, Dec. 21, at 10 a.m. to honor her.

She touched many people's lives and her spirit and love will never be forgotten.

We will always love you and remember your "go for it" attitude. Thank you for being such a wonderful daughter, sister and friend.

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

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

**Duane Richard "Rick"
Johnson**

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SIDNEY — A celebration of life for Duane Richard "Rick" Johnson, 59, will be Wednesday, Sept. 1, 2004, at 2 p.m. at the VFW Post No. 4099 Hall in Sidney. Interment of cremains will be in the Sidney Cemetery with military honors by the VFW Post No. 4099, Sidney, under the direction of Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney.

Rick, 59, died Thursday, Aug. 19, 2004, at the VA Medical Center in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Rick is survived by his sister, Sharon Wind, of Ryegate.

Edward Matthew Johnson

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MISSOULA — Edward Matthew Johnson, age 69, of Missoula passed away from cancer Aug. 28, 2004.

He was born Aug. 23, 1935, in Anaconda to Helge and Mary (Tuss) Johnson, who preceded him in death. He graduated from Anaconda High School in 1953. He taught elementary school for over 40 years in Missoula.

Edward was active in the Montana Education Association (MEA) as a member and officer. Teaching was his passion in life. Music also played a huge role in his life. He was a phenomenal percussionist.

He was a loving husband and father and we are privileged to have known his friendship. He married Eileen (Edwards) March 10, 1962, and is survived by her; son Mark (Patty), St. Louis; son Bart (Audrey Hinman), Helena; daughter Simone (Larry Tade), Seattle; son Luke (Charity), Missoula; grandchildren Sarah, St. Louis and Mariah and Justin, Helena; and sister Betty (LeRoy Oksendahl), Billings.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial and luncheon celebrating Edward's life will be held at 1 p.m., Sept. 12, at the Linda Vista Golf Course Club House, Lower Miller Creek, Missoula.

He will be missed forever. There is a little less rhythm in the world now that he is gone.

Elsie Johnson

MOORE — Elsie May Johnson, 91, of Moore, died Monday, Oct. 4, 2004, in Lewistown.

Visitation will be until 8 p.m. Friday evening, Oct. 8, at the Creel Funeral Home in Lewistown. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, at the Creel Funeral Chapel. Interment will be in the Lewistown City Cemetery.

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Esther M. Johnson "Grandma Choo Choo"

Esther M. Johnson, 78, of Billings, passed away peacefully in her home on Wednesday evening, May 19, 2004, with her family at her side. She was one of twin daughters of Louis and Hazel (Cody) Kiehna, born in Dows, Iowa, on Nov. 17, 1925.

Esther's early childhood was in Iowa. She then moved with her mother and sisters to Billings, where she attended school and graduated from Senior High School in 1943.



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Following her high school graduation, she attended the University of Colorado in Boulder, graduating in 1947, with a degree in nursing. She returned to Billings to begin her career at Billings Deaconess Hospital.

On April 24, 1949, Esther married Clarence Johnson in Billings. Being a railroad family, they lived in Livingston; Billings; Duluth, Minn.; Dickinson, N.D.; Whitefish; Kalispell; Columbus and again in Billings in 1992.

Esther loved traveling, camping, fishing, sewing and hand-

crafts. She was a very active member of Grace United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Donna (Ralph) Bratsky of Bridger; her grandchildren, Jay Bratsky of Worden and Dana Bratsky of Seattle; her sisters, Dorothy Haas and Ethel (Myron) Snyder and many nieces and nephews. Esther will be missed by her true friend, her dog Suzie.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, May 24, at Grace United Methodist Church with interment at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, 1935 Ave. B, Billings, MT 59102, Big Sky Hospice, P.O. Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107 or to the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Evelyn Rude Johnson

LIVINGSTON — Evelyn Rude Johnson, 87, of Livingston, died Monday, Oct. 25, 2004, at her home.

Cremation has taken place at Franzen-Davis Crematory in Livingston. No services are planned.

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

WILLISTON, N.D. — Evelyn S. Johnson, 79, of Bethel Lutheran Home in Williston and formerly of rural Dagmar, Mont., entered into her eternal rest at 2:30 a.m.,

on Friday, Sept. 10, 2004. There will be visitation on Monday, Sept. 13, at Fulkerson's Funeral Home in Williston from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and then a family service at Bethel Lutheran Home at 6:30



**EVELYN
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p.m., with a visitation time at 7 p.m. for all. The funeral service will be held at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Sept. 14. Pastor Mike Jacobsen will be officiating the service at the Big Sky Church in Froid, of which she was a member. Internment will follow at the Grandview Church of the Brethren Cemetery in rural Froid. Pallbearers will be grandsons Brad Johnson, Wade Curren, Kevin Curren, Darin Curren, Travis Curren and David Sura.

Evelyn was born on Dec. 21, 1924, on a farm east of Froid, Mont., to Christian and Marie Siggaard. As a child, she moved with her parents and siblings to a farm near Dagmar, where she attended country school. She attended high school at Grenora,

N.D., and then graduated from Antelope, Mont.

On May 11, 1946, she married Arnold E. Johnson at Volme Church near Dagmar. They live on a farm near Wildrose for 1-1/2 years and then moved to her uncle Nels Siggaard's farm east of Froid. Arnold and Evelyn had five children. Her husband, Arnold, passed away in February of 1980.

She loved being outdoors and working with animals. She was an avid horseback rider and was a 4-H horse leader and worked with the 4-H Livestock Program for several years. She was a hard working woman who raised her children to have a relationship with Jesus Christ. Evelyn entered Bethel Lutheran Home in the fall of 1999.

She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents and her brothers, Pete and Howard Siggaard.

Survivors include her children, Cheryl (Bob) Smith of St. Paul, Minn.; Beverly (Les) Curren of rural New Town; Donald (Betty) Johnson of rural Homestead; Robert (Bobbi) Johnson of Sidney, Neb.; and Randy (Kathy) Johnson of Dallas Center, Iowa. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, her sister, Gaylia

May Stipe of Ronan; and several
nieces and nephews.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of
Williston is in charge of the
arrangements.

George W. Johnson Jr.

George Walter Johnson, Jr., 59, passed away Friday, Jan. 2, 2004, the victim of a homicide at his residence in Billings. He was born July 4, 1944, to George Walter Johnson Sr. and Elsie Westerman Johnson in Greybull, Wyo. He was the oldest of eight children.

He is survived by his father, George Walter Johnson Sr.; his step-mother, Eleanor; son, Matthew; daughter, Amanda; four grandchildren; three brothers, and three sisters. He was preceded in death by his mother, Elsie Johnson and brother, Richard Kent Johnson.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Friday at Dahl Funeral Chapel.

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Harold "Lee" Johnson

Services for Harold "Lee" Johnson, 84, of Casper, formerly of Frannie, are scheduled for Friday, April 16, 2004, at 10 a.m. at Highland Park Community Church.

Pastor Steve Chadderdon will officiate. Burial will be in Oregon Trail State Veterans' Cemetery. Military Honors will be accorded by the Natrona County United Veterans' Council. Viewing will be Thursday, April 15, from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Newcomer Family Funeral Home.

He died on April 12, 2004, at the Central Wyoming Hospice Home.

He was born on June 28, 1919, to Franz Oscar and Nannie (Smeltz) Johnson on the family homestead in Prowers County, Colo. He was the youngest of eight children and spent his early years catching and training wild horses on the family ranch.

He married Alma Conard on June 29, 1940, in Johnson, Kan., and they worked on various ranches in the area. Johnson served in the U.S. Army in the South Pacific during World War II with the 77th Infantry Division. Upon his discharge in 1946, the family moved to Lamar, Colo. where he was a cabinet maker for Brown Lumber Company. The family moved to Glenrock in 1951 and he went to work for Conoco Oil Company. He worked for Conoco at the Glenrock refinery, in the South Glenrock and Big Muddy fields, the Frannie field and finally moved to Linch in 1964 where he retired from Conoco after 33 years of service. After retirement, he and his wife moved to Casper.

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While living in Glenrock, Johnson was one of the early founders of Little League Baseball in Wyoming and served as the first Wyoming President for Babe Ruth Baseball. Besides baseball, he enjoyed camping, hunting, fishing, gardening and his family and friends.

He is survived by two sons, Jimmie Joe (Carolyn) Johnson of Glenrock and Gary L. (Nancy) Johnson of Casper; and his daughter, Sandy Rusciollelli of Casper. He is also survived by two grandchildren who he raised: Richaelle (Mike) Hauffe of Marengo, Ill., and Nick (Lisa) Rusciollelli of Upland, Calif. He is survived by six other grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, many close friends and his beloved dog, Tuffy. He was preceded in death by his wife in 1992, his parents, four brothers and three sisters.

The family would appreciate memorials to the Central Wyoming Hospice Program, the Casper Humane Society or a charity of the donor's choice.

Newcomer Family Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Helen M. Johnson

Helen M. Johnson passed away peacefully on Oct. 4, 2004, at St. John's Lutheran Home.

Helen was born on July 12, 1912, in Great Falls, the daughter of Robert and Laverne Mackie. The family resided in Great Falls and Lewistown, where Helen attended school. She graduated from Fergus County High School, Lewistown, in 1930.

She married Carl A. Johnson in December 1932 in Lewistown. They made their home in Great Falls, Lewistown, Helena, Minneapolis, Missoula and Billings. Helen was a homemaker and worked at women's apparel stores in Lewistown and Billings. Her main interests were her family and friends. Helen truly enjoyed spending time and visiting with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Eastern Star and Daughters of the Nile.

Survivors include her sons; Bob of Seattle and Bill and his wife, Donna, of Billings; sisters, Roberta Gillen of Lewistown and Jesse Baker of Mesa, Ariz.; son-in-law Bruce Fisher of Tucson, Ariz.; seven grandchildren, including Mark Fisher and his special friend Barbara Lunney of Billings, who provided Helen with special love and support for many years; 13 great-grandchildren and numerous nephews and

nieces.

Helen was preceded in death by her husband Carl in 1976; daughter Carlene Fisher in 1991; and granddaughter Barbara Fisher in 1982.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held at St. John's Lutheran Home in the Ocee Johnson Chapel at 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 8. A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, in the Lewistown City Cemetery.

The family wishes to extend their thanks to the entire staff at St. John's Lutheran Home for their generous love, care and support. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to St. John's Lutheran Home, 3940 Rimrock Road Billings, MT 59102.

Arrangements were by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

L.D. 'Butch' Johnson

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MERTZON, Texas — L.D. "Butch" Johnson, 67, of Mertzton, passed away Thursday, Sept. 30, 2004, at Shannon Memorial Hospital in San Angelo.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 3, at 311 N. Madison St. in Mertzton.

His parents, Leon and Peggy Johnson, preceded him in death. Two children, Kelly and Jody, along with their spouses, Kim and Robin, survive him.

One brother, Merle and wife Joan, also survive him.

Butch was born in Merkel on July 6, 1937. He served in the U. S. Armed Forces, and raised his children in Levelland. He moved to Montana in the 1970s to build the Rocky Mountain district for Petro Lewis Oil Corp. After 20 years, he returned to oilfield sales in Texas to be with his children and grandchildren, Tammy and husband Mark, Luke and wife Nikki, Kasey and husband Joe, Justin, Josh and great-grandson Mason. Butch is also survived by his very special friend, Patricia Swainson and her children, Kim and Bret.

Granddaddy will be well remembered for his generosity



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and the love he had for all his friends and family. Because he considered Sherwood "his little part of Montana in Texas," the family is requesting, in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be made to the Sherwood Community Association, PO Box 768, Mertzton, TX 76941.

Lee 'Mike' Johnson THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

SIDNEY — Lee "Mike" Johnson, 53, of Sidney, died Monday, March 29, 2004, at the St. Alexius Medical Center, Bismarck, N.D.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 3, at the Sidney Lutheran Brethren Church in Sidney. Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

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LeRoy O. Johnson

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LeRoy O. Johnson, 71 of Billings, passed away on Aug. 19, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare, following a hard-fought battle with cancer.

Lee was born in Ortonville, Minn. on Dec. 20, 1932, to Oscar and Anna Johnson. He attended country schools in the area and graduated from Ortonville High School in 1950.



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He then went on to South Dakota State University in Brookings, where he received his bachelor of science degree in 1954.

Lee married Fern Rishoi on June 17, 1955, in Brookings, S.D. They made their home in Rapid City for the next 15 years, while Lee worked for various feed mill companies. The two moved to Billings in 1969, where they have resided since.

LeRoy and Fern were members of Peace Lutheran Church where he was president of the Church Council, served on various committees and taught many classes including Sunday School, Confirmation, and Adult Classes. Lee was active in the Billings Bowling Association, having been a bowler for more than 50 years.

He loved camping, especially at Woodbine and the Red Lodge area, enjoyed reading, gardening, playing a good game of cards, and spending time with his dog, Sassy.

Survivors include his wife of 49 years, Fern of Billings; brother, Glen (Irene) Johnson, of Waterloo, Iowa; sister, Ruth (Art) Hoernemann; and sister-in-law, Gail Johnson of Ortonville, Minn.; as well as his many nieces and nephews, who he cherished very much.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and brothers, Carl, Harold, and Warner Johnson.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, at Peace Lutheran Church, 13th and Avenue D. A reception will immediately follow the service and interment at Sunset Memorial Gardens will be held at 1:30 p.m.

Memorials may be made to Peace Lutheran Church, 1301 Ave. D, Billings, MT, 59102, The Lutheran Center, 1024 N. 30th, Billings, MT, 59101, or to the cancer research center of your choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

Marguerite E. 'Betty' Johnson

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Marguerite E. "Betty" Johnson, 85, surrounded by family and friends, peacefully went to be with her Lord and Savior on Friday, Sept. 3, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic. She was born at the family ranch near Oswego, Mont., on Nov. 11, 1918, the second child of J. R. "Dude" Shannon and Laura (Abrahamson) Shannon. She graduated from Frazer High School in 1936. She was a graduate of the Billings Business College and worked at the Pierce Packing Company from August of 1939 to November of 1942.

She married the love of her life, Everett S. Johnson, on Nov. 9, 1942, in Billings. They had four children, William, Lee, Robert and Connie, and enjoyed over 58 years together until his death in March, 2001.

She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. After her last child graduated from high school, she went to work at Sweetheart Bakery. She also worked side-by-side with Everett in his business, J. H. Motors. She was a long-time member of the First Evangelical Free Church and enjoyed teaching Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, and Child Evangelism classes. She will be missed by her many friends at the Church.

She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, gardening, painting and drawing although she never admitted to her talent.

Preceding her in death were her beloved husband, Everett, and her brother, Harold Shannon. She is survived by her sister, Frances Allen; her children, William (Nancy) of Billings, Lee (Joyce) of Galesburg, Ill., Robert (Michele) of Billings and Connie of Glasgow; eight grandchildren Michele Ostermiller, Kris Fox, Alicia (Johnson) Warren, Naomi, Blake, Debbie, Kelsey and Shaela Johnson; three great-grandchildren, Christian Ostermiller and Cody and Zane Fox, and four nieces and two nephews. She is also survived by her special Border Collie friend and companion, Panda, and good friends, Bonnie Baracker, Ron and Marilyn Robins and others too numerous to mention.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Smith Funeral Chapel West. Interment is in Terrace Gardens Cemetery.

Melvin David Johnson

May 23, 1923 — June 22, 2004

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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God looked around his garden
and found an empty place
He then looked down upon
this earth

and saw your tired face
He put his arms around you
and lifted you to rest
God's garden must be beautiful

He always takes the best
He knew you were suffering
He knew you were in pain
He knew that you would never
get well on earth again

He saw that
the road was
getting rough
and the hills
were hard to
climb

So He closed
your weary eye-
lids

and whis-
pered, "Peace
be thine"

It broke our hearts to lose you
but you didn't go alone
for part of us went with you
the day God called you home

After 81 years of life and 58 years of true love, Melvin returned to his Father in Heaven after a brief battle with pancreatic cancer. The son of Abner and Lena Mae Johnson, Melvin was born into a family of faith in



MELVIN
JOHNSON

Denver and raised in Colorado Springs and Fort Collins, Colo. It was in Fort Collins, while working in an alabaster factory, that he found love at first sight in the eyes of Mary Margaret Stratton. Three months later, the two were married and began their life together. They then moved to Billings and raised four children: Linda, Joyce, Rick and Danny. Living an active lifestyle, Melvin was involved in his sons' Boy Scout troop and had a love for carpentry, woodworking and his abundant garden. He was the "fixer of all things broken" and was known to have the greenest thumb on the block. It wasn't long before Melvin and Margaret were proud grandparents, and their great-grandparents.

Melvin passed away in his home, surrounded by those who loved him. As Grandma said "He's now a beautiful butterfly waiting for us in heaven."

Melvin was preceded in death by his parents; his brother Edgar and sister Arlene. He is survived by his wife Margaret; his brother Duane; his children, Linda Baker, Joyce Zinkowich, Rick and Danny

Johnson; his grandchildren Micala and Lisa Baker (Linda), Danett Rozey, Jamie Nelson, Nathan Eix (Joyce), Rob Johnson and Toni Ryan (Rick) and Drew (Dan); his great-grandchildren, Billy and Mariah (Micala), Raven, Justin and Branden (Lisa), Marina (Danett), Cristina and Alissa (Jamie), Courtney and Makenzie (Nathan).

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that a donation be made to Big Sky Hospice or to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements are being made by Cremation or Funeral Gallery and a memorial service will be set for a later date.

Minnie Johnson

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LOVELL, Wyo. — Minnie Sonora Johnson, 85, of Lovell, died Thursday, Oct. 28, 2004, at New Horizons Care Center in Lovell.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Lovell. Interment will be in the Lovell Cemetery. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell is in charge.

Neil Donald Johnson

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SEATTLE — Neil passed away Feb. 21, 2004, at his home, after a long and courageous battle with multiple sclerosis.



**NEIL
JOHNSON**

Neil was born on April 14, 1942, in Denver, the only child of Leo Hiram Johnson and Cecelia L.R. O'Donnell Johnson. The family moved to Billings when Neil was a child. He graduated from Billings Senior High in 1960, moved to Missoula, and met his future wife, Patricia, while both were students at the University of Montana. They were married in the fall of 1964, shortly after finishing studies. During his senior year at University of Montana, Neil served the Montana Alpha chapter of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity as President. "Bear" forever cherished the friendships he made while at U of M, actively swapping "war stories" and maintaining close ties with many of the Brothers throughout his lifetime.

Upon graduation, he joined IBM Corporation as a young office products salesman in Portland, Ore. He ascended the management ranks at IBM during a career that took him and his family back

to Billings, then to Orange County, Calif., and ultimately to Seattle. Neil remained with the firm for 29 years until his retirement in Seattle, 1993.

Neil enjoyed spending time with friends and family, either on the trout stream, tennis court or at home.

He is survived by his wife Patricia; his children, Michael (Melissa Bassett), Kristin Babbs (Simon) and Jeremy (Nikka). He is also survived by two granddaughters, Maren, 5, and Celia, 1.

Viewing Tuesday, Feb. 24, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Mountain View Funeral Home in Tacoma. A memorial gathering for friends and family will be held at the Sorrento Hotel Penthouse Suite, 900 Madison, Seattle, on Wednesday evening from 5 to 8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances can be made to Highland Community Center, 14224 Bell-Red Road, Bellevue, WA 98007.

The family would like to offer special thanks to Curt Webb as well as Neil's many friends at the Highland Center for the care and support they offered Neil during his final years.

YTTB, Bear #914.

Paulette Johnson

Paulette (Branstetter) Johnson, 61, died Thursday, April 8 at her home in Prineville, Ore., with her kids by her side. She battled cancer for two years.

No services are planned, at her request.

She was born on Nov. 25, 1942, in Greysbull, to Orville and Catherine (Meyers) Townsley. Her family moved her to Powell where she attended the local schools.

On May 21, 1960, she married Glenn F. Branstetter. They raised three children, then later divorced in 1981.

She later married Ron Johnson. They moved from Wyoming to Oregon where they built a home and business.

Her hobbies included antique shopping, flower gardening and spending time with her grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband, Ron Johnson; brother-in-law, Rob Johnson, son-in-law, Justin and his wife Stacey Johnson and granddaughter, Mara Johnson, 7, all from Prineville; daughter, Lynette and Don Norman, granddaughters, Melissa, 9, and Chelsea, 7, all of Columbia Falls, Mont.; two sons, Brandy Branstetter of Yellowstone National Park and Thomas Branstetter of Wyoming; cousin, Elaine and Dale Massing of Harlowton, Mont.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Orville and Catherine Townsley; sisters, Lucil

Martin, Virginia Townsley and Pauline Siebel; grandchildren, Chelsie Anne, Chase William and Sara Olivia Norman; brother in-law, James Martin and nephew, Edward Martin.

Memorials may be made to Crook County Boys & Girls Club in Prineville, Ore.

Robert Johnson

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SIOUX PASS — Robert "Bob" Johnson, 83, of Sioux Pass, died Sunday, Dec. 12, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center.

Wake will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14, at Fulkerson Memorial Chapel in Sidney. Mass of the Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, at the St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Sidney. Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery.

Robert Lloyd Johnson

LEWISTOWN — Robert Lloyd Johnson died suddenly Friday morning from a stroke. Bob was born in Lidgerwood, N.D., on May 16, 1927. His parents were Alfred W. and Mildred B. Johnson. His family moved to Lewistown when Bob was 8 years old.



**ROBERT
JOHNSON**

Bob spent summers on such jobs as a logger felling trees in Washington state at the age of 15, as well as surveying in Glacier National Park. He graduated from Fergus County High School in 1944. After graduation Bob worked in 1947 at KXLO Radio when it first went on the air as a staff announcer. After spending one year at Montana State University (MSU), Bob joined the Navy at age 18 and served at the Naval Training Center in San Diego.

After discharge, he returned to MSU and joined an Air Force ROTC unit. When the war in Korea began, Bob was commissioned as an Air Force Second Lieutenant with duty in Korea,

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where he met his future wife, Red Cross Volunteer Anita Zimmerman of Portland, Ore.

They were married in 1952 and he served the remainder of his military service commitment at McChord Air Force Base in Tacoma, Wash. Upon his discharge, Bob returned to MSU and graduated in 1952. He then attended law school at Willamette University, graduating in 1958. Returning to Lewistown, Bob joined the law firm of Dekalb, Dockery and Mondale but eventually established his own practice, which he continued until his death.

Bob was active in a variety of pursuits; obtaining his pilot's license at age 16, he remained passionate about aviation, eventually achieving an Airline Transport Pilot's certification. He was known throughout the state for his service and mentorship in the Civil Air Patrol and other Montana Aviation organizations. Bob was a long-time Volunteer in area Boy Scouting, which culminated with his selection as the State President, Boy Scouts of Montana.

Other service included the Rotary Club (for more than 50 years), President of the Lewistown Chamber of Commerce, Masonic Orders, and the Shrine Al Bedoo Temple. He is a former member of the Presbyterian Church, but currently belongs to the Zion Lutheran congregation. Bob loved music, and sang with church choirs and in area events such as the Christmas Cantata and the Follies. Bob was an avid sportsman — he played basketball at MSU and at the Naval Training Center, and was a regular enthusiastic supporter of the Fergus High School athletics programs. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and in general relished life in Montana.

Bob is preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Stanley Warren Johnson, who died in combat in WWII. Surviving family members include his wife, Anita, (of 52 years); children, Stanley of Billings, Neal of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Alan, and his wife, Tamara, of Dayton, Ohio, Robin, and husband, Kirk Fleming, of Lewistown, grandchildren, Kristian Fleming, Lindsay and Austin Johnson; step-grandchildren, Tanya Hanna, Tate Fleming, and Skylar Fleming and step-great-grandchildren, Quintin Hanna and Kyler Fleming.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 4, at Zion Lutheran Church. Interment at Lewistown City Cemetery at 10 a.m. will precede the funeral service and the public is welcome to attend.

Visitation will begin Monday at Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown. Memorial donations maybe made in Bob's name to the Zion Lutheran Church 604 West Evelyn St. Lewistown, MT 59457.

Creel Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge of arrangements.

Roland A. Johnson

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 16 2004

BOYD — Roland A. Johnson, 75, of Boyd, died Wednesday morning, April 14, 2004, at Beartooth Hospital Long Term Care Unit.

He was born on Jan. 24, 1929, in Joliet, a son of Howard W. and Eva E. Johnson. Roland attended school in Joliet and moved to Seattle with his family as a teen.



**ROLAND
JOHNSON**

At age 16, he began his career as a merchant marine, and his work took him all over the world. While aboard the SS Chena, Roland rode out a tidal wave caused by the Alaskan earthquake of 1964.

He retired from sea duty and returned to Montana in 1971, eventually settling on his beloved ranch at Boyd in 1978. Family was the focus of Roland's life, and he enjoyed hunting, fishing, riding horses and cheering on the Seahawks and the Mariners.

In 1953, Roland married Helen L. Ross in Pacific City, Wash.

Survivors include his wife, Helen L. Johnson of Boyd; three children, Peter L. Johnson of Bothell, Wash., Ben Johnson of

Snoqualmie, Wash., and Judy Johnson of Roberts; two brothers, Harold Johnson and Bob Johnson, both of Quartzsite, Ariz.; one sister, Leona Hansen of Seattle; seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild due to arrive this fall.

Roland was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Bill Johnson.

Graveside memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, April 19, in the Rockvale Cemetery. Cremation has taken place under the direction of Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel of Red Lodge.

Memorials may be given to Beartooth Hospital Hospice or Beartooth Hospital Long Term Care Unit, both at PO Box 590, Red Lodge, MT 59068.

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Ruth M. Johnson

JOLIET — Ruth M. Johnson passed away May 31, 2004. She was the fourth of six children born to Nels and Cecelia Jensen of Calabar on Jan. 5, 1917, in Miles City.



**RUTH
JOHNSON**

Ruth graduated from Custer County High School at the age of 16, and on Feb. 2, 1934, married Clarence L. Johnson. After raising registered cattle on their Yellowstone Hereford Ranch in Miles City for 28 years, they sold the ranch in 1962, and moved to Joliet, where they continued their ranching business.

After Clarence passed away in 1976, Ruth started spending her winters in Arizona, where she had many friends with whom she played bridge and golf, and she loved to go dancing. Ruth was very independent and continued to drive herself to Arizona into her 80s.

Survivors include her daughters, Rosemary (Neil) Isto of Joliet, Peggy (Otis) Haynes of Lake Havasu City, Ariz., Diane (John) Tucker of Bradenton, Fla., and Carol (Bill) Starr of Billings.

Ruth had 10 grandchildren, Mark Isto, Heidi Isto Heller, Kathleen Haynes Erickson, Kirk Haynes, Kelly Haynes Ralston, Nanette Johnson, JB Tucker, Emily Starr and Sara Starr. Her husband Clarence; son Pete; and granddaughter Alexi preceded her in death.

The funeral will be at the Joliet Episcopal Church on June 8 at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Joliet Community Center. Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel is in charge of arrangements.

Traci Lee Clayton-Johnson

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 22 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Traci Lee Clayton-Johnson, 43, of Sheridan, died suddenly of natural causes on Sunday, April 18, 2004.



**TRACI
CLAYTON-
JOHNSON**

Born in Wieser, Idaho, on Feb. 3, 1961, Traci is survived by her husband of 28 years, Buster Johnson of Billings; three children, Wayne Johnson, Codi Johnson and Clayton Johnson, all of Sheridan. She is also survived by her mother, Virginia Clayton, Missoula, Mont.; her brothers, Bill Clayton, Townsend, Mont., and A.J. and Bobby Clayton, both of White Sulphur Springs, Mont.; and her sister, Teri George of Basin.

Viewing will be held Wednesday and Thursday, April 21 and 22, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary and Crematory, 1001 Alderson Ave., in Billings. Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Friday, April 23, at the Custer Congregational Church, with interment in the Custer Cemetery.

Walter Harold Johnson BILLINGS GAZETTE

BELT — Walter Harold Johnson was born Oct. 22, 1919, to Opal M. (Howard) and Frederick Johnson on the family ranch homestead near Stockett. He died May 26, 2004, at Benefis Hospital, of natural causes.

He was educated through eighth grade at a one-room school, Houskin School at Tiger Butte. As a youth, he worked on the family farm south of Stockett. At a young age of 12, he went to work in the coal mines near Stockett to help support his family.

At age 14 (he actually lied and said he was 16), he went to work for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on the construction of the Fort Peck Reservoir. Later, he worked at a family-owned sawmill at Logging Creek and subsequently worked at Gus and Jacks Tire Shop in Great Falls before starting a lifelong career of cattle ranching. He married Norma G. Blend, Dec. 14, 1945. Together, they pursued their first ranch near Evans, starting their ranching career and family. Walt and Norma expanded their ranching



**WALTER
JOHNSON**

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career from Evans to Belt, where they currently resided at the Little Belt Creek Ranch.

Walter's love of the livestock industry led him into the leadership role in many livestock organizations, including found member and president of the Foothills Livestock Association, Board of Directors and President of the Montana Stockgrowers Association. He served on the Board of Directors of the American National Cattleman's Association and Director of the U.S. Meat Export Foundation.

In recent years, Walter was active in the Montana 4-H Foundation and was inducted into the 4-H Hall of Fame. He was also a member of the Montana Cowboys Association and inducted in the Montana Cowboys Association Hall of Fame.

Walt was very active in the Masonic Lodges and a member of Algeria Shrine and especially enjoyed the Shrine Horse Patrol and Hsan Tauf, as well as parading his teams of horses around the state.

Walt's avid interest in politics led him into the race for Lt. Governor in 1980. He served as President of the Cascade County Republican Central Committee and Vice Chairman of the Mt. State Republican Central Committee. In later life, Walt and Norma enjoyed traveling the world. Their many excursions led them from Europe to Asia to the South Pacific.

Walt was truly a self-made man who overcame numerous adversities in his life to become the successful person and businessman that he was. His shoes will be difficult to fill. His love for his family was ever-enduring and the special light of his life was his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include wife, Norma, of 58 years; daughter, Patricia "Patty" Johnson of Helena and her children, Stacy (Jay) Lemelin, Billings, Kelly (Wade) Duncan, Belgrade, Chad (Corry) Seitz, Big Timber; son, Dale (Vickie) Johnson, Belt, and his children, Jolyn (Scott) Kanning, Billings, Kori Johnson, Belt, and Kevin Johnson, Billings; daughter Cheryl (Rich) Soha, Great Falls, and her children, Lyndsay Mammen, Syracuse, N.Y., and Jebb Mammen, Great Falls; six great-grandchildren, Kale Lemelin, Jeanann Lemelin, Garrett Duncan, Gavin Duncan, Gage

Duncan and Ilah Johnson; brothers Fred R. Johnson, Browning, Clifford A. Johnson (Bessie), Great Falls; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Grace and Henry Blend; two brothers and sister-in-law Ann Johnson; and two brothers-in-law, Clarence Kropp and Robert Fox.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday, May 29, in the Croxford Funeral Home Rose Room. The family will be present from 7 to 8 p.m. Services will be at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 30, in the Croxford Rose Room. Burial will be in the Tiger Butte Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the Research Endowment and Education Fund (REEF), c/o The Montana Stockgrowers Association, 420 N. California, Helena, MT; the Great Falls Shrine Patient Travel Fund, Box 2361, Great Falls, MT 59403; The Montclair Methodist Church, Belt, MT; The Montana 4-H Foundation, Box 173580, Bozeman, MT 59717; or a memorial of your choice.

Wilhelmine 'Willa' Johnson

PORTLAND, Ore. — Wilhelmine "Willa" Johnson, a longtime Billings resident, died Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25, 2004, at a care center in Portland. She was 95.

She was born July 1, 1909, in Mackay, Idaho, the third of five daughters of Jacob and Minnie Millonig. She graduated from Mackay High School and earned a teaching certificate from Lewiston Teachers' College. She returned to her native Mackay to teach first grade.

It was there that she met Glen Johnson, who was teaching at Mackay High. The couple were married July 16, 1932 in Butte, Mont., and moved to New York City, where Glen was a doctoral student at Columbia University. During this time in New York, Willa worked as a companion to invalids and also as a sales clerk at the lingerie department of Macy's.

The Johnsons later lived in Yankton, S.D., and Tampa, Fla. Their only child, Carolyn, was born in Great Falls while Glen was serving in the Army during World War II.

After the war, the Johnsons moved first to Havre, then Bozeman, then Missoula, and finally Billings, where they settled in 1954. Glen taught philosophy at Eastern Montana College (now MSU-Billings), and Willa taught elementary school, first at Garfield and later at Poly Drive. She retired in 1968. She was a charter member of the Mayflower Congregational Church and was active in a number of organizations centered at the college. Her husband died in 1993.

In 1998, Willa moved to Missoula to be near her daughter. In 2001, she moved to Portland to stay near her daughter and family.

She is survived by one sister, Frances Larter of Idaho Falls; her daughter, Carolyn Brock of Portland; two granddaughters, Jacqueline and Régine Brock, both of Vancouver, Wash.; and two great-grandchildren.

A family memorial is planned in Mackay. The family requests that memorials be sent to the scholarship program at MSU-Billings.

Arlene Marie Johnston

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MISSOULA — Arlene Marie Johnston, age 70, of Missoula, formerly of Poplar, passed away on Friday, Jan. 9, 2004, at the Hillside Health Care Center in Missoula of

natural causes.

Arlene was born on May 19, 1933, in Poplar, the daughter of Lawrence and Anne (McGowan) Ault. She was raised and attended schools in

Poplar. After her schooling she married Alan Swanson in 1952. In 1964, Arlene married Don Johnston. She was an active member of the Catholic Church, and she loved playing the piano and delighted many of the patients with her music. She also enjoyed reading and was a very good listener, spending quite a bit of time visiting with family and friends.

Arlene is survived by two sons, Carter (Lana) Swanson of Bristol, R.I., and Paul (Laverna) Johnston of Anchorage, Alaska; a daughter, Charlene (Joseph) Culbertson of Poplar; a brother, Al Ault of Poplar; a sister, Pat Cowan of Arizona, three grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her two husbands, her parents, two brothers and one sister.



**ARLENE
JOHNSTON**

Vigil services will be held on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Poplar. Funeral mass will be held on Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Poplar City Cemetery. Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel of Poplar is in charge of the services. Should friends wish, condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.stevensonandsons.com.

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

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Donald Walter Johnston

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS
 — Donald Walter Johnston died in an accident Tuesday morning, May 4, 2004, while on his ATV moving cattle on his ranch along the Smith River northwest of White Sulphur Springs. He was born in Townsend on April 30, 1941, to Walter and Beth McAfee Johnston. He attended White Sulphur Springs schools. Upon graduating, he attended Western Montana College in Dillon before enlisting into the U.S. Army. He served in the Veterinary Corp. in Korea, as well as Army bases in the United States.

For the past 45 years, Don has ranched along the Smith River with his father Bud. He was a member of the Whitetail Grazing Association for many years, as well as the Meagher County Rodeo Club. Sports were a large part of Don's life also. He coached girls' softball for several years while his daughters were playing and attended sports events whenever it was possible.

In 1973 he married Rebecca "Becky" Ellison and they had two daughters. He is survived by Becky and their daughters at the family ranch. Elizabeth "Libby" is

currently a dietitian at Billing Deaconess Hospital and Mari is graduating on May 15 from University of Montana in Missoula.

He is also survived by his father Walter "Bud"; brothers Larry and Mary and Mike and Liz, all of White Sulphur Springs, and Bob and Diane of Plains. Numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews and many friends survive as well. He was preceded in death by his mother Beth, grandparents John and Aline McAfee and Murray and Ethel Johnston.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Monday, May 10, at Yoked Parish Lutheran Church, White Sulphur Springs.

Emma Johnston

MILES CITY — Emma Johnston, 74, of Miles City, died Saturday, Oct. 2, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Center in Miles City.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 7, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Miles City. Interment will follow in the Custer County Cemetery.

MAY 18 2004**Lawrence Claude "LC"
Johnston**

Lawrence Claude "LC" Johnston, age 79, a longtime resident of Billings, died Monday, May 17, 2004.

LC was well known throughout Montana as an icon in the livestock industry, having served for 32 years as a brand inspector and Chief Investigator for the State of Montana, Department of Livestock Brand Enforcement Division. LC bred and raised horses throughout his life, which began as a young cowboy at the age of 9. He was a horse trainer and a renowned rodeo figure, Montana State Champion Team Roper 1963. He was a wrangler for the Motion Picture Industry in feature films such as "Centennial," "Tom Horn" and "Little Big Man."

LC was also a true American hero, having served in World War II as a B-17 gunner/bombardier, where he was awarded the Purple Heart and six Air Medals for action in five major



**LC
JOHNSTON**

battles in the European theater.

Born Aug. 15, 1924, in Basin, Wyo., to the late Claude and Maude Johnston, LC was the oldest of four children. He married the former Marjorie Chipman of Billings and fathered two daughters, and later married the former Kay Price of Miles City, and fathered four sons and one daughter.

LC was preceded in death by his oldest son, Larry, in October 1985. LC is survived by his siblings, Dorothy Bennett of Las Vegas, Dick Johnston of Billings and Kathleen (Chuckie) Johnston of Billings; his children, Laureen (George) Gennin of Madison, Va., Claudeen Ritter of York, Pa., Stanley (Tawni) Johnston of Claremont, Calif., Benny (Jody) Johnston of Helena, Ross (Leanne) Johnston of Helena and Kathy (Mike Noble) Johnston of Waddell, Ariz.; and his lifelong companion, Marie Anderson of Billings. He is also survived by 16 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

A memorial service will be held Thursday, May 20, at 2 p.m., at Cremation or Funeral Gallery, 29 Eighth St. West, Billings.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107.

Mary Alice Johnston

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APRIL 28 2004

MESA, Ariz. — Mary Alice Johnston died April 9, 2004.

She was born March 15, 1926, in Laramie, Wyo.

She and her husband lived in Billings from 1948 until 1976. They raised five children here; her husband was a shop teacher in the Billings schools. From 1976 until 1988 they lived as snowbirds. They summered at their cabin in Nye, Mont., and wintered in Mesa. In 1988, they moved to Mesa permanently.

One son, Randy, preceded her in death. Survivors include her husband Gene of Mesa; her children, Roger and Dana of American Falls, Idaho, Janie of Mesa, Rick and Dawn of Brush Prairie, Wash., and Kelly of Cornelius, Ore.; 15 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Mary Alice loved to cook, knit, play bridge and play with all of her grandchildren. The family has great memories of the summers at the cabin at Nye. She will be sorely missed by all.

Cremation has taken place and the funeral will be a private family affair to take place at Nye. Donations may be made to your local hospice.

OCT 27 2004
SUNING GAZETTE

Patricia A. Johnston

RANCHESTER, Wyo. — Patricia A. Johnston, 74, of Rancheater, died Saturday, Oct. 23, 2004, in Albuquerque, N.M.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Interment will be in the Elk's Section of Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

Richard Barry Jolley

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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LOVELL, Wyo. — Richard Barry Jolley, 45, died Wednesday, June 30, 2004, from injuries sustained in a pick-up rollover accident east of Lovell.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the Haskell Funeral Home. Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints with burial in the Lovell Cemetery.



ADONYAI JONES

Adonyai Tavia Malika Jones

Adonyai Tavia Malika Jones graced our lives for only a few brief hours. She was born Oct. 4, 2004, at 6:39 a.m., and continued Home with Creator six and a half hours later. The youngest child and only daughter of Tawny and Malik Jones, she was anticipated with much hope, joy and love.

Adonyai, "her father's daughter," is survived by her parents, Tawny and Malik; her four "big" brothers, Nahjei Dylon, Kayin Soja, Ajani Elan and Micheal Brewer; uncles Blair (Jen), Brent and Sasha Fisher; her grandparents, Vera Parker (James), all of Billings. Also surviving are grandparents, Burton Fisher Jr.

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(Patsy) of Muddy Creek, Mary Lozo (Bill) of Utica, N.Y.; cousins Taisha, Asshiim, Ashanti, Chanel, Star Asia and Diamond.

Adonyai is preceded by great-grandparents, Mary Fisher, John Fisher and Helen and Maurice Parker.

We now have a petite angel in our hearts. Thank you, Adonyai, for bringing us hope, joy and love with your brief visit to us.

A wake will be at Burton and Patsy's home in Muddy Creek Friday night, with a sunrise service Saturday morning, Oct. 9.

Memorials c/o Tawny and Malik Jones, First Interstate Bank-Heights.

Arrangements by Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home.

THE POWELL TRIBUNE
THURS., AUG. 26, 2004

Bethel Rose Feyhl-Jones

Graveside memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 30 at Crown Hill Cemetery in Powell for Bethel Rose Feyhl-Jones, 88, who died early Wednesday, Aug. 25 at the Cody West Park Long Term Care Center.

She had been a resident at the care center since February of 2003.

She was born Jan. 3, 1916, in Cody to Frederick and Carrie Feyhl, pioneer residents of Meeteetse. She and her husband, William S. Jones, lived in the Powell area since the early 1950s.

Bethel (Rose to most everyone) was known as a very caring woman, always willing to help with gifts of food, handmade quilts, blankets and other items.

Her constant drive to communicate with friends, family and acquaintances caused her to be an unofficial historian of facts. Her varied life was spent in small towns, ranching and farming communities. Her growing up years and her early adult years were difficult and challenging, and her life as a parent was never easy. But with help from her parents, siblings and friends, she managed to raise her children successfully.

In her late "mature" years, she traveled to many places in the U.S. that she dreamed about, while visiting and enjoying her families.

Her husband died in November of 1980. She was also preceded in death by two sisters and three brothers.

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Survivors include a daughter, Donna M. Gleave of St. George, Utah; four sons, Virgil G. Adair of Worchester, Mass., Jerry C. Adair of Orange Park, Fla., Fredrick M. Jones of Missoula, Mont., and Benjamin S. Jones of Gloucester, Va.; three brothers, Robert and Clarence Fehyl of Cody and Wayne Fehyl of Casper; a sister, Grace M. Renner of Cody; 18 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

Betty A. Jones

DEPT. OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

WORLAND, Wyo. — Betty Alice Jones died Wednesday, June 16, 2004, at the home of her mother, after a battle with MS and cancer.

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Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, June 21, at the United Methodist Church. Burial will follow in Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Bryant Funeral Home of Worland is in charge.

Cecil 'Buck' Jones

KENAI, Alaska — Cecil "Buck" Jones was born Aug. 26, 1930, and left us peacefully in his sleep on Nov. 4, 2004, in Kenai. Buck was born at the Fort Belknap Agency and raised in Hays, Mont.

Buck enjoyed visiting with family and friends, carpentry, horse racing, animals, rodeos, bowling and especially fishing. He was known for his joking and "fish stories." He would call his family and friends and send pictures of the huge fish he caught in Alaska and no matter where Dad traveled, he knew someone.

Buck was married to Florine Cochran and they later divorced. He then married Pauline Zeir of Hardin. He is preceded in death by his father, Cecil Jones; mother, Eva Turcotte; and brothers and sisters, Medric, Jimmy, Thelma, Vernie; and one grandson, Tyler Brockie.

Buck is survived by his sons, Matthew, Tommy, Kenny, Jesse, Darrin and David; his daughters, Daryl, Audrey, Wanda, Laura, Mary, Karen, Sarah, Karma, Zita, Jere and Linda. He has 27 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren; his sisters, Ilene, Barbara, Jeannie, Sharon and Leona.

A wake and rosary will be Sunday, Nov. 7, at 7 p.m. at St. Paul's Mission Recreation Center in Hays. Services will follow on

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Monday, Nov. 8, at 11 a.m., with burial at the Jones Family Cemetery.

Dad, watch over us; we love you and we will miss you.

Charles E. 'Chuck' Jones

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DEC 14 2004

Charles Everette "Chuck" Jones, 70, passed away in his sleep early Sunday morning, Dec. 12, 2004.

Chuck was born April 8, 1934 in Crosby, Wyo., a son of George Arthur "Fat" Jones and Laverna Mildred (Richardson) Jones. He was raised and schooled in both Wyoming



**CHUCK
JONES**

and Montana and served in the Army National Guard from 1952 to 1960.

Chuck worked as an electrician for Pierce Packing for many years. Along with his electrical skills, he was self-taught in many other fields, including mechanics, plumbing, carpentry, heavy equipment operation, photography and computers. He was always on call to help friends and relatives with their projects and in recent years had done volunteer work with the Lockwood School. Chuck was also an avid hunter and fisherman.

He was preceded in death by his father, George "Fat" Jones; and a son, Porter Charles Jones. Survivors include his wife of 45 years, Marie G. (Smith) Jones; his mother, Laverna Jones; and a sister, ClaraBelle (Jerry) Gibson, all

of Billings; a daughter, Georgetta (Mike) Smith of Billings; two sons, Charley (Debbie) of Diamondville, Wyo., and Jay (Melanie) of Billings; 13 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Cremation is planned and a memorial service with military honors will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 18, at the Lockwood Evangelical Church, 1413 Rosebud Lane. Smith Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

Darlene Jones

BELLINGS GAZETTE

GLENDIVE — Darlene Jones, 66, of Glendive, died Saturday, Dec. 4, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Glendive. Interment will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the Lutheran Cemetery in Beach, N.D. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is in charge.

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FRED E. JONES

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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BUTTE — Fred E. Jones, formerly of Billings, died Saturday, Jan. 10, 2004, in St. James Healthcare in Butte as a result of congestive heart failure. Fred was born in Belleville, Kan., April 15, 1915, to David and Verna Jones. At an early age, he moved to Billings. He graduated from Billings Senior High School in 1935, where he earned four letters in football and was captain of the 1934 Billings Broncos state champion team. After graduating from high school, he attended the University of Montana and Creighton University.

Fred married JoAnn McFadden Dec. 14, 1940, in Hysham. He was a World War II veteran, having served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1942 to 1945. He served 17 months in the South Pacific at Guadalcanal, after which he was stationed at the Marine Corps Air Station in Mojave, Calif.

Following the war, Fred and JoAnn lived in Red Lodge, before returning to Billings where he lived until January 2002 when he moved to Butte to be closer to his daughter. Before enlisting in the Marine Corps, he was a member of the Billings Police Force. After the war he worked for Continental Oil and retired from Benson Optical.

He was preceded in death by his wife, JoAnn in 1993; his par-

ents; two brothers; one sister; and one grandson. Fred is survived by his brother and sister-in-law, Cliff and Dorothy Jones of Billings; sister, Virginia Walter of Columbus; daughter and son-in-law JoEllen and Larry Zeiler of Butte; granddaughter Renee` Nichols of McKinney, Texas; grandson Ron and Beth Zeiler of Butte; three great-grandchildren, Austin and Madison Zeiler and Grady Nichols; and his nieces and nephews.

Fred and Jo especially enjoyed their cabin on the Stillwater River where so many good memories were made and will always be remembered. Fred was especially fond of his friends from the "20-40 Lunch Group," and their twice yearly get-togethers, and the "Brunch Bunch."

Funeral Services will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Interment will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to the Eddy Bayne Memorial Fund for the Betterment of Youth, c/o First Interstate Bank in Billings.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of local arrangements.

Grant U. 'Buck' Jones Jr.

Grant U. "Buck" Jones passed away on Jan. 30, 2004, surrounded by his beloved family, at St. Vincent Healthcare. Buck was 89 years old.

Buck Jones was born on Dec. 24, 1914, in Albuquerque, N.M., to Grant Jones Sr. and Audry Cox.

As a young boy, his family moved to Billings in 1921. Buck's early childhood was spent west of Billings. He



**BUCK
JONES**

began his lifetime of hard work at the age of 7, when he began milking cows at the Voss Dairy. He continued to work throughout his childhood at various farms including as a hay crewman for the Jenkins Ranch, of Rygate.

His many notable Western life experiences included raising and herding 3,000 turkeys and breaking wild horses on the Pryor Creek with Les Chatwood by the time he was 16.

Destiny was confirmed when he went to his sister's home for help with a broken hand he had suffered while working for the Richardson Feed Lot. It was there he met the love of his life, Catherine Schafnitz, who was working for his sister, in February 1933.

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Buck thinned and hand loaded sugar beets for Frank Schafnitz Sr. (Catherine's father) during their courtship.

Buck and Catherine were married Nov. 17, 1934, and began their remarkable 69 years together on a small farm in Shepherd. He continued to work with sugar beets and feed cattle until March of 1939, when he began his career at Yale Oil Co. He continued to work for Yale Oil through the many transitions as they became Exxon Oil until his retirement after 37 years in November 1975.

Throughout his lifetime, he loved the ranching and farming way of life. He spent countless days working with Lee Halvorson out on Blue Creek. Buck shared his energy and acquired skills with his family and friends.

He also spent days working in the trucking, ranching and farming businesses with his son Jim. Buck enjoyed his annual family hunting trips and spent many relaxing days fishing on the Boulder, Madison and Gallatin rivers as well as Hebgen Lake and through Yellowstone Park.

Buck was the patriarch of a large family. Buck is survived by his wife, Catherine, of Billings;

and three children, Barbara (Wayne) Premo of Shepherd, James Jones (Kitty Kehrwald) of Bozeman and Patricia Meyer (Donald) of Helena.

Buck loved to share his knowledge of gardening with the many generations of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The family would gather often at his Billings home and would marvel at the "backyard" garden. He would proudly share his sweet peas, corn, potatoes and tomatoes with many. He loved the many children who would visit and would tease them endlessly with a twinkle of his beautiful blue eyes.

Buck's family includes 10 grandchildren, Trudy Premo, Kim Premo, Bobbie Ann Carberry, all of Billings, Wayne (Jennifer) Premo of Shepherd, Timothy (Audra) Premo, of Rapid City, S.D., James G. (Holly) Jones Jr. of Billings, Janeen (Hugh) Brookie of Saco, Janet (Tracy) Prescott, Belgrade, John (Karen) Jones of Las Vegas and Donald (Vicki) Meyer of Helena.

Buck is preceded in death by his parents, three sisters, four brothers, an infant daughter, Trudy, and a great-grandson, Kevin. He will be missed by 30 great-grandchildren and 21 great-great-grandchildren. The 68 family members request donations or memorials be made to Big Sky Hospice or a charity of one's choice on behalf of Buck Jones and his indelible memory.

A vigil will be held at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, Tuesday, Feb. 3, at 7 p.m.

Funeral Mass will be held at St. Pius X Church Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 11 a.m., with Rite of Committal at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

**Grant U. 'Buck'
Jones, Jr.**

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Buck Jones passed away Jan. 30, 2004. In his obituary, his surviving sisters, Ruth Batt of Billings and Birdie Givens of Texas; brother-in-law John Schafnitz of Billings; and numerous nieces and nephews were omitted.

Our apologies are extended to Ruth, Birdie, John and all their families for this oversight.

Love, Catherine, Barbara, Jim and Patty.

Harold Lloyd Jones

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Harold Lloyd Jones, 77, of Billings, passed away on July 3, 2004.

He was born to John and Mary Rose Jones on June 3, 1927, in Roundup. He was one of 15 children. Three are surviving. He attended Kline school and served in Kobe, Japan, in the Army during



**HAROLD
JONES**

1946 to 1947. He returned to the states to complete his tour of duty and in 1956, he married Darlene Becker in Billings.

Harold worked various jobs, retiring from Barry O'Leary after 16 years of driving the cement truck. He enjoyed watching old westerns, woodworking and building model cars.

Survivors include his wife Darlene; two daughters, Shelly Jones and Sheri (John) Edwards; several nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to give special thanks to Dr. Twito and staff and to the Big Sky Hospice. Words cannot express our thanks to Tedee Church for all her love and support.

Graveside service will be 2 p.m. Thursday, July 8, at the Becker Cemetery, 7648 Cormier Road, nine miles south of Billings on Blue Creek Road. Viewing will be 3 to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, July 6, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, July 7, and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery, 29 Eighth St. West, for departure to the cemetery. Potluck will follow at Steve Becker's home.

Helen Auch **Sowerwine Jones**

WILLOW GAZETTE

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Helen Roberta Auch was born June 12, 1914, in Philadelphia, Pa., to John Raymond and Edythe Evalina (West) Auch. She attended elementary

schools in Pennsylvania, Florida and New Jersey. She graduated from Westfield High School in Westfield, N.J., and attended Friends Academy on Long Island, N.Y.



HELEN JONES

She married Elbert Orla Sowerwine Jr. in Stanhope, N.Y., on Feb. 22., 1933. They had four children, Sue-Ann, Sandra, Elbert O. III, and J. Frederick. After living in Jew Jersey and Virginia, the family moved to Wapiti, Wyo., where they purchased the Broken H and Trout Creek ranches in 1953. Helen loved working outside on the ranch in the Wapiti Valley and was involved in all of the ranching operations. She was a 4-H leader and took the club members to countless livestock judging sessions all over Park County, Wyo.

After a divorce, she married Thomas Daniel Jones Dec. 13, 1957, in Pinedale, Wyo., and had one son, William Raymond.

They lived in Wyoming, Idaho and finally in the Four Corners/Belgrade area from 1965 to 1978. She worked for the Kessler and Darigold Dairies in Bozeman for many years where she was the laboratory technician. Helen managed her son Elbert's motel, Trout Creek Inn at Wapiti from its opening in 1978 until her retirement and move to Billings in 1984. She moved to Billings Health and Rehabilitation Community in 2000.

Helen was an avid reader, interested in history and genealogy, a sports enthusiast, an animal lover, had a green thumb and enjoyed plants in her home and yard, enjoyed listening to classical music and operas, and loved her family above all else.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her second husband, Tom; a granddaughter, Theresa Jones; and a great-grandson, Shayne Jordan.

She is survived by her five children, Sue-Ann (Edwin) Ja-

cobson, Billings, Sandra (Caesar)
Aleman, Donna, Texas, Elbert
(Pam) Sowerwine, Cody, Wyo., J.
Frederick (Judy) Sowerwine,
Belgrade, and William (Tami)
Jones, Toston; 15 grandchildren;
and 22 great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place
and family services will be held
at a later date with burial at
Sunset Hills Cemetery in
Bozeman. Memorials may be
made to the charity of one's
choice.

James Loren Jones

MILES CITY — James Loren Jones, age 89, of Miles City, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 19, 2004, at Holy Rosary Extended Care in Miles City.

James was born in Maryville, Mo., on May 13, 1915, the son of Loren and Bertie (Wood) Jones. He moved with his family to the Knowlton area, where he attended country schools. His father passed away before he was born and he was raised by



**JAMES
JONES**

Bertie and his stepfather Harry Woodruff. He worked for the CCC Camp and also delivered coal in Miles City. Jim married Olga Seteren on March 11, 1938, at Fort Peck. They lived in Miles City, where he drove truck, hauling coal and gas for Babcock & Lee before buying his own truck. They moved out to the family ranch at Ismay in 1966 and lived there until he retired in 1979. They then moved back to Miles City, but Jim continued traveling out to the ranch to help out.

Jim liked to fish, hunt, play cards and enjoyed visiting and being around his family. He was always willing to lend a helping hand to anybody. Jim was a cowboy at heart and loved rodeos and western movies. He was a

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member of the Eagles and the Moose Lodge. His family would like to thank Dr. Beeson, Dr. Vadheim and all the nurses and staff at the Holy Rosary Health Center and extended care for everything you did for Jim.

Jim is survived by his wife of 66 years, Olga Jones of Miles City; a son, Jerry Jones and his wife Shari of Billings; a daughter, Sharon Diede of Fruita, Colo.; a sister, Mildred Boyer of Kalispell; five grandchildren, Craig, Scott and Kent Jones, Doug Diede and Lori Diede Ladd; six great grandchildren, Sarah Dillon, Matthew, Hillarey, Lindsey and Rachel Jones, and Lauren Ladd; one great-great-grandson, Syllas Dillon; a special sister-in-law, Palma Hobbs of Miles City; special nieces and nephews, Carol Kirkpatrick and Verna Sluder of Tennessee, Joann Young and Marvin Seteren of Terry and Gordan Sateren of Seattle; special friends and neighbors, Dennis and Fritzzy Hafila; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Vern Jones and Leslie Jones.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 22, at Stevenson

& Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be held Thursday, Dec. 23, at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Miles City. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Custer County Cemetery in Miles City. Condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.stevensonandsons.com.

Should friends desire, memorials may be made to the George Park or to the Knowlton Cemetery.

Mary Jones

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Mary Madaliene Warner Jones, 52, of Gillette, died Saturday, Sept. 11, 2004, at Campbell Memorial Hospital in Gillette, due to a head injury she received in an automobile accident in June.

Visitation will be from 2 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 16, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home in Gillette. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 17, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in the Gillette-Mt. Pisgah Cemetery.

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Mary J. Jones

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Mary J. Jones, born Jan. 28, 1928, peacefully transitioned to her new home on Oct. 24, 2004.

She was preceded by her parents; son Donald Grubs; and her two brothers, Clyde and Claude Killebrew.



**MARY
JONES**

Mary is survived by her husband, Claude Vergil Jones; daughter Vicki (Ron) Hennelly of Billings; stepdaughter Claudia (Cleve) Schuster of Reno; and her sister, Sarah (Leonard) Davis of Billings. Mary is also survived by her four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at the First Church of the Nazarene, 805 Alderson Ave.

Pete Jones

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Pete Jones, 69, of Buffalo, died Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at the Johnson County Health Care Center.

Visitation will be from 1 to 10 p.m. Friday, March 5, and from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Saturday, March 6, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo. Funeral Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will be in Willow Grove Cemetery, with graveside services to follow the funeral.

Ralph N. Jones Jr.

THE BURLINGTON GAZETTE

DEC 01 2004

BROCKTON — Ralph N. Jones Jr., 57, died Sunday, Nov. 28, 2004, at the family home in Brockton, of natural causes.

Visitation will be Thursday, Dec. 2, with a prayer service beginning at 7 p.m., at the Brockton Cultural Center. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 3, at the Brockton Cultural Center. Interment will follow in the Riverview Cemetery in Brockton. Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel is in charge.

Tammy Kay Jones

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Tammy Kay Jones, 41, loved fishing, camping and hunting — especially with her family.

When she was a little girl, her favorite thing to do was to wake up her aunt Judy and ask for Cheerios. She loved to jump on

Aunt Judy's bed.

She loved all her

aunts and

uncles. Tammy

and Mike and

their kids

enjoyed visiting

them in Seattle

and eating oys-

ters on the bar-

becue. Tammy

also loved to see

the ocean, the sights and shop-

ping in Seattle.

She spent every Friday night at

dinner with her parents.

Her favorite fishing trip was

the annual nine-day Canyon

Ferry gathering with her many

family members.

Going to children's volleyball,

football and wrestling events was

a favorite pastime. Tammy fol-

lowed son Mikie on his wrestling

rips and enjoyed hearing about

his other capers. She spent many

wonderful hours hanging out

with Matt. These were special

times for Tammy.

She delighted in her daughter

Cheltsie's artistic ability and

shared with her a passion for

horses. Tammy also shared her

love of horses with her Uncle Bob



**TAMMY
JONES**

and Uncle Gordon. She loved to ride.

With her family beside her, she passed away peacefully at the family home near Worden just before noon on Dec. 12, 2004, after a hard-fought five-year battle with cancer.

She was born in Red Lodge, Jan. 21, 1963, to George and Sharon Palin. She graduated from Senior High School in 1981.

Tammy married Michael Jones of Billings, June 25, 1982, at the First United Methodist Church in Billings. To this union, three children were born: Michael, 20; Cheltsie, 17; and Matthew, 12, all of the family home.

Survivors also include her parents, George and Sharon Palin of Shepherd; a brother, Randy (Kim) Palin of Belgrade; her father-in-law, Paul Jones of Billings; brothers- and sisters-in-law, Paul (Jeannie) Jones of Huntley, Kelly Jones of Worden, Mark (Mardy) Jones of Shepherd, Shannon (Mark) Christiansen of Billings, Melanie (Keith) Good of Billings and Zach, Jeff and Jazmine Jones of Billings; and numerous nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents; her youngest brother, Breck Palin; her mother-in-law, Delorees Jones; and a niece, Arneldus Schmeiding.

A celebration of Tammy's life is planned for Friday, Dec. 17, at 11 a.m. at Michelotti-Sawyers on 1001 Alderson Ave. Cremation has taken place.

Following the funeral, friends and family are invited to a lunch at Homesteader Hall, three miles east of Huntley on Hwy 312.

On her birthday, Jan. 21, 2005, her family will inter her ashes at the Mountview Cemetery, where brother Breck lies.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorials to the Friendship House, 3123 Eighth Ave. South, Billings, MT, 59101.

Betty Mae Jonutis

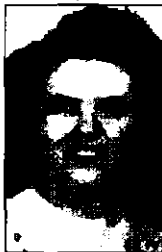
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Betty Mae Jonutis passed away peacefully at her home on June 8, 2004, at 78 years old.

Betty was born in Gibbs, Idaho, to Joseph and Violet Dobson. Married to Joseph A. Jonutis Jr. for 43 years.

She is survived by three daughters, Teresa Taylor of Colstrip, Carol J. Baer of Billings and Regina Zeilstra of Billings. Betty left several grandchildren, great-grandchildren and many wonderful and caring friends and relatives.



**BETTY
JONUTIS**

Grandchildren are Peggy L. Barnes of Billings, Thomas W. Baer Jr. of Colstrip, Darcy Zeilstra (deceased), Travis Zeilstra of Billings, Jessica Kaufman of Westminster, Colo., and Lyndsey Dudley of Colstrip. Donna McAdams of Donald, Ore., is her sole surviving sister.

Memorial service will be held at Atonement Lutheran Church at 3 p.m. in the afternoon, Thursday, June 10. Pastor Mariann presiding.

Memorial donations may be made to Big Sky Hospice.

Jeffrey D. Jorgensen

LEWISTOWN — Jeffrey D. Jorgensen, 39, died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2003, at his home after a three-year illness with cancer.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 6, at First Presbyterian Church. Cremation has taken place. Creel Funeral Home is in charge.

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Beverly LaVonne Coverdell Josephson

BIG TIMBER — Beverly LaVonne Coverdell Josephson passed away March 24, 2004, from heart failure, at the Deaconess Billings Clinic. Bev was born Dec. 11, 1936, in Kalispell, to Forrest and Esther Swallow Coverdell.

Bev was the Valedictorian of Big Fork High, graduated with a Business Degree and minor in music from the University of Montana in 1960. Married to Richard "Dick" Josephson of Billings, on Aug. 28, 1960. They moved to Livingston in 1962, then to Big Timber in 1964. Possessing a ceaseless work ethic and boundless creativity, her entire family and friends are proud of the contributions she made to the lives of everyone around her. She was an award-winning miniature oil and pencil artist. Bev was a patient and persistent gardener and landscape artist at the family home of her design along the Yellowstone River. She devoted herself the last several years as curator of the Crazy Mountain Museum. Bev also was a passionate genealogist, researching and archiving the family history back centuries. She was and remains an angel to many.

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**BEVERLY
JOSEPHSON**

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Bev is predeceased by her father Forrest Coverdell. She is survived by her husband Dick;

her mother, Esther Swallow Coverdell of Big Timber; her sister Shirley Seanor (and George) of Soldatna, Alaska; sons, Mark (and Bonnie) of Big Timber, Jon (and Dawn) of

Vancouver, Wash.; and Joe (and Nichole) of Bozeman; sister-in-law Peggy (and Paul) Miller of Missoula. Her beautiful grandchildren are Brianna, Emma, Ellie, Sojin and Taesan.

Funeral services will be held at the Big Timber Lutheran Church Monday, March 29, at 2 p.m. Following graveside services at Mountain View Cemetery, Crazy Mountain Museum will be open for a reception in memory of Bev.

Contributions in Bev's memory may be made to the Crazy Mountain Museum, PO Box 83, Big Timber, MT 59011. Lowry Funeral Home assisted the family with the services.

Harriet Johnston Josephson

Harriet Johnston Josephson died on July 14, 2004, of advanced Alzheimer's disease. Harriet was born Nov. 10, 1907, in Billings, Mont., where she lived for 89 years. In 1996, she moved to Missoula, residing at Riverside Health Care Center.

Harriet's parents were William Milton Johnston and Mabel Sleeper Johnston. Her older sister was Margaret Johnston Trask. A brother, Paul, died of diphtheria at a young age. Harriet married Joe Josephson, who died in 1965. Their children are Richard Josephson (wife Beverly, deceased) of Big Timber and Peggy Miller of Missoula (husband Paul). Harriet had six grandchildren: Mark, Jon and Joe Josephson, Kirstin Miller, Jennifer Dolese and Aaron Miller. She also had seven great-grandchildren. A nephew, Pirrie Trask (wife Linda) and niece, Janet Trask Cox (husband Leslie) were very close to Harriet, along with their children: Kristi Acoba, Jill Raleigh, Adam Cox and Megan Simmons. Among her friends was a special group of women, The Sewing Club.



**HARRIET
JOSEPHSON**

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Harriet was an industrious, fun-loving woman. She had many talents: photographer, painter, gardener, carpenter, cook, potter, letter writer, fisher woman, to name some. At the University of Montana, she belonged to the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority and majored in biology and physical education. At that time, she was perhaps one of the few women to have a car and a German shepard while in college. She graduated in 1929. The University of Montana was very special in her estimation, and she urged her children and grandchildren to attend. Many of them obliged. Putting her education into practice, she taught at Billings Senior High School until her marriage.

Harriet was a long-time member of the First Congregational Church in Billings and belonged to PEO. She always had an affinity for the natural world, which she passed on to those who were close. She spent many summers at the family cabin at East Rosebud Lake in the Beartooth Mountains. Her love for that place was deeply rooted.

Cremation has taken place, and a graveside memorial service for family will be held at a later date at Mountain View Cemetery in Billings.

If you would like to do something to celebrate the life of Harriet, make a donation to a charity of your choice; invite friends or family to your home for a meal; make some jelly and give a jar to a neighbor; plant a tree or some flowers.

David R. Joubert

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MELSTONE — David R. Joubert, 59, died Saturday, April 17, 2004, at his home.

Cremation has taken place and no services are planned at this time. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

David R. Joubert

MAY 04 2004

MELSTONE — David R. Joubert, 59, of Melstone, died April 17, 2004, at his home, of natural causes.

A celebration of life will be at 5 p.m. Friday, May 7, at the Melstone Community Center. Wier Funeral Home of Roundup is in charge.

Dr. Russell Jourdan

On the 29th day of March, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic, Russell Jourdan went to be with his Lord in Heaven after struggling to beat a severe illness.

Russell Howard Jourdan was born on Oct. 6, 1923, in Omaha, Neb.

While attending college at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, he met Gloria Robin Nelson. He received his Doctor of Veterinary degree in 1946.



**DR. RUSSELL
JOURDAN**

Russell and Gloria were married on June 14, 1946. They lived in Omaha until 1949 and then moved back to Fort Collins until 1952. They lived as an Air Force family from 1952 until 1955. They moved to Billings in 1955 and made it their home. Along the way, they had five children.

Russell was truly a prince among men. He was faithful to his wife, his family, his church and his numerous friends. He was a successful professional as well as a successful business owner. He enjoyed his life's work as a veterinarian, finding joy and pleasure in helping both the animals and their caregivers. He was a peaceful man and never quick to anger. He was quick only to forgive. He lived his

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life in a way that should serve as a model for all people. He was respected by his family, in his church and in the community. He was intelligent, kind, caring and had a great sense of humor. He was proud of all of his children and showered them with unconditional love. No matter what they did, he was always there for all of them. In recent years, he enjoyed traveling with his special friend, Mary Catlin. His other hobbies included spending time with his family, woodworking, reading and spending time with the numerous pets he had over the years.

Russell and Gloria had a long, happy marriage. He had a full, prosperous life and we find peace in knowing that his suffering is over. He was at peace with himself and knew that he would be in a better place.

Russell was preceded in death by his wife, Gloria. He is survived by his five children, Michael and his wife Anne of Molalla, Ore., Merilu and her significant other Bill Wrightson of Billings, David and his wife Gayle of Hillsboro, Ore., Jason of Bozeman and Robert and wife Jenni of Lynwood, Wash. He is also sur-

vived by his nine grandchildren, his five great-grandchildren and his sister, Marcia Sydenstricker.

It brings comfort to the family knowing that Russell and Gloria are now reunited in Heaven. We know that they are both now watching over us every day.

A memorial service will be held on April 2, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 537 Grand Ave., in Billings, at 2 p.m. Memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church.

MAY 25 2004**Dorothy Teresa Judd**

RED LODGE — On May 20, 2004, Dorothy Teresa Judd went home to be with God and family after a courageous fight with cancer — leaving us, but not our hearts. She was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and true friend.

Dorothy was born on June 1, 1918, in Lincoln, Neb., to Elroy and Flossie Harlan. She was raised and attended schools in Lincoln, including the University of Nebraska. She majored in Business and worked as a secretary. Her parents hosted a picnic for several soldiers, where Dorothy met the love of her life, Ray Judd. They married Oct. 9, 1943, in Macon, Ga., and recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. As Ray was a military pilot in World War II, Dorothy followed him throughout his career. After the war, they moved to Absarokee, and then in 1955 to Red Lodge.

Dorothy is survived by her husband, Ray Hufford Judd of

**DOROTHY
JUDD**

Red Lodge; her daughters, Judy Ann Lux (Tom) of Spokane, Wash., and Linda Rae Myers (Dick) of Columbus, Ohio; son, David Allen Judd (Lauri) of Red Lodge; granddaughters, Michelle Gerhardt of Albuquerque, N.M., and Cristi Migliaccio (Chris) and great-granddaughters, Gianna and Analise Migliaccio, all of Florence; grandson, Cory Lux, of Spokane; and Lauri Judd's mother, Mary Lou Wagner of Billings.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Derrill Harlan; and her daughter, Vicky Lou.

Dorothy's chosen career was to provide a warm and loving home for her family. Dorothy was a member and officer in Venus Chapter #32 of the Eastern Star. She bowled for 40 years, was an election judge, a pink lady for the hospital and nursing home and a member of Red Lodge Community Church and Women's Fellowship. Dorothy and Ray played couples' pinochle for many years with their friends. She loved crossword puzzles, playing Scrabble with her family

and watching ice skating and the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers football on TV.

Dorothy was a wonderful and welcoming hostess for her family and friends. She treasured lunches and coffees with the ladies.

Dorothy's cherished way with words was reflected in the letters she wrote and in her humor. Her gentle spirit and faith gave hope and strength to all who knew her.

Visitation will be from 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, May 25, at the Olcott Funeral Chapel in Red Lodge. A memorial celebration will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26, at the Red Lodge Community Church, with Pastor David Munson officiating.

Following interment at the Red Lodge Cemetery, a luncheon, provided by the Red Lodge Community Church Women's Fellowship, will be served at the Red Lodge Senior Citizen's Center for family and friends.

Memorials may be made to the Beartooth Hospital and Hospice, PO Box 590, or the Red Lodge Community Church Women's Fellowship, PO Box 786, both in Red Lodge, MT 59068, or a charity of your choosing.

Louise Judd

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Louise Jane Darby Judd, 79, of Gillette, died Monday, Oct. 25, 2004, at Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette.

Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at the Mt. Pisgah Cemetery.

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GILLETTE GAZETTE

Joyce Marie Juhnke

MAR 17 2004

LIVINGSTON — Joyce M. Juhnke, 73, of Livingston, died Tuesday, March 16, 2004, at her home.

Family visitation took place at Franzen-Davis Crematory in Livingston, followed by cremation. Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Donna M. Junkert

MARCH 5, 2004

Donna M. Junkert, 71, of Billings, passed away Sunday, Feb. 29, 2004, at the Deaconess Billings Clinic.



**DONNA
JUNKERT**

Donna was born Sept. 1, 1932, in Billings, the daughter of Martin and Nora (Hall) Cooper. She was raised in Billings. She worked at Deaconess Hospital. She was married to Phillip Guzman in 1948. She met her second husband, Carl Junkert, while working at the hospital, and they were married in Livingston, July 21, 1951. They made their home in Billings. Carl preceded her in death in 1997.

Donna worked at Hart Albin and did daycare in her home prior to becoming a full-time homemaker. She loved spending time with her grandchildren, did ceramics and was involved in Special Olympics.

Survivors include her children, Dave Guzman of Missoula, Jeff (Sue) Junkert of Billings, Renee (Larry) Davis of Denver, Gloria Junkert of Glasgow and Barbara Taylor of Billings; six grandchildren, Robert, Marty, Lindsay, Josh, Levi, Rebecca; and five great-grandchildren, Todd,

Adam, Maria, Cory and Bridger; one brother, Martin "Sonny" Cooper of Missoula; and two sisters, Jerry Reid of Denver and Shirley Cooper of Billings.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother Gene; and sisters Patty and Ellen.

Graveside funeral service will be 11:30 a.m. Friday, March 5, at the Huntley Cemetery, Huntley. The family will greet family and friends at Smith Downtown Chapel from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday evening, March 4. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the Special Olympics.

Mike H. Juroshek

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 04 2004

McCLEARY, Wash. — Mike H. Juroshek, 84, formerly of Billings, passed away on Wednesday, March 31, 2004 at Providence St. Peter Hospital in Olympia, Wash.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, April 3, at Grace Community Church in Elma. A reception will follow the service.

GILBERT PAUL JUST

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
DEC 31 2004

LIVINGSTON — Gilbert Paul Just, 74, of Livingston, passed away Dec. 28, 2004, surrounded by his children and grandchildren.

He was born Jan. 8, 1930, in New Salem, N.D., to Martin and Elsie (Joerz) Just.

Gilbert started his 43-year career on the railroad in 1947 with Northern Pacific. He later worked for Burlington Northern, and retired from Montana Rail Link as a signal maintainer in 1990. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

He met and married the love of his life, Charlotte Hash, in 1955 in Pasco, Wash. They made many moves until settling in Livingston in 1956, where they made their home and many wonderful friends.

He was a member of the Elks Lodge, American Legion and the Eagles Lodge. Hobbies included many years of bowling, hunting, fishing and spending time with his many friends. Being with his grandchildren was his most cherished time in life.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Charlotte in 1981;



GILBERT
JUST

and his second wife and good companion, Minnetta, in 1997.

Gilbert is survived by his daughters, Roberta (Larry) Weninger of Laurel, Marla (John) Connors of Belgrade; his son, Doug (Angie) Just of Laurel; grandchildren, Kara (Paul), Joni (Justin), Cory (Becky), Noah, Jaylee, Holly, Gus, Abby, Charlotte and Serena; and his great-granddaughters, Zoe and Sarah. He is also survived by three brothers, Lloyd of New Salem, Clarence of Mandan, N.D., and Warren of Medora, N.D.; and one sister, Florine of Bismarck, N.D.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 3, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Livingston. Interment will be in Mountain View Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Livingston Hospice, or to a charity of choice.

Vernon R. Justice

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 23 2004

DAGMAR — Memorial Services for Vernon R. Justice will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 25, 2004. Pastor Larry Seeman and the Rev. Tim Hutslar will officiate at the service at Plentywood Lutheran Church. Interment of cremated remains, with military honors by the Alvin T. Larson American Legion Post 116 of Grenora, will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 26, at Nathanael Cemetery at Dagmar. Vernon, 74, founder of Justice Oilfield Water Service Inc. based in Dagmar, died early Thursday, May 20, at Sheridan Memorial Hospital in Plentywood.

Vern was born on July 4, 1929, the son of Frank and Anne (Marion) Justice. He attended school in Grenora and enlisted in the U.S. Air Force on Dec. 27, 1951. He was discharged Oct. 6, 1953, and returned to the Grenora community. Vern married Carole Rasmussen June 4, 1955. In 1960, Vern and Carole started the Justice Oilfield Water Service. and through their hard work and many dedicated hours expanded the business from "one truck and a camper" to the oil

patch legacy still managed by his family today.

Although in his earlier years he was known to have a bit of a temper, Vern had mellowed in his later years and lived life at his own pace. A man who never knew a stranger, Vern made a lasting impression on everyone he met.

Although names sometime escaped him, he never forgot a face. "I think I know you ..." renewed many friendships over the years. Vern had a generous heart and loved his family and friends. Visiting with them was one of his favorite pastimes. He had a great compassion for anyone in need and for animals. His little donkey herd kept growing over the years as Vern couldn't bear to let one go. Vern was well known throughout the country for his love of auction sales. Others would say if they saw he



VERNON JUSTICE

was bidding against them, they would quit as they knew he wouldn't give up!

Vernon had a large collection of old cars and his favorites included '36 Fords. Vern loved attending public events and his favorites included the Miles City Bucking Horse Sale. The Centennial Cattle Drive, fishing trips to Canada with his son and lifelong friends and fiddler's jams were also some of his favorite pastimes.

Vern is survived by a son, Rick Justice and his wife Joni, of Dagmar, and their children Chase, Ricky, and Colton; a daughter, Liz Summers and her husband Ralph, of Dagmar, and their children Nicole, Danielle, Patrick, Jessica and Will; a daughter, Tracy Justice, and her daughter, Victoria, of Dagmar; and Kristi Olson and her husband, Chad, of Antelope and their children Risa, Taylor, Ashley, Alexa, and Erin. He is also survived by one great-granddaughter, Dayah. Other survivors include two sisters, Dolores Barkie, of Williston, N. D.; and Mary Ann Lukenbill of Rio Linda, Calif. He is also survived by his father-in-law, Soren Rasmussen, of Dagmar. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Carole, on Aug. 19, 1997; by two brothers,

Ferdinand Justice and Melvin Johnson; and his mother-in-law, Mary Rasmussen.

Vern will be greatly missed and forever be remembered as a legend by all those whose life he touched.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood has charge of arrangements.

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Joseph Ernest Iacopini

WORDEN — Joseph E. Iacopini, 79, of Worden, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2004, at the Deaconess Billings Clinic, following a battle with cancer.

Joe was born Nov. 20, 1924, in Big Horn, the son of Peter Louis and Leditzia (Ghilarducci) Iacopini. He was raised in that area and graduated from Custer High School in 1942.

Joe married Dollie Dierenfield, May 11, 1946, and she preceded him in death, Sept. 26, 2003.

Joe worked at various jobs in the Huntley Project and surrounding area, and then for 30-plus years, he owned and operated Project Freight Lines. After retirement, he repaired lawn mowers.

Joe loved to bowl and bowled on several bowling leagues. He golfed and loved playing cards. In earlier days, he enjoyed hunting and fishing. Joe was a charter member of the Huntley Project Lions Club and past president. He also had been a volunteer on the Worden Fire Dept. and was in the Ballantine Little Theatre group.

Survivors include his children, Marlene (Dan) Krum, Jacque (Alan) Zahller, David Iacopini, all



**JOE
IACOPINI**

of Worden, and Jerry (Trish) Iacopini of Vacaville, Calif., and Patsy (Keith) Rowland of Twisp Wash.; grandchildren, Jason (Cresta) Krum, Mike Krum Candi (Bill Buck) Zahller, Brad Zahller, Becky (Drew) Schoenfeld, Allison and Ivy Iacopini, Mitch, Jolyn and Tyler Rowland, and Stacey Gunn; and five great-grandchildren. Joe is also survived by his sister, Jeanette (Battista) Novaria of Billings; and two sisters-in-law, Elsie Iacopini of Bismarck, N.D., and Julia Iacopini of Billings.

Besides his wife, Joe was preceded in death by his brothers, Jim and Charlie; and sisters, Emma Becci and Lola Tondelli.

Vigil service will be 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church. Funeral mass will be 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 24, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church. Interment will be at Pleasantview Cemetery in Ballantine. Memorials may be made to the Huntley Project Lions Club Foundation, c/o Dan Krum, Worden, or the Deaconess Billings Clinic Cancer Research Center, PO Box 3566, Billings, MT 59103.

G.W. Ickes

CUSTER — G.W. Ickes, 78, of Custer, died Sunday, Sept. 12, 2004.

Cremation has taken place. No services are planned. Cremation or Funeral Gallery of Billings is in charge.

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Helen L. Ilsley

OCT 8 2004
BILLINGS GAZETTE

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Helen L. Ilsley, 87, of Sheridan, died Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Cremation has taken place. Private memorial services will be held at a later date. Kane Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

Natasha Rae 'Tess' Imel-Patterson

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

Aug 17 2004

BELGRADE — Natasha Rae "Tess" Imel-Patterson, of Belgrade, passed away on Thursday, Aug. 12, 2004, as a result of a car accident.

Our Tess joined us on Sept. 27, 1982, in Billings. She lived in

Custer, Hardin, Belgrade and Bozeman. Tess graduated from Belgrade High School in 2001. She loved working with children and helping people. Tess especially loved and cherished her cousin, Cora Hoffer.



**TESS
IMEL-
PATTERSON**

Tess is survived by her parents, Kevin and Teri Patterson, and Jim and Connie Imel; her brother, Dane (Kim) Imel-Patterson; her sister Devnee Patterson; grandparents, Vandree and Bob Gonion, and Wilma Imel; aunts, Jenean Patterson, Sharon (Randy) Wolfe, Sylvia Littleton, Tammie (Claire) Gleason and Jacque Hoffer; uncles Cory (Sandy) Patterson, Stan (Jeanette) Patterson, Gary Patterson, Dell (Linda) Patterson, John (Carolyn) Imel, Robert (Dawna) Gonion, Todd Hoffer; her special friend, Great Uncle

John Patterson, and several cousins.

Tess believed in living life to the fullest and to save worries for tomorrow. She had a lot of pets over the years and treasured each one, especially her cat, Dart, and her dog, Deuce. Tess loved being with her family and friends, whether it was for skiing, camping, shopping or just hanging out. She was a loving person, and a friend to everyone. Tess was loved by all who touched her young life.

We will never have another Tessie.

Tess, thank you so much for being my daughter. I love you most of all. Thank you for helping me to grow, for helping me to be a good mom, for teaching me how to play Barbies, and how to ride a bike. Thank you for supporting my decision when I thought it was

best for you and you didn't. And, especially thank you for loving me as I am and not for how I could have been, for your encouragement and support whenever I needed it. You really amaze me with how you see what needs to be done and you do it. You are so smart and so beautiful. You are truly one of God's great treasures. I love you. I will never forget you. Mom.

Please join us in a celebration of Tess' life on Friday, Aug. 20, 2 p.m., at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Bozeman. Interment will follow the service at Sunset Hills Cemetery in Bozeman.

Memorials may be made in Tess' name to the Humane Society.

Carl E. Imlay

ABSAROKEE — Carl E. Imlay, age 70, of Absarokee, passed away Dec. 30, 2003, at Beartooth Manor in Columbus after an extended illness.

He was born Dec. 27, 1933, in Reed Point, the second youngest child of Carl and Pearl Imlay.

Carl attended schools in Reed Point and in 1952 he attended the Molar Barber School in Spokane, Wash. Upon completion of barber school, he began barbering in Great Falls. He was inducted into the U.S. Army Dec. 10, 1956. After completing cooking school at Fort Ord, Calif., he served as a cook in Korea. He received his discharge Dec. 9, 1958.

Carl returned to civilian life and again took up barbering. He worked in barber shops in Great Falls, Livingston, Billings and in Columbus (working for Bob Harsha) before renting a shop in Absarokee in 1965.

On June 30, 1968, Carl married Lois Nott. This marriage ended in divorce.

In 1970, Carl purchased his own barber shop where he continued to cut hair until poor health forced him to retire in June of 2003.

Carl was an ardent bowler. His greatest bowling accomplishment was winning the C-Division singles title at the state bowling tournament in Bozeman in 1981 with a total pin fall of 754.

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Carl was preceded in death by his parents and brother Vernon. He is survived by his brothers, Everett and wife Maria of Absarokee, Don of Absarokee, Wesley (Speed) of Bridger, and Gene and wife Betty of Missoula.



**CARL
IMLAY**

He is also survived by two aunts and many nieces and nephews. Carl was blessed with many friends, too numerous to name individually.

Carl, the Lord must have needed a GOOD barber so he chose you. We thank you for many things, including the many, many free haircuts. We will miss you, your brothers.

A memorial service will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, at Smith Funeral Chapel-Columbus. Interment will be in Mountainview Cemetery, Columbus.

The family suggests memorials be made in Carl's name to Big Sky Hospice, Stillwater Team, P.

O. Box 1109, Columbus, MT
59019, or the Absarokee Fire
Dept. or a charity of choice.

Smith Funeral Chapel-
Columbus was in charge of cre-
mation and memorial services.

Donald Charles Ingels

MILES CITY — Donald Charles Ingels, 71, of Miles City, died Thursday, March 18, 2004, at Holy Rosary Extended Hospice Care, of Multiple Myeloma.

Cremation has taken place. A private family service will be held at a later date. Bullis-Graves Memorial Chapel and the Eastern Montana Crematory are in charge.

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Celia D. Ingersol

LEWISTOWN — Celia D. Ingersol, 90, of Lewistown, died Friday, April 2, 2004, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

At her request, cremation has taken place and no services will be held. Cloyd Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

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JUN 22 2004

GREYBULL, Wyo. — Joyce Renon Ingersoll, 76, of Greybull, died Saturday, June 19, 2004, at the Bonnie Bluejacket Memorial Nursing Home between Basin and Greybull.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 24, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints — Greybull Ward — between Basin and Greybull. A viewing will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 23, at the Atwood Family Funeral Chapel in Greybull, and one hour prior to services on Thursday, at the church in the Relief Society Room. Burial will follow the services in the Otto Cemetery in Otto.

Pamela Kay Ingram

SEP 29 2004
CODY GAZETTE

CODY, Wyo. — Pamela Kay Ingram, 51, of Cody, died Sunday, Sept. 26, 2004, at West Park Hospital.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, at the Cody United Methodist Church. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

Ronald Innes

MAY 26 2004

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Ronald Allen Innes, 80, of Gillette, died Sunday, May 23, 2004, at Campbell County Memorial Hospital.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 26, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 27, at the New Life Wesleyan Church in Gillette. Interment will follow at Gillette's Mt. Pisgah Cemetery.

Alfred Melvin Ironbear

POPLAR — Alfred Melvin Ironbear (Walking Brave Bear), 52, died Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2004, at the Poplar Community Hospital, of complications due to an aneurism.

A wake service will be at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 13, at the Poplar Cultural Center. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, at the Poplar Cultural Center. Interment will be in St. Anne's Cemetery. Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel is in charge.

Shauna Ann Irwin

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

LOVELL, Wyo. — Shauna Ann Irwin, 55, died Sunday, July 11, 2004, in a horseback riding accident on the Big Horn Mountains, east of Lovell.

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Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 15, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 16, in the Lovell LDS Stake Center. Interment will be in the Lovell Cemetery.

Shauna Irwin

Family members know Shauna Irwin was doing something she truly loved when she had a fatal accident Sunday, July 11, while riding horses with her family in the Big Horn Mountains.

She was born in Salt Lake City to Marshall and Adella Egbert Bennion, the second of five children born to the Bennions. Randy Bradshaw joined the family when Shauna's mother married Newel Bradshaw. She grew up on a ranch near Lyman. Having four brothers, there was always mischief about.

She met the love of her life, Tom Irwin, in the summer of 1968, and they were married Jan. 18, 1969. To this union were born two children, Becky and Brad. In the summer of 1978, the family returned to Tom's hometown of Lovell where they raised their children.

In 1979, Tom and Shauna joined the North Big Horn County Search and Rescue. In 1981, she took her first Emergency Medical Technician class and joined the North Big Horn Hospital Ambulance Service. She was an active member at the time of her death. Serving her community and caring for the sick and injured were very important to her.

In 1990, Shauna began her career as a postal employee, starting out at the small Byron Post Office, then moving to Lovell and finally to the Powell Post Office.

In 1993, she became a grandma, and her grandchildren quickly became the light of her life. She will be greatly missed and loved by her family and all who knew her.

Survivors include her husband, Tom of Lovell; daughter, Becky (Bert) Hetland of Lovell; son, Brad Irwin of Lovell; her mother, Adella Bradshaw of North Salt Lake; brothers,

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David (Sue) Bennion of Centerville, Utah, Robert (Debbie) Bennion of Bountiful, Utah, Brent Bennion of North Salt Lake and Randy (Alicia) Bradshaw of Florida; and two granddaughters, Tyler and Cassidy Hetland of Lovell.

a.m. at the Lovell LDS Chapel. Burial will be in the Lovell Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Haskell Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be Friday, July 16 at 10

Adeline 'Addie' Isaacs *THE BILLINGS GAZETTE*

MILES CITY — Adeline "Addie" Isaacs, 90, died at the Holy Rosary Health Center, on July 9, 2004.

Visitation will be held 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday, July 12, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m., Tuesday, July 13.

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Lee Edward Isaacson

Lee Edward Isaacson, 62, of Billings, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare.

Lee was born Nov. 15, 1941, in St. Cloud, Minn., to Darrell and Elizabeth (Betty) Isaacson.

Lee enjoyed the outdoors, especially hunting and fishing. In his younger years, he was an avid skier.

Lee is survived by his children, Eric (Karen) Isaacson of Laurel, Matthew Isaacson of Littleton, Colo., Dana Isaacson (and fiancé, Jason Gallus) of Billings; a brother, Bruce (Shirley) Isaacson of Billings; four grandchildren; a niece and a nephew.

Lee was preceded in death by his parents; Grandmother Vera Reddeman; and a niece, Lisa Isaacson.

Cremation has taken place, and a private family service was held.

Charles Isner

THE BUFFALO GAZETTE

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Charles J. Isner, 74, of Buffalo, died Tuesday, Nov. 30, 2004, at his home.

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Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, and from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, at Adams Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Willow Grove Cemetery.

Iver Iversen

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOVEMBER 27, 2004

SIDNEY — Iver Iversen, 93, died Saturday morning, Nov. 27, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 30, at the Pella Lutheran Church. Burial will be in the Sidney Cemetery under the direction of Fulkerson Funeral Home.

Katherine 'Katie' Iverson

THE SUNDAY GAZETTE

MAY 06 2004

WILLISTON, N.D. —

Katherine "Katie" Iverson, 81, a longtime Williston resident, passed away Monday, May 3, 2004, in the VA Medical Center Nursing Home in Miles City, Mont.

Her funeral will be Friday, May 7, at 2 p.m. (CDT) at the Everson Memorial Chapel. The Rev. Norm Anderson will officiate and interment will follow in the Bainville Cemetery Bainville, Mont.

Friends may call at the Everson Funeral Home, Thursday, May 6, from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. until service time.

Memorials may be made to the Bethel Lutheran Home, Williston.

The Everson Funeral Home of Williston is in charge of arrangements.

Rex Albert Ivie

BELLINGHAM, Wash. —

The world lost a wonderful husband, father, son and brother on Saturday, Dec. 11, 2004. Rex Albert Ivie, 55, passed away at his home in Bellingham.

Rex was born June 9, 1949, in Billings. He was welcomed home by his parents Daryl and Clare Sandbak. At the age of 4, he was blessed with the opportunity to have a second father into his life, Scott Ivie.

As a young man, Rex attended Billings West High, graduating in 1967. He enrolled at Eastern that fall, by springtime he had joined the Marines and was sent to Vietnam. After serving one tour, he came home to Billings, where he met the light of his life, LaVerne Ashton. They were married in 1971 and started their family in 1973 with a son, Jeremy Scott, three years later "Daddy's little Girl," Jessica, arrived.

The family moved from Billings to Broadview in 1976. It was there that Rex finally decided to give ranching and farming a try. After working for Empire Lath & Plaster for eight years, he "retired" in 1978 to work on his family's farm. Thirteen years later, he got back into the construction game with his return to Empire.

Always one to love the excitement of new places and people, Rex joined the team at Flintco in

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1997. There, he worked as a project manager on various jobs throughout the western U.S. ultimately ending up in Bellingham. He loved his work and the opportunities for travel that it provided him. His favorite destination, however, was wherever his grandsons were. They, along with his children, were the lights of his life. Hunter and Hayden will forever feel the loss of this great man in their world.

Rex's love of life and his generous nature resulted in a wealth of friends, all of whom will miss this wonderful addition to their many hunting and fishing trips.

Rex is survived by his wife, LaVerne; his children, Jeremy (Mikki) Hunter and their children Hunter and Hayden of New York, Jessica of Seattle; his mother Clare of Billings; brother Jeff (Lynn) of Billings; sister Karen (Larry) Webber of Germany; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his fathers, Daryl Sandbak and Scott Ivie.

A memorial service will be held 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, at Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. West. Memorials may be made to a Children's Christmas fund of your choice.

Dad, you taught us so much in the short time we had you. Those lessons are forever engraved in our minds, "Be proud of your country."

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APR 11 2004

WOLF POINT — Almira C. Jackson, 87, passed away on April 7, 2004, at Faith Lutheran Home in Wolf Point where she had been a resident for one year. She was born March 8, 1917, in a log house south of Frazer to Isaac "Pipe in the Mouth" Cox and Cora Running Woman Cox. She was one of 12 children born to this family.

Almira spent her younger years playing and working outdoors with her brothers and sisters on the family farm, each on doing their assigned chores and enjoying their life in the country. Even though times were very hard, all of the children enjoyed the simple pleasures of their country lifestyle. Almira attended the Poplar Indian boarding school and the day school at Wiota.

Almira and Theodore Jackson were married June 17, 1935, and continued living in the Wiota area. They broke a lot of horses to saddle and to the harness. She enjoyed raising a big garden, which provided both fresh and canned fruits and vegetables for themselves and her extended family. They raised chickens and cows. She commented that they had productive and satisfying lives. Almira enjoyed quilting and made over 1000 star quilts. She also made war bonnets, ribbon dresses, Indian dancing dresses and costumes, bead work, shawls

teepees, little drums and mocassins.

One sister, Rose Grandchamp of Frazer, survives Almira. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive her. She was preceded in death by her husband, Theodore, their adopted daughter, and by four brothers and six sisters.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, April 12, 2004, at Immaculate Conception Church in Wolf Point with Rev. Fr. Robert Fox officiating. Interment will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery in Frazer. Condolences may be sent to the family at csmc@nemonet.net or www.stevensonandsons.com. Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

**Calvin M. (Buzz)
Jackson**

MAR 22 2004

ROSEBUD — Calvin M. (Buzz) Jackson, 71, died Sunday, March 21, 2004, in Miles City.

Family will receive friends from 4 to 7 p.m., Monday, March 22, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City, with a memorial service at a later date on the family ranch.

David Jackson

GILLETTE, Wyo. — David Jackson, 33, of Gillette, died of cancer Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2004, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. Interment will follow in the Mount Pisgah Cemetery. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

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FEB 07 2004

Dorothy Dale 'D.D.' Jackson

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 30 2004

BOZEMAN — Dorothy Dale "D.D." Jackson, 88, of Bozeman, passed away Sunday, Dec. 26, 2004. She was born March 10, 1916, in Poplar, to Abe and Florence Dale. Dorothy was raised and educated in Poplar, graduating from Poplar High School in 1933. She earned a bachelor's degree in Home Economics from Montana State University in 1950.



**DOROTHY
JACKSON**

Dorothy married Ormonde I. "Jack" Jackson on April 24, 1937, in Poplar. They lived in Great Falls, Palo Alto, Calif., and Missoula, before moving to Bozeman in 1948. Dorothy was primarily a homemaker. She was also very active in her community. Dorothy was involved with the Red Cross, the Grey Ladies and the Girl Scouts. However, outside of her home and family, Dorothy was most passionate about her membership and lifelong participation in the Alpha Gamma Delta sorority, which she was involved with for over 70 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Jack; and sister, Helen Dale Ostlund.

Dorothy is survived by her daughter, Kathy (Donald) McBride, of Bozeman; granddaughters, Kimberly (Timothy) McLean and their children Kandace, Marcus, Lisa and Abigail, of Bellevue, Neb., and Terri McBride (Kevin O'Neill) and their son Jackson, of New York; niece, Joan (Gerald) Hinz Johnson, of Faribault, Min.; great-nephew, Jerry (Lisa) Johnson, of Eagan, Minn.; great-grand-nephew, James Johnson, of Eagan; and her lifelong friends Carol Harr and family, and Linda Haden and family.

A memorial service will be 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31, at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Bozeman. Interment of her ashes will be at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made in Dorothy's name to the O.I. Jackson Scholarship Fund, MSU Foundation Inc., 1501 S. 11th Ave., Bozeman, MT 59717, or to the Delta Gamma Chapter, Alpha Gamma Delta, House Association, 50 Callie Court, Belgrade, MT 59714.

Ernestine Fourstar Jackson

BILLINGS GAZETTE
NOV 02 2004

FRAZER — Ernestine Fourstar Jackson, 63, of Frazer, died Saturday, Oct. 30, 2004, at Faith Lutheran Home, of colon cancer.

A four-day feast will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2. The wake will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3, and the funeral on at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, both at the Frazer Community Hall. Interment will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery. Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel is in charge.

Marilyn May Rogers Jackson

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MAY 26 2004

Marilyn May Rogers Jackson, 55, of Billings, moved on Sunday, May 23, 2004.

She was born on May 14, 1949, in Lovell, Wyo. to GH "Jack" and Mary Rogers. She attended Senior High. Upon graduation, she studied Nursing and later worked at St. John's Nursing Home.

She enjoyed caring for and helping others, as evident in her strong involvement in the community. She also enjoyed listening to music, dancing, watching movies with her grandchildren and having coffee with her friends. A quote inspired by our mother: "Me...Behave...Never."



**MARILYN
JACKSON**

She is survived by her father, GH Rogers; her four children, Tracy Copple of New York, Howie (Cristi) Copple of Billings, Bill (Shannon) Copple of Helena and Tom Copple of Billings; her two grandchildren, Melissa and Jacob Copple; her three brothers, George (Iva) Rogers, Don (Geni) Rogers, Ron Rogers; and her sis-

ter, Shirley Rogers. Marilyn is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews and many good friends.

At her request, cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held 11 a.m. Thursday, May 27, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Rev. Reynold Jackson

OCT 13 2004
BILLINGS GAZETTE

HOLDREGE, Neb. —

Reverend Reynold "Jack" Jackson, 83, of Holdrege, formerly of Wilcox, died Monday, Oct. 11, 2004, at the Christian Homes in Holdrege.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 13, at the Christian Homes Chapel in Holdrege. Interment will be in the Wilcox Cemetery. Nelson Funeral Home of Holdrege is in charge.

Vern Jackson

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 15 2004

Vern Jackson, 56, of Billings, died July 30, 2004.

Vern was born March 8, 1948, the son of Vernon and Marie (Anders) Jackson in Fort Benton, Mont. He grew up in Denton, attending schools in Lewistown, graduating from Denton High School. After graduation, Vern moved to Helena, where he attended Helena Vo-Tech, earning his mechanics certification.



**VERN
JACKSON**

In 1968, Vern enlisted in the United States Army and proudly served his country during the Vietnam conflict. He earned several medals during his 10-year military career. These included the Republic of Vietnam Service, National Defense Service Medal, two Overseas Bars and the Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm. Vern was honorably discharged in 1978 with the rank of staff sergeant.

Upon Vern's return to Montana, he attended Flathead Community College, where he earned an associate's degree in surveying and worked for the

BLM, retiring in January 2004.

Vern was always willing to help someone with their special projects or give a few bucks to someone less fortunate. Vern loved his faithful friend and companion Charley who went with him whenever he could. Vern loved to hunt and fish, especially with his buddies on their annual hunting and float trips. They enjoyed playing practical jokes on one another, sitting around the campfire and telling tall tales. Vern was also an excellent photographer. Vern was a quiet man of dignity who rarely expressed openly his feelings of love and caring but showed those feelings in other ways.

Vern was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Sharon.

He is survived by his brothers, Eldon C. (Angie) and their son Dean Allen of West Lafayette, Ind.; Donald D. (Debbie) Jackson and their daughters Jennifer Marie and Erica Jo of Spokane, Wash.; two aunts Helen Umstead and Linda Lewellen; and finally, his buddy to the end, Biscuit.

A memorial service will be held at Dahl Funeral Chapel, Friday, Aug. 20, at 11 a.m.

"Let the beauty we love be what we do" —Rumi

Charlotte Jacobson

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 9 - 2004

Charlotte Jacobson, 81, of Billings, formerly of Columbus, passed away Aug. 6, 2004, at Magnolia Place Care Home in Billings where she had resided for the past year.

Charlotte was born Oct. 5, 1922, in Red Lodge, the daughter of Daniel Emmor and Bessie Coe (Bond) Doty. She attended Willow Creek Country School and graduated from Roberts High School.



**CHARLOTTE
JACOBSON**

She then attended Long Beach Junior College and the University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, where she graduated with a teaching degree.

Charlotte married Harold Jacobson in Absarokee on Sept. 13, 1953. They lived in Butte, Zurich, Columbus, and Billings.

She taught elementary school for over 35 years in numerous schools including Elko, Nev., White Sulphur Springs, Laurel, and Columbus. She retired from Columbus schools in 1986 after teaching there for 20 years.

Charlotte was an active member of St. James Lutheran Church in Columbus, having served on the Church Council. She was a member of the Stillwater County

Historical Society, a volunteer at the Special K Ranch, and a member of the Stillwater Extension Homemakers. Charlotte was member of the Pilgrim Edward Doty Society; Edward Doty was an early ancestor of Charlotte who sailed to America on the Mayflower.

Charlotte enjoyed gardening, reading, researching family genealogy, and doing crossword puzzles. She was very fond of her antique glassware collection. She liked family picnics and outings in the mountains. Charlotte loved spending time with her family especially her grandchildren.

Survivors include two daughters, Carol (Dave) Steidley of Lander, Wyo., and Carol's children, Drew, Erica, and Haley Barton, and Elaine Jacobson of Pocatello, Idaho; two sons, Steve (Deanna) Jacobson of Broomfield, Colo. and their son, Eric, and Jim (Karen Schulz) Jacobson of Broomfield, Colo.; her brother, Emmor Doty of Red Lodge; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold; her parents, Dan and Bessie Doty; and brother, Ed Doty.

A memorial service will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10 at St. James Lutheran Church in Columbus. Remains will be buried at John Henry Cemetery near Red Lodge.

Memorials may be made to St. James Lutheran Church in Columbus, the Special K Ranch in Columbus, or the charity of your choice.

Roberta Kay Carver Jacobson

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 02 2004

Kay Jacobson, 65, of Billings, passed away suddenly from this world on Sunday, Nov. 28, 2004, from an aortic aneurysm.

She was born in Osgood, Mo., on May 11, 1939. Kay was the daughter of Glenn and Lillian Carver. She attended grade school

in a rural country school and graduated from high school in Milan, Mo. Kay moved to Kansas City, Mo., to pursue work in 1957.

Kay met her soul mate, Don Jacobson, a sailor from Bozeman who was stationed near Kansas City. They married on Oct. 14, 1957, in Miami, Okla. Kay and Don celebrated their 47th anniversary this year. After Don was discharged, the couple moved to Montana to work and raise their family. They were involved in the transportation business and had their own trucking company, which they sold in 2000 and retired.

Kay and Don were blessed with five children: Don (Shelly) Jr., Donna Kay



**KAY
JACOBSON**

(Dareck) Edgeron, Darlene Rae (Wayne) Steinhall, David Wayne and Diann Lynn (Russ) McCauley.

Kay is survived by her husband; three children; 10 grandchildren; father-in-law, Sam Jacobson; sisters, Garnett (Hubert) Scott, Phyliss (Paul) Smith; and numerous nieces, nephews and her many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; maternal and paternal grandparents; mother-in-law; sister, Gaila June; son David; and daughter Diann.

We all love you and will miss you dearly.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, Dec. 4, 1 p.m., at Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

FEB 08 2004

DENVER — Timothy Jahnke, 49, died Thursday, Jan. 29, 2004, at his home in Denver, six years after surviving a tragic accident that left him with traumatic brain injuries.

He was born Sept. 16, 1954, in Roundup, Mont., to Jane Lorraine (Jarrett) Jahnke and Franklin Harold Jahnke. He attended the University of Montana and University of Colorado and received a bachelor of science in Aviation Management, a master of science (management and organization), and a master of Business Administration (MBA). In addition to his university studies, he was certified in airframe and power plant mechanics from Colorado Aero Tech.

He shared his life with Rebecca McClure and their two children, Annie and Julie. He was an exceptional father who devoted himself to ensuring his daughters had a safe and nurturing environment to grow. Timothy excelled in his scholarly studies as well as in his professional endeavors. He was a highly esteemed member of society who was admired by both his friends and colleagues. His many aspirations in life were tragically cut short, but his dreams and hopes are embedded in his two daughters where Timothy will forever live.

Survivors include Rebecca McClure, Lori Thelen; his two daughters, Annie (Adam) Teed of Denver, Julie of Washington, D.C.; his seven siblings, Florence (Doug) Stewart of Hardin, Mont., Janie O'Dowd of Spokane, Wash., Franklin Jahnke of Billings, Sandy (Charles) McKinnis of Roundup, Bonnie Kukury of California, Jean (Peter) Clark of Spokane, Richard Bowman of Virginia; and many nieces/nephews, great-nieces/nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration and blessing of his life was held at his home in Denver, on Feb. 1.

Marion James

BILLINGS GAZETTE

HARLOWTON — Marion James, 91, of Harlowton, died Monday, June 21, 2004, at Wheatland Memorial Hospital & Nursing Home.

JUN 23 2004

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Saturday, June 26, at Perkins Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Harlowton Cemetery.

MAY 15 2004

Della Janich

Della Strubeck Janich, 82, of Billings, died Thursday, May 13, 2004.

She was born March 31, 1922, in Plentywood, the daughter of Charles and Zella Madill Strubeck. After graduating from Plentywood High School in 1939, she moved to Billings to attend Young's Beauty School. On July 31, 1940, she married Steve Janich in Plentywood.

They primarily lived in Billings, with Della being a homemaker before working at the Yellowstone County Sheriff's Office from 1967 until 1976. She and Steven then owned and operated Ace Bail Bonds from 1978 through 1987. Della was always a strong advocate of gender equality and boldly stepped to the front line for the equal pay issue.

Della was predeceased by her parents; her husband, Steve; brothers, Earl and Vern Strubeck; and sisters Lillian Morgan and Dorothy Smith. Survivors include three children, Jeneane Janich, Rondel Smith and Steven (Hoa) Janich; and her

godchild, Jeneane Suzy (Dave) Kratky; grandchildren, Sophie Anessa, Luke, Sarrem, Emily and Amanda. There are three great grandchildren: Ashley, Hady and Owen.

With love and respect, we honor her wishes; cremation has taken place and no services will be held.

Memorials may be made to the Shrine Children's Hospital or the Al Bedoo Transportation Fund, both at Box 20673, Billings, MT 59104, or to charities of choice.

Velma Jansen

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 24 2004

Velma "Vel" Jansen passed away peacefully from heart failure at Aspen Meadows on Aug. 21, 2004, the eldest daughter of Laura and Lawrence Wroe. She was born on Jan. 6, 1911, in Manley, Minn. In March 1931, she married George Jansen of Emden, Germany. They lived in Bemidji, Minn., Denver and Worland, Wyo., before finally making their home in Livingston in 1948, where George was an ice cream maker for Wilcoxson's for many years. George passed away in 1984. Vel moved to Billings in 1995 to be close to her daughter, Joyce Hayden.

Vel took a great interest in the community, her church and the natural world. She was a devoted member of the First Baptist Church in Livingston and an active of the Livingston Rock Club for many years and particularly loved the opportunity to "get out in the hills." She also took much delight in her family, far and wide, and will be greatly missed.

She was preceded in death by

her husband; her brothers, John Floyd, Roland, Howard and Harold; and her sister Alice. Vel is survived by her daughter, Joyce Hayden of Billings; her son, Lawrence (Jan) Jansen of Harlem; her granddaughter, Victoria (Torey) Hayden Muir of Gatehouse of Fleet in Scotland, Lara of California, Leigh Anne and Nikki of Alaska, and her much loved great-granddaughter, Sheena of Gatehouse of Fleet in Scotland.

The family wishes to express their thanks to the Aspen Meadows staff for their loving care and continuous concern and to the activity department for the many crafts and trips out that Vel so enjoyed.

As she requested, she will be cremated and no memorial service is scheduled. Arrangements were by Cremation Society of Montana and Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Elsie Gerde Jansma

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 18 2004

Elsie Jansma, 88, of Billings, peacefully went "Home" on Wednesday evening, Jan. 14, 2004, following a courageous battle with chronic pulmonary disease. She was surrounded by her loving family at Deaconess Billings Clinic.



**ELSIE
JANSMA**

Elsie was born on March 14, 1915, north of Billings in Hoskins Basin. She was one of five children of Henry and Tina (Wilken) Frey. The first 31 years of her life was spent on the family farms on the Billings Bench and Shepherd area. Elsie held her love of family and devotion to her faith above all. She had a very caring heart and wanted to help all those in need.

On March 10, 1946, she married Ted Jansma in Billings, and together they raised a son, Jerry and a daughter, Loretta. She and Ted enjoyed the time they spent together working the family dairy farm. When Ted started his career at the sugar factory, Elsie committed her full time passion to caring for her children, her relatives and friends. Elsie's pride and joy were her four grandchildren.

Elsie is survived by her husband, Ted of 58 years; son, Jerry

and wife Gloria and daughter Loretta Doll and husband Jim all of Billings; four grandchildren, Corey Doll of Los Angeles, Calif., Dr. Jennifer Jansma of Temple, Texas, Kalin Guthridge (Aidan) of Portland, Ore., and Michael Jansma (Lorissa) of Ponca City, Okla.; two great-grandchildren, Andrew Guthridge and Kianna Jansma. Elsie is also survived by brother, Herman Frey (Maxine) and sister, Betty Pinnick (Roy). She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Ethel McDermott, and brother, Harold (Tuffy) Frey.

The family would like to give special thanks to Dr. Dan Gall and the entire nursing staff that attended to Elsie's needs the last two weeks of her life. They provided her with comfort and respect, and we are forever grateful for each one of them. God bless you all.

We will miss you, Mom, Grandma, Great Grandma, Auntie, friend and especially your afternoon "tea parties."

Funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday at Smith's Downtown Funeral Chapel. Committal will be at 3 p.m. on Tuesday at Mountview Cemetery.

Memorials in Elsie's name may be made to the Montana Rescue Mission, Billings Food Bank or a charity of choice.

Katherine S. Jansma

OS GAZETTE

MAR 18 2004

On Tuesday morning, March 16, 2004, at the Laurel Evergreen Rehabilitation and Health Center, Katherine Jansma went home to be with her precious Lord and Savior, after a long courageous battle with congestive heart failure.

Katherine was born Aug. 25, 1916, in Glenn Alum, W.Va., as one of eight children to Leonard and Rose Blankenship. In 1930, Katherine moved with her family to Billings, where they settled and made their home.

While growing up, Katherine worked in various private homes and cared for the elderly.

While living in Billings, Katherine met William "Bill" Jansma and they married on June 1, 1935. Together, they raised sons Dwayne, Sam and Dave on the Jansma Dairy Farm on King Ave.

They purchased Holstein cattle and would enter their prize cows and bulls in the local fair as well as various fairs around Montana. As a result of these competitions, they received many trophies and awards for their cattle.

Katherine busied herself by working along side her husband and sons in the milking parlor as well as tending her home and household chores. Although the dairy was hard work for the



**KATHERINE
JANSMA**

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family and Katherine, they made room for and had lots of fun with their "extended sons," Glenn Fink, Curt Seeman, Jack Todd and Ed and Fred Jellison. All the while, she was learning to be a barber. She also graduated from the Chicago School of Nursing.

In 1958, they sold the farm and moved west of Laurel, where together they operated a farm with a feedlot for fat cattle. During these years she joined with the women in the farming community in their garden club and exchanged flowers to beautify their yards.

Katherine worked diligently in her flowers, gardens and her raspberry patches, all the while cooking those delicious home-made meals for all the crews that tended the crops at harvest time.

After Bill's death, Katherine moved to Billings for a short while. She then purchased some land and moved near Park City, where she, her beloved Aunt Marge and Sister Charlotte "Penny" lived

on that land. Being a hard worker, Katherine raised a band of sheep and tended her garden. For health reasons, she sold this land and then moved to Laurel.

Katherine is preceded in death by her husband Bill; son Dwayne; father Leonard; mother Rose; sisters Mary Jane Roe and Charlotte Luper; brothers Albert and Bill Blankenship

She is survived by sons Sam (Frankie) Jansma and Dave (Ella) Jansma of Laurel; sisters Verda Blankenship of Billings, Connie Jerke of Dell Rapids, S.D.; and brother Donald Blankenship of Oregon City, Ore. Katherine is also survived by her grandchildren and great-grandchildren that she dearly loved. Grandchildren Mike Jansma of Oregon, Mark Jansma of Laurel, Marla Adams of Park City, Kathy Jennings of Knoxville, Tenn., Steve Jansma of Laurel, Jana Graff of Sioux Falls, S.D., Terri Jansma of Idaho Falls, Todd Jansma of Billings and Troy Jansma of Laurel. She is also survived by 14 great-grandchildren, many nieces, nephews and friends.

Funeral Services will be 10 a.m. Monday, March 22, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary, 1001 Alderson. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

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

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Katherine S.

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Theodore "Ted" Jansma

Ted Jansma, 81, of Billings, longingly went "Home to join Elsie" on Thursday evening, Feb. 19, 2004, from a cerebral hemorrhage and complications of COPD. We know he died of a broken heart. He was surrounded by his loving family at Deaconess Billings Hospital.

Ted was born on March 5, 1922, in Billings. He was one of four children of Sam and Winnie (Eems) Jansma. He grew up on the family dairy and spent all his life in the Billings area. Ted's fulfillment in life was working for others. The pastimes in his early years were skating, bowling, horseshoes and going to dances. In the later years, he enjoyed his flower gardens and yard work.

On March 10, 1946, he married Elsie Frey in Billings and together they raised a son, Jerry and a daughter, Loretta. Ted and Elsie enjoyed the time they spent together working the family dairy farm. Later Ted worked construction and spent 26 years at the Sugar Factory before retiring to his yard and flower gardens. His yard was his pride and joy and he was especially proud of receiving the "Bright and



**THEODORE
JANSMA**

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Beautiful" award in 2002.

Ted is survived by his son, Jerry and wife, Gloria; and daughter, Loretta Doll, and husband, Jim, all of Billings; four grandchildren, Korey Doll of Los Angeles, Dr. Jennifer Jansma of Temple, Texas, Kalin Guthridge (Aidan) of Portland, Ore., and Michael Jansma (Lorissa) of Ponca City, Okla; two great-grandchildren, Andrew Guthridge and Kianna Jansma. Ted is also survived by brother Augie. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Elsie; sister, Wynn Price; and brother, Bill.

The family would like to give special thanks to the doctors and the entire nursing staff that attended to Ted's care. They provided him with comfort and respect and we are forever grateful for each one of them. God bless you all.

We will miss you Dad, Grandpa, Great-Grandpa, Uncle, friend and our spring petunia planting and those cups of tea you always made for us. Now you can have tea with mom.

Funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 23rd at Smith's Downtown Funeral Chapel.

Committal will follow the service at Mountview Cemetery.

Memorials in Ted's name may be made to the Billings Bright and Beautiful or a charity of choice.