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Molly Zier Kindsfater Maack

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Molly Maack was born Jan. 30, 1917, in Billings, to David and Mary Elizabeth (Michael) Zier. She attended Billings and Laurel schools and always lived in Yellowstone County. She was a lifelong member of the Lutheran Church. Molly died peacefully on Thursday, June 3, 2004, at Aspen Meadows, after a short battle with cancer. Her fortitude, courage, remarkable memory and wit provided strength to her family and those around her as she made her own decisions up to the end.

Molly married Jake K. Kindsfater in 1938. They resided west of Billings with children Elaine, Clifford and Dennis until 1957, when they sold the farm to the State of Montana for gravel to build the interstate highway between Billings and Laurel. Jake died in 1980. She married Carl Maack in 1981. They traveled and enjoyed their years together until Carl's health failed. He passed away in 1998.

Molly was a volunteer and active in the PTA, 4-H, Little League and other activities with her children. She had done work for the City of Billings, and retired from School District 2. Whatever task she chose, it was full speed ahead and done to per-



MOLLY MAACK

fection. Her family remembers trying to keep up or catch up with her ambitious pace. Molly enjoyed pie making and is remembered as an outstanding baker, cook and homemaker. Her pastimes included playing cards, crocheting, knitting, quilting, crossword puzzles, and she was a regular at the Aspen View puzzle table.

In 1984, Molly traveled to Billings' sister city in Germany with a delegation accompanying Mayor Fox. Being fluent in the German language, she made friends easily. The families she met visited her in the United States and she was invited back to Germany for two later visits.

Molly is survived by daughter, Elaine (Gene) House; sons, Clifford and Dennis Kindsfater and daughter-in-law Dorothy Kindsfater. Her grandchildren are Marc (Kerr) Kindsfater, Alison Stoltz, Heather Kindsfater, Sara Kindsfater, Michael Kindsfater and C.J. Kindsfater. Her great-grandchildren are Elizabeth Stoltz, Jordan Kindsfater and Andrew Kindsfater. Her sisters, Lydia Rehms and Helene Miklovich, survive, and nieces and nephews.

Preceding Molly in death were Jake Kindsfater, Carl Maack; sisters, Mary (Jake) Hein, Katie (Henry) Hein, Elizabeth Zier, Mabel (Henry) Frickle, Natalie (Ralph) Lackman; brothers, Emanuel Zier and David (Marion) Zier; brothers-in-law, Pete Miklovich and Harold Rehms.

Services will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 9, at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, with burial at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 2336 St. John's Ave., Billings, MT 59102, or Big Sky Hospice.

LAS VEGAS — Glen Alan Maas, 49, of Las Vegas, formerly of Billings, passed away peacefully on Friday, Dec. 24, 2004, at Summerlin Hospital Medical Center in Las Vegas, after a courageous two-month battle with cancer.



GLEN MAAS

Glen was born July 5, 1955, in Great Bend, Kan., a son of George W. and Geraldene Maas.

He attended schools in Billings and graduated from Billings Senior High School in 1973. While in Billings, he worked at Marshall Wells Paints, Hertz Rent-A-Car and the Billings Clinic as a Purchasing Agent. He married in 1983, moved to Las Vegas in 1995, and divorced in 1998.

Glen was employed as Facility Manager for eight and a half years with Edward M. Bernstein and Associates in Las Vegas, a generous and compassionate employer. Glen sincerely enjoyed his position with the law firm and the family-like friendships they shared. Fishing and camping in Montana and gardening were his favorite hobbies.

He is survived by his parents two brothers, George I. (Denise) and Gary, all of Billings; a sister Gail (Kirk) Wichman of Las Vegas; and numerous nieces and nephews. He had a loving lifelong friendship with his sister, her husband and family. Two of their daughters, Misty and Ali, became very close with Glen. Glen will always be remembered in Misty and Ali's hearts with many loving memories. Also, Glen's cat, Missy, was his true companion.

Glen is preceded in death by his grandparents, Henry and Thelma Maas and Irving and Ruby Gates.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, Dec. 30, at 10 a.m., at Smith West Chapel, 304 34th St. West. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be given to First Christian Church, Billings, or a charity of your choice.

Lillian Helene (Olson) Maberry

LEWISTOWN — Lillian

Helene (Olson) Maberry, 83, Lewistown, passed away Wednesday evening, Jan. 14, 2004, at the Central Montana Medical Center of natural causes.



**LILLIAN
MABERRY**

Lillian, was born Jan. 8, 1921, in Balta, N.D., to John August and Sophia Anna (Bengston) Olson. She was the youngest of 11 children.

Following her schooling, she attended business college. She worked at the ASCS office in Rugby N.D., then moved to Great Falls and worked for General Mills and ASCS.

She was united in marriage to Max Paul Maberry on April 30, 1946, in Great Falls. After their marriage, they farmed with Max's parents north of Great Falls. In 1963, they purchased a ranch four miles north of Hilger. Max died in August 1978, and Lillian continued to manage the ranch until the fall of 2001 when she went to live with her daughter at Dell. In April of 2003, she moved back to Lewistown and resided at the New Horizon Assisted Living

home until the time of her death.

Lillian was a member of Mari-Chapter #36 Order of Eastern Star, Daughters of the Nile, Roy Junction Women's Club, Hilger Community Club and the Farm Bureau. She enjoyed bowling and china painting. She took pride in her appearance and was a very elegant lady. She was always ready to go to "town" for lunch or coffee — any town would do. She loved her family and friends, and will be greatly missed.

Lillian is survived by her five children, Marcia (John) Groomes of Philipsburg, Paulette (Loren) Christianson of Billings, Yvonne (Allen) Martinell of Dell, Rana (Keith) Wichman of Moore and Guy (Carol) Maberry of Hilger. She is also survived by 23 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Margaret Fahrenholtz; numerous nieces and nephews, and her New Horizon's family.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Max; her parents; six sisters, and four brothers.

Funeral services for Lillian H. Maberry will be at the Creel Funeral Chapel on Monday at 1 p.m. Eastern Star services will be

conducted by Marie Chapter #36
Order of Eastern Star. Interment
will be at the Central Montana
Memorial Gardens. Friends may
call at the Creel Funeral Chapel
from 4 to 7 p.m. on Sunday.
Memorial are suggested to the
Diabetes Association or to the
charity of the donor's choice and
may be left at the funeral home.

Creel Funeral Home is in
charge of arrangements.

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GRASS RANGE — Rose Marie Mack, 75, of Grass Range, died suddenly at her home Sunday morning, May 30, 2004, of natural causes.

She was born May 27, 1929, in Lewistown, the daughter of William E. and Catherine (Bueker) Staab. She received her schooling in a country school northwest of Grass Range. She worked on the family farm until her marriage to Eugene Mack on April 19, 1952. They continued to live and farm on the family farm near Ford Creek until moving to their present home in the early 1960s west of Grass Range. He preceded her in death in 1996.

She was a member of St. Barbara Catholic Church in Grass Range until it closed and is now a member of St. Leo's Catholic Church in Lewistown. She was a member and past president of the Cowbells and the Timesaver Extension Club and worked many years with the 4-H, serving as a leader for many years, and was a past member

and past regent of the Women of the Moose.

She is survived by one son, Edward and his wife Susan of Lewistown; two daughters, Anna Marie Mack of Grass Range and Susan Ryan and husband Mike of Helena; one sister, Norma Reiche of Klamath Falls, Ore.; four grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents and one great-granddaughter.

Funeral liturgy for Rose Marie Mack will be Friday, June 4, at 10:30 a.m. in St. Leo's Catholic Church. Committal will follow in Mount Calvary Cemetery. Vigil services will be Thursday, June 3 at 7 p.m. in the church. Cloyd Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Friends are asked to make memorials to the Central Montana 4-H, Grass Range Emergency Services or the charity of their choice, and they may be left at the Cloyd Funeral Home.

Adeline Madison

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SIDNEY — Adeline Madison, 82, died Friday, Oct. 8, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center Extended Care Facility.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 13, at the Sidney Health Center Extended Care Facility Chapel. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday and one hour before services at the Extended Care Chapel. Interment will be in the Sidney Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Gertrude Grimes Madler

MILES CITY — Gertrude (Rogers) Grimes Madler, 87, died Thanksgiving morning, Nov. 25, 2004, in the home of her daughter in Bozeman, Mont.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 30, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. A Vigil service will be held 6 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 30. Mass of Christian Burial will be held 10 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 1, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Rite of Committal will follow in the family lot of the Calvary Cemetery.

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Gertrude Madler

THE GREAT FALLS GAZETTE

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BOZEMAN — Gertrude (Rogers) Grimes Madler, 87, of Bozeman, formerly of Miles City, died Thursday, Nov. 25, 2004, at her daughter's home in Bozeman.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miles City. Rite of committal will follow in the family lot of the Calvary Cemetery. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

Ronald E. Madole

PELICAN RAPIDS, Minn. — Ronald E. Madole, 55, formerly of Billings, died Monday, Jan. 19, 2004, at Merit Care Hospital in Fargo, N.D.

Visitation is one hour prior to the 2 p.m. Thursday service at Abundant Life Assembly of

God Church in Fergus Falls. Olson Funeral Home in Fergus Falls is in charge. Those who knew and loved Ron can send their condolences to Barbara White Madole, c/o General Delivery, Fergus Falls, Minn. 56537.

Elaine Marie Magalsky

SHIELDS VALLEY — Elaine Marie Magalsky went home to be with her Heavenly Father and His family on July 31, 2004, at 7:10 p.m. She passed away peacefully at her home in the Shields Valley with her family around her.

Elaine was born Dec. 19, 1948, in Dickinson, N.D., to Lena (Kassian) and Eugene Romanyshyn. She first resided on the homestead of her grandparents, Wasyi and Mary Kassian, and in 1959 moved with her family to the Romanyshyn homestead located in Billings County, N.D., settled by her grandparents, Nick and Ann Romanyshyn. Elaine attended grade school in Stark County and then Billings County to the eighth grade. She attended high school at Belfield High and graduated in 1966. Elaine graduated from North Dakota State University in Fargo with a BS in Physical Education and Art. She taught Junior High Physical Education at the Washington School in Glendive from 1970 to 1973.

Elaine met Joe Magalsky of Lindsay in August 1972. They were married in a double wedding with Elaine's sister, Patricia, and Keith McNeil on April 28, 1973, at St. Demetrius Catholic Church north of Belfield, N.D. The wedding was a traditional Ukrainian ceremony that culminated in a three-day celebration.

Elaine and Joe moved to Joe's family ranch north of Lindsay and raised beef cattle until 1978, during which time their first two children, Anne Grace and Jacob Joseph were born. The family

moved to Glendive, where two more children were born, Faith Marie (now Mrs. Erik Petersen) and Mary Rose (now Mrs. Seth Carter). In 1981, the family realized a dream of moving to the mountains and became established in their present home in the beautiful Shields Valley. Here, Cristi June (1984) and Joseph Isaac (1989) were born.

Elaine dearly loved motherhood and children. In 1984, she founded the Pregnancy Outreach Center in Livingston as a ministry to women in crisis pregnancies. Elaine also began home-schooling her children in 1985.

She enjoyed building nurturing relationships with her children and teaching them about their Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Elaine will be remembered as a beautiful wife, mother, teacher, neighbor and friend. She leaves a legacy that continues to touch many and we anticipate seeing her again one day in the presence of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Dokken-Nelson Funeral Service in Bozeman is in care of the arrangements.

Visitation at Dokken-Nelson will be from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 4, with the family present from 7 to 9 p.m. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at the Livingston Christian Center. Interment will be in the Hyde Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Pregnancy Outreach Center, 102 W. Clark St., Livingston, MT 59047.

Mildred M. Magargil

CODY, Wyo. — Mildred M. Magargil, 89, died Wednesday, March 17, 2004, at the West Park Long Term Care Center.

Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, March 25, at West Park Long Term Care Center. Cremation has taken place. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

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Wayne E. Mahan

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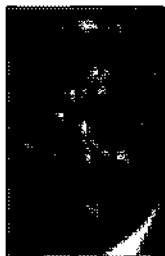
LAUREL — Wayne E. Mahan, 81, of Laurel passed away July 3, 2004 at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings. He was born Feb. 14, 1923 in North Platte, Neb.

After graduating from high school, Wayne attended the Colorado School Of Mines in Golden, Colo. His education was interrupted when he joined the Army to serve in WWIL. After being honorably discharged, he continued his education at the School Of Mines where he earned a degree in petroleum engineering. He later earned a masters degree in that field.

In 1945, he married Marie Kirk and three children were born to this union.

In 1949, he moved his family to Laurel where he was employed by Farmers Union Central Exchange. He retired from the Cenex Refinery in 1983. His wife Marie passed away in 1978.

Wayne married Marilyn Anderson in 1990 and they were active in church and square dancing. Ill health forced him to retire from square dancing, but it was



**WAYNE
MAHAN**

always in his heart. Wayne and Marilyn spent winters in Mesa, Ariz., with snowbird friends and family of both.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn; daughters, Sandy (Wes) Huffman and Doreen Kippes; and a son, Jack Mahan; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 6 at the Laurel United Methodist Church. Inurnment will be in the Laurel Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the charity of one's choice in lieu of flowers.

Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of cremation and memorial services.

Eileen P. Maher

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LAUREL — Eileen P. Maher, 76, of Laurel, passed away Sunday, Dec. 19, 2004, at The Tender Nest in Billings.

She was a daughter of James and Camilla Lenjou Maher, born April 19, 1928, at New York, N.Y.

She had done clerical work for Prudential Insurance Company for over 25 in Great Falls and Billings.

Eileen had been a volunteer classroom and library aide in the Laurel schools. She was a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church and a member of the Laurel Garden Club.

Survivors include a sister, Joan (Albert) Matisik of Franklin Square, N.Y.; nieces and nephews, Anita Matisik of Central Islip, N.Y., Laurie Ann Matisik of Holtsville, N.Y., Leslie (Jim) Hutchins of Laurel, Jerry (Janice) LaPrath of Havre, James LaPrath of Imperial, Pa.; and several grand nieces and nephews and one great-grandnephew.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at 9 a.m. Monday, Dec. 20, at St. Anthony Catholic Church. Laurel Inurnment will be in St. Anthony Cemetery at a later date. Smith Funeral Chapel was in charge of cremation.

Leonard Clarence Mahlum *BILLINGS GAZETTE*

MONTANA CITY —

Leonard Clarence Mahlum passed away Dec. 1, 2004, after a lengthy illness, surrounded by his loving family. He was born Sept. 11, 1930, in Arnegard, N.D., to Roy and Jennie Mahlum.

When he was 6 years old, Leonard and his family moved to Big Timber. Leonard graduated from Sweetgrass High School in 1949. He worked at various jobs, including the Sweetgrass County Sheriff's Department, farming and custom combining and haying. He retired in 1989 from the Montana Highway Dept. as Supervisor of the Core Drill Section. Leonard enjoyed sports, playing cards, horse-shoe pitching, bowling, snow-mobiling, hunting, fishing and camping. He was proud of his 300 bowling game in 1997.

He married Adeline Hoiland on Aug. 31, 1952. He and Adeline celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in August 2002. Leonard and Adeline moved to Helena in 1969, and built their home in Montana City in 1973. He was a member of Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church in Helena.

Leonard was preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Jennie Mahlum and son Steve. He is survived by his wife, Adeline, of 52 years, who

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resides in Montana City; two sons and their families, Jerry and Deb of Glendive and Tim and Debbie of Clancy; one daughter-in-law Nancy from Montana City. He leaves behind six grandchildren Shad and Teah, Stephanie and Matthew, and Ashlee and Kellen. Also surviving is his brother Joe Mahlum of Big Timber; sisters Ruth Lake of Houston and Judy (Ervin) Hedegaard of Whitehall; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be 1:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6, at Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church, 1400 Stuart St., Helena, with Sharon Amor, Assoc. in Ministry, officiating. Cremation has taken place. Private family urn placement will be at a later date. The family suggests memorials in Leonard's name be sent to Alzheimer's Assoc., Montana Chapter, 3010 11th Ave. N., Billings, MT 59101, or a charity of the donor's choice. Retz Funeral Home is caring for arrangements.

Miss Me — But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of
the Road

And the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom
filled room,

Why cry for a soul set free.

Miss me a little — but not
too long

and not with your head
bowed low.

Remember the love that we
once shared,

Miss me — but let me go.

For this is a journey that we
must take,

And each must go alone.

It's all a part of the Master's
plan

A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and
sick at heart,

Go to the Friends we know.

Bury your sorrows in doing
good deeds,

Miss me — but let me go.

— author unknown

LIVINGSTON — Ronald W. Mahlum, 59, of Lancaster, Calif., formerly of Livingston, died Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2004, at the Hancock Park Rehabilitation Center in Los Angeles.

Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Livingston. Graveside committal and burial will follow at Mountain View Cemetery, Livingston. Franzen-Davis Funeral Home of Livingston is in charge.

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Carol C. Mahoney

JUL 17 2004

BROADUS — Carol C. Mahoney, 77, of Broadus, died Thursday, July 15, 2004, at the Powder River Manor in Broadus.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 18, at the Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Broadus.

Sayra Alise Mahto**MAY 01 2004**

WOLF POINT — Sayra Alise Mahto, 24, died Tuesday, April 27, 2004.

Visitation and a prayer vigil were Friday, April 30, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 1, at the Immaculate Conception Church in Wolf Point. Interment will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

Joseph M. Maier

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 27 2004

WOLF POINT — Joseph M. Maier, 90, died Saturday, July 24, 2004 at Faith Lutheran Home.

Visitation will be 1 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 27 with a vigil service at 5:15 p.m. at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 28 at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with interment in Greenwood Cemetery.

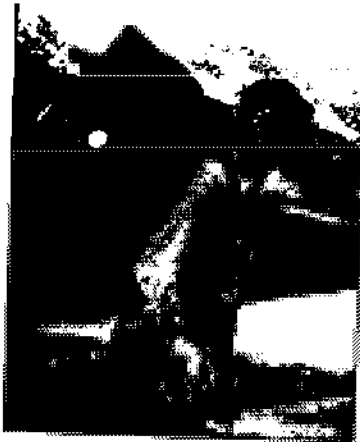
Gary Ben Mail

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HILLINGS GAZETTE

POPLAR — Gary Ben Mail, 51, of Agency Village, S.D., formerly of Poplar, died Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2004, in Sisseton, S.D. of cancer.

Viewing and prayer service will be at 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 20, at the Lindsey Memorial Presbyterian Church in Poplar. Burial will follow in the Poplar City Cemetery.



RICHARD MALEK

Richard G. Malek

Richard G. Malek, 73, of Billings passed away Tuesday, Aug. 31, 2004, at his home following a long illness.

Richard was born April 19, 1931, on Alkali Creek in Billings, the son of Mabel and Joe Malek. He graduated from Billings Senior High in 1949.

He married Patricia Ann Morgan Feb. 17, 1951.

He was awarded a Bronze Star Medal while serving in Korean War.

Rich retired from the U. S. Postal Service in 1986.

Richard had two celebrations of his life gatherings; one in March when he was diagnosed with terminal cancer and another the weekend before his death. At

his request, there will be private services at his favorite fishing trail.

Survivors include his wife Patricia, daughters Vonnie and Robert, son Charles; two grandsons: Richard and Andy, two granddaughters, Michelle and Cati.

A hero, mentor, Father, and best friend. Your courage, strength, wit, heart and soul will guide us through our journeys your son "Johnson."

We want to thank Big Sky Hospice for all their help and our great neighbors, especially Darcy and Steve Smith and the Fishers.

Goodbye to my family and friends. Hello to Charlie, Lloyd and "Ground Hog" George.

Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, P. O. Box 35033, Billings, Montana 59107.

Stanley Malcolm

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 08 2004

LIVINGSTON — Stanley F. Malcolm, 85, of Livingston, died Thursday, Feb. 5, 2004, at Benefis East Hospital in Great Falls.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, at Franzen-Davis Funeral Home, 118 N. Third St., in Livingston. Graveside committal with military honors and burial will follow in Shorthill Cemetery south of Livingston.

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Veleda Martha Mahunat

THE HILL NEWS

GLASGOW — Veleda Martha Mahunat, 102, died Friday, Aug. 13, 2004, at Valley View Nursing Home in Glasgow.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 18, at First Lutheran Church in Glasgow. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery in Glasgow. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow in charge.

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Kelly Clark Mallon

JUL 9 - 2004

Kelly Mallon, age 34, died Monday, June 28, 2004, in a motor vehicle accident just outside of Billings on Highway 3. Kelly was born in Billings and grew up on a ranch west of Broadview. Here she enjoyed riding horses and working cattle with her grandfather, golfing, playing basketball and assisting on the ranch.



**KELLY
MALLON**

Kelly graduated from Broadview High School in 1988 and attended National College in Rapid City, S.D., where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Travel and Tourism Management. During college she met Cory Mallon. After graduation she worked in Customer Service at Spiegel in Rapid City for two years.

She married her beloved husband, Cory Mallon, at the Mayflower Congregational Church in Billings on Sept. 17, 1994, and they resided northwest of Billings. Kelly worked for Eddie Bauer until the birth of her first son, Keagan, born May 5, 1997. She stayed at home to raise Keagan and later Craig who was born April 8, 1999. She recently returned to work as a travel assis-

tant at the Travel Cafe in Billings. Kelly was known by friends and family as a loving parent and wife. She was free-spirited, had a sparkling personality and touched many lives with her positive attitude and smile.

Kelly was preceded in death by her grandmother, Doris Arnold; grandparents, Kenneth and Helen Clark; and cousin, Kurtis Clark. She is survived by her husband, Cory; sons, Keagan and Craig; parents, Roy Clark of Acton and Susan Arnold Clark of Broadview; sister, Troy Clark of San Mateo, Calif.; grandfather, Ben Arnold of Broadview; aunt and uncles, Gail and Tony Erickson, and Gordon Clark; cousins, Linsey Erickson, Ryan, Shelley and Isabelle Erickson, Jaimy Clark, Laura Oliszczak, and Kristen Allen; her mother and father-in-law, Kay and Pat Mallon of Huron, S.D.; brother and sister-in-law, Jason and Nicki Mallon and their children, Nicholas and Brooke also of Huron; and grandmothers, Marie and Crystal of Huron.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services are pending and will be announced. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Keagan and Craig Mallon Medical Fund at First Citizens Bank of Billings or the Yellowstone Bank in Columbus. Smith Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

Albino El Mancini

OCT 7 2004
DEPT. OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Albino "Bino" Eli Mancini, 83, of Sheridan, died Monday, Oct. 4, 2004, at his home.

Rosary and visitation will be at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 8, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, at Holy Name Catholic Church. Interment will follow in the Sheridan Elks Cemetery.

Matthew Manders

GILLETTE, Wyo. —

Memorial services for Matthew Manders, 46, will be 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Greenwood Cemetery in Newcastle. Stevenson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

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JUN 26 2004**Marion Mankowski**

Marion Mankowski, age 93, of Billings, died Friday, June 18, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare.

Marion was born on May 24, 1911, to James and Mary Lane Clark in Brooklyn, N.Y.

She married Anthony Mankowski in 1930 and they had a son, Richard, born Feb. 26, 1931.

She enjoyed her life in Brooklyn playing cards, listening to good, big band music and group singing whenever she could, but her favorite time was watching baseball games.

Marion worked for Sears Roebuck for 31 years. After her husband passed away in March 1989, she decided to come west and join her brother and his wife, Frank and Flo Clark.

Marion made a lot of friends here in Billings, and she enjoyed her 15 years here playing bridge, pinochle, crossword puzzles and watching baseball games.



**MARION
MANKOWSKI**

She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Mary Clark; her five brothers, John, James, Joseph, Francis, Jerome; her sister, Kathryn; and her son, Richard.

She is survived by her sisters-in-law, Flo Clark of Billings and Geraldine Clark of Kingston, N.Y.; a granddaughter, a grandson, four great-grandsons, one great-granddaughter, four nieces, one nephew, seven great-grand-nephews and three great-grand-nieces.

She was a faithful member of the St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church.

Marion will be remembered for her remarkable memory and her ability to know all the statistics of Major League Baseball, especially the Mets.

"We will miss you and we love you."

A memorial mass will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 22, at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, 2210 Colton Blvd. Private interment of the urn will be at Holy Cross Cemetery. Smith's West Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Bert Mann

COWLEY, Wyo. — Bert Wilson Mann, 81, died Thursday, Sept. 23, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings.

Family visitation will be from 10 to 10:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 27, in the Relief Society Room of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Cowley. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, in the chapel of the church. Interment will be in the Cowley Cemetery. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell is in charge.

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Betty Mann

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 18 2004

Betty Mann, 81, formerly of Miles City, died Friday, Jan. 16, 2004, in Billings.

Visitation will be from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, at the First Presbyterian Church in Miles City. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Custer County Cemetery.

Thelma Jean Manning

SEP 26 2004
MILES CITY MONTANA

MILES CITY — Thelma Jean Manning, 65, of Miles City, died Sunday, Sept. 26, 2004, at her home.

Visitation will be Thursday, Sept. 30, at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Family will receive friends from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, in the chapel in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, at Grace Bible Church in Miles City. Interment will follow in the Eastern Montana State Veteran's Cemetery in Miles City.

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On Oct. 25, 1942, God brought a light into this world—a light that shall never fade. For six decades, this light illuminated the lives of countless individuals, sowing love, compassion and happiness wherever it shown. That light was Carlene Mansfield.



**CARLENE
MANSFIELD**

Carlene leaves behind her children, Shannon Wold of Anchorage, Alaska, Vashti Young of Anchorage, Tana Garcia of England, Eric Howell of Salem, Ore., Yvonne Howell of Billings, Bart Howell of Ft. Bragg, N.C., and Isaac Howell of Bozeman; brother, Wesley Mansfield of Naches, Wash.; sisters, Lenora Scoggins of Ft. Smith and Ferlene Fenton of Boise, Idaho; as well as 17 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Carl and May Mansfield.

Few have lived as Carlene has lived. Called by God to be a prayer warrior, she set about her task with a determination that flowed from heaven.

Her happiest moments were those moments spent with family, playing games, enjoying the quiet serenity of God's creation, football or spending time in the word

of God. Carlene saw a purpose in all that she did.

On Dec. 12, 2004, God called His servant home. "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith" (2 Timothy 4:7). And all eternity echoed. "Well done good and faithful servant" (Matthew 25:21).

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 17, at Rimrock Baptist Church. Interment will follow at Yellowstone Valley Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Carlene Mansfield Fund, c/o Rimrock Baptist Church, 3100 Rimrock Road, Billings, MT 59102.

Justin Dale Marchant

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

LOVELL, Wyo. — Justin Dale Marchant, 30, died Monday, Sept. 13, 2004, just north of the Montana-Wyoming state line, of an apparent homicide.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to noon, Monday, Sept. 20, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell, and from 1 to 1:45 p.m. Monday, in the Relief Society Room of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Cowley. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. in the chapel of the church. Interment will be in the Lovell Cemetery.

JUSTIN DALE MARCHANT
SEPT. 2, 1974 - SEPT. 13, 2004

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Justin Marchant

Justin Dale Marchant was born September 2, 1974, in Powell, Wyo., to Pat and Connie Marchant. Justin, to everyone who knew him, was affectionately known as J.D.

Justin lived his entire life in the Lovell, Byron and Cowley area. He loved to ride broncos in rodeos and is remembered most by family members as a cowboy.

He was a loving son, brother, father and uncle until his tragic death on September 13, 2004.

Justin leaves behind his family who will always love him dearly: parents

Patrick and Connie; sister Julie and her children Dawson and Katelyn; brother Travis; Justin's companion Melissa Davila, daughter Reagan and son Kevin; stepdaughter Naomi; grandfather Roger Marchant and great-grandma Lou Marchant; as well as many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Justin was preceded in death by his uncle Kevin Marchant, Grandpa Wayne and Grandma Bernie Jones, his grandma Patsy Marchant and his nephew Dalton Wood.

Funeral services were held Sept. 20, 2004, at the

Cowley LDS Church and interment was in the Lovell Cemetery.

Richard F. Marchewitz

MILES CITY — Richard F. Marchewitz, 48, of Miles City, died Tuesday, March 23, 2004, at his home.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, March 26, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Miles City. Interment will follow in the Custer County Cemetery. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

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Russell G. Marchington

ROUNDUP — Russell G. Marchington, 76, formerly of Livingston.

Graveside memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 25, at the Mountain View Cemetery in Livingston.

Wier Funeral Home of Roundup is in charge.

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Russell Glen Marchington

ROUNDUP — Russell Glen Marchington was born and raised in Livingston, to Edward D. and Mildred Norman Marchington. Russ left us on Sept. 30, 2004, in Roundup.

Graduating from Billings Senior High, then proceeding to construction, a Los Angeles police officer, Ravalli County bailiff as recently as 2003, after retiring as a Fish and Game warden.



**RUSSELL
MARCHINGTON**

Survived by his wife Carol; his son David; three stepdaughters, Karen, Karol and Carolyn; his siblings, Wilbur Marchington, Hazel Overton, Harold Marchington, June Durgin and Sam Marchington. Russ was loved by numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by spouses June Kaywood and Jean Martin.

Interment of ashes will take place at a later date. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Margaret M. Marcks

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 29 2004

Margaret M. Marcks, 81, of Billings, passed away Tuesday, July 27, 2004, at St. Vincent Healthcare.

She was very active with the Japanese Evangelistic Band while serving as a missionary for 36 years in Japan.

Survivors include one sister, Dorothy Larcom of Billings; two nieces, Hazel Meyer of Cheyenne, Wyo., and Eileen (Frank) Kuck of Billings; one nephew, Norman (Linda) Walks of Park City. She has been preceded in death by her parents, Emil and Laura Pierce Marcks; one brother, Norman Marcks; a sister, Louise Walks, and a niece, Joanne Jackson.

Memorial will be 2:30 p.m. Saturday at the West Side Baptist Church 323 S. 32nd St. W. Cremation has taken place at Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Marcoff

SHEPHERD — Violet Katherine (Peterson) Marcoff, 93, of Shepherd, a former cook at Fort Shaw and Stanford schools, died of natural causes Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2004, in Billings.



Services are 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, at Croxford's Rose Room, with burial in **VIOLET MARCOFF** Manchester Cemetery. Croxford Funeral Home and Crematory of Great Falls is handling arrangements.

Survivors include a daughter, Shirley (Dick) Peck of Ryegate; a son, Robert (Sharon) Marcoff of Albany, Ore.; 11 grandchildren, and numerous great- and great-great-grandchildren.

Violet was born to Andrew and Estella Peterson on March 9, 1911, in Geyser. She grew up in Geyser and Ellensburg, Wash.

Violet married Peter Marcoff on Nov. 1, 1930, and they raised five children. She worked for many years as a cook at the Fort Shaw and Stanford schools, and also spent many summers cooking at camps, such as Camp Fire Girls, Farmers Union and 4-H camps. She also spent three sum-

mers cooking for Camp Fire Girl outside Syracuse, N.Y.

Violet loved flowers, doing crafts and gardening, and grew tomatoes the size of soup bowls.

She had lived with her grandson, Joe Rapp, and his wife Phyllis, since 1998. She was cared for with much love and kindness.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Peter Sr.; and sons Charles, Peter J. and Paul.

MAY 01 2004**Adella B. Marcus**

BASIN, Wyo. — Adella B. Marcus, 78, of Big Horn, died Friday, April 30, 2004, at the Bonnie Bluejacket Memorial Nursing Home between Basin and Greybull.

A viewing will be from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday, May 2, at the Atwood Family Chapel in Basin. Graveside funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, May 3, at the Mount View Cemetery in Basin. Burial will follow the services.

Charles 'Charlie' Eugene Marcus

HELENA — Charles "Charlie" Eugene Marcus, age 70, of Helena, passed away Saturday, Aug. 28, 2004, at the Big Sky Care Center following a long illness.

He was born on March 30, 1934, in Columbus to Emil and Tillie (Kober) Marcus. He graduated from Laurel High School in 1952 and shortly thereafter joined the U. S. Air Force. He married Mary Louise Cummings of San Antonio, Texas, on Jan. 2, 1954; they were later divorced. He married the former Carroll Orr in Cody, Wyo., on Feb. 23, 1969. Together they purchased and operated Mac's Bar in Wolf Creek, which was noted around the area for his broasted "Charlie Chicken," Sunday prime rib specials and the annual pig roasts for the Shriner's Convention, 4th of July picnics and other special occasions. He was a Shriner Clown for many years and liked making children smile at the parades. Charlie was the ultimate host, perfecting his trade by running the Golden Belle restaurant in Billings and later Trader Vic's in Denver. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, the mountains and the great outdoors of Montana, as well as cooking and serving guest.

He is survived by his son Randall Marcus of Missoula; on grandson Kylan, one grand daughter, Arieue and one great grandson, Landon, all of Missoula; his mother, Tillie Marcus of Laurel; his sister, L. Vonne of Laurel; his brother Larry Marcus of Goshen, Ind. and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Carroll; his father, Emil Marcus and twin infant sons.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Big Sky Care Center, 2475 Winne Ave., Helena, MT 59601. Private graveside services are pending. Cremation has taken place. Arrangements have been entrusted to Hagler-Anderson Funeral Home.

Mildred M. Mark**THE BILLINGS GAZETTE****APR 17 2004**

RED LODGE — Mildred M. Mark, 96, of Red Lodge, died Friday, April 16, 2004, at Beartooth Hospital Long Term Care Unit.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial mass will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 20, at St. Agnes Catholic Church. Interment will be in Red Lodge Cemetery. Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel of Red Lodge is in charge.

JAN 02 2004

LAUREL — Douglas Pierce Markegard, the son of John and Jennie Pierce Markegard, was born on a farm near Bucyrus, N.D., on July 14, 1912, arriving on his sister's first birthday.



**Douglas
Markegard**

He attended schools in Bucyrus, and after farming on the home farm a short while, briefly attended the University of North Dakota at Fargo. He returned to the farm when his father became ill, but left North Dakota in the "dirty" thirties on a box car to seek better opportunities in the West. He worked on farms in the Bitterroot Valley and fought fire in the national forests in Western Montana. As he was on his way home, he stopped in Billings where his uncle, Fred Pierce, had started a small meat-packing plant. He started buying livestock locally to supply Pierce Packing, and, as this business grew, his territory enlarged until he was buying livestock from Minnesota to Texas and Oklahoma, westward to Washington and Oregon.

On June 1, 1940, he married Lois Crandall in Billings, and they resided there until 1956, when

they moved to their farm west of Laurel with their five children. Besides farming, they also had feedlots for both cattle and hogs. In recent years these operations were carried on by his sons, Bruce and John, and grandsons, Kyle and Eric.

He was interested in new farming techniques and developed a herd of Red Angus cattle. He read extensively, and enjoyed traveling. He was a member of Ashlar Lodge, No. 29, AF&AM, the Scottish Rite, and Al Bedoo Shrine, all for more than 50 years.

He slowly declined in the past couple of years, and died at his home on Dec. 27, 2003, from congestive heart failure and Parkinson's disease.

He is survived by his wife, Lois; his children, Ann Fox (John William); Bruce (Sandra); and John (Connie Stock), all of Laurel, Jennie Waggoner (John) of Sheridan, Wyo., and Roberta Howard (Douglas) of Columbus; his sister, Lois Nester of Reeder, N.D.; brothers, Curtis of Hettinger, N.D., and Keith (Artie) of Billings; 10 grandchildren, Keith, Brian (Patty), Michael (Darien) and Martin Fox,

Katherine Markegard (Rick Milligan), Kurt (Bobbi) and Kyle Markegard, R.J. (Anna) and Lindsey Waggoner, and Eric Markegard; seven great-grandchildren; and special twin nephews, Keith (Odile) Crandall of Alamo, Calif, and Kenneth (Norma) Crandall of Bellevue, Wash. He is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Services will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 3, 2004, at Laurel United Methodist Church. Memorials may be made to the Laurel Library, 720 W. Third, Laurel, MT 59044; Big Sky Hospice, P.O. Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107; or the Al Bedoo Children's Hospital Transportation Fund, P.O. Box 20673, Billings, MT 59104.

Everett Hotaling Marine

A memorial service will be held Thursday, July 29 at 2 p.m. at the Union Presbyterian Church for Everett Hotaling Marine, 99, who died Saturday, July 24 at the Powell Valley Hospital after a short illness.

He was born June 27, 1905, to Asa and Chloe Marine in Valparaiso, Ind., and moved with his family to Chicago, Ill., shortly afterwards. He attended the University of Illinois, then moved to southern California to work on rebuilding the San Francisquito Dam, finishing his engineering degree at the University of Southern California.

He married Elton Louise Pickens in Los Angeles on Dec. 5, 1933.

Mr. Marine retired from the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power in 1968. Everett and Elton moved to Beaverton, Ore., in 1977, and then to Powell in 1987 to be closer to their son, Roger Pickens Marine, and his family.

After the death of his wife in 1989, Everett lived with his son, Roger, and family until his death.

His two loves were his family and his ham radio. He loved living with and spending time with his son, Roger; daughter-in-law, Cathy; and his granddaughters. He welcomed his grandsons-in-law and adored his great-grandchildren.

Everett held one of the oldest ham radio licenses in the country. He relished his early contacts around the world and was on the radio with his local nets up until the time he went into the hospital. He also enjoyed sharing his radios with Boy Scouts. His relations with Boy Scouting went

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back to 1917, when he became a scout in the newly-organized Chicago troop. He served as scoutmaster for his son and continued serving, sharing his radios with scouts wherever he lived until recently.

He was a kind, gentle Christian soul, who will be missed greatly. He is survived by his son, Roger and daughter-in-law Cathy of Powell; granddaughters Kelly (Lance) Brown and Meredith (Neal Sample) Marine, all of Santa Cruz, Calif., Amanda (Jeremy) Johnston of Powell, Cathy Carole (Brian) Randolph of Nashua, N.H., and Jeanne (Douglas) Foster of Wichita, Kans.; great-grandchildren Jaxon Johnston, Maggie Foster and Aidan Sample. He also leaves special friends, Boomer and Anna Clifton.

**JAKE MARLEY
Rodney John**

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PRESTON HOLLOW, N.Y. — Rodney John "Jake" Marley, 54, of Preston Hollow, died Monday afternoon, Dec. 6, 2004, following a sudden heart attack.

Rod was born in Glasgow, Mont., on July 24, 1950, a son of Max and Patti (Parent) Walters. Following the death of his father, and Patti's marriage to Gene Marley, the family moved to Scobey and Rod graduated from Scobey High in 1968. He served in the Navy, stationed in Hawaii, where he met and married Tina Webster.

"Jake," as he became known to many, received a bachelor's degree while in Hawaii, later continuing his education at the Colorado School of Pharmacology in Boulder. He accepted a research position at the Yale Medical School in New Haven, Conn., and authored several articles for international scientific journals. He and Tina had recently relocated to Preston Hollow.

Rod is survived by his wife, Tina and stepsons Bruce and Nathan; his parents, Gene and Patti Marley of Billings; two sisters, Maxine (Paul) Smiley of Lynnwood, Wash., and Terri (J.D.) Longbella of Monument, Colo.; and two brothers, Jim (Geri) Marley of Billings and Mike Marley of Kennewick, Wash.

Following his cremation, private services were held in Preston Hollow. Burial of the urn will take place this spring near Flaxville.

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MARLOW — Arlie, 79,
passed away Sunday. A
memorial service will be 1:30
p.m. Saturday at Dahl Funeral
Chapel.(12/18)

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Celestia Marsh

PLENTYWOOD — Funeral services for Celestia Marsh will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, March 20. Father Bob Sewvello will celebrate the Funeral Liturgy at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Plentywood; interment will be in Plentywood Cemetery. A vigil service was held at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 19, at Fulkerson's in Plentywood. Celestia, 81, died early Thursday morning, at Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home in Plentywood.

Celestia Mary Marsh was born on April 10, 1922, the second of 12 children born to Joseph A. and Florence M. (Jordan) Marsh. She enjoyed riding horses and at age 6 she would ride "Dolly," her horse, to bring in the cows which she would help milk. She became dad's right hand man. At age 12, she and her sister "Iling" would run the John Deere "Model D" tractor after school to help with the plowing. Cess (which she was called by family members) completed the eighth grade at the Marsh School, located one half mile over the hill from the home place where she was born east of Plentywood.

During WWII, she started working away from home, helping care for babies at the Orville Bantz, Raymond Olson and John Flakne homes. In 1942, the Marsh School closed and she moved to



**CELESTIA
MARSH**

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Dooley with her younger brothers and sisters so they could attend school. They later attended Plentywood Schools and moved with her and her sister Mae. Some of the nephews and nieces and other children who needed a storm day or tournament home stayed with her also.

In 1943-'44 Celeste (as she was called by co-workers) worked at the Grandview Hotel and clerked at the Red Owl store. In '45, she cooked and waited tables at the Tip Top Cafe located West of Michel's Ins. Bldg. for about a year. Victor Kislser's Mkt. employed her for 10½ years and from there she helped Ken Christensen Music Mart for 2 years. This increased her love of music. She enjoyed the piano, organ, guitar (steel and regular), mouth organ and accordion, all of which she played by ear.

On Jan. 6, 1958, she was employed by Ward and Marge Peterson at the Coast to Coast stores, working three months short of 26 years. Celeste later helped them at home when their health suffered. This concluded the 41 years she was employed on the Main Street of Plentywood.

She loved people, and everyone she met at work or play became her special family. She sold Willex cleaning products, and when she tried her hand at painting, joined the Hi-Line Art Club. Other hobbies included

knitting, from which she gifted many with her homemade Afghans. The outdoors were her main enjoyment, especially when she gardened with her nephew and planted fruit trees. Because of work, Aunt Cess didn't get to

travel as much as she would like, but did make two trips to Alaska and several to Minnesota and parts of Montana to visit family and friends. She had a tough time not stopping at any town where she might know someone. Cess was a caregiver and in 1969, after her dad's stroke, Mother moved in with her and they both took their shift feeding him for the year he was in Sberdan Memorial. After his death Jan. 16, 1971, Cess moved with Mom because she needed help also and wanted to move back to the farm. Cess commuted back and forth to the farm from work each day and continued to live there even after her mother's death on Feb. 23, 1976. Celestia never married, but loved her nieces and nephews as her own and would care for them and others at the drop of a hat.

She made many visits to the nursing home, trying to comfort many that resided there. In 1983, it was confirmed she was a dia-

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betic. In February 2000, she fell, broke her arm and was in swing bed at S.M.N.H. for three months before she went to live with Edie, Duane and Kevin at Raymond. During her three years there, she had the misfortune of falling twice and the last time breaking both an arm and leg which brought her to another one and a half year residence at S.M. Hospital and Nursing Home, where she lived until her death, due to kidney failure, early Wednesday morning, March 18, 2004, on her brother Stephen's birthday.

Surviving sisters and brothers are Mae (Edwin) Hark, Cecelia (Darrell) LaCoste, Edith (Duane) Wilson, David (Florence E.), Stephen (Betty) and Gilbert (Beverly) Marsh; plus three generations of nieces and nephews.

Predeceased, besides her parents, by brothers Kermit, Aug. 28, 1955; Robert, Sept. 17, 1955; and Valentine, April 30, 2001; sisters Iling, June 5, 2002 and her husband (Pete Goltz, Dec. 3, 1993); Louella, Aug. 26, 1995 and her husband (Donald Blair, Feb. 12, 2004) and a sister-in-law, Margaret Mann Marsh Jan. 12, 1988; and other nephews and nieces.

Fulkerson Funeral Home has charge of arrangements.

Harold H. Marsh

MISSOULA — Harold R. Marsh, 81, passed away on Sunday, Feb. 29, 2004, at Village Health Care Center.

Harold was born April 4, 1922, in Red Lodge, to Lynn and Edna (Johnson) Marsh. The family

moved to Arlee in 1935, when he was in the eighth grade. He graduated from Arlee High School in 1940 and joined the Army Air Corps in November of that year. He served in the European Theater and was honorably discharged in February of 1946. He attended a trade school in Yakima, Wash., and then worked in Adak, Alaska, as an electrician from 1947 to 1950.



**HAROLD
MARSH**

He married his sweetheart, Elizabeth Hanser, on April 1, 1950. They owned and operated a small furniture store for three years, after which he sold real estate. He discovered a talent for carpentry work and started his own home construction business, which continued for the next 50 years. Some of his major projects included a remodel of St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Missoula, built St. Mary's gym/community center in Stevensville, St. Ann's church in

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church in Missoula.

His passions were the outdoors, fishing and watching sports. He was a longtime member of St. Anthony's Parish and the Knights of Columbus, and served on the board at the Poverello in its early years.

He was a faithful, loving, hard-working husband and father.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth and three children, daughter, Anita (Rick) Carrizales of Helena; two sons, Bob of Missoula and Jim (Carol) of Frenchtown; three grandchildren, Eric and Elizabeth Carrizales, and Jessica Marsh; a brother, Ralph; and numerous nieces and nephews. Harold was preceded in death by his parents, a brother and three sisters.

The Rosary will be recited Friday, March 5, at 7:15 p.m., at St. Anthony's Church, with a vigil service to follow at 7:30 p.m. Funeral Mass will be held Saturday, March 6, at 11 a.m., at the church, with a reception to follow in the church hall. Memorials may be made to St. Anthony's Church or to the charity of your choice.

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Pauline Seip Marsh

SCOBEY—Polly Marsh, 96, of Scobey, died Tuesday, April 6, 2004.

A memorial to her life will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 17, at the Scobey Methodist Church.

Clarence Marshall Jr.

Clarence Marshall Jr. started his trek through life on Oct. 26, 1926. The son of Clarence and Mabel Marshall, brother to Donald (Bud) and Darrell Marshall, Eileen Gardner, Dorothy Dooley (deceased), Ruby Zieski and Sharon Greenwood.

Clarence passed away Tuesday, Nov. 30, 2004.

On Oct. 7, 1950, he married Florence J. Soelster (deceased), who was the true love of his life and who gave him five children who he loved unconditionally: John Soelster



**CLARENCE
MARSHALL**

(Billings), Sandra Johnson (Altamonte Springs, Fla.), Connie Trautmann (Billings), Clarence Marshall III (Billings) and Patrick Marshall (deceased).

A man whose lineage will continue on through his 11 grandchildren and the continuing growth of his (currently numbered 15) great-grandchildren which he had always considered a gift from his beloved Florence.

With his passing, family and friends will remember a man who could be giving to a fault, who enjoyed being with people of all

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ages and especially looked forward to visits from his grandchildren and their children. Be not sad of his passing, but glad that he has gone on to a peaceful place that has loved ones waiting for him and he will want no more. Smile and laugh when your mind's eye glimpses him and his wife side by side as they for so many years were. See a whole man and whole woman whose love had endured through more hard times than good and raised a family that they were very proud of and is to be appreciated.

His passing will increase the void in our lives that is created with the death of a person we care for, but we have the capacity to minimize the void through memories, his body is gone, he will not be forgotten.

A viewing will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery. A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery. Interment will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Gordon Marshall

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FEB 10 2004

RED LODGE — Gordon "Dody" Marshall, 82, of Red Lodge, died Sunday, Feb. 8, 2004, at Beartooth Hospital & Health Center. Cremation has taken place. A graveside memorial service will be at a later date in the Red Lodge Cemetery. Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel of Red Lodge is in charge.

MAR 10 2004**PEPPER MARTEN****Herman C. J.
'Pepper' Marten**

COLUMBUS — On the morning of March 8, 2004, Herman "Pepper" Marten moved from three years of enduring stroke trauma to a sweeter existence with his ever-present Lord. During his final days, he was under the excellent care of the Stillwater Community Hospital staff in Columbus.

Pepper was born on Feb. 20, 1920, in Schleswig Holstein, a province of northern Germany near Denmark. He is a descendent of the Marten family, which lived in the area for more than 300 years. His parents were Julius and Thea (Koch) Marten.

Julius was a German veteran of World War I. By 1923, when Germany was paying off war reparations, conditions became

quite desperate for Julius and his family that included 5-year-old Walter and 3-year-old Herman. At this point, Thea's uncle Herman Witt invited Julius to work on his sheep ranch north of Columbus, headquartered on what currently is the Griffel place next to Stillwater Mining Company's smelter.

After some years later of farming in Absarokee, the family moved north of Columbus and Pepper graduated from Columbus High School in 1940. His first off-the-farm employment was as a core driller exploring minerals where the current Stillwater Mining Company is established. In the fall of 1942, he was drafted into the U.S. Army, which trained him at Parks Air College to maintain A-20 airplanes. He shipped from San Francisco to New Guinea. The war moved him on to the Philippines, then to a discharge from Ft. Lewis, Wash.

In 1948, he married Lydia Remus in Great Falls, where she grew up. They moved to Julius' farm southeast of Columbus, where they have lived for 55 years. He built up an egg producing business, "Pepper's Eggs," that continued from 1957 to 1989. With the help of his family, eggs were sold in the Billings region. During these years, he constructed most of the necessary poultry buildings, remodeled his own house, helped build son Clark's and daughter Nadeen's homes.

Pepper and Lydia, sometimes with family members, traveled to Germany, establishing relationships with first cousins and their offspring. They also explored the United States and Canada.

He was preceded in death by his parents in 1966; his brother, Walter, March 6, 2003; his great-nephew, Brett.

He is survived by his wife, Lydia; his children, Clark Marten, wife, Rachel of Columbus; their children, Rudi, Abby, Molly Marten, living on the west coast, and Jake, Butte; Nadeen Kovanda, husband Kerry, of Columbus; their sons, Joe Kovanda and wife, Lacey of Manhattan, Kan.; Benjamin Kovanda, Moscow, Idaho; Faye Marten Johnson and husband, Scott, of Bremerton, Wash. He is also survived by nephews, Walter and Sharon Marten, Columbus, Bob and Ellen Marten, Great Falls, Carl and Sandy Marten, Las Cruces, N.M.; and niece Kathy and Paul Byrne, Phoenix.

After retiring from the egg business, Pepper continued tilling the farm acres. Beyond this, he enjoyed his excellent woodworking shop, refurbishing antiques, building new items and welcoming grandsons to learn skills. He had many hobbies, including restoring antique tractors, a miniature railroad collection and building toys for his grandchildren. His woodworking shop and expertise helped develop the inte-

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Heirman of Pepper
MARTEN

rior of the Columbus based Museum of the Beartooths.

Though christened with three names, he's best known as "Pepper." As a youngster, when he slugged a ball to the outfield, an onlooker yelled, "Hey, Pepper Martin!" referring to the then-famous St. Louis Cardinals ball player. The nickname stuck life-long to Herman Marten.

Memorials are suggested for the Stillwater Youth Center, Museum of the Beartooths or a charity of individual choice.

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Saturday, March 13, at Smith Funeral Chapel-Columbus. Interment will be in Mountainview Cemetery. Visitation 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, March 12, at Smith Funeral Chapel-Columbus.

Amy Lucy Martin

LEWISTOWN — Amy Lucy Martin, 86, died Friday, May 21, 2004, at the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center of natural causes.

Amy was born Jan. 4, 1918, in Roy to Chris and Sena (Olson) Larson. She attended school in Roy and graduated from Roy High School.

On Oct. 26, 1940, in Winnett, she was united in marriage to Harold Martin. They lived in Roy until 1970 when they moved to Lewistown. He preceded her in death in 1976.

Amy worked at the Roy Cafe as a waitress and cook. She was a member of the Roy Women's Club. She enjoyed crossword puzzles, playing cards, gardening, dancing and bingo. She was very proud of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and enjoyed spending time with her family.

Survivors include two daughters, Carolyn (Vic) Askins of Buffalo, Wyo., and Bonita Hays of Newman Lake, Wash.; nine sons, Leslie Martin of Seattle, Kenny (Vivian) Martin of Belgrade, Clyde (Charlene) Martin of Rosemond, Calif.; Dave (Carol) Martin of Roundup, Terry Dean (Edna) Martin, of San Antonio, Jack Martin of Three Forks, Earl (Pauline) Martin of Lewistown, Bill (Kim) Martin of Lewistown, Robert (Charlotte) Martin of Virginia Beach, Va.; 28 grandchil-

dren and 29 great-grandchildren. In addition, she is survived by a sister, Helen Cornell of Henderson, Nev. a sister-in-law, Melba Bicknell of Riverside, Calif., and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold; a daughter, Cheryl; a son in infancy; and three sisters and three brothers.

Funeral services for Amy Martin will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 27, at the Creel Funeral Chapel. Burial will be at Lewistown City Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center, c/o Medical Center Foundation, 408 Wendel Ave., Lewistown, MT 59457; or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Creel Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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Cordelia Martin

SACO — Cordelia Martin, 95 years, a homemaker, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2004, at a Glasgow hospital, of natural causes.

Memorial services will be 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, at the Saco Lutheran Church in Saco. Interment of her cremated remains will be at a later date. Adams Funeral Home and Crematory are in charge of arrangements.

She is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Jean (Gil) Bullock or Wenatchee, Wash., Loretta (Darrell) Menge of Saco; grandchildren and their spouses, Mark (Debra) Bullock of Spokane, Wash., Mary Jo (Bruce) Bendickson of Wenatchee, Kevin (Susan) Bullock of Three Forks, Scott (Dianne) Bullock of Wenatchee, Russell (Bobbi) Menge of Saco, Jody (Mark Zudima) Menge of Hilger, Robyn (Scott) Cassel of Saco, Crystal (Charles) Mears of Malta; 17 great-grandchildren; sister, Emma Erickson of Saco, brother-in-law Chris Martin of Cutbank; sisters-in-law, Ann McClintick of Walla Walla, Wash., Olga Bliven of Ft. Benton; numerous nieces



**CORDELIA
MARTIN**

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and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 68 years, Hans, on Feb. 9, 2001; and her brother, Jim Dyson, on Aug. 1, 2001.

Our loving mother and grandmother passed away peacefully with her family by her side. She was a lady of profound strength and a steadfast partner to our father. Cordelia was born in Davie County, N.C., in 1909. She moved, with her family, to the Greve community in North Phillips County in 1915. The family moved to the Saco area in 1921. Here she met the love of her life, Hans Martin and married in 1933. Together, with perseverance and hard work, they established a productive and tranquil ranch.

Donnie Ray Martin

HELENA — Donnie Ray Martin, 64, of Helena and formerly of Bozeman, passed away in Great Falls Jan. 7, 2004, following a brief illness. He was born Aug. 31, 1939 in Columbus to Donald Forest and Betty Rae (Tandy) Martin.

Donnie graduated as valedictorian from Absarokee High School in 1957. He received a bachelor's degree from Montana State College in 1961 and a master's degree in chemical engineering in 1962. During the Vietnam War, Don spent several months in Vietnam and Cambodia as a civilian chemist. He also worked as a chemist in California before returning to Montana in 1996.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include numerous cousins; aunt, Doris Hollen of Bozeman and aunt, Beryl Cloyd of Bozeman; uncle, Jack Tandy of Whitesboro, Texas.

Graveside services will be held at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, at Mountain View Cemetery in Livingston.



**DONNIE
MARTIN**

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Harold Martin

SOUTH BROCKTON —

Funeral services for Harold Martin, 94, of Mona Community, will be 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 20, at the Church of Christ, Sidney, with Minister Richard Eggar officiating. Interment will be in the Mona Cemetery, under the direction of Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney.

He was born in Bourbon, Ind., on Dec. 16, 1910. Harold, his sister, Muriel, and his parents C.V. (Clifford) and Anna (Young) Martin moved to Montana to claim a homestead in the spring of 1915. The family soon settled in the Mona Community. The Martin and Barber families homesteaded near each other and helped each other claim up their land. Harold often talked about his cousin, Burdette Barber, and told many stories of their times together. Harold attended school at the Mona and Miller Schools. Harold found his special someone, a neighbor girl, Edith Danielson, and they were united in marriage on Nov. 2, 1935. Harold and Edith settled on the Martin homestead. They raised their five children, Donald, Darold, Marlene, Duane and Marilyn in the Mona Community. Harold was active on the Mona School Board, Mona Church of Christ, Yellowstone Bible Encampment Board and the Sidney Church of Christ.

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Harold was especially fond of his Piper Cub airplane. It brought him many years of memories. Harold enjoyed fishing, playing his fiddle and teasing his grandchildren. He was a dedicated hardworking farmer who made "things" hold together when times were tough. He and Edith worked as a team raising their children, running their farm, helping their neighbors, worshipping God and having fun. Relatives and friends could often be found in the Martin home "making music," eating, playing games or visiting. They were enthusiastic supporters of their community and were dedicated to the improvement and upkeep of the Mona School, Mona Church of Christ and Mona Hall.

Harold died Friday, Dec. 17, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center - Extended Care Facility.

Harold is survived by his two daughters, Marlene (Don) Kelly, Three Forks, and Marilyn (Gary) Johnston, Culbertson; sons, Darold (Janice) Martin, Great Falls, and Duane (Petrea) Martin, Brockton; sister, Muriel (Martin) Danielson; one sister-in-law, Betty (Boyd) Lowe; grandchild-

dren, Steven (Chrystal) Martin, Debbie Martin, Tony (Tanara) Martin, Todd (Jamie) Martin, Tedd (Nancy) Martin, Lovi (Neil) Cadwell, Louny Walker, Larry (Lisa) Walker, Lynae (William) Lang, Jamie (Challise) Martin, Jody (Lea) Martin, Coy (Sara) Martin, Garin (Leanna) Johnston, Bryan (Leah) Johnston and Travis Johnston; 31 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; and many nieces and nephews.

Harold was preceded in death by his wife, Edith; his parents, Clifford and Anna; his eldest son, Donald; and his oldest grandchild, Melody.

Harold's daughters, Mariene and Marilyn, lovingly cared for their dad the last four years. The rest of the family are grateful to them and their husbands for their dedication and selflessness.

Grandpa's songs and airplane stories will keep us smiling. We are comforted to know he is at home with Grandma Edith.

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LANE MARTIN

Lane Martin

RED LODGE — Lane Lewis Martin, 17, of Red Lodge, died Saturday afternoon, Aug. 14, 2004, in an auto accident near Boyd.

Lane was born on Oct. 27, 1986, in Red Lodge, a son of Rick and Dawn Martin. He was raised and attended school in Red Lodge, where he would have been a senior this year at Red Lodge High School.

He was interested in electronics and a variety of outdoor activities such as hiking, camping and had recently begun rock climbing with his good friends Matt Thayne and Angela Schilz. Other hobbies included making homemade films with Adam Lynn, who, along with

Lane, had established Two Mer and a Tempo production company. He also enjoyed his time paintballing with Jeremy Hauge, Nick Lawlor, Kyle Brown and Nathan Bilyeu.

Lane especially enjoyed long walks in the woods with his girlfriend, Erin Bulau.

He liked to play video games with his sister Becky, listen to punk rock and watch movies while eating Cheez-its and drinking Dr. Pepper. Lane had a great interest in Japanese culture and cuisine. He enjoyed his expensive toys, including his guns, bicycle, MP3 player, his climbing gear and heavy-duty sewing machine. He was employed at Sylvan Peak Mountain Shop, where he was a dedicated employee.

The "old man" will be remembered by all for his kilt, his "bolie" T-shirts and his leprechaun beard.

Lane was preceded in death by his much-missed grandmother, Marlene Martin.

Survivors include his parents, Rick and Dawn Martin, and his sister, Becky Martin, all of Red Lodge; his girlfriend, Erin Bulau; grandparents, Charles L. Martin of Red Lodge, and James and Sue Klessens of Luther; an adopted grandma, Betty Lee Fluke of Folsom, Calif.; a special cousin, Kelsie Boggio; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, at the Veterans Memorial Civic Center in Red Lodge. Cremation will follow the service. Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

RIVERTON, Wyo. — Funeral Mass for Louise Martin of Riverton will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, at St. Margaret's Catholic Church in Riverton. The Rev. Father Andrew Duncan will officiate and burial will follow at Mountain View Cemetery in Riverton. There will be a rosary at 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 10, at the church.

Mrs. Martin died Sunday, Sept. 5, 2004, in Billings. She was 79 years old.

Marie Louise Ago was born July 2, 1925, in Riverton, the daughter of John and Carmen (Lavin) Ago. She lived in Riverton until the sixth grade, when the family moved to Laramie. She was graduated as valedictorian of St. Patrick's High School in Sidney, Neb., in 1943. She attended college in Louisville, Ky., and was graduated from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in 1947.

On June 24, 1950, she married Jack Martin at St. Margaret's Catholic Church in Riverton. They moved to Sheridan, where the children were born, and returned to Riverton in 1954.

Mrs. Martin was a member of St. Margaret's Church, where she was involved with the RCCW, Altar and Rosary Society, and church choir. She was a religious education catechism teacher and taught eighth grade.

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Mrs. Martin worked as a registered nurse, was a housewife and mother.

Her family said she was an avid gardener, especially in cultivating roses. She enjoyed her bridge group, belonged to the Women's Association and the Riverton Country Club.

Survivors include her daughter, Carmen Martin and Kevin Schultze of Kenilworth, Ill.; sons John Martin and Michele Pacifico of Washington, D.C., Joe Martin and wife Maria of Billings; grandchildren, Matthew and Kathleen Schultze, Laura, Travis, and Hallie Martin, Mary, Jenna and JoAnn Martin.

She was preceded in death by her mother, father and husband Jack in 1998.

Memorials may be made to St. Margaret's Catholic Church, in care of the Davis Funeral Home, 2203 West Main, Riverton, WY 82501.

Services are under the direction of the Davis Funeral Home.

Mary Martin

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 16 2004

BOULDER — Mary Martin, formerly of Billings, passed away Thursday in Clancy.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at the First Assembly of God Church in Boulder. Scott Funeral Home is in charge.

Thomas B. Martin

Thomas B. Martin, 91, passed away April 5, 2004, at St. John's Lutheran Home in Billings.

Tom was born on April 28, 1912, to Percy and Delia (Dunn) Martin in Bainville. He grew up in Bainville and graduated from Bainville High School in 1931. After high school, he held various jobs in northeastern Montana, including working on the Fort Peck Dam from



**TOM
MARTIN**

1934 to 1935. In 1938, Tom and his mother moved to Billings, where he worked for Pierce Packing Co. He enlisted in the Army in 1943 and served until 1946. While in the Army, he spent two years in the South Pacific. Upon his return, Tom worked again for Pierce Packing Co. until he went to work for the U.S. Postal Service. Tom served as a rural carrier west of Billings for 26 years, retiring on May 11, 1973.

Tom married Louise Richardson on March 29, 1953. They lived in Billings at the same residence for 45 years. Louise passed away in 1998.

Tom was very active in the Odd Fellows and Rebekah Lodges, belonging to all branches of the Order for over 60

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years.

He was Past Grand Master and Secretary of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows (IOOF). He received the Meritorious Service Award for his many years of dedicated service. His involvement in the IOOF resulted in many trips with Louise to conventions in the United States and Canada.

Tom was an avid bowler, fisherman, pinochle player and traveler. He and Louise loved to travel in their motorcoach. He was a longtime member of the First United Methodist Church of Billings.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents, brother Rondal and his wife Louise.

Survivors include nieces, Lois (Bob) Johnson, Jean Koeng of Oregon, Shirley (Cal) Rolfson of Florida; nephews, Percy (Char) Martin, Gordon (Jan) Martin and Wallace Martin, all of Washington.

Tom is also survived by an extended family: sister-in-law, Flonnie Hofferber; brother-in-law, Robert (Alice) Richardson; nephews, Dan (Carol) Hofferber, Jim (Teri)

Richardson; and niece, **AMANDA** (Gene) Hobby. Tom also leaves behind numerous cousins, great-nieces and nephews, special neighbors Dan and Arlene Holen and many friends.

Funeral services will be Friday, April 9, at 1 p.m., at Smith's West Chapel, 304 34th St. West, with interment at Mountview Cemetery.

Memorials may be sent to: Odd Fellows and Rebekah Lodge Scholarship Fund or Montana Special Olympics, c/o Joanne Fischer, 3157 Conestoga Way, Billings, MT 59105.

Edith M. Martinell

SEP 30 2004

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Edith M. Martinell, 96, passed away Tuesday evening, Sept. 28, 2004, at St. John's Lutheran Nursing Home in Billings.

Edith was born Oct. 20, 1907, in Fox, the eldest daughter of 10 children of

Oscar "Jack" and Estella Husted. Edith was raised on the family ranch and attended schools at Fox, Dillon and Spokane, Wash. She obtained her teaching degree



**EDITH
MARTINELL**

at Western Montana College of Education in Dillon, and taught school in the Dell-Lima area, Unity, Ore., and Vashon, Wash.

Edith married Lowell C. Martinell, June 1, 1929, in Dillon. During their 23 years of marriage, they had three children: Hewitt, James and Jack. Edith was a strong woman who worked to support herself and enjoyed being with her family and friends. After her retirement, she spent several years in Whitehall, where she was baptized in the Zion Lutheran Church. She especially enjoyed the Bible study sessions. She moved to Mission Ridge in Billings in February 1998.

Edith is survived by a son, Jack and Bonnie Martinell of Belfry;

brothers, William "Bus" Husted, John and Doty Husted of Jackson; sisters, Idella Massara of Ross, Calif., Virginia "Gin" Knudsen of Billings and Judy Knudsen of Maple Valley, Wash. She is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sons, Hewitt and James Martinell; grandchildren, Scott Martinell and Diane Martinell; siblings, Charles Husted, Grace Beason, Dorothy Grimm and Betty Johnson.

Cremation has taken place at the Cremation or Funeral Gallery in Billings. At her request, no funeral services will be held. Gravesite services and burial will be in the Husted family plot at Mountain View Cemetery in Dillon at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2.

The family would like to thank St. John's Lutheran Home for their support, care and service, especially Sharon, Barb, Pastor Jeff and the Vigilant groups.

The family asks that any donations be made to St. John's Lutheran Nursing Home in Billings or Zion Lutheran Church in Whitehall.

Ben Martínez

Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Jan. 9, 2004, at Our Lady of Guadalupe. A reception follows.

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Jake Henry Martinez



**Jake Henry
Martinez**

Memorial services were held Monday, March 15 at Moser Funeral Home in Greeley, Colo., for Jake Henry Martinez, 46, who died at his Greeley home Thursday, March 11 from liver cancer.

He was born June 29, 1957, to Hank and Rose (Benavides) Martinez. He was a life-long resident of Greeley and graduated from high school there. He served in the U.S. marine Corps.

Survivors include his mother, Rose, of Greeley; his father and step-mother, Hank and Connie Martinez of Powell; two daughters, Sandy Rose of Greeley and Monica Lopez of Kansas City, Kans.; a son, Johnathan Henry Martinez of Greeley; three sisters, Dorothy Ann Rice of Los Angeles, Calif., Rosalie Russell of Greeley, and Deanna Salzberg of New York, N.Y.; and four grandchildren.

Military honors were presented at the services by Union Colony Marines, Greeley detachment. Cremation has taken place.

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GLENDIVE — Robert Joseph Martinez, age 54, of Glendive, formerly of Forsyth and Billings, Mont., died on Wednesday, June 30, 2004, at the Eastern Montana Veterans Home in Glendive.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Forsyth, with Father Gary Norman officiating. Rite of Committal with



**ROBERT
MARTINEZ**

military honors will be in the Forsyth Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.

Robert was born on Feb. 23, 1950, in Forsyth, the son of Emmanuel and Josephine (Pabolo) Martinez. He was raised and educated in the Forsyth area, receiving his education in the Forsyth and Rosebud schools. Robert enlisted in the U.S. Army on March 1, 1968, and upon his honorable discharge in February of 1974, returned to Forsyth, where he worked as a desk clerk at the Joseph Hotel for eight years. He resided in Billings for a number of years. In July of 1996, Robert moved to the Eastern Montana Veterans Home in Glendive where he has resided since

As a young man, Robert enjoyed playing baseball. In his later years, he enjoyed playing pool, fishing, hunting and visiting with friends.

Robert was preceded in death by one brother, Denny Martinez and his sister, Stella Thomas.

Survivors include five sisters, Delores Button and her husband Ron of Colstrip, Julia Thomas and her husband Steve of Belcourt, N.D., Modesta Martinez of Forsyth, Angie Neil of Cheyenne, Wyo., and Josie Merrill and her husband Bruce of Marysville, Utah.

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

APRIL 21, 2004

BOZEMAN — Leo Joseph Martinz, 80, of Bozeman, passed away Saturday, April 17, 2004. He was born April 12, 1924, in Klein, to Jacob and Rachel Martinz. Leo was raised in the Gallatin Valley and graduated from the Gallatin County High School. He then attended carpentry school in Yakima, Wash.

During WWII, Leo served our country in the United States Navy, as a sailor in the Pacific Theater. On April 8, 1961,



**LEO
MARTINZ**

Leo married Vivian Olson at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Bozeman.

Leo worked as a mechanic for Gallatin County and a Ford dealership. He also worked as a custodian at the Gallatin County Court House and Ervings school. Additionally, Leo worked 14 years for the Bozeman Chronicle circulation department. He retired after having a stroke, and enjoyed the remainder of his years in the presence of his loving friends and family.

Leo was involved in the community and was a member of the American Legion, VCT,

Veterans of Foreign Wars and DAV. He also enjoyed functions at the Senior Center and helping out with Cub Scouts. Throughout his life, Leo's hobbies included fishing, hunting, appreciating art and drawing his own wonderful pictures.

Leo will be truly missed by all who knew and loved him, and especially by his loyal companion Rambo.

Leo is survived by his wife Vivian Martinz of Bozeman; son Kevin Martinz of Bozeman; and two sons from a previous marriage in Yakima; sister, Elsie Toothman, of Phoenix; and brother, Kenneth Martinz of Billings.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Walter Martinz; and sister, Lorraine Cornwell.

Cremation has taken place and services will be announced at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Leo's widow, Vivian Martinz, c/o Dahl Funeral Chapel, 300 Highland Blvd., Bozeman, MT 59715.

Charles Marton

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 22 2004

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Charles Marton, 79, of Buffalo, died Wednesday, July 21, 2004, at the Johnson County Health Care Center.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 24, at

the St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Buffalo. A vigil will be at 7 p.m. Friday, July 23, also at the Catholic Church. Burial will be in Willow Grove Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home of Buffalo is in charge.

Molina Ann Martwig

Molina Ann Martwig, 89, of Billings, passed away on April 14, 2004. She was born May 25, 1914, in Devils Lake, N.D., to James and Edna Larsin. She grew up in Minneapolis and the family later moved to Cromwell, Minn., where she finished high school.

It was in Cromwell that Molina met her future husband, Michael M. Martwig. They were married on St. Patrick's Day in 1940. Together, they attended to a farm near Cromwell until Mike enlisted in the U.S. Army and was sent to WWII. To keep busy while Mike was away at war, Molina worked at Sheltering Arms Children's Hospital, where she cared for young boys with polio. This was a very rewarding job for her.



**MOLINA
MARTWIG**

Once Mike returned from the war, Caroline and Charlie were born and the family resided in Minneapolis until purchasing a farm near Hamel, Minn. Mike went back to work as a Greyhound bus driver, so the farm chores were left to Molina, Charlie and Caroline. They cared for "too many" laying hens and delivered them on their egg

route. The farm chores kept them very busy, which Molina truly enjoyed.

In 1967, Mike transferred to Billings, so the family moved. Molina cared for the neighborhood children while Mike drove the bus. Upon Mike's retirement in 1976, the two moved to Fishtail where they would live in the summers and would travel to Texas for the winters. They spent 12 winters down south and met many friends along the way. During those winters, Molina did missionary work just across the boarder in Mexico. In the summers in Fishtail, she would sew and knit doll clothes and dress them to take to the children in Mexico. They traveled together across the U.S. including a very enjoyable trip to Alaska.

In 1996, Molina and Mike moved into Aspen View. Mike passed away shortly after, and Molina resided there until 2002. At that time, she moved in with her son Charlie and his family, where she resided until just days before her death.

Sewing clothes, crocheting, knitting and china painting were a few of her many talents. Her hands were always moving. She volunteered at St. John's Nursing Home, mending clothes for the

residents, and knitted countless caps for the newborn babies at St. V's. Despite poor eyesight, she kept up on her hobbies and family and friends are grateful for the pieces she made for them. She was a member of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, where she had been active in the Altar Guild for many years.

Survivors include her children, Charles "Charlie" and Eileen Martwig, and Caroline Ann Carroll; grandchildren Molly Martwig and McKay Martwig all of Billings; and several nieces and nephews who affectionately knew her as "Auncie" and "Aunt Nina."

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; brother, Chester Larsin; and sister, Hilda Ruhnke; and a stillborn son James, whom she's been waiting 56 years to meet in heaven.

Funeral services for Molina Martwig will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 17, at The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd. Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Habitat For Humanity, or the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

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Glendive — Floyd F. Marty, a major force in the Eastern Montana furniture business for nearly half a century, died peacefully in his Glendive home Friday Jan. 16, 2004, at age 96. He was surrounded by his family and "Chee Chee," his beloved gray cat.

**FLOYD MARTY**

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22, in the Zion Lutheran Church with Pastors Paul Everett and Avis Anderson officiating. Burial will follow in the Dawson County Cemetery. Silvernale-Silha Funeral home of Glendive is handling arrangements.

Marty owned and operated Koch Furniture in downtown Glendive from 1948 until he retired in 1992. Five years later, he sold the business to longtime employee Charles Bondley.

Marty married Frances Fay McConaughy on St. Patrick's Day 1933 in Madison, Neb. They shared a love of music and often performed as a duet. Frances died on Sept. 17, 1983, exactly 50 and one-half years after they were married. Their love gave them three daughters — Jacquelin Hagen of Iowa City, Iowa, and Gretchen Marty Pritchard and Elaine Marty, both of Glendive. Other survivors

include a brother, Arthur Marty of White City, Ore.; nine grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Also preceding him in death were his parents, two brothers and two sisters.

Born Aug. 2, 1907, in Overland Park, Kan., a suburb of Kansas City, Mo., Marty studied journalism at the University of Missouri, where he played on the football team and sang with the 110-member glee club that performed in Carnegie Hall in 1926.

Lacking funds to continue college, Marty joined Montgomery Ward's huge Kansas City retail store's advertising staff in 1928, launching a 20-year career with the mail order giant that carried him to store managerial posts in Nebraska, Kansas, South Dakota and Minnesota before taking over the Anaconda store in June 1942. After that store burned to the ground five years later, Ward's transferred him to his ninth store — in Miles City. Tired of the constant moves, Marty spurned a chance to move into Ward's corporate grind and bought Koch Furniture.

"I never looked back," he said. "I always knew I could sell furniture." An astute businessman, Marty had an uncanny sense of

what the people in his area liked and prowled the national furniture markets for styles and models that would suit their tastes. He was credited with keeping his eye on the big picture, while making sure routine details were handled — the store windows sparkled and the furniture was displayed effectively. Clutter was forbidden, even in the workroom. Marty was a hardy soul, always walking to work whether the temperature was 100 above or 40 below. In his 64 years on the job, he recorded only one absence because of illness. He worked six days a week, managing to sneak out occasionally for an afternoon round of golf with his buddies that he loved to "skin."

Anything but ostentatious, Marty said that after paying off his original bank loan, "I never borrowed another dime." He loved driving and always owned a nice car that he kept looking like new, a passion for appearances that carried over into carefully tending his lawn at home right up to the time of his death.

While Marty concentrated on the business, he also contributed much to the community, especially the medical center and community college. He also found time for another passion — golf. He was a major force in the development and opening of Glendive's Cottonwood Country Club, where golfers could finally play on sandless greens. A near par shooter, Marty began com-

peting in the Montana State Seniors Golf Tournament in 1967, winning the "grand" division one year. He served on the tournament's Board of Directors for 17 years and never stopped swinging for the pin until his equilibrium began to falter two years ago, when he was pushing 94. Tennis, swimming, bowling and trout fishing were among his other athletic pursuits.

At six feet three, Marty was a commanding presence and, although considered aloof by some, he was adored by his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who looked up to him as a role model. In his "downtime," Marty was an avid reader with a wide range of interests — from current events to historical and mystery novels. He was also interested in astronomy and could discuss space phenomena in detail. His powerful tenor voice lent strength to the church choir, where "Fran" also sang and played the organ.

Marty was a formidable competitor, excelling at everything he tried — business, sports, cards — and was always in control. Like Sinatra, he did things his way.

Joseph 'Pepe' Masis

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 30 2004

Joseph "Pepe" Masis died May 23 at the Cleveland Clinic as a result of a cerebral aneurysm. He had traveled there from his home in Billings two weeks ago for treatment.

Mr. Masis was born in Costa Rica in 1944 and came to the U.S. in 1964 in order to pursue his college education in Washington, D.C. It was there that he got involved in art and volunteered at the Pan American Union Art Museum, and became friends with the Cuban sculptor Juan Jose Sicre. He was drafted in the Army in 1967 and served in Vietnam with the 25th Infantry Division, earning two Purple Hearts. After his service, he enrolled at Ohio State University. He then joined Conrail and served as an inspector for 16 years.

During this time he was introduced to Kathleen Batterson by Senor Sicre, who was then living in Cleveland. He married her in 1976. Mr. Masis helped found the first nonprofit recycling center in Cleveland and for many years served as a volunteer at the Free Medical Clinic of Cleveland. He later returned to college at Cleveland State University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in political science. He participated there in the teaching of the con-

cepts of post-traumatic stress disorder with Dr. John Wilson. He himself struggled with the effects of PTSD for many years, and it was only in the past few years that he considered himself recovered.

The Masises lived in Tuba City, Ariz., from 1985-89 where Dr. Kathy Masis worked in the Indian Health Service. He helped found the Native American Vietnam Veterans Association there. Because he was so involved in community affairs (and always on the move) the Hopi Indians gave him a nickname which translates to "Hummingbird." From 1994-98,

Mr. Masis served as a contract specialist for the city of Cleveland's "Welfare to Work Program."

The Masises have two sons, Juan Pablo (wife, Melissa) lives in Omaha, and Carlos Rafael, a student at Skyview. He is also survived by his mother, Emerita Arias Sanchez de Masis; a brother, Freddy of Costa Rica; and a sister, Reina Masis of Cleveland; nieces, Katherine (Richard) Smith, Karla (Scott) Klimack, Karen (Dan)

Rosborough, and 10 great nieces and nephews.

Pepe moved to Billings to join his wife and sons in 1998. He immediately began volunteering at the Yellowstone Art Museum and the YAM staff and volunteers are literally a part of his family.

In addition to maintaining dual citizenship in Costa Rica and the United States over the years, Pepe developed a deep interest in Native American culture. He helped establish the Historic Bitá-Hochee Trading Post Inc. in Indian Wells, Ariz., to help promote Dine (Navajo) art.

He was proud of his heritage and did not hesitate to tell how Costa Rica abolished its army in 1948, and as a result boasts the highest literacy rate and the most stable democracy in all of Latin America.

He was passionate about social justice issues (see Gazette article 3-16-04). He joined the Vietnam Vets Against the War in 1970 and continued to be active in the Peace Movement.

He attended Holy Rosary Church. A memorial service will be held there at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 5.

The family has requested memorial donations in his name to the Bitá_Hochee Trading Post Association, P.O. Box 3300, Indian Wells AZ 86031, or to the Yellowstone Art Museum.

Mary Lois Mascher

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Mary Lois Mascher, 79, of Sheridan, died Monday, April 5, 2004, at Westview Health Care Center.

A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 8, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Burial will be in the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

THE RULING GAZETTE

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William Maslowski

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 02 2004

SIDNEY — William "Bill" Maslowski, 95, of Sidney, died Sunday, May 30, 2004, at the Sidney Health Center - Extended Care Facility.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, June 4, at the Ebenezer Congregational Church. Interment will be in the Richland Memorial Park Cemetery. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

Jack Mason**MAY 19 2004**

LEWISTOWN — Jack Mason, 85, died Monday, May 17, 2004, at Central Montana Skilled Nursing Center.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, May 21, at the Creel Funeral Chapel in Lewistown. Cremation has taken place. Inurnment will be at a later date in the Lewistown City Cemetery.

Mildred 'Millie' Massman

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

Feb 13 2004

PINE, Ariz. — Mildred "Millie" Massman, age 84, of Pine, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 7, 2004.

Born in Clancy, Mont., she was the third oldest of 14 children. She later married and moved to Billings. She worked for many years as a hair stylist and later as a beauty school instructor. She was voted instructor of the year while teaching at Maddio's Beauty School in Helena.

She was famous for her baked beans and potato salad. Her daughters and grandchildren will miss her.

She is survived by four daughters, Loretta Lukens of Tempe, Lorraine Stocks of Pine, Judy Koetitz of Baltimore, Md., Vicki Nickols of Helena, Mont. She is also survived by nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Her ashes will be spread in the Montana mountains that she loved.

Genevieve Matedero

THE RITINGS

FEB 23 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. —
Genevieve Matedero, 101, died
Thursday, Feb. 19, 2004, in
Sheridan Manor.

Funeral Liturgy will be 2 p.m.
on Tuesday, Feb. 24, from Holy
Name Catholic Church.
Interment will be in Sheridan
Municipal Cemetery. Champion
Ferries Funeral Home is in charge
of arrangements.



ADA MATHEWS

Ada Halpin Mathews

BRIDGER — Ada Halpin Mathews, 97, of Bridger, formerly of Red Lodge, died peacefully in her sleep early Tuesday morning, Nov. 2, 2004.

Ada was born in Red Lodge on Feb. 19, 1907, one of 12 children born to William David and Cora Mae Cunningham. She was raised and educated in Red Lodge, graduating from Carbon County High School in 1926.

On Dec. 1, 1928, she married Arthur A. Halpin in Columbus. They lived in the Red Lodge area, where they ranched and raised their two sons, Arthur and Robert. During the winters, Mr. Halpin worked in the mines. He was killed in the Smith Mine Disaster in 1943.

Ada worked at the Natali Café, and later was employed as a dental assistant for Dr. Fred Schwin for 35 years. On Oct. 30, 1951, Ada married John (Rusty) Mathews. He died in 1966.

Ada was a charter member of the Benevolent and Patriotic

Order of Does, Drove #179, and was an active member and Past Worthy Matron of the Venus Chapter #32, Order of the Eastern Star, both of Red Lodge. She also participated in the Scottish food program at the Festival of Nations for several years. Ada's life centered on her family, and she loved to cook and bake.

In addition to her two spouses, Ada was preceded in death by her son Robert in 1998; her daughter-in-law Dora Halpin in 1992; and her 11 siblings.

Survivors include her son, Arthur Halpin of Bridger; daughter-in-law Kathleen Halpin of Billings; daughter of her heart, Pat (Jack) Steinmasel of Red Lodge; eight grandchildren, Cindy (Paul) Beaudean of Colorado Springs, Colo., Linda (Rick) Pitts of Lockwood, Andrea Dee Halpin of Red Lodge, Trent (Amy) Halpin of Boise, Idaho, Roberta (Mike) Gerondale of Phoenix, Pamela (John) Montchalin of LaPine, Ore., Patrick (Yvonne) Halpin of Billings and Janice (Scott) Billington of Helena; 12 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews, including a special grandniece, Teri Zook.

Graveside memorial services in the Red Lodge Cemetery will be announced at a later date. Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel of Red Lodge was in charge of cremation. Memorials may be given to the charity of one's choice.

Jean E. Mathews

Jean E. Mathews passed away Sept. 21, 2004, at St. Vincent's Hospital in Billings.

Jean was born in Clyde, Mo., on March 12, 1911, to Charles and Bessie McGeorge. In 1914, they moved to Montana, where they

homesteaded near Silesia for 55 years. She had many fond memories of life on the farm, had great affection for the animals, especially her saddle horses.

She attended all eight grades at Silesia grade school, and graduated from Laurel High School in 1930. She tried a nursing career, but opted to be a farmer's wife.

Jean married G.R. Mathews, Sept. 16, 1933, and was married for 58 years. They farmed near Boyd for 35 years. After retirement in 1971, they moved east of Joliet. She loved her new home, being outdoors, her many pets, flower gardening, going to flea markets, library sales, ceramics and many hobby collections. She was an avid reader and collector of books, loved to knit, crochet, especially afghans. She had traveled to the Bahamas, Mexico, Canada, Prince Edward Islands, eastern states and the Ozarks. Jean enjoyed day-trips with the



**JEAN
MATTHEWS**

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Senior Citizens, sharing time with friends in the Sunshine Club sewing club and garden club.

Jean was a resident at the Tender Nest in Laurel since June 2001, where she received wonderful care from the staff and enjoyed the activities and trips.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Guilford; her brother, Ernest of Joliet; and brother Donald of Spokane, Wash.; and is survived by a niece, Gayla Jensen, and nephew, Gary McGeorge of Spokane; a niece, Janice Kays of Missoula; and several great-nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 27, at Sunset Memorial Gardens in the Garden of Apostles.

Smith Downtown Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

JUN 29 2004**Marge Mathias**

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Marjorie L. Mathias, 82, of Buffalo, died Friday, June 25, 2004, at her home.

Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, June 30, and from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, July 1, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will be in the Willow Grove Cemetery, with graveside services to follow the funeral.

Rita Mathiot

Rita Mathiot, 72, passed away peacefully in her sleep on May 31, 2004.

Rita was born May 3, 1932, in Lincoln, Neb., to Edgar and Mary Durbin. The family moved to Billings, where Rita spent the rest of her life. Rita attended Central Catholic High School, but had to leave at the age of 16 to care for her ailing mother.

Rita married Bob Mathiot on Dec. 27, 1951, and together, they started "Central Electric," an electrical contracting business. Rita was a homemaker who knew how to make a dollar stretch and could play a mean game of Gin Rummy. She enjoyed painting landscapes, sharing stories about her children and grandchildren and was a volunteer at St. Vincent's hospital and Saint Vincent DePaul for many years.

Rita is survived by her children, Dave and family of Gillette, Wyo., Jenette Denson and family of Miles City, Chris and family of Folsom, Calif., Stephen and family of Peoria, Ariz., Lisa Singer and family of Riverside, Calif., and Theresa Wells and family of Loveland, Colo.; one brother, Mark Durbin of Las Vegas; 18 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren; and a dear friend, Maurine Schultz.

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Rita was preceded in death by her parents; husband Bob; daughter Lenaye Malangone; sisters Bernadette and Lois; and brother Jack.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be 11 a.m. Friday, June 4, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary.

Memorials may be made to St. Vincent DePaul.

PLENTYWOOD — Funeral services for Mary Matkin will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 11. Pastor Larry Pierson will officiate at the service at the First Congregational Church in Plentywood; interment will be in Plentywood Memorial Cemetery. Mary died Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 6, 2004, at Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home in Plentywood; she was 97.

Mary was born at Logansport, Ind., Jan. 23, 1907, the daughter of Alda and Lula (Leazenby) Fitzer. Her father died when she was 7; and in about 1917, the family moved to Montana and settled in the Wanso community, south of present-day Redstone. Beginning when she was in the seventh and eighth grade, she lived in Plentywood with the Zeidler family while she attended schools and three generations of the Zeidlers have remained "as close as family" since. Later, she lived with the C.S. Nelson family — and with Mr. Nelson's coaching, she became an excellent speller.

She graduated from Plentywood High School in 1926.



**MARY
MATKIN**

BILLINGS GAZETTE

It seemed that numbers were a passion (she should have been an accountant!) and, self-taught using a book and a record, she became a skilled typist. With her lifelong passion to have things done ... promptly and correctly, she began her working career as a printer's devil at the Plentywood Herald. She married Forrest Matkin, June 3, 1926, at Poplar.

Mary and "Frosty" began their marriage as the Great Depression began. They found that their frugality and hard work would overcome the obstacles of the "tough times." Mary loved cooking, and was an excellent wife, mother and grandmother, even as she continued her work as a secretary: for Gordon Holte in Farmer's Union Insurance, later at the Sheridan County Extension Office for Bille Janssen and Pauline Deem, and even after retirement, as bookkeeper for her daughter and son-in-law, Mary Lou and Morris Nelson at The Vogue.

Forrest was the center of her life, and Mary loved their life at the ranch near Redstone. When "Frosty's" declining health forced their retirement to Plentywood in about 1964, the

ranch was sold, but it still remains "The Matkin Place" today. Mary was a lifelong member of the First Congregational Church and Phoebe Division of the Ladies Aid, and belonged to the Redstone Homemakers Club and the Sheridan Garden Club. She was a lifetime member of the Order of Eastern Star, first in the Lacy Chapter in Redstone, then of Oro-Y-Plata Chapter in Plentywood. She was Past Worthy Matron of the Lacy Chapter and currently a member of Riverside Chapter in Wolf Point.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Mary Lou Nelson and her husband Morris of Plentywood. She is also survived by two granddaughters, Mary Ann Bottman and her husband John of Billings and Jo Arlene Ausk and her husband Jim of Terry; and by great-grandchildren Andy Bottman and his wife Jenni, Tim Bottman and his wife Tereza, all of Portland, Ore., Brandon Ausk and his wife Karlee of Seattle; and Jamie Crisafulli and her husband Richie, and their children (Mary's great-great-grandchildren) Jameson, Nelson, and Basil of Glendive. Locally, she is also survived by nieces Phyllis Johnson and her husband Maynard, Geri Glover and her husband Dean, and Marcia Kay Nelson and her husband Gary. Besides her parents, Mary was preceded in death by her hus-

band, Forrest, on their 50th anniversary, June 3, 1983; and by her brother, Jason Grantham; and three sisters, Leora Lester, Rachel Garrett and Lucille Dahley.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood has charge of arrangements.

Thomas Lee Matovich

BOZEMAN — Thomas Lee Matovich, 46, died at his home on Dec. 25, 2003.

Cremation has taken place at Cremation or Funeral Gallery in Belgrade. Memorial services will be held at a later date.

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Thomas Lee Matovich

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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BOZEMAN — Thomas Lee Matovich passed from this world on Dec. 25, 2003, at his home near Bozeman. He was born on March

21, 1958, to Paul and Patricia Cahoun Matovich and he joined a sister, Kathy, at the family home in Columbus. He graduated from Columbus High School and earned degrees in physics and mathematics at



**THOMAS
MATOVICH**

Montana State University in Bozeman. After working in the computer industry in New Mexico and Utah, he found his home in the Bozeman area, where he began his own business, Frontier, "where art and science meet the practical world with mathematical models, computer hardware, log cabins, post and poles, firewood, energy systems, architecture and specialized construction." His talents were offered at a fair price.

He enjoyed tai chi, long distance running, yoga, the Physics Department at MSU, volunteering with the Bozeman Schools' Enrichment Program and music. Tom could be found practicing his mechanical skills, hiking and sharing enlightening conversation with his many friends in the

area.

Tom's family and friends will miss his intellect, his creativity and his humor. Tommy was a gentle spirit, one to tread lightly, but open to offer his assistance and advice when it was appropriate. He may be gone from sight but he will not be forgotten.

A memorial honoring Tom will be held at 7 p.m. on March 4, 2004, in Bozeman at The Leaf and Bean. His grave side service will take place at 2 p.m. on Friday, March 5, at Mountain View Cemetery in Columbus.

Memorials can be sent to the Bozeman Public Library Foundation, 524 East Mendenhall, Bozeman, MT 59715; designated for the new library.

Felix P. Mattern

Felix P. "Loogie" Mattern was reunited with his wife in heaven on Saturday, April 10, 2004. Known to many as "Mr. Elmer," he and his family owned and operated Elmer's Restaurants in Billings for 25 years.



**FELIX
MATTERN**

Felix was born Dec. 22, 1924, in Strasburg, N.D., to Anna Mary Welk and Anton Mattern. Always determined, Felix made his own successes starting at age 14.

He joined the CCC and later served in the military during WWII. After serving his country, he returned home and married his longtime sweetheart, Isabel Feist. Their early years together were spent farming in Strasburg. Life brought them to Spokane, Wash., where Felix managed a grocery store. A business opportunity in sales brought them to Billings, where they settled permanently and raised their family. Felix and Isabel spent winters in Arizona and always enjoyed golfing, playing cards and visiting fellow snow birds.

Felix died peacefully at home surrounded by his family.

Left to honor his memory are his children, Germaine (John) Sengar, Les (Deb) Mattern, Janice (Erick) Kruezer, Elaine (Cliff)

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Danielson, Karen (Joe) Marcotte, and Brian (Rachel) Mattern; 16 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by Isabel, his wife of 57 years; his parents, a brother and a sister.

He is also survived by his brother Aloys Mattern of Bismarck, N.D.; and sisters Irene Bickler of Billings and Myra Collette of Grand Forks, N.D.

The family wishes to thank all the many loyal customers and friends of Felix and Isabel's throughout the years.

Vigil service for Felix will be Wednesday, April 14, at 7 p.m. Funeral Mass will be Thursday, April 15, at 10:30 a.m., both at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church.

Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice or St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements.

Esther Matthaes

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LAUREL — A.B. Esther Matthaes, 92, of Laurel, passed away on Feb. 23, 2004, at the home of her daughter, Arleen Bratcher, with her family at her side.

She was born in Winside, Neb., on March 12, 1911, the fourth child of her parents, August and Bertha Westerhaus. She married Clifford E. Matthaes in Buffalo, N.Y., on Jan. 8, 1929.

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

She is survived by three daughters, Arleen Bratcher, Lucille Matthaes and Dorothy "Dotty" Lowman, all of Billings; seven grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Cremation has taken place. There will be graveside services at a later date.

Colleen I. Matthews

THE RILLINGS GAZETTE

JUDITH GAP — Colleen I. Matthews, 45, died Sunday, Aug. 29, 2004, at her home near Garnell of natural causes.

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Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Cloyd Chapel. Cremation has taken place.

Colleen Haskins Matthews

JUDITH GAP — Colleen Haskins Matthews, 45, died Sunday, Aug. 29, 2004, in Buffalo, Mont.

A funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Our Redeemer Lutheran church in Nashua.

Donald G. Matthews

THE POWELL
TRIBUNE

Former Powell resident Donald G. Matthews, 79, died May 25 at the home of his daughter, Kathy, in Chandler, Ariz., after a short illness.

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After being honorably discharged from the U.S. Navy, he moved to Powell where he was employed by Marathon Pipeline Company. He married and made Powell his home for many years.

He loved fishing, hunting and camping. In his early years, he played softball and later coached the Marathon women's softball team. He participated in local bowling leagues.

He was a lifetime member of the VFW and a charter member of the Powell chapter.

Survivors include his wife Julia in Chandler, Ariz.; two daughters, Patricia Matthews of Riverdale, Ga., and Kathy Kelley of Chandler, Ariz. He also leaves behind two granddaughters, Beth and Kim, and a great-grandson, Tyler.

Cremation has taken place. No services are planned.

MAY 12 2004

Harry Joseph Matthews

ROBERTS — Harry Joseph Matthews, 99, of Roberts, died May 8, 2004, at Tender Nest Assisted Living. He was born in Columbus, Neb., on Jan. 11, 1905, to Harry and Ella (Byrnes) Matthews.

Harry attended Roberts School through the eighth grade. He later worked for his father and other ranchers in the Roberts area as a ranch hand and horse trainer. In 1945, he married Catherine E. White at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Butte. They lived and raised their family on Harry's ranch near Roberts.

Harry was a longtime member of the Beartooth Roping and Riding Club, St. Thomas and St. Agnes Catholic Churches. He had a great love for horses, the western way of life and especially his family. He will be remembered by those who knew and loved him as a true Montana cowboy.

Harry was preceded in death by his wife, Catherine; his son, Joseph Matthews; and his two sisters, Alice Matthews and Lucille Keenan. He is survived by his grandchildren, Mykel (Justin) Taylor and Daniel Matthews; and niece Ellen Steinhoff.

Visitation for Harry will be at

Dahl Funeral Chapel, Red Lodge on Thursday, May 13, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A vigil service will be held on Thursday, 8 p.m., at St. Agnes Catholic Church. A funeral mass will be held at St. Agnes on Friday, May 14, at 2 p.m. Rite of committal will be held at the Roberts Cemetery following the Funeral Mass.

Memorials may be made to the Roberts Community Foundation, Box 284, Roberts MT 59070, or the charity of your choice.

Carol J. Matross

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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PLENTYWOOD — A memorial service will be held for Carol J. Matross on Saturday, Aug. 21, at 2 p.m., at Fulkerson Memorial Funeral Chapel in Plentywood. Pastor Val Colenso will officiate and the burial of cremated remains will take place in Redstone Cemetery, following the memorial service. Carol, 87, died on Wednesday, Aug. 18, 2004, at the Sheridan Memorial Hospital in Plentywood, of a heart condition.

An "interested and interesting" person, Carol was meticulous about her home and herself. She was a kind, loving and generous daughter, wife, sister, aunt and friend. Everyone she met was treated with dignity and respect, touching the lives of many with her concern. She was a quietly dedicated Christian. The "heart" and historian of the Jensen family, she stayed in touch with her entire family by phone. Carol had a good sense of humor, laughing at herself often and with others. She loved sunsets and nature. A gift to all of us, she will be sorely missed.

Carol Jeanette Matross was born Sept. 18, 1916, in Outlook, the oldest child of Truels and Christine Jensen.

Carol married Phil Matross, July 15, 1938, in Sidney. They lived many places in Montana, and for

a time in Colorado, Texas and Oregon. Phil died Dec. 5, 1993, in Salem, Ore. Carol returned home to Sheridan County to live in 1995.

Survivors include siblings Jim (Kay) Jensen of Big Fork, Lucille Gray of Plentywood, Evelyn Clute of Kerrville, Texas, Josie (Orvill) Nash of Redstone, Thelma Maxwell of Las Cruces, N.M., Truels (Angie) Jensen of Opheim; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Carol was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Phil; her brother and sister-in-law Harry and Iris Jensen; brothers-in-law Elbert Maxwell, LeRoy Clute and Don Gray, Sr.; as well as numerous other in-laws and relatives.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood is assisting with arrangements.

Patricia Ann 'Patsy' Matzinger

THE LINCOLN GAZETTE

AUG 24 2004

BELGRADE — Patricia Ann "Patsy" Matzinger, 56, of Belgrade, passed away Thursday, Aug. 19, 2004, at the Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, from complications from a liver transplant.

Patsy was born Feb. 27, 1948; she was the first of three children to Eldon and Margaret "Bunny" (Dixon) Dahl.

Patsy graduated from Holy Rosary Catholic High School in 1966. She married her high school sweetheart Tim Matzinger on Aug. 17, 1968, at Holy Rosary Catholic Church.

The couple lived in Bozeman and worked for Tim's family "Matzinger Electric" until buying the family business in 1979. Tim and Patsy worked together until Patsy's health slowed her down in 2003.

Patsy and her family loved to travel. When her children were small, they traveled frequently to Arizona and New Mexico. They enjoyed trips to Hawaii, a family cruise to Alaska and a favorite trip to New Zealand.

Patsy was an avid football fan; she was a diehard MSU Bobcat



**PATSY
MATZINGER**

fan and St. Louis Rams Fan. Through their close friendship with the Kollars, they had attended two Super Bowls. Patsy loved to golf and constantly reminded everyone of her hole-in-one at Valley View Country Club's #16 hole.

Patsy loved the time she spent with family and friends. Her grandchildren Lauren and Ryley lit up her life.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her brother Leroy Dahl; aunt Mary Jorgenson; uncles Raymond Dahl, Lawrence Dixon, Ralph Dixon and Gerald Dixon.

Survivors include her husband Tim Matzinger of Belgrade; her sons Jeff of Bozeman, Jason of Wilsall; her daughter Lee Ann of San Diego; Jeff's fiancée Kathryn Alick of Sioux Falls, S.D.; Jason's fiancée Carrie Waddell of Wilsall; grandchildren Lauren of Bozeman and Ryley of Wilsall; brother Tom Dahl of Lincoln; sis-

ters-in-law Sue (Lyle) Fulbright of Belgrade, Pam (Dean) Stout of Belgrade; brothers-in-law Dennis (Dee) Matzinger of Billings, Mark (Eileen) Matzinger of Bozeman; stepmother Virginia Dahl of Bozeman; stepsisters Patricia Hill of Aspen, Colo., Susan Hill of New York, N.Y.; aunts Vera Jensen of Tacoma, Wash., Dorothy (Avon) Ary of Gallatin Gateway, Connie and Lillian Dixon, both of Bozeman; uncles Bernard (M'Lis) Dahl of Billings, Donald (Lola) Dixon of Vancouver, Wash., Robert (Cleon) Dixon of Bozeman; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Patsy's best friends Bitsy Degidio, Rita Merkel, Jan Kollar and Cheryl Westlake.

Cremation has taken place. A vigil service will be held Tuesday, Aug. 24, 7 p.m. at Dahl Funeral Chapel. A funeral mass will be held Wednesday, Aug. 25, 11 a.m., at Holy Rosary Catholic Church.

Memorials may be made in her name to: Carcinoid Cancer Foundation, Inc., 333 Mamaroneck Ave., #492, White Plains, NY 10605. (www.carcinoid.org)

Audra Mauhar

Audra Mauhar, 36, of Billings, died Saturday, March 20, 2004, at her home.

Visitations may be made on Thursday, March 25, at the Smith Downtown Chapel. Private interment will be on Friday, March 26, at the Riverside Cemetery.

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Ray Charles Maves

FORSYTH — Ray Charles Maves, age 40, of Forsyth, passed away on Oct. 31, 2004, at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., following a long and brave battle with cancer.

Ray was born on July 29, 1964, the son of Charles and Sally (Miller) in Circle. He grew up and was educated in the Circle area.



**RAY
MAVES**

Following his graduation, Ray returned to the family ranch, where he worked until he began his employment with the Mid Rivers Telephone Company. On Aug. 31, 1991, Ray was united in marriage to Susan Taylor in Circle. To this marriage their son Devin was born. In 1995, Ray and Sue made their home in Forsyth and purchased Forsyth Hardware. Ray was an avid sportsman and shooter, in which he took great pride in the pursuit of an accurate load and maximum firearm performance. Ray loved all his family, especially his son Devin. Together, Ray and Devin enjoyed

Prairie Dog hunting, shooting or simply being with each other.

Ray was loved by his family and will be missed by them all.

He is survived by his wife, Sue; his son Devin, both of Forsyth; his father, Charlie of Circle; one brother Jay of Circle; one sister, Lesa Tew of Glendive; his brother Lee's companion Jolie Moon of Circle; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Ray was preceded in death by his mom Sally; one brother, Lee; and his baby sister.

Funeral services will be on Friday, Nov. 5, at 1 p.m., in the First Baptist Church in Forsyth. Visitation will be on Thursday, Nov. 4, from 1 until 5 p.m. in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home.

Burial will be in the Riverview Cemetery in Circle on Saturday, Nov. 6, at 1 p.m.

Memorials can be made to the MF Foundation Cancer Society, PO Box 374, Birmingham, MI 48012-0374.

Condolences can be made to the Maves family at www.stevensonandsons.com.

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

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Ray Maves

FORSYTH — Ray Maves, 40, of Forsyth, died Sunday, Oct. 31, 2004, at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

Funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at the First Baptist Church in Forsyth. Graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at the Circle Cemetery in Circle. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth is in charge.

JAN 11 2004

Gus Harry Mavrakis, 87, of Billings, Mont., went to be with the love of his life, Katherine, on Thursday, Jan. 8, 2004. Gus passed on peacefully at home with his daughters at his side.

Gus was born July 6, 1916, the son of Harry and Georgia (Blodemos) Mavrakis in Monarch, Wyo. He received his education in Monarch and Sheridan, Wyo.



**GUS
MAVRAKIS**

On August 25, 1940, Gus was united in marriage to Katherine Panos in Billings. Gus was a proud resident of Billings for 62 years.

Together Gus and Katherine worked in the ABC Shoe Shop in Sheridan. They owned and operated Maverick Boot and Shoe Shop. Together they made custom boots for Roy Rogers, Monty Montana, Edmund O'Brian, Forrest Tucker, Laura Elliot, Harry Carey Jr., the Greenough and Linderman families and Spade Cooley. When the Shrine Circus' Hubert Castle posed for a LIFE magazine cover shot in 1941, he wore Maverick boots. The boots are now in a Circus Hall of Fame in Florida. Gus and Katherine made ortho-

pedic shoes for many of the disabled. He was the inventor of TAK-PAK Fly/Lure Box. Gus and Kay with grandchildren, Janet, Andrew and Joan were the earliest supporters of the MORE show. He used his many skills in various occupations.

Gus was a member of the Greek Orthodox AHEPA and Billings Chamber of Commerce. He was an exceptional athlete. He played semi-pro hockey, football, baseball, track, cross country running and ice/roller skating. He owned and operated his own rinks.

He had numerous hobbies, including dancing, but his avocation was FISHING! While fishing at one of his favorite fishing holes from Bethal, Alaska, to New Zealand, at an older age, he still laughed and giggled like a kid while catching fish.

Gus had a ZEST for life which he loved and lived to the fullest. Gus was a father to everyone, a very caring, fun-loving individual who was extremely proud of all of his family's endeavors. He enjoyed taking his children, grandchildren and numerous family and friends to his cabin in McLeod. He also enjoyed filling

his family room full of family and friends to celebrate holidays and watch football games.

Dad and Grandpa, "our Greek God," we all love you so very much and you will always be remembered and dearly missed. Your heart was bigger than the moon and as golden as the sun. We will carry on your Greek heritage, of which you were so proud.

His parents, his brother Paul and wife Katherine preceded him in death. Survivors include his daughter Mary Ann Mavrakis Deichl of Billings; twin daughters, Georgia Georgas and her husband James of Colorado, and Georgine Meissner and her husband, Arthur of Billings; grandchildren, grandsons-in-law and great-grandchildren are Jeffrey, Janet and Dylan Bergsing; Andrew Deichl of Billings; Scott, Joan, James and Brooke Foster of Wyoming; one brother, Sam Mavrakis and his wife Lynn of Sheridan, Wyo., and numerous nieces, nephews and friends throughout the world.

A Trisagion Service will be 7 p.m. Tuesday at Dahl Chapel, and a funeral service will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral. His nephew, Father Kosta Petrogeorge, will be officiating. Interment will be in Mountview Cemetery.

GUS MAVRAKIS

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There will be a Divine Liturgy and a Mnemosinon (memorial service) for Gus Mavrakis at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 19, at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 119 N. 33rd St., Billings, Mont.

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Delight Yvonne Grohar Maxfield

Word has been received here of the Aug. 13 death in Idaho Falls, Idaho, of the death of a former Powell school teacher, Delight Yvonne (Kearney) Grohar Maxfield, 78.

She was born May 2, 1926, in Salt Creek to Marshall M. Kearney and Mary Lou Saathoff Kearney. She attended schools in Midwest, graduating from Midwest High School, and later from the University of Wyoming in 1947.

She married Peter Grohar of Rock Springs on June 25, 1949, at Buffalo. The couple lived in Rock Springs, Midwest and Powell. She taught school at Reliance and Powell for 18 years. Mr. Grohar died March 25, 1967.

On Aug. 4, 1972, she married Donald Maxfield of Idaho Falls. She was a partner with her husband in Don's Service Station and Equipment there for 25 years.

She enjoyed fishing, crossword puzzles, jigsaw puzzles, travel and driving. She raised beautiful roses.

Survivors include her husband, Don Maxfield of Idaho Falls; two stepdaughters, Nancy (Steve) Lee of Belgium and Vicky (Todd) Schweickardt of Silverdale, Wash.; a sister, Gail (Ray) Gossett of Riverton; two nephews, Larry Zampedri and David Gossett; and two nieces, Shelby (Michael) Carlson and Gwendolyn (Donald) Harris.

She was preceded in death by her parents and first husband.

At her request, she was cremated, and no service has held.

Agnes H. Maxwell

WORLAND, Wyo. — Agnes H. Maxwell, 92, died Jan. 12, 2004, at the Washakie Medical Center.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the United Methodist Church with burial in Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Bryant Funeral Home is in charge.

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Monty Maxwell

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 24 2004

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Monty Dean Maxwell, 57, of Gillette, died Dec. 22, 2004, at his home, of heart complications.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 28, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to the time of service Tuesday, Dec. 28, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel.

AUG 15 2004

GREAT FALLS — Navy veteran Phillip Marcus May, 65, of 1005 14th Ave. S., formerly of Billings, died of cancer Tuesday, at his home.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial service is 1 p.m., Wed., at the American Lutheran Church in Billings.

Survivors include his wife, Betty, of Great Falls; son Paul (Tricia) May, of Billings; daughter Heidi (Jeff) Crouch, of Idaho Falls; stepchildren, Becky (John) Hodges, of Laurel, Tony (Juliet) Novasio, of Denmark, Sara (George) Maddux, of Wash., Selina (Rafe) Barone, of Wash., Gina (Carl) Boone, of Texas and Rachel (Woody) Boyd, of N.M.; his father, Murl (Helen) May, of Billings; three brothers, Mickey (Judy) May, of Wyo., Terry (Judy) May, of Billings and Tim (Kathy) May of Ore.; three grandchildren and 17 step-grandchildren; many in-laws and many friends.

Phil was born Aug. 4, 1939, in Red Lodge, to Murl and Eda May. He was a graduate of Billings Senior High School and served in the Navy from 1957 to 1960, aboard the U.S.S. Kearsarge, off the coast of Japan.

**PHILLIP MAY**

He married Edwina Johnson in 1961 and had two children. They later divorced. Phil married Betty Novasio in 1981, and acquired six stepchildren.

Phil retired from the Billings Police Department in 1987, after 20 years of service. He also owned a secondhand store in Laurel. In 1989, he and Betty moved to Great Falls, where he was a pawnbroker for 10 years.

He was a past member of the Billings Elks Lodge and a volunteer for the Fish, Wildlife and Parks in Great Falls. He enjoyed fly-fishing, golfing, bowling and his grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his mother.

Memorial can be given to charity of one's choice.

Emanuel 'Mooney' Mayer

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 31 2004

GLENDIVE — Emanuel "Mooney" Mayer, 84, went to be home with our Lord on Sunday, Aug. 29, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Zion Lutheran Church in Glendive with Pastors Paul Everett and Avis Anderson officiating. Interment will be in the Dawson County Cemetery in Glendive. Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home of Glendive is entrusted with arrangements.



**MOONEY
MAYER**

Bruce Ray Mayfield

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo. —
Bruce Ray Mayfield, 53, of
Thermopolis, died Tuesday, Jan.
20, 2004, at his home.

No services will be held at this
time. Mortimore Funeral Home
of Thermopolis was in charge.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 28 2004

THOMAS W. MAZUREK

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HELENA — Thomas W. Mazurek, formerly of 702 Madison, died peacefully of natural causes at the Cooney Convalescent Home on Friday, April 2, 2004.

Tom was born on Sept. 3, 1918, in Bandera, Texas, to Julius (Dave) and Annie Pyka Mazurek. He was the sixth of seven children in a Polish immigrant family. He graduated from high school at St. John's Seminary, where he played baseball, soccer and softball. He moved to Fort Worth, Texas, where he worked at the Fair Department Store as the stock room foreman. There he met and courted Jane Weaver.

From 1941 through 1947, he served in the U.S. Navy as a chief pharmacist's mate.

He saw duty in the South Pacific, where he fought at Guadalcanal and was among the first landing forces at Hiroshima and Nagasaki. During his Navy service he met Priscilla "Perky" Kuenning, a member of the WAACS from Missoula. They were married in Seattle, Wash., on Dec. 31, 1945. They had three children, Joe, Sonia, and Nancy.

Following his honorable discharge from the Navy in 1947, Tom was a claims investigator for the San Diego Transit system. In 1949, he was hired by Hugo Dobler Adjuster, Inc., an

independent insurance adjusting agency in Helena. He purchased the business in 1952 and was its president and manager for 32 years. He sold the business to Baumgardner-Sayler Adjusters, where he continued to be employed until his retirement in 1995.

He specialized in handling workers compensation insurance and traveled across Montana investigating and handling claims. He also mentored many Carroll College students as interns in the insurance business.

He was a member of the National Association of Independent Insurance Adjusters and the Northwest Regional Advisory Council. He was also a past president of both the Montana State Adjusters and the Helena Adjusters Association. He was also active in the Helena community as a past member of the Helena Kiwanis Club, Helena Exchange Club, Green Meadow Country Club, Knights of Columbus and the Saint Helena Cathedral Parish.

Tom had a special love for children. He and Joe DeBar organized a Cub Scout basketball league in the 1950s, and he

and Q. Johnson coached the New York Yankees of the Pee Wee League for many years. Though he only skied once in his life, he spent many Saturday mornings at the Belmont Ski Hill helping kids with their



**THOMAS W.
MAZUREK**

equipment and transporting the neighborhood children to and from the hill.

He was preceded in death by his wife Priscilla in 1963. By an interesting quirk of

fate, he became

re-acquainted with his pre-war girl friend, Jane Weaver, the widow of an Air Force officer with four sons, Byron, Charles, Bill and David. They courted again by long distance and soon married. Together they successfully merged the two families into one.

In addition to his first wife Priscilla, Tom was also preceded in death by his parents and his siblings, Aggie, Julius, Anthony and Joe.

He survived by his wife, Jane of Helena; sons, Byron (Sue) Mazurek of Butte, Charles (Skoge) Mazurek of Clancy, Joe (Patty) Mazurek of Helena, Bill Mazurek of Spokane, and David Mazurek of Monterey, Calif.; daughters, Sonia (John Hagey) Mazurek and Nancy Mazurek,

both of Fairbanks, Alaska.

Also surviving are grandchildren, Denise Jordan, Colleen Mazurek, Ryan Mazurek, Mike Mazurek, Tom Mazurek, Jeff Mazurek, Dan Mazurek, Brian Mazurek, Christopher Mazurek, Dillon Mazurek, Sarah Sullivan, Kathryn Wighs and Robert Wighs; great-grandchildren, Rachael, Andrew and Ian Jordan and Gabriel Mazurek; two sisters, Mary Theresa Ross of Bandera, Texas and Isabel Roessler, of San Antonio Texas; and sister-in-law Edith Mazurek of Fort Worth, Texas.

A vigil service was held Monday at the Retz Funeral Home Chapel. Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated Tuesday, April 6, at 10 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Helena. A private interment will be at Resurrection Cemetery.

The family requests any memorial be made to the Hawthorne School Parent's Council, 430 Madison St. Helena, MT 59601 or to a charity of the donor's choice.

AUG 26 2004

HUNTLEY — Charles Richard Mazza, 51, of Huntley, passed away Aug. 25, 2004, at the Deaconess Hospital in Billings. He was born Dec. 6, 1952, in Rochester, N.H., the son of Clyde and Ethel (Wetherbee) Mazza.

Charlie worked many years in San Bernardino County, Calif., as

a firefighter and paramedic. He moved to Montana in the early 1990s to follow his life dream of raising registered Quarter Horses.



He was a licensed pilot. He worked for

the U.S. Postal Service in Billings. On Feb. 14, 2003, Charlie was united in marriage to Uliana Satritdinova in Red Lodge.

Charlie is survived by his wife Uliana and stepdaughter Natalia of Huntley; son Adam of Hamilton; sister Mary, her husband Timothy and their daughters, Edna and Jessica, all of Cobutta, Ga.; sister Deborah, her daughter, Rhiannon, and grand-nephew, Joseph, all of Somersworth, N.H.; stepbrother Jeffrey Mazza; stepsister Marie Mazza; several aunts, uncles and cousins.

**CHARLIE
MAZZA**

A memorial service will be 2 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30, at Project Community Fellowship Church in Worden. Visitation will be Saturday, Aug. 28, at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Billings from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Brownie Ward Means

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 09 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Brownie Ward Means, 80, of Sheridan, died Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2004, at his home.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan. Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 10, at the Masonic Temple in Sheridan. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, in the Eastern Montana Veteran's Cemetery, Miles City, Mont.

SEP 24 2004

DILLON GAZETTE

Curtis Means

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Curtis Eugene Means, 47, of Gillette, died Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2004, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette.

Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m., Friday, Sept. 24, at the

Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home in Gillette. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel. Graveside services will be at 3:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, at the Lakeview Cemetery in Cheyenne.

John Claude Meador Jr.

John Claude Meador Jr. went to our Lord on Sunday, March 28, 2004. He was born Dec. 15, 1955, in Hinton, W.Va., and is the son of John Claude and Thelma A. Meador. John's death was the result of an unfortunate traffic accident involving his motorized wheelchair.

From the time of birth, John was a victim of Cerebral Palsy and spent his life coping with the unfortunate effects of his disability.

Although handicapped, John was able to achieve a degree in counseling and used this knowledge to assist and motivate others with similar physical challenges. John became a double amputee in 1998 and moved to Billings to be closer to his older brother Charles and his family. John touched many lives in the Billings community and was often seen on the streets of Billings in his wheelchair.

We will remember John as always having a smile on his face and his openness to others, both friends and strangers. John and his friendliness towards others will be greatly missed, but he will become a welcomed member of God's family.

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John is preceded in death by his parents, and is survived by his older brother, Charles.

John was a member of the American Lutheran Church, where he served as a greeter and usher.

John also attended services and activities at St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

Cremation has taken place and memorial services will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 1, at the American Lutheran Church of Billings.

Clive Marl Mecham

COWLEY, Wyo. — Clive Marl Mecham, son of Del and Nellie Mecham, was born March 13, 1906, in Hanksville, Utah. With a fascinating heritage, his own life was equally interesting. His great-uncle was Eph Hanks, the first rescuer to reach the Martin-Willey handcarts. His aunt was Butch Cassidy's stepmother.

Consequently, he knew several of the gang members in their later years. With his father, he ran sheep and cattle. The first time he took sheep into Colorado, he was in a gun battle with cowboys who objected to sheep; he won. For well over 60 years, he had ranches in Colorado, summering sheep on the forest above Aspen and wintering in Utah. After retirement, he worked for a time with his oldest son, Raphael, before moving to Cowley, Wyo., to be near his daughter, Josephine Crosby. Until he was well into his 90s, he was always eager to "drive the pickup" when they were moving or checking cows. Named several times in "Who's Who in Colorado," upon his death, a mountain peak in the Holy Cross Wilderness in San Isabel National Forest in Colorado now carries his name.

When his wife was 14, he decided he would marry her when she "grew up." Because married, female teachers were fired during the Depression, he eloped with Ada Durley Mecham, who had been teaching for several years.

CLIVE MARL MECHAM

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After some years of marriage, eventually three children were born, an unexpected blessing. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple. Married nearly 70 years, they were seldom apart. Clive had a deep and abiding faith in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He knew unequivocally that he would be with his wife and family eternally.

Living totally independently until five months ago, Clive died in his sleep with his wife by his side on Sunday, Feb. 1, 2004.

Clive was preceded in death by a son, Dale, in 1996; his parents; two brothers and five sisters. He is survived by his beloved wife, Ada; his son, Raphael and daughter-in-law Shari; his daughter, Josephine and son-in-law Rodney L. Crosby; five grandsons; two granddaughters and five great-granddaughters.

The funeral will be held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' chapel in Cowley on Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 1 p.m. He will be interred in the Cowley Cemetery. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell is in charge of arrangements.

Loretta Mae Meckle

MILES CITY — Loretta Mae Meckle, 72, died Saturday, June 26, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Center, Miles City.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Sunday, June 27, at the Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, June 28, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Miles City. Interment will follow at the Eastern Montana Veteran's Cemetery in Miles City.

JUN 27 2004

MAY 21 2004**Roberta Pine Medicine
Top**

Roberta Pine Medicine Top, 43, of Billings, formerly of Lame Deer, died Monday, May 17, 2004, in the Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Wake services will be held Saturday and Sunday evenings, May 22 and 23, at the Ella Tall Bull residence in Lame Deer. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, May 24, in the Ella Tall Bull residence in Lame Deer. Interment will follow in the Busby Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin is in charge.

MAY 25 2004

Roberta Pine Medicine Top

Roberta Pine Medicine Top, 43, of Billings, formerly of Lame Deer, passed away May 17, 2004, in the Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Mokee'e (Littlewoman) was born July 30, 1960, in Crow Agency, a daughter of Robert Pine, Sr. and Naomi Swallow. She grew up in the Lame Deer area and received her education in Busby, Anaconda and Pierre, S.D.

Following her education, she returned to the Lame Deer area.

Roberta married Edward Medicine Top, Jr. and made their home in Billings. They were later separated.

She was a member of the New Apostolic Church and the Northern Cheyenne Tribe.

Roberta enjoyed socializing with her family and friends, cooking, beading and making fry bread, a treat that will be missed by all. The joy of her life was her grandson, Dustin.

Her parents; son, Dustin; brothers Dwayne and Robert Pine, Jr., preceded Roberta in death.

Survivors include her daughters, Shandi Bomboy of Virginia, Stephanie, Shea Shmuga and

Shcora Medicine Top of Billings; her sons, Edward Medicine Top of Billings and Isaiah White Crane of Ashland; her sisters, Valinda Pine, Laretha (Marvin) Killnight, Rebekah (Alan) Black Wolf, Charlotte (Winslow) White Crane, Zipporah Tall Bull, Rebekah (Kevin) Perkins, Lucille (Ryder) White Hip, Martha and Matt Brien, Carol Dean White Wolf, Roberta and Gail Big Back; her brothers, Mervin (Jean) Pine, Paul (Tammie) Three Fingers, Jr., Randy Gray, Bobby Brien, Jr., Charles Tall Bull, Jr., Charles and Irvin Rising Sun, Jr.; her adopted mother, Carol One Bear; her adopted sister, Lilus One Bear; her aunts, Ella Tall Bull, Francis Swallow, Gloria Sinclair, Flora Swallow and Lena Gray; and 10 grandchildren.

Wake services were held Saturday and Sunday evenings, May 22 and 23, at the Ella Tall Bull residence in Lame Deer. Funeral services were held Monday, May 24, in the Ella Tall Bull residence in Lame Deer. Interment will follow in the Busby Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

ROBERT A. MEDVED

A funeral mass will take place at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21, at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Casper for Robert A. Medved, 74, who died Monday, Sept. 13, at the Wyoming Medical Center in Casper.

Father Bob Cook will officiate.

He was born on March 12, 1930, in Kansas City, Mo., to Albert and Agnes (Yadrich) Medved. He was raised and educated in Kansas City and graduated in 1948 from Rockhurst High School. After high school, he played Minor League Baseball for the New York Giants. He enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in September 1948 and served in the Korean

War. He was honorably discharged in June of 1952. He married Betty Goodman on Sept. 1, 1956, in Scotts City, Mo. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in Entomology from Oregon State College in 1959 and later received his master's in En-



Robert Medved

tomology. He did research and taught at the University of California at Riverside for 25 years. After he retired, he moved to Alberton, Mont., and then, three years later, married Jane Kidneigh and moved to Powell. They had resided in Casper for the last eight years.

He loved woodworking, photography and bird-watching.

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Survivors include his wife, Jane Kidneigh-Medved of Casper; two daughters, Cathy Butler of Laguna Beach, Calif., and Susan Walker of Rochester, N. Y.; one step-son, Justin Kidneigh of Casper; five grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Betty, in 1985 and his parents.

Newcomer Family Funeral Home and Crematory is in charge of arrangements. Memorials may be made to the Central Wyoming Hospice Program or the Casper Humane Society.

Inez Johnson Meehan

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 21 2004

OAK HARBOR, Wash. — Inez Johnson Meehan, 84, a registered nurse, died Feb. 4, 2004, at home in Oak Harbor, of Alzheimer's disease.



**INEZ
MEEHAN**

She was born July 27, 1919, on a dryland farm a few miles from the small town of Fairview, Mont. She began school at a one-room country school where her mother was the teacher. Later, she rode the school bus to Fairview, where she attended high school, graduating in 1936. That same year she traveled to Billings to enroll at Polytechnic Institute, a small self-help college where just about every student worked part-time to help pay for tuition and room and board. The College had a very large farm, raising most of their food for the students and staff. After graduation in 1938, she went to Minneapolis for her hospital training, where she graduated in June of 1941. She then returned to the family farm. In August the same year, she married her college sweetheart, Emmett Meehan, who by then was working as a telegraph operator for the Northern Pacific Railroad. His job made it neces-

sary for him to move from town to town. When they moved to Huntley, Mont., she was able to go to work at Deaconess Hospital in the nearby city of Billings. She worked for the hospital for 25 years, retiring in 1977.

She was preceded in death by her younger brother, Buddy; and her parents, Christ and Bessie Johnson. She is survived by her husband Emmett of Oak Harbor; her brother Melvin and her sister Eleanor; and four sons, Robert (Patricia), Colorado Springs, Colo., Richard (Robyn) and Donald of Whidbey Island, and Dennis (Kristina) of Sydney, Australia. She is also survived by seven grandchildren, Kim, Karen, Rebecca, Tonya, Jason, Nathan and Christopher; and two great-granddaughters, Shelby and Emma.

Inez loved fishing and traveling. Her favorite fishing spot was Martinsdale Reservoir in Montana. She and Emmett did a lot of traveling around the country and went to Arizona sometimes for the winter months. They traveled around the world for two years, visiting Robert, who was then working in Saudi Arabia for the Army Corps of

Engineers. Their 40 days in the desert were like living during biblical times. They spent three months in Australia visiting son Dennis and family and traveled around half of that country, visiting such places as the opal mines and the Great Barrier Reef. On the way back to Seattle from London, flying over the top of the world route, they also stopped at Anchorage, Alaska, to visit Richard and family. Dancing and church activities were also very important in her life.

A celebration of her life will be held on Saturday, Feb. 21, at 2 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church, located on 1050 SE Ireland Street in Oak Harbor.

Memorials may be made to the Fairview Nurses Alumnae Association Scholarship Fund at 1801 Stinson Blvd., Brighton, MN 55112.

FEB 24 2004

On Feb. 16, 2004, after a long courageous struggle with the miseries of Alzheimer's, the Soul of LaVon Pook Mees, age 79, of Billings, formerly of Forsyth, ended its earthly journey and joined her beloved husband Art, and their Lord Jesus Christ, in Heaven.

She was born in Miles City, the second daughter of Opal Shy Pook and Arthur Pook on Nov. 11, 1924. LaVon and her sister Catherine spent most of their early years being shuffled between relatives in different parts of the country. She attended school in Rosebud, where she was an excellent student and graduated a year early as Valedictorian of her class of 1941. Because of her young age, she worked a year before being old enough to attend Nursing School. In 1942, she enrolled in the Presentation School of Nursing, at St. Lukes Hospital in Aberdeen, S.D., and later in at the Holy Rosary Hospital, in Miles City, where she graduated as a Registered Nurse.

On Christmas Eve in 1944, LaVon married her high school sweetheart, Art Mees, who was on leave from his army unit in Georgia. Following his military discharge, they began their ranching career and eventually settled on Rosebud Creek, where they farmed, raised registered

Herefords and their three children.

Because Art did not want her to work outside the home, LaVon took up her new responsibilities as a ranch wife and mother. She was very active in the Concordia Lutheran Church in Forsyth, where she taught Sunday School and bible school classes and was a member of the LWML, taught Red Cross classes, taught dance classes (she loved to dance) and worked as a 4-H leader while her children were involved. She was an excellent cook and generally had hired men along with her own family to feed. She made her own bread and rolls, butter and wild berry preserves, and canned their garden produce. It was at this time in her life when she took up the artist's brush, to the great delight and continued enjoyment of friends and family. She was a very talented artist, creating some outstanding paintings which are treasured by all who own them. These paintings are second only to her Christian faith, as a great legacy to her children and grandchildren. Sadly, at the age of 46, at the height of her artistic talent, her heart and life were shattered by the untimely

death of her beloved husband Art. This forever stilled her brushes and desire to paint.

LaVon is survived by her three children, Penny (Dean) Johnson of Glendive, Patsy (Rick) Friez of Billings, Mark (Sue) Mees of the family ranch on Rosebud Creek; seven grandchildren, Charlie Olson of Plentywood, Todd (Diane) Friez of Billings, Tim (Sarah) Friez of Billings, Kamil (Tom) Maack of Billings, Sam Johnson of Boca Raton, Fla., Angela Mees and Rocky Mees of Forsyth; a sister, Catherine Lewis of Superior; and seven great-grandchildren, Tucker, Tyler, Talla, Josh, Alek, Zoe and Morgan. We will always be grateful to her very special and faithful longtime friend and neighbor, Jean Larsen of Forsyth. She was preceded in death by her parents Art Poock and Opal Thex and her husband, Art.

At her request, a Hallelujah Celebration will be held at the Concordia Lutheran Church in Forsyth, on Thursday, Feb. 26, at 11 a.m. Burial will be in the family lot of the Forsyth Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Concordia Lutheran Church, Forsyth, MT 59327, or to Alzheimer Association, Montana Chapter, 3010 11th Ave. N., Billings, MT 59101.

Condolences can be sent to the Mees Family at www.stevensonandsons.com.

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

Beverly Mehling

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
NOV 29 2004

Beverly Ann Mehling, 66, of Billings passed away peacefully Tuesday Nov. 23, 2004 at the Horizon Hospice House.

She was born Oct. 28, 1938 in Hardin, a daughter of John and Esther Heagle Mehling. She grew up in the North Valley of Big Horn County and graduated from Hardin High School in 1956.



**BEVERLY
MEHLING**

She subsequently attended and graduated from Montana State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. While at MSU, Beverly was inducted into Alpha Tau Delta, the National Fraternity for Professional Nurses.

Her first professional job was as a Public Health Nurse in Reno, Nev. Two years later, Beverly moved to the San Francisco Bay area where she was employed by the San Mateo City-County Health Department as a Public Health Nurse. After eight years in California and with a great desire for travel, Beverly joined the Army Nurse Corps.

Beverly traveled throughout the world during her 22 years in the Army.

During a tour of duty in the

Washington, D.C. area, she married Roger W. Hill in 1973. They later divorced in 1981. In 1979, she graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a Master of Public Health degree. At this institution, Beverly was inducted into Sigma Theta Tau International, the Honor Society of Nursing. In 1987, Beverly graduated from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

As a Lieutenant Colonel, she retired from active duty in 1993. She returned to Montana after 32 years of travel and exciting experiences to make her home in Billings.

Beverly became an avid gardener, resulting in her yard being selected for the 2003 Moss Mansion Garden. She volunteered and supported the Billings Crisis Pregnancy Center from which she was named 1998 Volunteer of the year; renewed old friendships and settled comfortably into the community.

While serving in Arizona, Beverly became a member of the San Pedro Evangelical Free Church in Sierra Vista. She was a life member of the MSU Alumni Assoc., University of North Carolina School of Public Health

Alumni Assoc. and the Military Officers Assoc. of America.

Her parents preceded Beverly in death.

Survivors include two brothers, John (Darlene) Mehling, Jr. of Hardin and Bob (Penny) Mehling of Billings; one sister, Sharon (Dick) Ragland of New Mexico; numerous nieces and nephews; as well as many dear friends around the world.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Tuesday Nov. 30 in the Hardin E and R Church. Interment with military honors will follow in the Fairview Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

If desired, memorials may be made to the Billings Care Net Pregnancy Center, 2321 Broadwater Ave. Billings, MT 59102 or Big Sky Hospice Box 35033 Billings, MT 59107.

Lois L. Meidinger

OCT 29 2004
BILLINGS GAZETTE

FALLON — Lois L. Meidinger, 69, of Fallon, died Wednesday, Oct. 27, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center.

Visitation will be from 3 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at the Chapel of the Silverdale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 1, at the Glendive Alliance Church. Interment will be in the Fallon Cemetery.

Marion Evelyn Meidinger

GLASGOW — Marion Evelyn Meidinger, 79, died Thursday, Aug. 26, 2004, in Everett, Wash.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 4, 2004, in the Evangelical Church in Glasgow with burial in Highland Cemetery. Bell Mortuary is in charge.

Highland Cemetery

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Gertrude Irene (Doyle, Berry) Melby

PARK CITY — Gertrude Irene Melby, 91, Park City, passed away Feb. 5, 2004, at Riverside Health Care Center, Missoula, with family at her bedside. Gertie, the first of four children, was born in Alma Center, Wis., to Roy and Susan (Cleveland) Doyle, Oct. 27, 1912.

Gertie married Oscar James Berry, July 17, 1928, in Sidney. They lived and raised their five children (Lois, Lela, Janice, James, and Dale) in the Fairview Community. Following the deaths of Oscar's parents, the couple helped raise his five brothers and one sister. Gertie was midwife to more than one in the area. Oscar passed away in 1950.

Gertie married Oscar Melby, Dec. 28, 1951, in Miles City. They lived in Fairview, Havre and Great Falls during the years that they worked for the Great Northern Railroad. After retiring from the Great Northern, Gertie cooked at the Lutheran Home and Holiday Inn in Great Falls. After Oscar retired they lived in Cascade for many years. In 1985, they moved to Park City. Oscar Melby passed away in July of 1992.

Gertie had a deep and abiding love for her family and friends. She was "always there" whenever she saw a need or was asked for help. Many turned to her for love and

guidance. She loved music and dancing, fishing, hunting, camping, gardening, in addition to her cooking and baking. She was known for her home-cooked meals, cookies and wonderful apple pie. Her hobbies included crafts, sewing and making quilts, crocheting and making dolls and tablecloths. She was especially fond of a state plate collection that she proudly displayed in her home. She was a lady whose hands were never idle. In her later years she loved playing cards and always looked forward to her Wednesday dinner, visiting and playing Bingo at the Park City Senior Center.

Gertie was preceded in death by her parents; her infant daughter, Lois; three brothers, Frank, Eddy and Willard Doyle; her husbands, Oscar James Berry and Oscar Melby; children, Lela and husband Alfred Sandy, Janice and husband Harry Andersen, son, Senator Dale E. Berry; and two grandchildren.

Survivors include her son, James Oscar and wife Judeen Berry, Ellensburg, Wash.; daughter-in-law, Dorothy Berry, Hamilton; 11 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

Gertie was the epitome of the Virtuous Women described in Psalms 31. She was up before dawn, preparing breakfast for her family and organizing her day. She was skilled in the crafts of home and hearth, diligent in homemaking. She was quick to assist anyone in need, reached out to help the poor. Her children respect and bless her. Many daughters have done virtuously, but she excellest.

This gracious, caring and loving lady (who saw good in everyone) will be missed by her beloved family, relatives and many, many, friends.

Interment was held at Park City Cemetery. Memorial services will be announced. In lieu of flowers, the family suggest memorials be sent to

The Dale Berry Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o FHSE, 217 Daly Avenue, Hamilton, MT 59840.

Gertrude Irene Melby**MAY 16 2004**

PARK CITY — Gertrude Irene Melby, 91, of Park City, died Feb. 5, 2004, at Riverside Health Care Center in Missoula.

Private interment was conducted. Graveside and memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, May 21, at the Park City cemetery.

Edna Marie Meline

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Edna Marie (Arenkiel) Meline, 95, of Sheridan, died Monday, March 29, 2004, at Sheridan Manor.

A memorial service will be held in Webster City, Iowa, at a later date. Champlon Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan is in charge of local arrangements.

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APR 01 2004

ROUNDUP — Bill Melnik, 84, passed away peacefully on Sept. 21, 2004, with his children at his side. At the time of his death, Bill was a favorite resident at the Roundup Memorial Extended Care Unit in Roundup.

Bill was born on March 14, 1920, in Grazier, Pa., to Anthony and Anna Kotynkiewicz Melnik after emigrating from the Ukraine.



**BILL
MELNIK**

Bill was enlisted in the U.S. Army in February 1942, serving during WWII, and was stationed in Butte before being sent to the European Theater. During this time, he met and married Esther Langsather on Aug. 4, 1943, in Butte. Bill was honorably discharged from the service on Dec. 21, 1945, and moved to Roundup with Esther and raised two children there.

Bill learned the carpenter's trade, building and remodeling many homes in the Roundup area. He was active in the Local Carpenter's Union and served as president. Bill was also an active member of the local VFW and a longtime member of the Roundup Ridge Riders and Zion Lutheran Church.

Bill provided many great sto-

BILLINGS GAZETTE

ries of his hunting trips for ell deer and antelope, and was an avid fisherman. He could out-fish all of us at any time.

Bill loved to go to dances with Esther and would play many polkas and dance tunes on his accordion, harmonica and his organ. He also loved to cook special Ukraine dishes.

Bill loved people and especially children. His teasing way would charm his grandchildrer and the neighborhood kids, and they loved it when he took them fishing.

Bill was preceded in death by his wife Esther; his parents; his sisters, Pearl and Rose.

He is survived by his son, Bill (Dorine) Melnik, Jr. of Miles City; his daughter, Sandy (David) Lanning of Fairbanks, Alaska; his sister, Marie of Pennsylvania; grandchildren Rainy (P.J.) Higgins of Leesville, La., Marlene (Jesse) Curtis of Independence, Mo.; and several great-grandchildren; his stepbrother Eddie Danyluk of Pennsylvania; several nieces and nephews; and many friends.

Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, at the Wier Funeral Chapel. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, at the chapel. Interment with mili-

tary honors will follow at the Roundup City Cemetery.

The family would like to thank the Extended Care staff and the Roundup Memorial Health Care staff, especially Dr. Madi and Dr. Schellenger for the loving care they showed our dad for the past four years.

Memorials may be given to the Roundup Memorial Health Care and Extended Care Unit, the Roundup VFW or the charity of one's choice. Care and condolences may be sent to Bill Melnik, Jr., 721 N. Fifth, Miles City, MT 59301.

Cliff 'Kip' Patrick Meloan

SEP 10 2004

WORDEN — Cliff "Kip" Patrick Meloan, 57, of 2744 N. 15 Road, Worden, died Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2004, at home.

Services in Billings: Friday, Sept. 10, noon to 3 p.m. at Cremation or Funeral Gallery. Mass at 5 p.m. at St. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church in Ballantine. Reception following mass at the VFW Hall in downtown Worden.

Services in Cedar Rapids, Iowa: Tuesday, Sept. 14, 11 a.m., burial at Mt. Calvary with military rites. Family and friends gathering that evening, 4 to 8 p.m., Murdoch Funeral Home, Marion.

Survivors include his wife, Bette Jo of Worden; two daughters, Carrie (Mike) Toland and Kathleen Meloan, Denver; stepdaughter, Jennifer (Dirk) Ockerlander, Wisconsin; two stepsons, Eric (Jill) Rogers, Kentucky, Aaron Rogers, Wisconsin; two brothers, Dan (Betsy) Meloan, Cedar Rapids, James (Kathy) McPartland, Marion. Preceded in death by his mother, Patricia (Goslin)



**CLIFF
MELOAN**

BILLINGS GAZETTE
McPartland; father Cliff J. Meloan; stepfather James S. McPartland.

Cliff attended St. Matthew School in Cedar Rapids and was an original member of the St. Matthew Choristers. He was a solid natural high soprano as a boy and was a cornerstone voice on an album recorded in 1957. Cliff graduated Regis High School, Cedar Rapids, 1965, and served very proudly in combat with the United States Army, 124th Maint. Btn. 2nd Armored Div. in the Vietnam Conflict.

Cliff started working at a young age and helped his father by selling hunting and fishing gear, boats and motors at Joe and Cliffs sports store on First Avenue East, Cedar Rapids. He attended Northeast Iowa Community College, Mason City. After service in the army, Cliff joined Link Belt Speeder, Cedar Rapids. He was one of the construction pioneers who helped build the great Alaska Pipeline Project in the 1970s when he was District Service Manager with Link Belt.

He moved his family to Denver, where he worked as General Parts and Service Manager at Empire Cranes. In 1984, he started his own company, Crane Safety Services, Inc., which

he eventually moved to Billings, and provided consultancy on crane safety inspection, rigging and education. He was noted and respected in this field across the U.S. and wrote a number of articles and briefs.

Cliff married his high school sweetheart, Bette Jo Soukup Rogers on Valentine's Day of 2002. There was no couple more devoted or deeper in love than they.

Cliff was known by friends and family as Kipper, a name anointed to him by his older brother, Dan. Cliff or Kipper, he was loved by many. His heart was as big as the Big Sky of Montana, where he lived and did business for many years. His big heart was only surpassed by his keen wit and quick sense of humor. He was so very proud that he was soon to take the mantle of a first-time grandfather. In spirit, he will be the best of grandpas for time to come.

Kip's favorite activities were camping, fishing and singing karaoke with his wife and many friends. He loved driving, whether it was with his wife on the open road or around his three acres on his JD gator, JD lawn tractor and Case tractor. He was a devout caretaker of his chickens and cat, Scooter.

He will always remain in the memory of his friends and family as "The Good Samaritan," a fine Irish lad who lived and loved life

with a great sense of zest and accomplishment.

We will miss you, Kipper. Oh, we will miss you.

Mike Menas

WILLINGS GAZETTE
APR 19 2004

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Mike Menas, 50, died Sunday, April 18, 2004, in a motorcycle accident.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation will be 1 to 10 p.m. Tuesday and 8 to 9:30 a.m. Wednesday. Burial will be in West Virginia.

MARCELLA MENDOZA

(1913 — 2004)

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 27 2004

Marcella Mendoza passed away Wednesday, March 24, 2004, in Billings, surrounded by her loving family.

She was born Sept. 24, 1913, in La Piedad, Michoacan, Mexico, to Martin and Concepcion (Cervantes) Mendoza.

Marcella loved vegetable gardening and though she tired of cooking, the thought of her great meals with lots of family evoke wonderful memories. Marcella was a calm, nurturing influence for all of her family. She loved and helped raise three generations of her nieces and nephews as if we were her own children.

She loved her family and loved to gather with them for any occasion. Marcella was grateful for the small pleasures that life offers, and her gratitude in life is a lesson for each of us as we move forward without her.

Marcella never complained, but rather accepted life on its own terms and always placed her faith in God's plan.

Religion was a central part of her life. Besides being a founding member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, she was also a member of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, the Legion of Mary, the Sacred

Heart Renewal Center and the Fellowship Group, a Bible study group at Little Flower Parish. Several of these groups are devoted to charitable service in the community and church.

Marcella is survived by three sisters, Hilda Hilario of Chino, Calif., Rose Mendoza of Billings and Ruby Kammerer of Pompeys Pillar; six nieces and nephews, Michael Hilario, Ramon Hilario, Patricia Fredrickson, Richard Hilario, Daniel Hilario and James Kammerer; 16 grandnieces and nephews, Chuck, Michael, Christopher, Mark, Maria, Heather, Tisha, Ken, Troy, Catherine, Nicole, Lance, Mark, Felicia, Daniel, Christina; and many great-grandnieces and nephews, friends and relatives. Marcella was predeceased by her parents and brother Martin.

A vigil service for Marcella will be 7 p.m. Sunday, March 28, and the Mass of the Resurrection will be at 10 a.m. Monday, March 29, both at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. Committal will be in Holy Cross Cemetery. Memorials may be made to BACET, PO Box 31158, Billings, MT 59107-9935 or the Sacred Heart Renewal Center, 26, Wyoming Ave., Billings, MT 59101, phone (406) 252-0322.

PANSY MENGE

DECEMBER 21 2004

SACO — Pansy Margaret (Bunse) Menge, 90, died Saturday, Dec. 18, 2004, at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital in Glasgow.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22, at Saco Methodist Church in Saco. Interment will be in Grandview Cemetery in Saco. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.

Mary Mentock

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 13 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. —Mary Mentock, 99, of Sheridan, died Thursday, May 13, 2004, at Sheridan Manor.

A rosary will be at 7 p.m. Sunday, May 16, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Monday, May 17, at Holy Name Catholic Church. Interment will follow in the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

Eldon Merkel

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Eldon Merkel, 75, of Gillette, died Monday, Aug. 16, 2004, at the Pioneer Manor Nursing Home in Gillette.

Visitation will be from 3 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 20, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at the Mount Pisgah Cemetery in Gillette.

Aug 18 2004

DEC 22 2004

Bernice H. Meroney

COLUMBUS — Bernice H. Meroney went home to be with the Lord at Sallisaw Memorial Hospital, Sallisaw, Okla., Saturday, Dec. 18, 2004.

Bernice was born at Prineville, Ore., Jan. 17, 1908, to Christopher and Marie Ehret. She was married to Ed Meroney at Pomona, Calif., on Nov. 9, 1930. They moved to Montana in 1944. Their union brought four children.

Bernice enjoyed volunteering at the Beartooth Manor, reading, gardening, puzzles and painting. She was a faithful member of the Columbus Assembly of God, Sunday School teacher, W.M. worker, organist and pianist.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Ed; son, Don; and

son-in-law, Eugene Barger. Bernice will be greatly missed by her son, Gilbert (Mildred) of Alaska; daughters, Marilyn Barger, of Oklahoma, Beverly (Melvin) Kisser of Nevada; daughter-in-law, Beverly Dyck of Montana; 12 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; a brother, Leonard Ehret of California; a nephew; two nieces; cousins and a host of loving friends in Montana, Alaska and Oklahoma.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 23, at Smith Funeral Chapel-Columbus. Interment will be in Mountainview Cemetery. Visitation on Wednesday, Dec. 22, from 5 to 8 p.m. at Smith Funeral Chapel-Columbus.

Marjorie Aileen Merrick

THE GAZETTE

FEB 24 2004

STURGIS, S.D. — Marjorie Aileen Merrick, 84, of Sturgis, formerly of Billings, died Sunday, Feb. 22, 2004, at the Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, at the Kinbade Funeral Chapel in Sturgis.

Doris E. Merrill

BILLINGS GAZETT

DEC 07 2004

LOVELL, Wyo. — Doris E. Merrill, 94, died Saturday, Dec. 4, 2004, at New Horizons Care Center in Lovell.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Burial will be in the Byron Cemetery.

CIRCLE — Irene M. Oberg Merry, 98, formerly of Circle, died Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2004, at a nursing home in Eldorado Hills, Calif.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26, at Clayton Stevenson Memorial Chapel in Circle. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, at Evangelical Church in Circle. Interment will follow in Riverview Cemetery. There will be a luncheon at the church following burial.

Suzanne Annette Messer

THE RAILROAD GAZETTE

MILES CITY — Suzanne Annette Messer, 51, of Miles City, died Sunday, Feb. 1, 2004.

FEB 06 2004

A prayer service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, at Stevenson and Sons Funeral Home in Miles City.

Veronica M. Messer**MAY 13 2004**

Veronica Marie Iszler Messer, 79, died Tuesday, May 11, 2004, at Valley Healthcare in Billings. She was born Jan. 29, 1925, in Hebron, N.D., the daughter of Christian and Katherine (Kessler) Iszler.

Veronica graduated from Senior High School in 1947. On July 3, 1948, Veronica was united in marriage to Peter A. Messer in Red Lodge. She worked at Woolwarths, Goodies Spud Chip and retired from Hagen's Printing. She was proud of being an active Moose member, working her way up through Senior Regent.

Veronica is survived by her husband, Peter; brother, Tom Steele and sister, Evelyn Knaub; many, many loving nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by sisters, Emma Treichel, Annie Burkhardt, Ida Vladavick, Alvina Winslow and Frieda Terrace; brothers, Albert Iszler and Clarence Vletz.

Visitation for Veronica will be Thursday, May 13, from 12 noon until 8 p.m.; Friday, May 14, from



**VERONICA
MESSER**

9 a.m. until 5 p.m.; Saturday, May 15, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.; Sunday, May 16, from 1 until 7 p.m. A vigil service will be held 5 p.m. Sunday, at the Dahl Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass for Veronica will be noon, Monday, May 17, at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral. Rite of Committal will be in Mountview Cemetery.

JUN 20 2004**Martha Lynn Metier**

Martha Lynn Metier, 68, of Billings passed away Thursday evening, June 17, 2004.

Lynn Metier was born on May 9, 1936, in Livingston, the daughter of Cora and George Metier. She was raised in the Porcupine Creek area near Wilsall.

Lynn moved to Phoenix in 1953 and returned to Billings in 1963. She went to work for the Crowley Law Firm on Jan. 2, 1964, and retired from the firm on Jan. 31, 1996.

Lynn was preceded in death by her grandparents, aunts, uncles and parents. She is survived by an uncle, Andy Parker, her cousins and many kind and loving friends.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Interment will be in Mountview Cemetery. The casket is closed.

Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, P.O. Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107 or to a charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Lloyd Metzger

THE BILLINGS GAZET

JUL 11 2004

PARK CITY — On July 10, 2004, Lloyd Metzger, loving husband, father, brother, grandfather and great-grandfather, left our loving arms and went into the arms of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Lloyd, son of Jacob (Jake) and Leona Metzger, began his life in Hebron, N.D. on July 27, 1930. Lloyd was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Calvin.

Lloyd began working for the railroad in 1948 and married his loving wife of 54 years, Lenora Buchholz, on June 18, 1950, in Hebron, N.D. His work was interrupted on June 24, 1952, for active duty with the 101st Airborne in Korea. He returned to the railroad in 1954 and worked there until his retirement in 1979, residing in Park City, since 1971.

He is survived by his wife, Lenora, of Park City; three sons, Tom Metzger, of Laurel; Calvin (Kathy) Metzger, of Laurel; and Doug (Fran) Metzger, of Mesa, Ariz.; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; also, a sister, Esther Voltz, of Grand Rapids, Minn.; brothers, Richard (Lavern) Metzger, of Lynnwood, Wash., Les (Carol) Metzger, of Mandan, N.D. and Dennis (Linda) Metzger, of Bismarck, N.D.

Lloyd had a great gift of gab and no man was a stranger. This gift of gab and a love for his community kept him very active in raffle ticket sales for the Park City

Volunteer Fire Dept., the Methodist Church and the American Legion. Lloyd was also very involved with the Park City Senior Citizens, enjoyed his friends, playing cards and bingo. We're sure they will all miss his help.

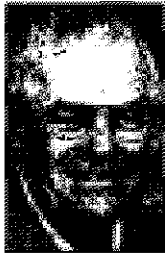
Lloyd was awarded the senior Citizen of the Year in 2002 and Honorary Lifetime Member of the American Legion Auxiliary in 2004 for all his work in construction and sales of Memorial Day poppies and was given the nickname "Petal Pusher". Lloyd was also a member of Laurel Eagles Lodge #2564 for 36 years and a member of American Legion Post #100 for 29 years.

Cremation has taken place and services are set for 2 p.m., Wednesday, July 14, at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel. Interment with military honors will be in the Park City Cemetery immediately following.

Orville M. Metzger

Orville M. Metzger, son of Henry and Lydia Metzger, passed away on Monday, Nov. 29, 2004, of heart failure.

Memorial services are scheduled for 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary.



**ORVILLE
METZGER**

After growing up in New Leipzig, N.D., he served in the Korean War, where he won a bronze star for "high meritorious" service. He then attended

Eastern Montana College, where he played football and earned a BA in education. He spent his entire career as a high school teacher and coach.

In 1961, he married the love of his life, Mary Ellen Geiger, and, with Mary Ellen, he raised three children, Mike, Julie and Mark. He is the proud grandfather of two beautiful grandchildren and an avid golfer.

Orville, a loving and caring husband, father and grandfather, lived a very full, happy life.

Orville is survived by his wife, children and sister, Verna Streup.

Memorials may be made to the Montana Rescue Mission,

MAR 26 2004

John G. Metzker

PORTLAND, Ore. — John G. Metzker, Jr., 78, of Portland, formerly of Billings, died March 24, 2004.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 30, at the Mount Scott Funeral Home, Portland. Interment will follow in the Portland VA Cemetery.

Anna Meyer

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

EKALAKA — Anna Meyer, 93, of Ekalaka, died July 20, 2004, at Dahl Memorial Health Care in Ekalaka.

JUL 23 2004

Funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 24, at the St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in Ekalaka. Interment will be in Beaver Lodge Cemetery.

Visitation is from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, July 23, at the Chapel of Stevenson Funeral Home in Baker and from 5 to 9 p.m. Friday, at the St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in Ekalaka, with the Rosary at 7 p.m.

Phyllis Darlene Meyer

FEB 10 2004

Phyllis Darlene Meyer, age 60, of Billings, departed this life, Feb. 7, 2004, at the Billings Evergreen Nursing Home, of natural causes.



PHYLLIS MEYER

Phyllis was born Sept. 1, 1943, in Edgar, the daughter of Ruth and James Ira Bradley. She was raised by her mother and stepfather, Jess Seymour. She was educated in this area and was known for raising Pomeranian puppies. She loved dogs, loved to sing, loved God and her church, cooking and flowers and children in general.

She was an avid Christian, and was a member of the Lockwood Evangelical Church.

Survivors include her husband of 33 years, Wilford (Bill) Meyer; son, Joseph Prisbe; grandsons, Richard Prisbe and Joseph Prisbe; and granddaughters, Naomi Prisbe and Tonya Prisbe; brothers and sisters, Ruth (Jim) Butcher, James (Toni) Bradley, David (Velma) Bradley, Larry (Robecca) Bradley, Robert Bradley, George (Judy) Bradley, William Bradley, Lester (Barbara) Seymour, Debbie (Earl) Webster; god-

daughter Carla Resendez; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her mother, Ruth Daisy Seymour; father James Ira Bradley; stepfather Jess M. Seymour; and brother, Major Bradley.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, at Lockwood Evangelical Church, 1431 Rosebud Lane. Interment will follow at Terrace Gardens Cemetery on 33rd St. West and Howard Ave.

Rick Meyer

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 02 2004

CODY, Wyo. — Rick Meyer, 49, died Friday, Jan. 30, 2004, at the Powell Hospital.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 3, at Ballard Funeral Home. Cremation will follow. A memorial service will be 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, at Cody Christian Missionary Alliance Church.

Pauline Michael

DECEASED

JUN 12 2004

LAUREL — Pauline Michael, 80, of Laurel, died peacefully June 10, 2004, at the Evergreen Laurel Health and Rehabilitation Center, of congestive heart failure.

Pauline was born Oct. 4, 1923, at Columbus, to Paul E. and Emma Stoltenberg Anderson. She married Herman Michael Dec. 24, 1942, at Big Timber. She was a member of the Unity Garden Club in Laurel and enjoyed crocheting and crafts.

She is survived by her husband Herman; four children, Paulette (Don) Hoffman, David (Bev) Michael, Steve (Nola) Michael and Tom (Teresa Putman), all of Laurel; eight grandchildren, Jim Hoffman, Shawn (Lisa), Laurie (Richard), Brandie, McKenzie (Jen), Stephenie, T.J. and Eric (April); and nine great-grandsons.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Enos Anderson; and sister, Velma Christensen; and a grandson, Scott Hoffman.

The family of Pauline would like to thank the staff of Evergreen Laurel for the wonderful care given to Pauline during her short stay at the care center.

Services will be held 1 p.m. Monday, June 14, at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel. Interment will be in the Laurel Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to charity of choice. No visitation.

Robert Michael

LAUREL — Robert Michael, 80, of Laurel, passed away Feb. 17, 2004, at the Tender Nest in Billings.

He was born March 10, 1923, at Laurel, to Phillip and Mable Michael. He attended schools in Laurel and the Park City area. He was a lifetime member of the First Congregational



**ROBERT
MICHAEL**

Church of Laurel. In 1944, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served two years on the USS Bunkerhill as Seaman First Class. Robert then was engaged in farming with his dad and brothers until he went to work for Western Equipment until he retired.

He is survived by four brothers, Jake (Pauline) Michael of California, Phillip (Irene) Michael of Park City, Edward (Sandy) Michael of Park City, William (Joan) Michael of Billings; and four sisters, Mary Krug of Laurel, Rosie Michael of Laurel, Lydia (Henry) Uffelman of Hardin and Martha (Marvin) Stricker of Wyoming.

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

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 19 2004

Services will be held 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 23, at First Congregational Church, Laurel. Interment will be held at the Laurel Cemetery, with military rites.

Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel was in charge of arrangements.

Marian Marie Michaelis

OCT 17 2004

BILLINGS GAZETTE

LAUREL — Marian Marie Michaelis, of Laurel, passed away early Friday morning at her home. Marian was born Sept. 26, 1925, in Billings, to Edward and Anna (Miller) McCann.

Marian attended and graduated from Billings Schools. She lived on the 300 block of Howard Avenue until she married Henry Michaelis June 20, 1948, and moved to Laurel, where she resided in the home they built.



MARIAN
MICHAELIS

She worked at home as a bookkeeper for an accountant. She was treasurer, board member for Laurel B.N. Credit Union for 28 years.

Marian was a member of the First Congregational Church. She belonged to American Legion Post 123 Auxiliary, Yellowstone Valley Chapter and National Chapter of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia, Yellowstone Genealogy Forum.

She was an avid genealogist and put together several volumes on the Michaelis and McCann family histories. She enjoyed spending time with family and friends, camping, fishing and traveling. She liked making crafts for her grandchildren, and playing

bingo. She looked forward to the annual camping trip to Hebge Lake.

She is survived by her daughters, Judy (Terry) Krum of Laurel, Kathy (Bob) Nelson of San Diego, Calif.; sons, Gary (Tina) of Havre, Bill (Kathy) of Billings; grandchildren, Mike Krum of Portland, OR, Cory Krum of Bozeman, Monica Peterson of Rancho Bernardo, Calif., Erika Nelson of San Diego, Adam and Amanda Michaelis of Havre, Kristen and Samantha Michaelis of Billings; two great-grandchildren, Hanna and Zane of Calif.; sister, Dolores (Jim) McDonald of Littleton, Colo.; and brother, Don (Joneva) McCann of Kalispell.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 54 years, Henry; son Henry David; brothers, Robert McCann and Thomas McCann; sisters, Edna Tinnes, Lois Kerkhove, Lorraine Kilzer, and Myrtle Schafnitz.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be held 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21, at Smith Funeral Chapel-Laurel with inurnment to follow in the Laurel Cemetery.

Connie Jean Michalies passed away on Saturday Jan. 31, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic. Connie was born in Billings on June 13, 1959, to John and Vivian (SchAAF) Michalies. She was the third of five children. She graduated from West High in 1977.



**CONNIE
MICHALIES**

Connie worked at Osco Drug for 14 years and made many close friends there. Connie loved hockey and Legion baseball attending as many games as she could. She loved her many nieces and nephews and was very close to all of them.

Connie was preceded in death by her father, John; her grandparents, John and Marie Michalies, and Paul and Eva SchAAF.

Surviving her are her mother, Vivian; sisters, Sandy Hunter (Justin and Whitney), Kim Michalies (Tyler); brothers, John (Pam) Michalies (Jamie and Sarah), and Kelly (Tanya) Michalies (Jesse and Zack); and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

The funeral will be 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, at Smith's Downtown Funeral Home. Cremation will take place immediately after.

Memorials may be made to The Heart Foundation, American Diabetes Foundation or the charity of one's choice.

Michael Vincent Michalski**JUN 22 2004**

On Tuesday, June 15, 2004, Michael Vincent Michalski passed away at Valley Health Care Center. Mike had been ill with liver and breathing problems for quite a while after the passing of his wife, Charlene, last year to cancer. He was born July 25, 1949, in Mushawaka, Ind., to Jim and Betty Michalski. Mike has resided in Lavina for the past year.

Before falling ill, Mike was an amazing auto body man and mechanic and, until a few months ago, an avid fisherman. He enjoyed as much fishing at the lake as his health would allow.

Mike had a very generous nature and always lent a hand to those in need. He invited family friend, Heath Heimer, to move in with him to Lavina when Heath returned from Florida, jobless, in the middle of last year. Heath helped Mike with the upkeep of the house, critter care, and for the past few months, caring for Mike as his health problems worsened. Mike, Heath and Mike's step-daughter, Julie, enjoyed the time

they got to spend together whether at the house or at the lake.

Mike's generosity and unforgettable sense of humor will always hold a fond spot in the hearts of those who knew him. Melvin, John and Pat Jones, please always know how much you all meant to Mike.

Michael is survived by his five children; brothers Jimmy and Ronnie of California; stepdaughter, Julie Loveridge; close friends Don and Marie Mahana; and we must not forget Koko and Dinah (the little black dog).

Special thanks to Heath Heimer, Don and Marie, Matt Miller, Casey Proulx, and Don and Phyllis Wertz for all they did for Mike. We love and miss you, Papa!!!

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Mike's ashes will be scattered with Charlene's in Martinsdale Lake at a later date. Memorials may be made to Mike's family, c/o Marie Mahana, PO Box 176, Huntley, MT 59037.

Mathias Lee Michel III

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 8 - 2004

Mathias Lee Michel III, Kamnuqtunicnapku, "White Moose," 25, of Busby, also known as Robby Bigback, died Wednesday evening Aug. 4, 2004, of injuries sustained in a one car accident west of Lame Deer.

He was born Jan. 3, 1979, in Crow Agency and a son of Mathias Michel, Jr. and Christine Bigback. He grew up in the Busby area and attended schools in

Busby and Kamiah, Idaho. Following his education, he worked as a laborer in Billings, Ronan and Tacoma, Wash. He was a member of the Confederated Salish Kootenai Tribes and Northern Cheyenne.



MATHIAS LEE MICHEL III

Mathias had an outgoing personality, which enabled him to make friends easily. He traveled extensively throughout the Northwestern United States, gaining friends along the way.

He was a member of the White River Cheyenne Mennonite Church and the

Northern Cheyenne Kit Fox Society.

His parents and grandparents Lucy Michel, Robert and Gladys Big Back, Sr. preceded Mathias in death.

Survivors include his son Colton Two Moons of Billings; his sister, Bethany Redwoman; his brothers, Caleb Big Back and Clyde Redwoman, Jr.; his grandfather, Mathias Michel, Sr.; his grandmothers, Marie Little Wolf and Madeline Yellowrobe; his aunts, Marie Brady, Roberta, Gail and Jenny Big Back, Geneva Glenmore, Diane and Linda Michel; his uncles, Larry Big Back, Sr., Ronnie Big Back, Sr., Robert Big Back, Jr., Leslie Big Back, Sr., Gordon and James Big Back, Wilbert, Gilbert, Victor, Leonard, LeeVI and Keith Michel; as well as numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Wake services will be held 7 p.m., Sunday in the Busby White River Cheyenne Mennonite church. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m., Monday in the church. Interment will follow in the Busby Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

SHELL, Wyo. — Funeral services for long time Shell area resident, **Martin Frank Michelena**, age 66, will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2004, 10 a.m., at the Shell Community Hall with Reverend Michael McMillan officiating. Burial will follow at the Whaley Cemetery, Shell, Wyo.

A viewing will be held on Monday, Nov. 1, 2004, at the Atwood Family Chapel in Greybull from 1-5 p.m. and on Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2004, at the Shell Community Hall one hour prior to the services.

Martin passed away on Thursday, Oct. 28, 2004, at the Hot Springs County Memorial Hospital in Thermopolis, Wyo.

Martin was born in Buffalo, Wyo., on Jan. 29, 1938, the son of Martin and Margaret Ann (Connally) Michelena. He received his schooling in Buffalo and Greybull and graduated from Greybull High School. His family homesteaded at Arvada, Wyo., raising sheep. He ranched all of his life and loved his life.

He married Doris Anita Twing on Jan. 26, 1957, in Buffalo. She passed away on Jan. 12, 1998.

He loved his family and grandchildren and enjoyed watching them show their sheep and helping them with their FFA, 4-H,

and fair projects. He was very proud of his family. He loved his animals — his horses and cows, and enjoyed cattle drives with his family. He loved the mountains, hunting, fishing and ice cream cones.

He was very mischievous and loved teasing his family. He was quick to help people and had a laugh that will be remembered. He will be missed by his family and friends.

Martin is preceded in death by his father, one brother, Albert, and his wife.

He is survived by his children, Treva (Rick) Lyng of Sheperd, Mont., Kenny (Lisa) Michelena of Shell, Wyo., DeAnna Michelena of Colorado Springs, Colo., Mark Michelena and his fiance, Marva Rimer of Shell, Wyo., and Connie (James) Ouren of Billings, Mont.; his mother, Margaret Michelena of Hyattville, Wyo.; one brother, Richard (Liz) Michelena of Shell, Wyo.; five sisters, Mary (Tom) Mercer of



MARTIN MICHELONA

Hyattville, Wyo., Louise (Tom) Wilkinson of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, Shirley (Cliff) Rogers of Casper, Wyo., Jody Michelena of Casper, Wyo., and Cecelia (Roger) Collingwood of Greybull, Wyo.; four granddaughters, Erin and Kara Michelena of Shell, Wyo. and Nicole and Megan Smith of Colorado Springs, Colo.; numerous nieces and nephews; and his dog, Patches, who was his faithful companion and who never left his side.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established at Security State Bank, P.O. Box 531, Basin, WY 82410, for the Martin Frank Michelena Fund for FFA and 4-H Programs.

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

Arthur G. Micheletto

SEP 28 2004
BILLINGS GAZETTE

GLENDIVE — Arthur G. Micheletto, 87, of Glendive, died Saturday, Sept. 25, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility, of cancer.

A vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, in the chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 1, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Glendive. Rite of committal will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive.

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Ernie Malmstrom Michels

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 21 2004

Ernie Margaree Malmstrom Michels, 88, of Billings, passed away on March 18, 2004, at Eagle Cliff Manor in Billings. She was born April 8, 1915, in Acton to Frank and Ida Hendricks. In 1925, the family moved to the Hesper area where Ernie attended school, first at Eldergrove, then graduating from Billings High School.



ERNIE
MICHELS

Ernie married James Malmstrom on June 24, 1939. To this union, three children were born, Tom, Larry, and Susan. James passed away on August 9, 1976. On May 6, 1982, she married Henry Michels, who later died in 1990. Along with being a homemaker, Ernie worked for a time as a store clerk and a waitress, a job she loved very much.

Those who know Ernie will always remember her for having a good time. She was an active individual with many interests and talents. Dancing, bowling, word puzzles, knitting, sewing, and gardening were among her many hobbies. Ernie was known as a very talented seamstress. She sewed

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clothes for her family and they proudly wore them. Gardening came natural to the woman with the green thumb. Wild yellow roses, Boston Ferns, and Christmas Cactus were easy for her and her rhubarb patch was always flourishing. Her landscape art work adorned the walls of many. She considered oil painting as her favorite.

Ernie was what some considered the local "Neighborhood Watch" perched in the front window with her binoculars in hand, she was "always in the know" of neighborhood business. The scanner was usually on to let her know of anything exciting.

While married to Henry, the two loved to travel. They took trips together to destinations such as New York, Arizona, Florida, where they went to NASA, and to Reno for the eventful gambling trips. She was a member of OAKS, Senior Citizens, and the Billings Saddle Club, where she was awarded the Outstanding Member Award.

Ernie is survived by her children, Tom (Elizabeth) Malmstrom, Larry (Frankie) Malmstrom, and Susan Malmstrom; step-children, Christopher Michels and Loretta Obie; seven grandchildren, Michelle Sudbeck, Todd, Jim and Ross Malmstrom, Tamara Ludwick, Jill Malmstrom, and Melisa Havskjold; 11 great-grand-

children; her sister-in-law, Belle McCormick and her dog, Freddie, and cat, Willie.

Preceding her in death was her first husband, James; second husband, Henry; brother, Jack Hendricks; sisters, Amy Bracken and Myrtle Carlson; and one granddaughter, Wendy Sue Malmstrom.

The family of Ernie Michels would like to express their sincere appreciation and thanks to the staff at Eagle Cliff Manor for caring for her the last 16 months, and to the staff at Big Sky Hospice for their help during her last days.

Funeral Services will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 24, at Michelotti-Sawyers, with interment to follow at Mountview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, P.O. Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107, Eagle Cliff Activities Department, 1415 Yellowstone River, Road, Billings, 59105 or the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of arrangements.

~~THE BILLINGS TRIBUNE~~

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Ernie Malmstrom
MICHELS

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Gertrude Michels

THE BILLINGS GAZETT

FEB 23 2004

PLENTYWOOD — The Funeral Liturgy for Gertrude Michels will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2004 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Plentywood. Father Robert Sewvello will be the celebrant. Gertrude, 91, died on Saturday, Feb. 21, at Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home in Plentywood.

Gertrude was born Feb. 4, 1913, in Butler, Minn., the first of ten children of Vincent and Anna (Palubecki) Cybulski. She and her family moved to Plentywood when she was quite young. She graduated from Plentywood High School and in 1936 married Roy Michels. He died in 1966. Gertrude lived in her home until May of 1992, when she moved to Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home.

Gertrude was a homemaker and excelled in cooking, crocheting, gardening, raising chickens and turkeys, and participated in many crafts. She enjoyed coffee guests and loved to cook and bake for everyone, as well as playing cards. Gertrude was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and St. Anthony's Guild and Plentywood Homemakers. She is most remembered by her family and friends for the many delicious meals she cooked for them.

Gertrude is survived by her son, Willard "Woody" Michels, and his wife, Adele; daughter, Myrna Kaschube, and her husband. All of Plentywood. Also

surviving are two brothers, Jame and his wife, Marianne, an Raymond and his wife, Goldi, also of Plentywood; seven sister Margaret (Leo) Madsen, Viole Chandler, Florence Saxton, Mar (Melvin) Larsen, all o Plentywood, Dorothy Richardson of Antelope, Teresa (Robert Jensen of Reserve, and Grace Wirtz of Outlook. She is survived by brothers in law, James W Michels, Fred Michels and Clair Michels, all of Miles City, and a sister in law, Elsie Medders of Plentywood. Also surviving are six grandchildren, Jim Bedwell, Angie Beck, Maxine Vondeson, Lon Michels, Amber Hendrickson and Annie Michels, and ten great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a son, Roy, and two daughters, Sharon and Beverly.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood is in charge of arrangements.

Laura "Aileen" Michelson, 76, was born on Oct. 8, 1927, and passed away at home on July 20, 2004, after a long battle with cancer, surrounded by her family.

Aileen was the daughter of Joe and Laura Oliver who homesteaded near Alzada. She attended



**AILEEN
 MICHELSON**

high school and college in Spearfish, S.D. After college, Aileen worked for Northwest Airlines in Billings.

Aileen married Lloyd B. Michelson on June 28, 1952.

They were married for 39 years until Lloyd's death in 1992. After raising two daughters, Laurie Barber (Reston, Va.) and Leslie Gangnath (Billings), Aileen worked for many years as a tax preparer at H&R Block. Until her death, she also served as secretary/treasurer of the Oliver Livestock Corporation, the family ranch near Alzada.

Aileen was preceded in death by her parents, husband and a sister, Gwen Oliver. She is survived by her daughters; a brother, Dan Oliver; and a sister Phyllis Washburn. She is also survived by her sons-in-law, Mike Barber and Gary Gangnath; and her grand-

children, Matthew, Nathan and Chloe.

Aileen enjoyed reading, traveling, sewing, gardening and spending time at the family ranch. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Do not stand at my grave and weep

I am not there, I do not sleep.

I am a thousand winds that blow;

I am the diamond glints on snow.

I am sunlight on ripened grain;

I am the gentle autumn's rain.

When you awaken in the morning's hush,

I am the swift uplifting rush of quiet birds in circled flight.

I am the soft star that shines at night.

Do not stand at my grave and cry

I am not there — I did not die.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 24, at 1 p.m., at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. There will be a reception following the service.

Memorials may be sent to Half the Sky, 764 Gilman St., Berkeley, CA 94710, or Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107.

Joanne Carol Middleton

GREYBULL, Wyo. — Joanne Carol Middleton, 70, died Thursday, Oct. 28, 2004, at the South Big Horn County Hospital between Greybull and Basin, of cancer.

A viewing will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, at the Atwood Family Chapel in Greybull. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3, at the First Presbyterian Church in Greybull.

ILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 02 2004

Rodney Gene Mears

THE POWELL
TRIBUNE
NOV 10 2004

Memorial services will be held Sunday, Nov. 14 at 2 p.m. at the New Life Christian Fellowship in Powell for Rodney Gene Mears, 45, who died at his home in Cody on Oct. 18.

He was born Sept. 3, 1959, in Buffalo to Doyle Ray and Norma Gail Burris Mears. He was raised in Buffalo, then Michigan and later Florida, before going back to the Buffalo area. He moved with family to the Powell-Cody area in 1996.

He married Laura Burke Oct. 7, 1991, in Buffalo. They were later divorced.

He liked hunting, fishing and most anything outdoors. Most of all, he loved his kids, taking care of them and spending as much time as possible with them.

Survivors include his children, Tabitha Armstrong of Powell, Rodney Mears of Cody, and Sage, Paris and Dylan Mears, all of Powell; his father, Doyle, of Cody; his brothers, Brad of Florida, Randy of Idaho and Mike of Powell; and his maternal grandmother, Ida Lee Burris of Buffalo.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Norma Gail Burris Mears.

Cremation has taken place.

George Miech

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 29 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — George Miech, 84, died Monday, July 26, 2004, in Sheridan Manor.

Cremation has taken place; Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at First Christian Church. Champion Ferries Funeral Home is in charge.

Lois Marie Miech

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Lois Marie Miech, 76, of Sheridan, died Monday, March 8, 2004, at Sheridan Manor, following a brief period with heart complications.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 11, at First Christian Church. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 11 2004

Frederick 'Fred' Mielke

THE RULINGS GAZETTE

JAN 10 2004

POLSON — Frederick H. "Fred" Mielke, 85, passed away at St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula on Jan. 8, 2003, of natural causes.

A memorial service is at 2 p.m. Monday at the Polson Community Church with inurnment at Richland Memorial Park in Sidney. Grogan Funeral Home & Crematory in Polson is in charge.

Leona Mielke

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Leona Mielke, 95, of Sheridan, died Saturday, Dec. 18, 2004, at Sheridan Manor.

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

DEC 21 2004

Vivian Charlton Mihalovich

ROUNDUP — Vivian Charlton Mihalovich, 81, passed away Monday, Feb. 9, 2004, at Roundup Memorial Hospital.

Vivian was born to Robert Charlton and Mae (Tomlin) Charlton on Oct. 21, 1922, in Roundup. Vivian married Elvin Mihalovich on Aug. 10, 1940.

Vivian enjoyed crocheting, circle word crosswords, reading recipes and, most of all, spending time with her family, especially at the cabin on the Boulder. Vivian spent many years working in local clothing stores, where she made lots of friends.

She is survived by two sons and wives, Bob and Wilma and Dick and Kay; grandchildren, Mike Mihalovich, Rob and Stacey Mihalovich, Jennifer and Jay Graves; and great-grandchildren,

Bailey Mihalovich, Bradley Graves, Alana Graves and Kevin Graves; several nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her husband, Elvin; her parents; stepfather, Frank Schaffer; a brother, Gus Johnson; a sister, Esther Crockwell; and a granddaughter, Cathy Mihalovich.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, at the Wier Funeral Chapel. Funeral services will be 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, at Wier Funeral Chapel. The casket will be closed at the services. Graveside services will be 12 noon at Mountview Cemetery in Billings. Memorials may be made to the Roundup Volunteer Fire Dept. or the charity of your choice. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Dolly Mike

BILLINGS GAZETTE
NOV 18 2004

SIDNEY — Dolly Ann Mike, 44, of Sidney, died Sunday, Nov. 14, 2004, at the Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, at the Fulkerson Memorial Chapel in Sidney. Cremation has taken place.

Clara Isabel Mikel

Clara Isabel Mikel, 88, of Billings, passed away Sunday evening, Oct. 10, 2004, at Grand Park Vintage Suites.

The daughter of Michael and Isabel Banks, Clara was born Sept. 17, 1916, in Klein. She was in the first class of women to graduate from MSU, receiving her degree from the nursing program.

Clara served her country during WWII as an Army Nurse. She had also worked as a registered nurse with the Billings Clinic for many years.

She married Ernie C. Mikel in Billings on Aug. 15, 1953. He preceded her in death on Oct. 7, 1988.

Survivors include three grandchildren, Leonard Stang, Clarissa Muster and Leslie Stang; four great-grandchildren, Lucas Mikel Funk, Jessica Ashley Gray, Mary Mikel Stang and Jordan Mikel Stang; great-grandchildren, Evan John Delvaux and soon-to-be-born Jenna Clair; sister Mildred (Jack) Hardy; and several nieces and nephews, including special nephew John.

Clara was preceded in death by her husband; parents; daughter Donna Lou Stang and son-in-law Francis J. Stang; brother Levi Banks; sister Catherine "Putt" Schuller; and brother-in-law Greg Schuller; and grandchildren Laura Stang and John Muster.

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

The casket is closed. Graveside services will be 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 13, at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to the VFW, American Heart Association or the Lung Association.

John G. Miklich

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 05 2004

ROUNDUP — John G. Miklich, 92, of Roundup, passed away on Monday, May 3, 2004, at the Roundup Memorial Nursing Home.

John was born to Anton and Rosella Erchul Miklich on April 27, 1912, in Hoffman Park Co., Mont.

He moved to Klein in 1913 and lived in Klein and Roundup his entire life. He attended school in Klein and was employed by Republic Coal Co. until the mine closed. He worked at the Roundup Coal Co. at No. 3 for a short time. John worked for "C" Brewer, Inc., and then for the Roundup school district until retirement.

He married Dorothy Ford on Dec. 11, 1941, in Roundup. They had three daughters, Romalie Calder of Tampa, Fla., Rosemary Neilsen of Great Falls, Antonette Miklich of Olympia, Wash.

John was a caring, loving husband, father and grandfather. He loved music, dancing, singing and whistling. He enjoyed wood-working and was skilled in household repair. He was a resource in home maintenance for the neighborhood. His knowledge of mining history in Musselshell County provided information for numerous documents on the history of

mining and the Klein area. His time spent in the Central School in Roundup gave him the opportunity to interact in the lives of children in Roundup.

John is survived by his wife, Dorothy; his three daughters and son-in-law Jim Nelisen. He is also survived by grandchildren Shelley (Chris) Neilsen of Minneapolis, Brian (Shannon) Neilsen of Missoula, John (Kimberly) Calder of Tampa, Dena (Steve) Lehr of Gainesville, Fla., Mark (Amanda) of Palm Desert, Calif.; and three great-grandchildren.

As the last member of his generation, he was supported by many nieces and nephews: Ed Hall, Marge Burghardt, Frances Ellen Hecker, David Rittierodt, John Rittierodt, Rosella Meredith, Bob Rittierodt, Nancy Eby, Bill Rye, John Rye and Jim Rye.

John was preceded in death by his parents, Anton and Rosella Miklich; six siblings, Rose Hall, Tony Miklich, Josephine Miklich, Edna Rittierodt, Frances Rye and Agnes Drake; two nieces, JoAnn Hess, Betty Jean Phippin; and nephew Bill Rittierodt.

Memorial service will be 2 p.m. Friday, May 7, at the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Roundup. Interment of ashes will follow at the Roundup City Cemetery. Memorial may be made to the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Roundup Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Fund or the Musselshell Valley Historical Museum. Wier Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Sidney Mikkelsen

LEWISTOWN — Sidney Mikkelsen, 90, formerly of Utica and Stanford, died Thursday, Dec. 16, 2004, at Valle Vista Manor in Lewistown.

Memorial service will be 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22, at Creel Funeral Home in Lewistown. Cremation has taken place. Inurnment will be in Lewistown City Cemetery.

DEC 18 2004
GAZETTE

Rebecca Miles

THE DALLAS GAZETTE

FEB 13 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Rebecca "Becky" Miles, 82, of Sheridan, died Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2004, at Sheridan Manor.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan.

MAY 14 2004**James Mill**

James Mill, 70, passed away May 11, 2004, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Jim was born Sept. 24, 1933, in Darlington, Wis.

Jim worked at Wyo-Ben for 23 years, the School District 2 about seven years and Wal-Mart for four years before retiring.

Jim graduated in 1952 in Darlington and also served in the United States Army in Washington. He married Mildred Lenhardt on May 26, 1956, and had 39 wonderful years.



**JAMES
MILL**

Jim was enrolled with the Billings Saddle Club, Billings Mounted Quadrille and the State and National Saddle Club Assn.

He enjoyed the horse clubs, traveling and his grandchildren.

He is survived by his son, Eddie Mill and his wife Susan of Billings; his grandchildren, Colton and Baily Jo Mill of California; his second wife, Liz of Coeur d'Alene; and two sisters, Carolyn Peterson and Jeanette Swartz and family of Darlington.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Larry and Alta Mill of Wisconsin; and his loving wife, Mildred Mill.

There will be a memorial service May 22, at the Pilgrim Congregational Church, 409 S. 36th, at 1:30 p.m. There will be a large luncheon at the Mouse Lodge, 215 Calhoun, after the service.

MAY 15 2004

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho — James Lawrence Mill, age 70, of Coeur d'Alene, died May 11, 2004, at his home.

He was born Sept. 24, 1933, in

Darlington, Wis., to Lawrence and Alta (Arnsmeir) Mill. He attended Darlington High School, served two years in the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged as a SP-4 in January of



**JAMES
MILL**

1957. While serving in the Army, James married Mildred Lenhart of Pasco, Wash. Shortly after his discharge, they moved to Billings. Millie passed away there in 1995. Jim worked for Wyo-Ben Cement Company for 22 years and also worked for the Billings School District and Wal-Mart. Jim was a member of the Pilgrim Congregational Church in Billings. He was past president of the Montana State Saddle Club, a member of the National Saddle Club Association and the Billings Saddle Club.

Jim moved to Coeur d'Alene in 1997 and married Elizabeth Dahms, who had been a friend for many years. He was a mem-

ber of the Kootenai County Emergency Auxiliary and he enjoyed traveling, history and learning anything and everything. Jim was a sponge for new knowledge. He especially enjoyed children and family gatherings. He also enjoyed playing cards with his wife and friends, Gordon and Jean. Jim touched the life of many people for which he is well remembered.

He is survived by his wife Elizabeth Ann Mill of Coeur d'Alene; a son, Edward James Mill of Billings; sisters, Caroline Peterson and Janet Schwartz of Darlington; grandchildren Colton Mill and Bailey Jo Mill of San Diego; stepchildren, Randy Lawrence, Gregory Lawrence, Kathy Olson, Robert Dahms and Diane McComb; 10 step-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be 1 p.m. Saturday, May 15, at the Yates Funeral Home, Coeur d'Alene Chapel. You may visit Jim's memorial and sign his online guest book at www.yates-funeralhomes.com.

William R. 'Dick' Millar

William R. "Dick" Millar, loving father and grandfather, served during the Vietnam War.

Dick passed away on Feb. 15, 2004, in Billings, due to a long battle with cancer. He will be missed by his family and friends.

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

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 18 2004

Bert J. Miller

SEP 3 2004

HARDIN — Bert J. Miller, 81, beloved father, husband and long-time Hardin area resident, passed away Wednesday Sept. 1, 2004, in the Big Horn County Memorial Nursing Home.

He was born March 13, 1923, in Hardin, a son of Charles and Jessie Porter Miller. He grew up and attended schools in Hardin, graduating from Hardin High School in 1941. Following his graduation, he entered the U.S. Army, served during WW II and received his honorable discharge.



**BERT
MILLER**

Bert married Ruth Grossman on Feb. 18, 1947, in Hardin, making their home in Hardin, before Mrs. Miller died in 1980. He married Jean Bond on Nov. 8, 1980 in Hardin, and the couple made their home in Hardin.

He operated the Conoco Bulk plant for the Campbell Farming Corporation for over 25 years, retiring in 1987. Bert enjoyed gardening, walking and watching television.

A sister, Josephine Taylor and two brothers, Art and Robert Ebeling preceded Bert in death.

Survivors include his wife Jean of Hardin; three daughters Carol and husband, Bill Garcia of Nevada, Diane and husband, Adrian Reichenberg of Lincoln Marsha and husband, Jim Ables of California; his son, Bert Miller, Jr. of Hardin; two step-sons, John (Janell) Bond of Billings, Steven (Carlah) Bond of Sheridan, Wyo.; a sister, Louise Boyington of Idaho; two half-sisters, Maddarine Bowers and Lee Joyce Denny of Hardin; 19 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday in the Bullis Funeral Chapel. Interment with military honors will follow in the Hardin Fairview Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary of Hardin has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Should friends desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Big Horn Hospital Foundation, Hardin, MT 59034.

Betty Miller

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Betty Miller, 77, of Gillette, died Tuesday, March 16, 2004, at her home.

Family will receive friends during the visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 17, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 23, at the Chillicothe Christian Church in Chillicothe, Ill. Another visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday, March 22, at the Weber-Hurd Funeral Home in Chillicothe.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 17 2004

Betty Miller

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Betty Miller, 67, died Friday, May 7, 2004.

Visitation will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 12, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 13, at Trinity Lutheran Church. Interment will be in the Sheridan Municipal Cemetery.

JUL 19 2004

BRIDGER — Bruce A. Miller, 74, died Friday, July 16, 2004, at Parkview Convalescent Care in Billings.

Graveside memorial services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 20, in the Bridger Cemetery. Smith-Olcott Funeral Chapel of Red Lodge was in charge of arrangements.

Colleen A. Miller

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 07 2004

OPHEIM — Colleen A. Miller, 69, died Thursday, Nov. 4, 2004, at Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital in Glasgow of natural causes.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Nov. 10 at Community of Christ Church in Glasgow. Interment will be at Highland Cemetery. Bell Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

David A. Miller

OCT 10 2004

THREE FORKS — David A. Miller, 70, of Three Forks, passed away in the Bozeman Deaconess Hospital on Saturday morning.

He was born in Willow Creek on Jan. 20, 1934, to Newell and Edna (Parker) Miller. David was raised in Willow Creek and Trident attending school in Trident and graduating from Willow Creek High School in 1952. David worked for the Northern Pacific Railroad then joining the military serving in the Marine Corps during the Korean conflict. After returning from duty, he worked at the Trident Store and was postmaster of Trident. He also worked for Ideal Cement Company. After retiring he went back to work for Gallatin County as budget officer then for the Three Forks schools as the business manager. He was also the accountant for the Three Forks Conoco gas station retiring several years ago.

His passion was for the history of the surrounding area. As an artist, he loved to paint. He has traveled to twenty seven states, Canada and Mexico. David also was an antique collector. He loved his family and enjoyed spending time with them all. He was a fund-raiser for the Headwaters Golf Course, the Headwaters Heritage Museum, and was instrumental in acquiring the grant for the Headwaters

State Park Improvement Project. He was always active in the county and his community when called upon to do so.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Norma L. (Williams) Miller, married in Willow Creek on June 27, 1952. To this union are three children, son Gregory Miller (Tam) of Billings; daughters, Betina Johnson (John) of Billings, and Judy Harris (Vern) of Three Forks; grandchildren Summer Miller, Kimberly Stevens (Cody), Erica Miller Christal Ewan (Jay Davis), Jill Johnson, Brian Harris and Kevin Harris; great-grandchildren Cassie, Levi, and Peytyn Ewan Jelyn Davis, and Maggie Stancil. Brother Guy Miller (Lois) of Belgrade also survives. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother Joe Miller.

Graveside funeral services will be held in the Fairview Cemetery in Three Forks at 1 p.m., on Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2004, with Reverend Linda Fritz officiating and also the Masonic Lodge #73 of Three Forks and military services conducted by Veterans of Foreign Wars #7621 and American Legion #93. Memorial contributions may be made to the Three Forks Historical Society or the

Northern Rockies Radiation
Oncology Center in Billings or to
one's own choice. K & L
Mortuary Chapel in Three Forks
is handling arrangements.

Elsie B. Miller

BILLINGS GAZETTE

SIDNEY —Elsie B. Miller, 85, of Sidney, died Monday, June 7, 2004, at her home, of cancer.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, June 14, at the First Lutheran Church in Savage. Cremation has taken place. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

JUN 09 2004

Elsie B. Miller

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 12 2004

SIDNEY — Memorial services for Elsie B. Miller, 85, Sidney, are 10 a.m. Monday, June 14, at the First Lutheran Church, Savage, with Pastor Betty Mawbey officiating. Cremation has taken place. Interment of remains will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery, under direction of the Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney.

Elsie was born April 9, 1919, in Carlyle, daughter of Hans and Bessie (Fessenden) Jakobson. She was raised on the farm and attended local schools. She moved to Fargo, N.D., in 1936, and worked for the Armour Meat Company until 1945, when she returned to Montana and settled in Sidney. There, she worked at the Co-Op Cafe.



**ELSIE
MILLER**

She met Warren Miller in 1946 and they were united in marriage on Oct. 31 of that year in Glendive. She worked for Gamble Robinson and Beatrice Foods as a book-keeper in Glendive for

many years and served as a bailiff for the District Court in Sidney. She also served on the election board along with her many duties

as wife and mother. She was a member of the Women of the Moose, Academy of Friendship Legion Fun Club, VFW Auxiliary Post 4039 and was a lifetime member of the Montana Senior Citizens. She volunteered to help Warren with the Meals on Wheels program in Sidney. She and her husband visited patients in Richland Homes, the VA Home in Glendive and VA Hospital in Miles City.

She loved to sew, cook, play cards and spend time at their Fort Peck cabin fishing and boating with her family.

As a family, we celebrate the life of Elsie Miller. We salute her with the greatest of love.

We thank the Hospice caregivers of Sidney who assisted her in her final months and showered her with kindness and affection.

Elsie B. Miller, loving wife, mother, sister and friend, lost her courageous fight with cancer on Monday, June 7, 2004, at her home.

Elsie is survived by her husband of 57 years, Warren; daugh-

ters, Sharon (Ken) Dwelle, Bismarck, N.D., and Jeaneane Miller, Sidney; sons, Jack (ReNae) Miller, Fort Worth, Texas, and James (Sandra) Miller, Sidney; brothers, Bert (Doramae) Jakobson, Incline Village, Nev., and Mark (Marguerite) Jakobson, Missoula; 11 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sons, Gerald and Dallas; brothers, James, Henry and Richard; sister Margaret.

Erwin Miller

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 21 2004

GLASGOW — Erwin "Bud" Miller, 86, died Thursday, May 20, 2004, at the Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital in Glasgow.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 25, at the First United Methodist Church in Glasgow. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery in Glasgow. Bell Mortuary of Glasgow is in charge.



FRANCES MILLER

Frances Elizabeth Miller (Englert)

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, Calif.
— Frances Elizabeth Miller (Englert), 84, of Westlake Village, died Thursday, Sept. 16, 2004, at her home with her family by her side.

Frances was born March 16, 1920, in Fromberg, Mont. She attended school in Montana. For 13 years, she worked as a nurse's aide in Lander, Wyo., at the State Training School. She was an inspiration to all who knew and worked with her.

For the past 25 years, Frances made her home in Westlake Village. Her home was always filled with much love, stories and family. Her favorite daily routine was watching the hummingbirds feed, sitting in her rocking chair to watch her favorite TV shows, cooking, receiving and writing greeting cards. Her cards always had the special heart-shaped smiley face at the end that said, "Keep smiling." Frances enjoyed caring

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

for her beautiful flowers and plants, playing Rummy and always keeping in touch with loved ones.

Frances is survived by her three children, David Ward (Barbara) of Wyoming, Charlene Paulbeck (Leo) of Montana, Lavonne Stayart (Ward) (Chuck) of California; and six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren whom she loved very much.

"To our loving mom, grandma and great-grandma: Her unconditional love touched each of our lives. She always had time for us as a friend, mom, grandma and great-grandma. We will miss her deeply, but will always remember the cherished memories forever in our hearts."

Services will be held in Rawlins City Cemetery, gravesite of Roger Ward, Saturday, Oct. 2, at 4 p.m., Rawlins, Wyo.

George Miller

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 23 2004

George Miller, 85, of Billings, passed away on Dec. 21, 2004, at home, after a short battle with pancreatic cancer, with his family by his side.

He was born in Ballantine, May 12, 1919, the only son of David and Katie Miller. He was a farmer west of Billings until 1955, when he moved into town to work for the City Sanitation Department, where he remained for 17 years. He then worked five years for Pierce Trailer Sales in the service department, retiring in 1977 on medical disability.

George married Dorothy McDowell Ashcraft on July 21, 1954. Together, they raised four children whom he loved dearly. He was the very proud grandpa to eight grandkids and great-grandpa to two great-granddaughters.

George is survived by his wife of 50 years, Dorothy; and children Jo Marie (Barry) Harrington of Portland, Ore., Sharon (Tim) Kite, Jay Miller and Leah Miller of Billings; grandchildren, Shane Strobbe, Brendan Harrington, Michelle (Rod) Dvorak, Becki (Josh) Dassinger, Jenna Seeman, Alicia, Amanda and David Walth; great-granddaughters Mariah



**GEORGE
MILLER**

and Brianna Dassinger; six sisters, Alvina Oblander, Frieda Rollins, Clara Kern, Helen (Harry) Deines, Marion (Everett) Peterson and Esther (Victor) Frank; two sisters-in-law and their families, Jo M. Mills and Marilyn McDowell; and a large extended family. He is also survived by his best friend and furball, "Furlow," his dog.

He was preceded in death by his parents, David and Katie; sister Martha Frank; and granddaughter Melinda Strobbe.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held at Smith's West Chapel on Tuesday, Dec. 28, at 3 p.m. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 23.

Special thanks go to Big Sky Hospice for the care given to George and to Sandra Cruickshank for the loving medical care she gave to George over the past several years.

Grandpa — you were the best grandpa in the whole world. We will miss you so much. Love you.

Helen A. Miller

THE BOULDER GAZETTE

APR 09 2004

GLENDIVE — Helen A. Diefel Miller, 67, of Glendive, died Wednesday, April 7, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care Facility.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 10, at the Chapel of Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Interment will be in the Riverview Cemetery in Circle at a later date.

Ingeborg Marie Miller

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 6 - 2004

Ingeborg Marie Miller passed away following an extended illness in Billings on July 4, 2004, to be with her Lord and Savior.



**INGA
MILLER**

Inga was born Nov. 29, 1919, on the family homestead north of Rudyard, the daughter of Norwegian immigrants Hans and Margit (Norbö) Tollefson. She attended school in Rudyard, graduated from Northern Montana College with a lifetime teaching certificate, and later taught at the Free Soil School north of Gildford. She married Henry "Hank" Miller on Sept. 17, 1943, raising their children, Ardyce, Merlyn and Rodney, on their farm north of Gildford and in Havre. After Hank's death in June 1995, Inga moved to Billings, where she lived until her death.

A devout Christian, Inga was active at Saint Paul's Lutheran church at Havre, teaching Sunday School and making church banners. Inga was an excellent seamstress, sewing fine garments for her grandchildren and continuing to make many of her own clothes until rheumatoid arthritis disabled her hands. Inga's children

also remember her skillful cooking at home and for harvest crews on the farm. Inga's fondest memories were of teaching and the children she had the honor of instructing.

Inga was preceded in death by her husband; brother Alfred Tollefson and sister Valborg Zentzis. She is survived by brother Harold Tollefson; and sister, Signe Johnson; her daughter, Ardyce Endresen of Billings, Ardyce's daughters, Carlene Endresen and Arica Endresen Smoot (Jeff) of Portland, Ore.; son, Merlyn Miller (Marilynn) of Billings, their children Shelby Miller Haugan (Scott) of Salt Lake City and Nicholas Miller of Cambridge, Mass.; son, Rodney "Luke" Miller (Joanie) of Clyde Park, their children, Kendahl Miller and Bryan Hunt (Holly) of Bozeman, their children (Inga's great-grandchildren), Sunshine and Wyatt.

A devotional service will be held in Billings on Wednesday, July 7, at 7 p.m. at Michelotti - Sawyers Mortuary & Crematory, 1001 Alderson. A funeral service will be held in Havre on Saturday, July 10, at 2 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

If desired, memorials may be sent for the purchase of Sunday School materials at either Trinity Lutheran Church, 537 Grand Ave., Billings, MT 59101, or St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1100 11th Ave., Havre, MT 59501, or charity of choice.

Jaycee Boyd Miller (Welk)

BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 09 2004

RAPID CITY, S.D. — Jaycee left us on Nov. 2, 2004. He was born on May 30, 1977, to Debbie Miller and Jeff Welk (Mainard). He moved to Rapid City in 1990. There, he found two loves:



**JAYCEE
MILLER**

one for cliff diving and the other for his wife, Katie. They married on Sept. 15, 2000, and started a wonderful family with Dhani, and soon to follow Nova Star on Feb. 28, 2001.

Survivors include wife Katie Miller; stepson Dhani; daughter Nova Star; mother Debbie Lilly (husband Mark); dad Mainard "Jeff" Welk (wife Billee); and six brothers and sisters, Suzy Welk, Savannah Brennan, Taran Lilly, Zane Lilly, Steena Marie Welk, Samantha Welk; and grandmothers Gert Welk, Crystal Miller and Ruth Hunt and grandfather Dale Miller, all of Billings; and great-grandmother Maxine Butterbaugh of Wellman, Iowa.

He is preceded in death by Marjorie Miller, Havey Higby, John Welk, Stan Jeffords, Dennise Welk, Sherman Butterbaugh.

Services will be on Wednesday, Nov. 10, at the Campbell, Paula & Quinn Funeral Chapel in Rapid City at 1:30 p.m., with Rev. Wesley Smith of Fountain Springs Wesleyan Church officiating.

Jeffrey William Miller

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 3 2004

On Feb. 26, 2004, in Billings, in the company of his son, Matt, good friends Kenny and Lila, Jeff left us to join his friends who preceded him on the eternal ride.

Born May 21, 1955, to Dayton S. and Lois (Sparks) Miller, Jeff was raised and educated in Dubuque, Iowa.



JEFF MILLER

After graduation, Jeff decided to go west. Although not his anticipated destination, while traveling into Billings in 1975, Jeff fell in love with the country and stayed to make this his home.

In 1977, Jeff began employment with Mountain Motors Supply and became an accomplished paint mixologist. When the company split in 1996, he relocated with the original owner to establish Mountain PBE, Inc., where he worked until he became ill.

Jeff loved riding his 1983 Sportster, rock hunting, fishing and hunting, and watching Cartoon Network. He placed great emphasis on the value of family and friends. He lived the way of one of his favorite quotes, "What we do in life, echoes in eternity."

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Jeff is survived by his son, Matthew J. Miller of Billings; parents Dayton and Lois; sisters Polty and Debbie; brother Kent (Cindy) Miller; brother Arden (Diane) Miller, all of Iowa; along with many special relations. He was preceded in death by his sister Connie and his grandparents.

A celebration of Jeff's life will be held 4 p.m. Friday, March 5, at Dahl Funeral Chapel. A potluck luncheon will be held following the service at the Eagles Lodge in Billings Heights.

Johan F. Miller

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 20 2004

GREAT FALLS — Johan F. Miller, 70, of Great Falls, formerly of Fairview, died Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2004, at the Methodist Hospital, Rochester, Minn., as a result of cardiac arrest following a kidney transplant.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, at the Sidney Cemetery. Meet at the Fulkerson Funeral Home Memorial Chapel in Sidney before going to the Cemetery. There will be visitation from 9 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, at the Fulkerson Memorial Chapel.

FEB 26 2004

**G R E A T
F A L L S** — Johan F. Miller, a Vice President and Financial Consultant with D.A. Davidson & Co., passed away as a result of cardiac arrest following kidney transplant surgery on Feb.



**JOHAN
MILLER**

17, 2004, in Rochester, Minn., at Methodist Hospital.

Survivors include his wife of 38 years, Jeanne Miller; his sister, Martha Kay Frost of Riverton, Wyo.; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Johan was born on Dec. 7, 1933, in Fairview, to John and Marie Miller. Johan attended Fairview High School and University of Montana. He graduated from the University of Montana in 1956 with a BS in Business Administration. He married Jeanne Merica of Great Falls in 1966 in Great Falls.

After spending a short time with Great Falls National Bank, Johan joined D.A. Davidson, becoming the third Financial Consultant in the Great Falls office. Initially Johan served as the Secretary Treasurer before becoming a Financial Consultant. Johan spent more than 47 years

as a Financial Consultant, serving his clients with the highest level of integrity.

Johan was well known in the Montana fly fishing community, spending much of his free time fishing the streams and rivers of Montana. One of his favorite pastimes was exchanging stories with his friends at Wolverton's Fly Shop on Saturday mornings. His love of fishing took him to Argentina, Chile, Mexico and New Zealand.

Johan was a former member of the City Park Board and a current member of the Community Beautification Association and particularly enjoyed working on the beautification efforts in Warden Park.

Preferring to let others assume the spotlight, Johan was an incredibly generous and mostly anonymous supporter of numerous charitable organizations.

It was Johan's desire for a private family service, which was held in Sidney on Feb. 24. There will be a memorial service held on March 5, at 2 p.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1324 First Avenue N.

Memorials are suggested to either the Rescue Mission, PO Box 127, Great Falls, MT 59403 or the Salvation Army, 1000 17th Ave. S., Great Falls, MT 59405.

Larry Miller

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 24 2004

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Larry Miller, 52, of Gillette, formerly of Corvallis and Hamilton, Mont., died July 22, 2004, at the Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette, from complications of cancer.

Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m. Monday, July 26, at the Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home Chapel in Gillette. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 27, at the New Life Wesleyan Church in Gillette. Interment will follow at the Rozet Cemetery in Rozet.

Louisa Miller

THE PHILLIPS COUNTY GAZETTE

JAN 01 2004

HARLEM/MALTA — Louisa Miller, 96, died Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2003, at the Phillips County Good Samaritan Center of natural causes.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Little Gym at Harlem High School. Interment will be in the Harlem Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home & Crematory of Malta is in charge.

Margie Miller

SEP 23 2004
WYOMING GAZETTE

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Margie Miller, 73, of Sheridan, died Monday, Sept. 20, 2004, at her home.

Memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24, at the Family Life Center. Interment of remains will be in the Sheridan Elks Cemetery. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

Marian Miller

FLAXVILLE — Marian Miller, 72, died Monday, Jan. 19, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic after a long illness.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Zion Lutheran Church with burial in the Flaxville Cemetery. Waller Funeral Home in Scobey is in charge.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 22 2004

Mary Miller

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WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS
— Mary Evalyn Miller, 85, of White Sulphur Springs, died Saturday, Oct. 9, 2004, at Mountainview Medical Center.

Memorial services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 13, at St. Bartholomew Catholic Church. Interment will follow in Mayn Cemetery. Twichel Funeral Home is in charge.

MAD 20 2004

FAIRVIEW — Funeral services for Melvin "Pel Mel" Miller, 56, of Fairview, will be 2 p.m. Monday, March 22, at the Zion Lutheran Church, with Pastor Wayne Garman officiating. Interment with military honors provided by the VFW Post #4099 of Sidney and the American Legion Post #114 of Fairview will be in the Fairview Cemetery.

**MELVIN MILLER**

Fairview, N.D., under the direction of Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney.

Melvin Jesse Miller was born in Sidney, Oct. 26, 1947, to William and Sarah (Vanderhoof) Miller. Mel and his brother Rollie went to live with Bud and Hennie Starr in 1958. They became their foster parents and Bud was their boxing coach. Mel won the National Golden Glove Championship in 1964. In 1965, Mel "Pel Mel" and his brother Rollie "Boom Boom" were the first brothers to win the National Golden Glove championships in the same year. Also in 1964, Mel went to New York to box in the Olympic trials and became an Olympic alternate.

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Mel was united in marriage to Janet Johnson on April 5, 1975. They had two daughters, Marilyn and Marsha. Mel was a kind and loving father who instilled the importance of respect, compassion, common sense and, let's not forget, the importance of a garden with straight rows.

Mel worked in the oilfield/construction field for 25 years in various states. Mel enjoyed his family, grandchildren, fishing and Fairview Festival. Mel was a kind and generous person who gave to others unselfishly. Because of these traits, many of the people Mel met in his boxing career became lifelong friends.

Melvin Jesse Miller passed away at his home on Wednesday, March 17, 2004, following a long battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease), with quiet strength and dignity.

Mel is survived by his loving wife Janet, and two daughters, four grandchildren: Marilyn and grandson Chase, Fairview, Marsha and two granddaughters, Vanessa and Alex, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, grandson Dak, Fairview.

Roxanne 'Roxy' Miller

MAY 09 2004

ANACORTES, Wash. — Roxanne "Roxy" Miller, 70, went home to be with our Lord, May 4, 2004, after a

courageous battle with cancer, while surrounded by her family, at home. Roxy was born Oct. 24, 1933, in Billings to Dr. Bryce and Dr. Helen Steeves. After the passing of her mother in 1940, she was raised by her maternal grandparents.



ROXANNE MILLER

In August 1957, she married Frank Oglesbee and they made a home with their three children in Anacortes, Wash., in August 1964. Roxy was involved in many community activities. She taught the children of Anacortes in the 1960s and 70s swim lessons through the Red Cross program at Cranberry Lake. A Girl Scout leader also, she worked with girls teaching songs, crafts, and puppet making. You could find her on the bleachers at A.H.S. sporting events for the past 40 years, cheering on her kids and grandkids and loving every minute of it.

Leaving Anacortes in 1977, she traveled around the country and

world working for major oil companies. Roxy saw most of Europe from a motorcycle during her three years in Norway. She then moved to Abu Dhabi and Bahrain for five years and brought home treasures and stories from the Middle East. Returning to Anacortes in 1986 to be near her family, she became a Real Estate Agent and welcomed many newcomers to the area with her incredible smile and positive outlook on life.

Her grandchildren meant the world to her. She was an inspiration to them and their friends spending hours together, solving world problems or catching up on the latest fashion trends. There will never be another Granny quite like her. Her journey in life touched many lives with her beautiful smile and great stories about her adventures and her family. Roxy would say that she had more joy in her life than sorrow. She lived life to the fullest.

Roxy was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her two sons and daughter-in-law, Rick Oglesbee of Mt Vernon, Wash., Scott and Angele

Oglesbee of Anacortes, one daughter and son-in-law, Kelly and Steven Carr of Anacortes; her grandchildren, Leah, Bethany, and Emily Jermyn, Justin, Jordan, and Lexi Carr, Hannah, Bo, and Estee Oglesbee; her sister and brother-in-law, Sandra and George Beck and two nephews, John and Tom, and niece, Mary. Roxy is also survived by her son-in-law Jim Jermyn and many wonderful friends.

A memorial service will be held, at 1 p.m., Saturday, May 15, 2004, at the Anacortes First Baptist Church, with a "celebration of life" party immediately following at Seafarer's Memorial Park in Anacortes. Memorial contributions may be made to Anacortes Oncology Clinic, 2511 M Ave, Suite G, Anacortes, WA 98221 or Skagit Hospice Foundation, 2031 A Hospital Drive, Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284, or the American Cancer Society, Anacortes Relay for Life, 1004 Commercial Ave., PMB 261, Anacortes, WA 98221.

Arrangements are in the care of Evans Funeral Chapel in Anacortes.

Virginia 'Ginnie' Calhoun Miller

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Always our little lady... In life you were always the lady, so beautiful, prim and proper. You loved each and everyone you touched with the same love and grace you lived by. We will forever love and miss your love and your beautiful face. The strength you gave on earth will forever be the bond that holds us tight — you may have gone home to be with our Lord, but you will always be in our hearts.



**GINNIE
MILLER**

Our beautiful little lady was proceeded in death by Alex and Millie Miller, Virgil and Lavon Calhoun, Robert Miller; her sons, Ronnie and Volney Shouse.

She leaves on earth to carry on her love and strength, her forever loving husband, Ronald Miller; her daughters, Tina Davis and Michelle Miller; and sons, Robert Shouse, Richard Miller, and John Miller; her sister, Janie Calhoun; and brothers, Rex and Jerry Calhoun. Ginnie is also survived by her many loving grandchil-

dren, great-grandchildren and the many, many other family members and friends, each as important in her life.

Cremation has taken place and by Ginnie's request no services are planned. Arrangements are by Cremation or Funeral Gallery

Roy Million

Roy Million died on Monday, March 29, 2004, at his home in Roberts. He was born in South Dakota, the son of Adolph and Minna (Rogat) Million, in 1917. The family moved to Iowa and later to Royal, Neb., where Roy attended school.

He moved to Montana in 1940 to ranch on Clear Creek with his brother Walter. Roy served in the U.S. Army Air Force in the South Pacific, stationed on the Island of Tinian, and was a mechanic on the Enola Gay. Roy sent home much of his service pay to help establish the ranch on Clear Creek. Returning home, Roy ranched with his brother, where he resided until his death. Roy was an avid fisherman and bowler. He was proud of bowling a perfect 300 game in league play in Red Lodge.

Roy is survived by nephews, Wayne Mattison of Clay Center, Neb., Vernon Rang of Orchard, Neb.; nieces: Marie Carter of McCormick, S.C., Lavon Bierman of Wayne, Neb., Elaine Chergey of Thousand Oaks, Calif., and Sharon Hockett of Bozeman; as well as numerous grand- and great-grand-nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brothers,



**ROY
MILLION**

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William, Walte, and Fred; his sisters, Adele, Leona and Alice.

Memorial services for Roy will be 11 a.m. Saturday, April 3, at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Red Lodge, with a luncheon to follow. Interment of cremains will be in the Roberts Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Roberts Community Foundation, Box 284, Roberts, MT 59070.

FEB 22 2004

MANHATTAN — Willis Milliron, 67, passed away in Maui, Hawaii, Feb. 4, 2004.

Willie was born May 25, 1936, in Glendive, to Roy and Olive (Amunrud) Milliron. He grew up on the family ranch northeast of Glendive. He graduated from Dawson County High School and went fall quarter to Montana State College and played football for the Bobcats. His father passed away and he returned to Glendive to take over the ranch.

In 1960, he married Judy Howard of Wibaux and they had three daughters, Cheryl, Kelly and Jodi. They were later divorced.

Willie was an avid Bobcat Booster. He was a charter member of the Steer-A Year Club. He was active in the club and later traveled the state promoting the Steer-A-Year. He served on the MSU Statewide Council.

He was on the first Range Resource Committee in the state that started in 1971. He was a lifetime member of the Society of Range Management. He was also a member of the Elk's Club and Masonic Shriners. He served on the board of the Montana Stockgrowers for five years. Willie truly enjoyed people and he knew someone everywhere he went.

In 1986, he married Dorothy Deneck of Manhattan, and worked part-time for ConAgra and 4x4 Stage. He was preceded in death

by his parents and sister, Bett Whitmore.

Survivors include his wife Dorothy; daughters, Cheryl (John Snider), Kelly Milliron, and Jod Milliron; two nieces and one nephew.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday Feb. 25, at Dokken-Nelson Sunset Chapel in Bozeman. Memorials, if desired, may be made to MSU-ASA, PO Box 173270, Bozeman, MT, 59771, or to a charity of choice. There will also be a gathering at the Elk's Club in Glendive at noon on Saturday, Feb. 28.

Louella Cash Mills

THE PORTLAND JAZZETTE

JAN 30 2004

PORTLAND, Ore. — Louella passed away Jan. 23, 2004, in Portland, and was buried at Willamette National Cemetery, Portland.

She was born in Molt, Mont., Sept. 30, 1917. Louella was a housewife, mother and a devoted worker for TOPS, Inc. She married Jerry Mills in 1947.

She is survived by her husband; one daughter, Gay Lynn; one granddaughter, Cheryl; and two great-granddaughters, Patience and Destiny. She is also survived by her brother, Joe Cash and wife Darlene of Molt, and numerous nieces and nephews.

No funeral will be held. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Memorials to the Portland Adventist Health/Hospice or your favorite charity.

Mary K Milonas

HARDIN — Mary K Milonas, 89, of Hardin, formerly of Great Falls, died Feb. 23, 2004.

Memorial funeral services will be held 4 p.m. Friday, March 12, in the Hardin First Congregational Church. Bullis Mortuary is in charge of local arrangements.

THE BILLINGS GAZET

MAR 10 2004

April Milroy

April Milroy, 56, of Billings, formerly of Jordan, died Thursday, April 1, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic, of cancer.

Visitation will be on Monday, April 5, at the Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Jordan. A vigil service will be at 6 p.m. Monday, April 5, at the St. John's Catholic Church in Jordan. A funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 6, at the VFW Hall in Jordan. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Pioneer Cemetery.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 03 2004



Drusilla 'Dessie' Mitchell

GLENDIVE — Drusilla "Dessie" Mitchell, 86, died Thursday, Sept. 2, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center after a short illness.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Zion Lutheran Church with burial in Dawson Memorial Cemetery. Bell Mortuary in Glasgow is in charge.

Gustaf 'Gust' Mittelstedt

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUL 11 2004

BISMARCK, N.D. — Funeral services for Gustaf Mittelstedt, 93, of Dunn Center will be 2 p.m., on Monday, July 12, 2004, at Normanna Lutheran Church in Dunn Center, with Pastor Aanen Gjovik celebrating. Interment will follow in the Dunn Center Cemetery.

Visitation is today from 1 to 8 p.m. at Stevenson-Mischel-Olson Chapel, Killdeer and Monday from 8 to 11 a.m., at Stevenson-Mischel-Olson Chapel, Killdeer continuing at Normanna Lutheran Church in Dunn Center.

Gustaf passed away Thursday, July 8, 2004, at St. Benedict's Health Center.



**GUSTAF
MITTELSTEDT**

Gust was born April 21, 1911, to John and Matilda (Haerter) Mittelstedt on the family farmstead north of Dunn Center. He grew up and attended schools in the Connolly School District #3, School House #1 for eight years, then he began helping on the family farm. Gust married Ella Mjølhus Fandrick on May 20, 1962. In 1965, Gust moved into Dunn Center and in 1966 he began the Corner Shop. He

became involved in the city government of which he served as mayor or councilman until 2004. Gust enjoyed traveling throughout the western United States and Canada. He never did retire. Being involved in the Dunn County Historical Society and Museum was something that Gust really enjoyed. Gust cared greatly for the well being of Dunn Center. He loved and enjoyed his family, especially his sister, Ella.

Gust is survived by one sister, Ella Guenther, of Dunn Center; one sister-in-law, Emma Weisenberger, of Dickinson; and numerous nieces, nephew and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Ella; brother, Herbert Mittelstedt; sisters, Agatha Weigum, Emma Schroeder and Frieda Buehner.

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

Ruth Mittlieder

FALLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 09 2004

GLENDIVE — Ruth Violet Mittlieder, 91, died Saturday, Nov. 6, 2004, at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, in the chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Glendive. Interment will be in the Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive.

Agnes 'Ag' Helen Marshall Fawcett Mizer

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
FEB 06 2004

COLUMBUS
— Agnes "Ag"
Helen Marshall
Fawcett Mizer,
92, of Columbus,
passed away
peacefully on
Wednesday, Feb.
4, 2004, at
Stillwater Com-
munity Hospi-
tal.



AG MIZER

Ag was the daughter of William "Scotty" Marshall and Margaret Muir Marshall. She was born Oct. 19, 1911, in Pocatello, Idaho. As a blacksmith, her father moved the family to Absarokee, then to Red Lodge in 1915, where Ag lived until her marriage to E. G. "Spec" Fawcett in 1930. In 1951, she married Jack Mizer. In 2001, Ag and her husband left their home of 50 years in Bellevue, Wash., to reside at Meadowlark Assisted Living in Columbus, to be near her son Jack Fawcett and family. Her husband passed away in 2002. Ag continued to reside at Meadowlark until her death.

Ag is survived by her son, Jack (Clarice) Fawcett of Billings and her son, Bill (Lynn) Fawcett of Hawaii; six grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren; a sister, Afton "Babe" Favero Johnson and a brother, Gordon "Dody"

Marshall, both of Red Lodge; and many nieces and nephews.

Ag was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Jack Mizer; brothers, Jack, Bill and Bob Marshall; and a sister, Jean Segota.

Ag lived her life with enthusiasm and lots of laughter. She loved all things beautiful, especially her flower gardens, magnificent roses and the great out of doors (even with the scent of the skunk, knowing she was in Montana.) She enjoyed her time traveling, camping at their "mountain retreat" in Goldbar, Wash., and enjoying the people in her life. Ag cherished her family and friends, appreciated good times spent with loved ones and remembered everyone. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. She thrived in the loving environment Meadowlark provided and has left many friends there.

Honoring Ag's request, cremation has taken place. A private memorial service will be held in the spring at Red Lodge Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Special K Ranch or Meadowlark Assisted Living Facility in Columbus.

Smith Funeral Chapel-Columbus was in charge of arrangements.

Effie M. Moats

THE BUTTE HERALD GAZETTE

Effie M. Moats, 98, of Billings, passed away Sunday, Feb. 15, 2004, at Eagle Cliff Manor.

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Effie was born Jan. 11, 1906, at Lucerne, Mo., and she moved to Montana in 1917.



In October 1924, she married Melville E. Moats, who preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by her

**EFFIE
MOATS**

daughter, a granddaughter, four brothers and two sisters.

She is survived by her son, Mel Jr. (Vivian); her sister "Helen"; eight grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

"We want to thank all the staff and personnel at Eagle Cliff for their loving care of Effie the past eight years."

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery, with interment following at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Dana Ann Mobley

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Dana Ann Mobley, age 44, died peacefully in her sleep on Friday, Feb. 27, 2004. Dana was born on Christmas Day 1959 in Basin, Wyo., the daughter of Betty and Larry Mobley. She was her grandfather Curry's birthday present. She was raised in Manderson, Wyo., on her paternal grandparents' ranch until the age of five, when she moved to Billings with her parents and younger brother, Gordon.



**DANA
MOBLEY**

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Dana graduated from Billings West High School in May 1979. She moved to Seattle in 1980 and worked as a security guard and then supervisor for Northwest Protective Services for several years. She moved back and forth between Billings and Seattle for many years.

Dana returned permanently to Billings in 1985. She managed a bar in Billings and then she worked in various capacities in the industrial sector. She also ran her father's motel in Basin, Wyo. after his death in 1995. Dana loved the outdoors and spent much time hiking, camping, repelling and rafting. She

oved being in the mountains, especially the Big Horns and around Shell Falls. She had such a zest for life and lived life to the fullest. She felt freest riding her motorcycle, feeling the wind flying past her.

Dana is survived by her parents, Betty and Jerry Bowman; her special friends, Connie Reynolds, Zachary and Joshua Frantz and Danielle Hawkins; her step-brothers, Mike and David and their families; her sister and brothers of the heart, Cami and Joe Buckman, Billy Berko, Kurt Nelson and Tracy Allen; her faithful companions, Rhiannon, Banchee, Smokey, Bandy and Misty, and many, many friends. She has been reunited with her brother, Gordon Mobley; her father, Larry Mobley; her grandparents, LaVerne and Clarence Mobley and Wilma and Charles Curry; and many loving and faithful companions, particularly Zena, Bogie and Smokey Joe.

Dana touched the hearts of many people in her short life. She was a loving and generous person, always there to help others. She will be sorely missed.

The Raven has flown home to God.

DANA MOBLEY

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In lieu of flowers, Dana requests that contributions be given to the Animal Welfare League, the Billings Animal Shelter or wherever you think she would appreciate.

Memorial services will be 2:30 Tuesday, March 2, at Smith's Downtown Chapel. Interment of ashes will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens. A gathering will be downstairs at Sunset Bowl. Please use the back entrance.

Irene M. Mock

Irene M. Mock (Wold) passed away Nov. 22, 2004, at Deaconess Hospital in Billings, following a six-year battle with multiple myeloma.

Irene was born the first of five children on Sept. 23, 1943, in Butte, to Bea (Craddock) and George Wold. She spent her youth in Butte, attending Ramsey Grade School and graduating from Butte High in 1961. In 1962, she married Paul Mock, and a year later they began a family when their son Gregory Paul was born. In 1967, they moved to Colorado. Their second son, Steven George, was born two years later, and Irene stayed home raising her sons.

They spent 16 years in Spearfish, S.D., where Irene worked as a medical receptionist. For all the years spent out of state, Irene's heart was always in Butte, and she dreamed of moving back to Montana. Her dream was realized in 1995, when they moved to Billings. There she continued to work as a receptionist in a podiatry clinic.

She loved to cook for her family, especially during the holidays. She took great pleasure in providing saffron, poppy seed and raisin



**IRENE
MOCK**

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bread for her family and friends.

The joy of her heart was her seven grandchildren. She enjoyed attending their events, spending time with them and giving them meaningful gifts that they could always treasure.

Irene loved the Lord and was a true servant. Her courage in the face of these past six years is a testament to her faith. Irene never complained and her every thought was for others.

Irene is survived by her husband of 42 years, Paul; and her father, George Wold of Butte. She is also survived by her sons Greg (Ellen) of Billings and Steven (Chris) of St. Paul, Minn.; grandchildren, Ryan, Alyssa, Cassie, Janae and Andrew, Xander, Grace and soon-to-be-born Celia. Siblings include Carol, Terry (Shelley) and Gary of Butte and Gayle (Mike) of Helena, as well as numerous other relatives. Irene was preceded in death by her mother.

Funeral services will be held at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 27. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the DBC Foundation and directed to the Cancer Center.

Charles C. Modesett

CODY, Wyo. — Charles C. Modesett, 80, passed away Friday, Jan. 16, 2004, in Shreveport, La., while on vacation.

Visitation is from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday with services at 10:30 a.m. Friday, all at Ballard Funeral Home. Interment is in Riverside Cemetery.

THE BULLDOG GAZETTE

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Otto Moe

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SPOKANE, Wash. — Otto Ingvald Moe, 86, of Spokane, formerly of Hay Draw, N.D., died Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2004, in Spokane.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 22, at the Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Sidney, Mont. Interment will be in the Poker Jim Cemetery, Hay Draw. Fulkerson Funeral Home of Sidney is in charge.

PEDER MOE, JR.

Peder Moe, Jr., was born Nov. 7, 1929, in Poplar, the son of Peder and Stella Moe.

Mr. Moe was raised in Poplar on the Fort Peck Indian Reservation. He received degrees in Business Administration and

Liberal Arts from the University of Montana in 1951 and 1953. He graduated from the Law School of the University of Montana in 1955 and was admitted to practice law in Montana that same year.

Mr. Moe maintained a general practice of law in Billings from 1955 until 1994. He was a member of the Yellowstone County Bar Association, the State Bar of Montana and the American Bar Association and a past president of the Yellowstone Country Club in Billings.

He served as an Honorary Consul for Norway from 1966 to 1983 and was named a Knight of the Royal Order of St. Olav by the King of Norway in 1979.

He married Isabel W. Poling in Billings in 1956 and is survived by his widow; three children and one grandchild, daughter Karlen (Michael) Reed and grandson Benjamin Walker Reed of Boston,



**PEDER
MOE**

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son Nelson (Marcianne) Moe of Alexandria, Va., and daughter Ardis Ann Moe, MD, of Los Angeles; brother Skulason Moe of Whitefish; sister Karen Moe of Bozeman; and many well loved nieces and nephews.

Mr. Moe passed away Monday, Nov. 1, 2004, at his home.

Memorial services will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at the First Presbyterian Church.

Donations can be made in Mr. Moe's memory to Yellowstone Boys and Girls Club, the YMCA of Billings and the Billings Symphony.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary has charge of arrangements.

Peder Moe Jr.

BILLINGS GAZETTE

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The Yellowstone Area Bar Association and the Billings Barristers have arranged for a courtroom memorial for one of their members, the late Peder Moe Jr., who died recently. It will be 2 p.m. Wednesday in Judge Baugh's courtroom in the Yellowstone County Courthouse, Room 608. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend.

Ruth Moeller

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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BELLE FOURCHE, S.D. —
Ruth Moeller, 93, died Saturday evening, Aug. 28, 2004 at the Belle Fourche Long Term Care Center.

Funeral Services are pending with the Funeral Home of the Northern Hills.

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Isabelle V. Moen, 96, passed away June 27, 2004. She was born July 25, 1907, in Osnabrock, N.D., the 13th child in a family of 14.

Isabelle graduated from business school in Grand Forks and worked at the J.C. Penney store there for 17 years.



**ISABELLE
MOEN**

She married a retired Navy veteran, Julius Moen, the love of her life, in 1945 and they made their home in Billings, Mont. Julius died in 1974 and Isabelle continued to live in their home until she was 96. Isabelle was also preceded in death by a great-grandson, R.J. Keller.

She is survived by one daughter, Marlys Karen Craft and her husband, Gilbert, of Ballantine; grandsons Richard Keller and Robert Keller and his wife Gloria; and a great-grandson Tyler, all of Billings; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Faith in her Lord was her strength. She was a faithful member of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Billings and a talented piano player and folk dancer (once dancing for the Prince of Norway.)

Isabelle kept her youthful spirit by doing telephone surveys, the

city directory and volunteering for Kiwanis and Optimist clubs Deaconess Hospital, Chamber of Commerce and St. John's Lutheran Home. She kept her mind sharp by playing bingo, bridge, pinochle and rummy and loved going on trips.

Her family and friends loved this spunky lady dearly, and they treasure the memories her life has given them. Hats off to one great lady.

Isabelle has been cremated and interment of her urn will be at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, July 7, at Sunset Memorial Gardens. A memorial service will be held at 5 p.m. on Wednesday at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 1108 24th St. W. Memorials are suggested to St. John's Lutheran Home, the Ballantine United Church of Christ or the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Billings. Smith Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.



Dahl Family

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MORTON — Barbara, 74,
of Bozeman, formerly of
Bozeman, (mother to
John (Jeannette) Parkinson.)
Cremation has taken place. A
private family service will be
held (11/15)

MOMMSEN — Tanner,
22, of Bozeman, formerly of
Minnesota. Services pending
in Minnesota and Bozeman.
(11/15)

Monaco**MAR 02 2004**

FORSYTH — Eda Marie Obert Monaco, age 86, of Forsyth, passed away on Friday, Feb. 27, 2004, at the Forsyth Nursing Home, from complications of pneumonia.

Eda was born on Feb. 20, 1918, in Red Lodge, the daughter of Joseph and Lodovicka Obert. She graduated from high school in Red Lodge in 1936 and then attended Billings Business College. She was secretary to the Commissioner of Agriculture in Helena from 1940 to 1945, secretary for Bureau of Indian Affairs, Switchboard Operator at St. Vincent's Hospital from 1956 to 1959, Colborns School Supply from 1964, retiring from Colborns in 1978. Eda married Modestino Burdest Monaco on Aug. 24, 1946, in Red Lodge.

Eda was known for her warm, engaging, welcoming way and ready smile. She touched all whom she met with her kind and gentle spirit.

Eda was a member of St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral, volunteered many hours for her faith, community, St. Vincent de Paul and St. Vincent Hospital and many other organizations.

Eda was preceded in death by her husband, Modestino Burdest Monaco, April 28, 1995; her parents; her sisters, Mini, Francis, Barbara, Letitia; and a brother, James. She is survived by her chil-

dren, Dana (Linda) Monaco of Surprise, Ariz., Paula Seliski of Forsyth, Dick (Denise) Monaco of Tolleson, Ariz.; a sister-in-law,



**EDA
MONACO**

Isabell Monaco of Joliet; and her grandchildren, Matt and Demarie Monaco of Arizona, Dawn Rice Mowell St. John of Maryland, Kathy Stephens of South Dakota, Karen Atkinson of Arizona; and her great-grandchildren, Annika Stephens, Cameron Rice, Clifton Mowell, Cortney and Cori St. John; and many nieces and nephews.

A vigil service will be held on Tuesday, March 2, at 8 p.m., at Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, March 3, at 11 a.m., at the Immaculate Conception Church in Forsyth, with Father Jerry Connolly officiating. Interment will be held on Thursday, March 4, at 11 a.m. at the Holy Cross Cemetery in Billings. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.stevensonandsons.com.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Northern Rockies Cancer Center, 1041 N. 29th Street, Billings, MT 59101 or to the charity of one's choice.

Frank Monaghan

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MILES CITY — Frank Monaghan, 51, of Miles City, died Monday, Aug. 9, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Care Center in Miles City.

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At his request, cremation has taken place and no services are planned. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

Lawrence 'Cub' Monahan

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Lawrence "Cub" Monahan, 82, of Billings, passed away Sunday, Feb. 29, 2004, at St. John's Lutheran Home. He was born in Roberts on June 3, 1921, the second son of Harry and Agnes Monahan.

Cub married Frances Cobetto on April 27, 1946, in Red Lodge. They moved to Billings in 1955, where Cub worked for Lynch Flying Service and Yellowstone County. He was a member of the Elks for over 60 years and was proud of his service as a WWII veteran. He was a member of the 460th Bomb Group of the U.S. Army Air Corp.



**CUB
MONAHAN**

Cub was preceded in death by his wife, Frances. He will be missed by his sons, Dick and his wife, Liz; Dan and his wife, Marsha; and his daughter, Diane and her husband, Steve; and their families; and his sister-in-law, Della Cobetto.

The family wishes to thank the staff at St. John's Lutheran Home for their exceptional care while Cub was in residence there. Their support and compassion has been greatly appreciated.

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A funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon on Friday, March 5, at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral, with Rite of Committal in Holy Cross Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to St. John's Lutheran Home, 3940 Rimrock Road, Billings, MT 59102 or to the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary is in charge of arrangements.

Mary Monego

BUTTE — Mary Monego, 87, died early Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2004, in St. James Healthcare.

Mary was born to Gaspar and Katherine (Miletich) Tomich on March 10, 1916, in Leads, S.D. At an early age Mary and her family moved to Bearcreek and then to Red Lodge, where she attended

local schools. She was a good student, excelled in track, and received many awards for her beautiful penmanship. In 1934, Mary married Lafe Day. They later divorced. On Dec. 15, 1948, Mary married Joseph "Albert" Monego in Red Lodge. In 1956, the family moved to Anaconda, where Albert was employed by the Anaconda Copper Company. They spent more than 43 wonderful years together until Albert's death on Feb. 28, 1992.

Mary's passion was her family. She was blessed with nine children, 22 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren, and four great-great grandchildren. She was fortunate to have lived through two different five generations of family. Mary was an excellent cook, and especially loved cooking big holiday dinners for all her children and grandchildren.



**MARY
MONEGO**

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Besides cooking and spending time with her family, Mary loved crossword and jigsaw puzzles, gardening, and flowers, especially roses. She also enjoyed watching soap operas, game shows, and ice skating on television, taking car rides and eating out.

Mary will be forever remembered as Mom, Gram, and our Little China Doll. We love you so and you will live on through all of us.

Mary is survived by three daughters and three sons, Alice (Tom) Tranmer of Silver Bow, Doris (Darrell) Johnson of Lake Oswego, Ore., Kathy (Larry) Malyevac of Butte, Jack (Marcy) Day of Anaconda, Joe (Cheryl) Monego of Sherwood, Ore., and Jim Monego of Sherwood; and daughter-in-law Doris Day of Red Lodge. Also surviving are 21 grandchildren, Debbie (Mike) Stokan of Anaconda, Tom (Sheri) Tranmer of Brady, Mary (Ed) Hall of Butte, Julie Tranmer of Butte, Robin Day of Red Lodge, David (Danielle) Gulbrandson of Billings, Marilyn (Kelly) Fugere of Billings, Mark (Shilo) Day of Red Lodge, Jim (Lisa) Day of Kaysville, Utah, Doug (Kerri) Johnson of Lake Oswego, Deanna Lopes of Modesto, Calif., Denise (Shawr)

Pascua of Portland, Ore., Lori (Ron) Gabriel of Tacoma, Wash., Jackie (Chris) Hicks of Coos Bay, Ore., Cara (Jim) Barnes of Butte, Karl (Lisa) Cupp of Ventura, Calif., Mike (Tina) Cupp of Butte, Chad (Jennifer) Cupp of Monterey, Calif., Amy (Brandon) Blondeheim of Portland, Tyler (Jessica) Monego, of Willsonville, Ore., and David (Sarah) Monego of Sherwood; 46 great grandchildren, four great-great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Besides her husband, Mary was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Mike Tomicich, Joe Tomicich, John Tomicich, Lonie Tomicich and Paul Tomicich; sisters, Annie Worthington, and Dorothy Graham; sister-in-law, Kathryn Obert; son, Ted Day; daughters, Phyliss Day and Whinnie Ruth Day, and grandson, Mike Gulbrandson.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Red Lodge. Interment to follow services at Red Lodge Cemetery. Visitations will be held Monday, March 1, beginning at 7 p.m. Memorials may be made to the Paul Clark Home/McDonald's Family Place, Butte, the American Arthritis Foundation, or charity of donor's choice.

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Judith Monesmith, 81, of Billings, passed away Sunday, July 11, 2004, at Valley Health Care Center. She was born June 24, 1923, in Powers Lake, N.D., the daughter of Martin and Anna Garness Enget.

She married Lamar F. Monesmith on Sept. 17, 1944, in Spokane, Wash. They moved to Billings in 1949. Lamar passed away Aug. 25, 2001. Judith worked at Woolworths as a waitress, clerk at Koppe Jewelry and later she managed the Coffee Shop in the Court House from '64 to '68.

She and Lamar were charter members of the United Pentecostal Church since 1949. She loved her church activities and her family was always very special to her. Judith always enjoyed a good visit with her many good friends.

Those who preceded her in death were her parents; three brothers, Lester, Ernest and Alton Enget; and a sister, Mildred Watson.

Survivors include a daughter, Jelena (Don) Campell of Billings; three brothers, Orris (Delores) Enget of Powers Lake, N.D., Kenneth Enget of Fresno, Calif., and Ellsworth Enget of Williston, N.D.; two sisters, Lila Wendlandt and Agnes (John) Boschee, all of Spokane; a brother-in-law, Leo Watson of Spokane; several nieces and nephews.

Funeral service will be 1 p.m. Thursday, July 15, at the United Pentecostal Church, 2335 Lewis Ave. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to the church or to charity of choice. Arrangements are by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Austin James Moody **'Jim'**

Feb. 11, 1928 — Oct. 5, 2004

Austin Moody passed away on Oct. 5, 2004, after a short bout with cancer.

Austin was born to Kate and Sam Moody on Feb. 11, 1928, in Tishomingo, Okla. He worked on the family farm until he entered the Army Air Force in 1946. In 1947,



**AUSTIN
MOODY**

Austin re-enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He served in the U.S. Navy until 1966. He was always proud of his military service. Austin worked in the oil field for several years in Montana, Wyoming, Texas and Oklahoma.

One of Austin's greatest passions was Oklahoma football, a trait he passed down to his children. He loved spending time in the mountains, camping, fishing and hunting.

Austin is survived by his daughters, Kristi and Misti Moody of Billings; his son J.V. Moody of Big Timber; and four grandchildren, Justin, Shelby, Jordan and Jess.

Austin was preceded in death by his parents, Sam and Kate.

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WILLIAMSBURG GAZETTE

Kathleen 'Kay' Williams Moon

OCT 14 2004

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Our loving mother and grandmother, Kathleen Mae Moon, 78, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2004, in her home, surrounded by her loved ones, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Kathleen was born on Sept. 16, 1926, in Moorhead, Minn., one of nine children born to Clifton and Sylvia Williams.

On Nov. 7, 1945, Kathleen married James Dawson Moon in Rossville, Ga. Shortly thereafter, they moved to

Chattanooga, Tenn., where they were blessed with their three children, David, Lana and Jan. In 1956, Kathleen left Chattanooga with her three children and returned to Moorhead. Kathleen and her children then moved to Billings in 1962.

In June of 1964, Kathleen began working at Sweetheart Bakery, where she worked as a clerk in the retail stores, retiring in 1989 after 25 years. She was always fond of collectible pieces. Among her collection were angels, dolls and carousel horses. She loved to read and also enjoyed researching family



**KATHLEEN
MOON**

genealogy. Kathleen will be remembered for the love and care she showed to her family. She always made them the priority in her life. She loved life and will be missed very much by all of her loved ones.

She is survived by children, David (Peggy) Moon, Lana (Don) Johnson and Jan Humpherys; grandchildren James, Dennis (Kelly) Moon, Joyce (Henry) Boston, Brett, Eric (Debbie) and Adam Johnson and Curtis and Chelsea Humpherys; 11 great-grandchildren; sisters, Frances Holm, Faye Williams, Caroline Fisher, and brothers Ronald and Jack Williams.

She is preceded in death by parents Clifton and Sylvia; sisters Marjorie and Beverly; brother Donald; son-in-law John Humpherys; and grandson Justin Klarich.

Service will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15, at Smith Funeral Chapel West, 304 34th St. West.

Kathleen's family wants to extend a heartfelt thanks to the wonderful staff at Big Sky Hospice for their personal and loving care.

Dorothy E. Mooney

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Dorothy E. Mooney, 82, of Sheridan, died Friday, Nov. 12, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, at Champion Ferries Funeral Home in Sheridan.

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Ada May Moore

WIBAUX — Ada May Moore left this earth March 10, 2004, to be with her husband in a garden made more special by the presence. All who knew "Tubby" know that she is already busy tending the plants.

Ada came into this world Jan. 1, 1922, in Kent Conn., one of 10 children. She grew up an "Easterner" who met and married a man from the west. Ada and Keith were married Feb. 14, 1946, in Wibaux.

In their 57 years of marriage, Tubby and Keith raised five children, Les (Reita) Moore of Belgrade, Linda (Jerry) Gasho of Gillette, Wyo., Virginia (John) Lechler, of Rozet Wyo., Ramona Sult of Circle, and Kim (Thad) Scott of Houston.

Family and friends were very important to her. Being a good neighbor was her way of life. She had a gift for making everyone feel welcome, whether in her home or her beloved garden.

Tubby enjoyed reading, working crossword and jigsaw puzzles and playing word games. She took great pride and pleasure in watching her 16 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren grow.

The family of Tubby and Keith would like to invite friends to join them in a brief celebration of their life together at 11 a.m. on May 30, 2004, at the Wibaux Cemetery.

If desired, memorials may be sent to the Hospice, P.O. Box 3011, Gillette WY 82717.

Agnes 'Aggie' Moore

BAKER — Agnes "Aggie" Moore, 84, of Baker, passed away Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at the Fallon Medical Complex.

She was born on May 26, 1919, at Reeder, N.D., the daughter of Harry and Mary (Poster) Becker.

Aggie grew up and attended school at Reeder. After graduating high school in 1938, she enrolled in NYA School in Mandan, N.D. Soon after completing her schooling, Aggie went to



**AGGIE
MOORE**

Ismay to work for the Joe Riley family. There, she met Roy Moore. They were married June 9, 1942, at Baker. After spending time at Miles City and Baker, they made their home in Bowman, N.D. Together they began to raise their four children: Lee, Mary, Robert and Purley. Roy passed away in 1971.

During the '70s, Aggie worked for St. Luke's Hospital as a Certified Nurse's Assistant. She found enjoyment in this job. In 1995, Aggie moved to Baker to make her final home. She loved her years in Baker and Bowman. She loved playing cards, music, dancing, telling

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jokes. Aggie could Indian-wrestle with the best of 'em and she liked to do the splits, but only close to the telephone in case she got stuck! Those who knew Aggie will not forget her warm personality and sense of humor. Her family was the center of her life. Aggie loved her children and grandchildren tremendously.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Roy; four brothers, Art, Bernard, Leo and infant brother Richard. Aggie is survived by three sons, Lee (Linda) Moore and Robert (Ruth) Moore, both of Baker, and Purley (Annette) of Dickinson, N.D.; a daughter, Mary (Bob) Engesser of Bismarck, N.D.; a brother, Robert (Frances) Becker of Bowman; a sister, Sister Mary Benedict of Frankford, Ill.; 14 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A prayer service will be held on Friday, March 5, at 7 p.m., at Stevenson Funeral Home. Funeral services will take place on Saturday, March 6, at 11 a.m., at the American Lutheran Church. A luncheon will be served immediately following the service in the church fellowship hall. Burial will be at 2 p.m. in the Moore family lot in Bowman Cemetery, Bowman.

Stevenson Funeral Homes, Inc. is in charge of the arrangements. Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family online at www.stevensonfuneralhome.com.

Agnes Viola Moore

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POWELL, Wyo. — Agnes Viola Moore, 93, died Friday, Jan. 2, 2004, at Powell Valley Healthcare.

Funeral Services will be at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 7, at First United Methodist Church in Powell. Burial will follow in Crown Hill Cemetery. Miratsky-Easton Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Agnes Conant Moore

POWELL, Wyo. — Agnes Conant Moore passed away Jan. 2, 2004, at the Powell Hospital.

She was born in 1910 in Worland, a daughter of Wyoming pioneers Edwin and Katherine Frisby Conant. She graduated from Worland High School and attended the University of Wyoming, studying music education. She married Russell O. Moore in 1930 and moved to Willwood in 1934 as homesteaders.

Agnes, like many Powell pioneers, provided the foundation of what Powell is today. She and Russell broke out the farm while Russell ran dragline for the Deaver Irrigation District.

Russell and his brother Ted cut and hauled the logs from Rattlesnake Mountain with Ted's team of horses to build their house. For every two logs they cut, Russell could keep one and the logging company kept one. At that time they had two small sons, Richard and Russell Jr.

Her love of music was shared with her family, her piano students and communicants of the Methodist Church where she actively attended until shortly before her death. She was the



**AGNES
MOORE**

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organist of the church and active in all parts of her beloved church's music department.

Travel was a great joy for Agnes. She traveled to Europe to hear music and across the United States to visit family and friends.

She was a charter member of the Fine Arts Club, member of the Rebekahs, the Methodist Church, Eastern Stars and the Willwood Women's Club.

She is survived by her sons, Richard and Lydia of Powell, Clifford and Betsy of Vashon, Wash., and Lawrence and Brooke of New Windsor, N.Y.; eight grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Russell O.; her son, Russell Jr.; her parents, and brothers, Edwin and Donald Conant.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the First Methodist Church of Powell. Miratsky Easton Funeral Home is in charge.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations to the First Methodist Church in Powell or a charity of your choice.

Ethel Alice (Sturdevant) Moore

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FEB 13 2004

Ethel Alice (Sturdevant) Moore, Billings, passed away peacefully in her sleep, Feb. 11, 2004, at her home.



**ETHEL
MOORE**

She was born April 12, 1918, at the family homestead northeast of Gage, Mont. She spent her younger years living in the country. She began school in Gage. The family moved to Musselshell, Mont., where she graduated from high school in 1936.

Her parents were Jesse R. and Iva L. Sturdevant. She had five brothers and two sisters. All have preceded her in death.

Aug. 5, 1939, she married William E. Moore. They were married 49 years. He preceded her in death in January 1988. To their union were born five children: Darrel Moore (Beth) of Soda Springs, Idaho, Ron Moore (Sandy) of Billings, Ray Moore (Carol) of Lander, Wyo., Roger Moore (Paula) of Queen Creek, Ariz., and Sharon Larson (Jim) of Billings.

She enjoyed her family, sewing quilts and crocheting baby blankets and flowering plants. She has been a lifetime member of the

Women of the Moose.

She had 21 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, at Dahl Funeral Chapel. Interment will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 16, at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Family and friends to meet at the cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Big Sky Hospice, 123 S. 27th, Billings, MT 59101.

JUN 26 2004

Jack L. Moore

LOVELL, Wyo. — Jack L. Moore, 58, died Wednesday, June 23, 2004, at his home in Deaver.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 29, at Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 30, at the Deaver Cemetery.

Jack L. Moore

THE POWELL
TRIBUNE
JUN 29 2004

Graveside services will be Wednesday, June 30 at 10 a.m. at the Deaver Cemetery for Jack L. Moore, 58, who died Wednesday, June 23 at his Deaver home, surrounded by family and dear friends.

He was born July 21, 1945, in Powell, to Ace and Lois Moore.



Jack Moore

He believed in living life to the fullest. He worked pipeline construction for many years. When he wasn't doing pipeline construction, he was an owner/operator of a semi-truck and traveled the United States. He started his own recycling business, J & M Salvage, in 1986. He successfully operated his business in Deaver until

the time of his death.

Jack could always be found doing what he loved best, driving around in his loader. He was well known in the community and had many friends.

He married Marjorie Ann Feller Aug. 21, 1964. They lived in Deaver off and on until finally making it their permanent home in 1977.

Survivors include his wife Marjorie; his son, Wayne Moore (Donna), and his daughter, Michele Richlin (Doug), all of Deaver. Jack's weakness was his precious grandchildren, Breanna Moore, Tara Richlin, Clayton Moore, Logan Moore and Jessica Moore.

He is also survived by one sister, Rose Senn (Frank); three brothers, Chuck Moore (Betty), Joseph Moore and Harry Emmett; and several

nieces and nephews.
He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Ada and Peggy.

The funeral procession will start at 9:45 a.m. Wednesday at the J & M Salvage yard. Haskell Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Donations in his memory can be made to Powell Valley Hospice or the Bill and JoAnn Price Cancer Center in Cody.

Linda Moore

Linda Moore, age 56, was invited into the light on Feb. 17, 2004. Her passing was a result of a tragic battle with a sudden illness.

Linda is survived by her husband, Barry Moore; daughter Kymm Moore; and sister Sandy Nebel. She was blessed with three beautiful grandchildren, Kaycee Gillespie, Keianie Moore and Kyah Moore.



**LINDA
MOORE**

Services will be held at Trinity Church of the Nazarene on Friday, the 20th of February, at 2 p.m. Please come and help us celebrate her life.

Cremation has taken place at Smith's Crematory.

Louis E. Moore**MAY 02 2004**

CODY, Wyo. — Louis E. Moore, 91, passed away Thursday, April 29, 2004, at the West Park Long Term Care Center.

Visitation will be 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday, May 3, at Ballard Funeral Home in Cody. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 4, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Wyoming Avenue Chapel. Interment will follow in Riverside Cemetery. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge of arrangements.

Ralph Willard Moore Sr.

ROUNDUP — Ralph Willard Moore Sr., 81, died Saturday, Jan. 10, 2004, at his home of natural causes.

Burial will be in Fort Gibson Cemetery in Fort Gibson, Okla. Wier Funeral Home in Roundup is in charge.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

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Simmons Tolliver Moore**MAY 20 2004**

MILES CITY — Simmons Tolliver "Tol" Moore, 92, of Miles City, died Tuesday, May 18, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Center in Miles City.

At Tol's request, cremation has taken place and no services are planned. Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home of Miles City is in charge.

William V. 'Bill' Moore

William V. "Bill" Moore, 90, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2004, at his residence, of natural causes.

Bill was born in Golden, Colo., on Jan. 5, 1914. He was the son of William and Miriam (Davis) Moore.

He attended Maple Groove Elementary School, Golden High School, and went to the University of Montana and the University of Colorado Law School. He received his law degree in 1947. Bill was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, having served on the USS Arizona, prior to WWII.

Bill lived in Billings for over 50 years. He was instrumental in

getting Red Lodge Mountain ski area going. He was an avid sports fan. Bill enjoyed playing tennis in his younger years and was the founder of Billings Racquet Club. He also enjoyed watching football and he was a true Montana Grizzly fan. He gifted the school a large sum of money in 2001.

He will be missed and remembered by his loyal and very good friends.

Bill is survived by his adopted brother, Guy Moore of Alaska; and his niece Marjorie Kirkpatrick of California.

Inurnment will be held at a later date in Arvada, Colo.

Arrangements are by Cremation of Funeral Gallery.

JUN 15 2004**Alice Moran**

MILES CITY — Alice Moran, 82, of Miles City, Monday, June 14, 2004, at her home.

Visitation will be Tuesday, June 15, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 16, in the chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Miles City. Interment will follow in the family lot in the Custer County Cemetery in Miles City.

Anna Rose Moran

HELENA — Anna Rose (Kimmet) Moran died Oct. 7, 2004, in Helena. She was born, April 24, 1916, in Clyde, Mo. to Adam and Josephine (Rub-
eck) Kimmet. She moved to Montana with her family in the 1930's, living on a farm near Sunburst with her uncle, Joe Kimmet.



**ANNA
MORAN**

There, Anna met the love of her life, Louis Moran, whom she married Jan. 25, 1955. Together they lovingly raised their daughters Marie and Martha in Conrad.

Ann worked for years at the Conrad school lunch program; she enjoyed quilting, sewing and reading. After retirement, Ann and Louie enjoyed traveling. She was truly a jack-of-all-trades, an expert in carpentry, baking, farming and sewing.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Hildegard Bucher, Margaret Braun, Sister Madeline Kimmet, Mary Gast; and brother, William Kimmet.

Ann is survived by her husband of 49 years, Louie of Helena; daughters, Marie Moran of East Helena, and Martha (Steve) Wetstein of Billings; brothers, Leo, Andy, Charlie and Joe Kimmet; sis-

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HELENA, MONTANA

ter, Josephine O'Loughlin; 7 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

A Vigil service is scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Monday, Oct. 11, at the Retz Funeral Home Chapel. Mass of Christian Burial will be 11 a.m., Tuesday, Oct. 12, at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church. A luncheon will immediately follow the Mass. Interment will be at the Montana State Veteran Cemetery at Ft. Harrison at 2 p.m., Tuesday.

Adeline Morey

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

AUG 28 2004

CODY, Wyo. — Adeline Emma Morey, 85, of Cody, died Friday, Aug. 27, 2004, at West Park Hospital.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1, at the Cody VFW Lodge. Cremation has taken place. Ballard Funeral Home of Cody is in charge.

Betty Morgan

OCT 12 2004

LEWISTOWN — Betty Lois (Surber) Morgan, 77, died Monday, Oct. 11, 2004, at the New Horizons Assisted Living.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 14, at First Christian Church. Burial will be in Central Montana Memorial Gardens. Greel Funeral Home of Lewistown is in charge.

James E. Morgan

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 18 2004

SUPERIOR — James E. Morgan, 92, former Billings resident, passed away June 8, 2004, at Mineral County Hospital. Prior to retirement to St. Regis, he owned and operated Jenkins Venetian Blind Co. in Billings.

Born in Laurel, Sept. 26, 1912, he was raised in Bozeman where he graduated from high school and attended college. He married Marian H. Sombar in June, 1933. He served in the National Guard and worked for the U.S. Postal Service, serving as assistant postmaster during WWII. He was a sportsman, known for his fishing and hunting skills.

He is survived by son, James M. of St. Regis; daughter, Barbara Duerrwaechter (John) of Billings; grandchildren, Jeff Duerrwaechter (Laura) of Mary Esther, Fla., and Stacy Holloway (Tim) of Billings and five great-grandchildren.

At his request, cremation has taken place and no services are planned. Dowling Funeral Home in Hamilton is in charge.

Marjeanne Morgan

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

Feb 08 2004

Marjeanne Morgan, 81, of Billings and formerly of Glasgow, passed away Jan. 25, 2004, in Fremont, Calif.

Marjorie Jeanne Chase was born May 5, 1922, at the Livingston Hotel. Her parents, Dr. Charles and Lillian-Walker Chase, unexpectedly disembarked the train in Livingston while returning home to Billings to give birth to their second child.



**MARJEANNE
MORGAN**

Marjeanne was raised and attended schools in Billings and was attending the Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing when she met George Morgan of Malta, who was attending Rocky Mountain Polytechnic Institute. After they were married April 3, 1943, she finished school and started her career as a Registered Nurse at Deaconess while George served in the Pacific Theater during WWII. They moved to Glasgow in 1948, where George commenced his teaching career at Glasgow High School and Marjeanne worked at the Glasgow Deaconess hospital for many years. During summers of the early '50s, George earned his master's degree at Colorado State

Teacher's College in Greeley, Colo., while Marjeanne worked in the Osteopathic Hospital there. Her nursing resume also includes: working for the Glasgow Clinic, teaching childbirth preparation classes for the Deaconess Hospital, flight nurse for critical patients flown from Glasgow to other medical centers, staff nurse with the Red Cross bloodmobile blood drives held in Montana and North Dakota, and summer camp nurse for church camps in Montana, North Dakota and Alberta, as well as the Pines Boy Scout Camp. Her musical and creative talents graced area weddings with soprano solos, flower arrangements and headpieces, as well as piano accompaniment for her church. She was a lover of classical music and opera, and worked with others to bring classical concerts to Glasgow through the Community Concert Association. She used her gifts of hospitality and compassion to open her home to many traveling friends, and cared for friends and neighbors in their own homes when they were ill and shut-in. She loved and was active in her church, Community of Christ (formerly RLDS) and considered the members as her family, as well as

members of the Glasgow Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, and the Master chapter of that sorority in Billings, after she and George moved there in 1990. She was the first person from either sorority chapter to be awarded one of the sorority's highest national honors, The Order of the Rose.

Marjeanne was preceded in death by a grandchild, George Wyman Owen in 1975; and her husband George in 1996. She is survived by two sisters: Dolly Fell of Billings and Patricia Groby of Hollister, Mo. Surviving are her children, Cheryl Owen and husband Bill of Boston, Charles Morgan and wife Tomina of Fremont, Calif., Vance Kellinger and wife Robin of Oak Grove, Mo., and Bruce Kellinger and wife Tricia of Clovis, N.M. In addition, she is survived by eight grandchildren, Melanie Owen Padilla, Christian Morgan, Jeremy Owen, Shauna Morgan, Elizabeth Kellinger, Joseph Kellinger, Matthew Kellinger and Hannah Kellinger. She is loved and will be deeply missed.

Family and friends are invited to celebrate her life with a memorial service on Feb. 15, at 2 p.m. at the Billings Community of Christ Church. Suggested memorial gifts may be directed to the Community of Christ Church in Billings or Glasgow, the American Heart Association or the National Kidney Foundation.

Rahn Louis Morgan

THE GAZETTE
NOV 28 2004

LAUREL — Rahn Louis Morgan, 88, passed away on Monday, Nov. 22, 2004, in Mesa, Ariz.



**RAHN
MORGAN**

He was born Oct. 25, 1916, in LaCrosse, Wis., the son of Hattie Krueger Morgan and William Morgan. Rahn graduated from Dawson County High School in Glendive, Mont., in 1936. On Feb. 25, 1937, Rahn married Martha Opp. They and their five children lived in Glendive and Dickinson, N.D. Rahn worked for the Northern Pacific/BNSF Railroad for over thirty years. He also spent ten years along with his wife Martha owning and operating the A&W Drive In, in Dickinson, N.D. Rahn and Martha moved to Laurel, Mont. in the 1960's. Rahn was a master woodworker and built furniture for his family and friends. He loved golfing, trap shooting, hunting, gardening, bowling, traveling and spent the winters of his retirement years in Apache Junction, Ariz.

He loved to play cards, work crossword puzzles, tell jokes, dance and spend time with family and friends. Rahn was a

Mason, Shriner and a member of the Odd Fellows and Elks organizations.

Rahn was preceded in death by his parents; siblings; four of his children William Lloyd Morgan, Linda Morgan Wanner, Monte Lionel Morgan and Rahn Morgan Schwindt; and his granddaughter Debbie Schwindt.

Rahn is survived by his wife of 67 years, Martha Opp Morgan; his daughter Rose Morgan McLaughlin; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.

A memorial service will take place 10 a.m., Monday Nov. 29, at the First Congregational Church in Laurel. Rahn's ashes will be scattered along the Montana rail lines that he loved.

Memorials may be made to Alcoholic's Anonymous; P. O. Box 3; Laurel, MT 59044, an organization that was instrumental in Rahn's life.

Retha Morgan

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

GILLETTE, Wyo. — Retha Morgan, 82, of Lancaster, Texas, formerly of Gillette, died Wednesday, Aug. 18, 2004 in Casper, Wyo., at her sister's home.

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A graveside service will be Saturday, Aug. 21, at Gillette's Mt. Pisgah Cemetery. Stevenson-Wilson Funeral Home of Gillette is in charge.

Robert Irwin Morgan

SEP 21 2004

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MILES CITY — Robert Irwin Morgan, age 83, of Miles City, passed away on Sunday, Sept. 19, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Center in Miles City.

Robert was born in Miles City on March 2, 1921, the son of John Emmett and Mabel (Niebuhr) Morgan. He was raised outside of



**ROBERT
MORGAN**

Miles City in the Pine Hills on the Powder River Breaks. He attended country schools in that area. He worked on the Frank Spear's Ranch north of Miles City and then at CC

Camps on the Baker Highway and in the Jordan area. Robert entered the United States Army Air Corps in July of 1941, serving during World War II, where he was a Sergeant serving overseas. He was honorably discharged from the service in November of 1945. Following his discharge, he returned to Miles City, where he began working for the state highway department. Robert married Bernice Jellison on June 7, 1947, in Miles City. He continued working for the state highway department for the next 37 years. Most of his career was spent at Boyes. After his retirement, they lived in Plevna where they lived until

1987, when they moved to Miles City, where they have made their home since.

Robert enjoyed coffee at the VFW every morning with his buddies, fishing and camping with the family. He especially enjoyed camping on the old homestead in the Pine Hills. Robert loved taking his boys hunting.

Robert is survived by his wife, Bernice Morgan of Miles City; three sons, Robert A. Morgan of Broadus, Wayne L. Morgan of Miles City and John E. Morgan and his wife Tina of Denver; a daughter, Roberta K. Rickman and her husband Gary of Miles City; three brothers, Bill Morgan of Puyallup, Wash., Harold Morgan of Everett, Wash., and John Morgan of Walla Walla, Wash.; a sister, Lucille Handley of Miles City; nine grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren; a special caregiver, Janice Bennett, who was like a daughter; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; a twin brother, Randall; and two sisters, Gertrude Sagen and Bessie Peters.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 22, and funeral services will be held on Thursday, Sept. 23, at 11 a.m. at Stevenson &

Sons Funeral Home in Miles City.
Interment will follow in the
Eastern Montana State Veteran's
Cemetery in Miles City with full
military honors. Condolences
may be sent to the family by vis-
iting . [www.stevensonand-](http://www.stevensonandsons.com)
sons.com.

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

Tom L. Morgan

MOSSYROCK, Wash. — Tom L. Morgan, 67, of Mossyrock, passed away on Nov. 9, 2004, at his home, from cancer.

Tom was born Dec. 17, 1936, in Billings, son of Leda (Adler) and William L. Morgan. He grew up in Billings, graduating from Billings Senior in 1956.

Tom married Gwendolyn Donnelly in 1959. He retired from Union Oil after 32 years.

Survivors are his wife Gwen; daughter Melanie (Dale) Kruger; son Mark (Jackie) Morgan; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; brothers, Don (Nancy), Bob (Claudia); sisters Pat Malek, Phyllis (Art) Reno; his dog Bud.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sisters, Lois Morton and Margaret Smith.

There will be a gathering at his home on Saturday, Nov. 13, for family and friends from the area. His ashes will be brought to Montana this summer and there will be a celebration of his life.

Memorials may be made to Assured Home Health, 623 Airport Way, Morton, WA 98356.

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Tom L. Morgan

Dec. 17, 1936 — Nov. 9, 2004

MOSSYROCK, Wash. — Tom passed away from complications of cancer and a stroke.

Tom had a great gift, a natural smile and laugh, that was spontaneous to everyone around him. As a teenager, Tom was a highly skilled and very aggressive basketball player.

Tom will be dearly missed by family, friends, and classmates of "1956."



**TOM
MORGAN**

John Kenneth Morganti

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
NOV 20 2004

PLANO, Texas — John Kenneth Morganti was born to John and Sarah Morganti on July 5, 1942, and passed away on Thursday, Nov. 18, 2004, at his home in Plano. John battled osteo-sarcoma for two years with the same courage and dignity he lived his life.



JOHN MORGANTI

John grew up in the Chicago area. After graduating from the University of Illinois with a degree in electrical engineering, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, serving for four years.

He married Lois Carrington Haynie on Oct. 21, 1978, in Billings, Mont. His business and career was with oil companies until his retirement in 1999.

John was a loving, thoughtful, humble man who will be greatly missed by his family. He is survived by his wife, Lois; mother, Sarah Morganti of Jackson, Tenn.; sisters, Janice (Kevin) Mahoney of Okatie, S.C., and Michal (Dan) Murphy of Zionsville, Ind.; a step-daughter, Cindy (Jim) Culp of Columbus, Mont., and family, Christy Culp of Denver, Colo., and Shane of Columbus; grandsons, Jason (Lisa) Gillespie and

their daughters Alexa and Alyssa of Geneva, Neb., David (Annie) Gillespie and children, Sophia and Quin of Tucson, Ariz.; nieces and nephews; other family members and a host of kind and loving neighbors and friends.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 22, at Smith West Funeral Chapel, 304 34th St. W., in Billings. Interment will follow at Mountview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, P.O. Box 4461, Houston, Texas 77210-4461.

James Morin

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

PLENTYWOOD — James Morin, 78, died Sunday, Jan. 18, 2004, at Sheridan Memorial Nursing Home.

Services will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Fulkerson Memorial Chapel.

Jan. 18, 2004

Paul Dexter Morning, Jr.

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 29 2004

CROW AGENCY — Paul Dexter Morning, Jr., 17, of Crow Agency, died early Thursday, May 27, 2004, in Crow Agency.

He was born July 13, 1986, in Crow Agency, a son of Paul M. and Carla Covers Up Morning, Sr. He was currently a senior at Skyview High School.

Paul was a very friendly person. He was a loving and caring son, brother, nephew and friend. He was excitedly waiting the arrival of his baby brother or sister. He loved his brothers and sisters very much and was always there to take care of them. For a young man, he was mature beyond his years. Helpful does not portray his manner. He was there whenever needed.

Paul started wrestling at the age of 7. His passion was obvious from the beginning. His enthusiasm and dedication helped him develop his skills through middle school and high school. During his junior year, he played football and wrestled for Hardin High School and during his senior year,



**PAUL
MORNING**

he wrestled for Billings Skyview High School, culminating in a fifth place finish in the State AA wrestling tournament.

His great-grandparents, Marie Covers Up, Lorraine and Dexter Williamson; sister, Jazmine Rain Morning, and uncles, Melvin P. Williamson and Cloyce Little Light preceded Paul in death.

Survivors include his parents, Paul and Carla Covers Up Morning, Sr.; grandparents, Bernard (Delilah) Covers Up, Manuel (Linda) Covers Up, Roberta Henman, Carol (John) Bullinsight, LaRena Morning, Darlene (Dwayne) Bixby, Marla Fritzler, Ava (Carson) Bell Rock, Linda (Tom) Little Owl, Karen (John) Old Elk and Avis Little Light; his great-grandmothers, Virginia Covers Up, Mildred Old Crow and Mae House; great-great-grandfather, Ed Little Light; step-grandfather, George Steinmetz; his uncles, Joe (Sheila) Covers Up, Paul (Roberta) Little Light, Brandon Covers Up, Keil (Rainy) Ahenakew, Garland

Williamson, Mike Smith, Morey Smith, Tom LaForge, Morris Big Lake and Joe Buffalo; his aunts, Ada (Floyd Horn) Jean Takes the Horse, Olive Morrison, Beldean (Dillard) Bird in Ground, Sharon (Roger) Roehl, Michelle (Johnny) Wilson, Nichole (John Bowels) Cadena, Anita (Chad) Little Head, Kari (Shawn) Walks Over Ice, Julia Covers Up, LaVern (Trunson) Big Hair and Edwina (Carl) Venne; his extended families include the Little Light, Real Bird, Not Afraid, Hoops, Three Irons, House, Big Man, Morning, Covers Up, Good Luck and Red Star families; as well as numerous cousins, aunts, uncles.

Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Tuesday, June 1, at the Crow Agency Multi-Purpose Building. Interment will follow in the Crow Agency Cemetery. Bullis Mortuary has been entrusted with the arrangements.

The family would like to give a special thank you to the wrestling coaches from Skyview High School for believing in Paul.

JUN 03 2004**Beatrice B. Morris**

Beatrice B. Morris, 91, of Billings, passed away Wednesday, June 2, 2004, at Autumn Care Center II in Billings.

Beatrice was born Jan. 30, 1913, in Pueblo, Colo. She was the daughter of William and Mary Baltezar. She spent much of her younger life in Butte.

She was married to Myron Morris for over 50 years. They lived in Havre for most of those 50 years.

Beatrice loved visiting with family and friends, and spending time with her six grandchildren. She also could play a mean game of bingo.

She is survived by her daughter, Nancy (Larry) Lorfing of Laurel; her three sisters and one brother, Sylvia Giachino of Butte, Ethel Martin of North Dakota, Helen Baltezar of California and William Baltezar of California; her six grandchildren, Don Lorfing of Nevada, Scott Lorfing, Garret Morris, Amber Morris, Mariah Morris and Kelly Pentz, all of California. She is also survived by numerous great-grandchildren.

The family would like to give special thanks to Autumn Care Center II for all their love and

care over the past two and half years and also to Big Sky Hospice for their special care.

Cremation has taken place. Inurnment will be held at Hill County Cemetery in Havre at a later date. Arrangements are by Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Elton R. Morris**JUN 04 2004**

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Elton R. Morris, 54, died Wednesday, May 30, 2004, near his home, south of Sheridan.

Graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 5, in Sheridan Municipal Cemetery. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

Hilda Morris

The Bulletin Gazette

DEC 30 2004

FORSYTH — Hilda Morris, 97, of Forsyth, died Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2004, in Forsyth.

Visitation will be from 1 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 30, at the Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31, at the Church of God in Big Timber. Interment will follow in the Mountain View Cemetery in Big Timber.

Phyllis Morris

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NOV 21 2004

MALTA — Phyllis Morris, 84, retired motel manager, died Friday, Nov. 19, 2004, at the Phillips County Hospital of natural causes.

Memorial services will be 2 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 22, at the Adams Memorial Chapel in Malta.

Interment of ashes will follow at the Hillside Cemetery in Dodson. Adams Funeral Home and Crematory is in charge of arrangements.

JAN 29 2004

BIG TIMBER — Gwen L. Morrison, 91, died Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2004, at the Pioneer Medical Center in Big Timber.

Gwen was born Nov. 6, 1912, in Liberty, Bear Lake County, Idaho, to J. Charles and Hannah Morgan Linford. She was the third of four sisters. Premature at birth, Gwen weighed just over 3 pounds and was kept warm in a shoe box near the family's woodstove.

The family later moved to Utah, where they resided in several cities, including Provo, Salt Lake City and Logan. Gwen graduated from Davis County High School in Utah in 1930, and also earned a degree in sociology from Utah State University in Logan.

It was there that she met forestry student John Morrison. They were married on Dec. 29, 1940, and celebrated 63 years of marriage last month. Their first child, John Jr., was born six days after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. John Sr. enlisted and served in the Army in Europe until 1945. During that time, Gwen lived in Utah and worked as a social worker in Cache and Box Elder counties.

Gwen was a homemaker for most of her life and was very involved in community service organizations such as American Cancer Society, March of Dimes

and American Association of University Women. She also took an active interest in her children's activities and schooling.

Writing poetry and short stories, and reading were lifelong loves of Gwen's. Several of her poems were published.

She is survived by her husband, John; sons John Jr. "Jack" (Peggy) Morrison of Lakewood, Colo., Dan (Linda) Morrison of Rock Springs, Wyo., and Anthony Morrison of Helena; daughters Ann (Dave) Warhank of Rudyard, Peggy (Joe) Hallinan of Elizabeth, Colo.; two sisters, Lois Stevens of Midvale, Utah, Edith Hugie of Lake Oswego, Ore.; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Gwen always had strong convictions. Throughout her life, she never wavered. The most important thing to her in life was family. She was a wonderful mother and wife. She loved all and was loved by all. All that knew her will dearly miss her.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 30, at the Lowry Funeral Home in Big Timber. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to the Pioneer Medical Center, PO Box 1228, Big Timber, MT 59011.

Chalmer 'Lee' Morse

THE DAILY JAMES GAZETTE

FEB 04 2004

LAUREL — Chalmer "Lee" Morse, 66, passed away Saturday, Jan. 31, 2004, at the home of L.D. Collins in Laurel, where he had resided since November 2002. He was born Nov. 22, 1937, in Sidney, Iowa, to Chalmer W. and Norma (Haning) Morse.

Lee served in the Air Force, worked as a truck driver for Peter Kewitt Sons Construction in Rapid City, S.D., and was also a carpenter. He moved to Alaska and continued driving truck, moving mobile homes. He did maintenance work at the Bristol Bay Mission School and later in Bozeman, at Mt. Ellis Academy. Lee moved to Yosemite, Calif., and worked at the Wawona Church Camp. He retired in 1998 to be with his children in Montana.

Lee enjoyed fishing, photography, and was a ham radio operator. He was a wonderfully creative and talented craftsman. He enjoyed tinkering and working with his kids on their projects. Lee loved to teach his family the many skills he had mastered.

Lee is survived by his children, Phyllis (Richard) Laird, Karen Thomas, Curtis (Leah) Morse, Melvin Grabast, Curtis Wilkinson and Jon Grabast; grandchildren, Bradley Morse, Kenneth (Angel) Morse, Richard Laird II, Donovan Thomas, Benjamin Thomas, Dustin

Thomas, Brianna Thomas and Dillon Thomas; three great-grandchildren; siblings, Lu Morse, Gary Morse, Judith (James) Brown-Weir, Dan Morse and Kate (Boyd Draper) McCoy; his fiancée Bea Ross; his special



LEE MORSE

friends, L.D. Collins, Sandy Smith, Griz Moran and Jason McConnell and extended family. Lee was preceded in death by his sister Kathleen and his parents.

Lee spawned greatness. He ignited a fire in his family.

He helped them find pride in themselves and to care about things they would not normally have appreciated.

"You have reached the peak, no turning back. Eyes dry and head up high, you start your descent. You have loved and cared for a myriad of people in your short, many years. They now tend to you, your every need and concern. Straight ahead is the last winding valley. Ahead for you is the wonderful joy of

God as He opens His arms and with a precious loving hug welcomes you into an eternity of happiness and painless bliss." From your grandsons, Ken and Brad.

Cremation and private family services have taken place. Memorials may be made to Big Sky Hospice, PO Box 35033, Billings, MT 59107.

July 8, 1928-August 1, 2004

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HELENA — Manley O. "Mort" Mortensen died peacefully Sunday, August 1, 2004, at age 76 at Big Sky Convalescence Center in Helena after a long illness.

Mort was born in Sanders, Montana to Charles and Minnie Mortensen near Forsyth on July 8, 1928. He grew up on his parents' farm during the Depression, and gained most of his education learning how to work the land and keep the equipment in working order — with little or no money. After graduation from Forsyth High School in 1946, Mort began attendance at Montana State College in Bozeman — but had to withdraw at the end of the first quarter when his father became seriously ill. Mort immediately returned to Forsyth to run the family farm. To his great regret, he was never able to return to college. Before Mort reached adulthood, he had learned a range of skills, and acquired an incredible work ethic, that would guide him through the rest of his life. Mort was a jack-of-all-trades — mechanic, welder, electrician, plumber, and carpenter — to name a few.

Mort married the former Roberta "Bobbie" M. Matson, of Red Lodge, on March 25, 1950. He and Bobbie had four children

while living near Billings, where he built two homes, worked a full-time job at the Conoco Refinery, and farmed in his spare time. In 1961, Mort and Bobbie moved the family to Helena, where Mort established himself as a business owner. Mort ran several service stations and a bulk plant in Helena, culminating with ownership of Mort's Conoco. He was also involved in real estate development, built three homes, was elected a member of the Helena School Board, was a board member of the YMCA-Lions Swim Club, worked in State Government and raised his children.

He loved Montana and the outdoors. He especially enjoyed the annual father and son fishing trek to the Tobacco Root Mountains begun by Mort & Doc Frisbee in 1962. Mort's charge through life was slowed down, but not stopped, when he developed a pituitary tumor in 1983. He lost the vision in one eye and acquired lifelong disabilities that he fought off for more than 20

years. During that time, he pushed ahead — with total disregard for his physical problems.

In 1986, Mort built a home for Bobbie in Red Lodge, where they started a new phase of their lives. While living in Red Lodge, Mort was active in the community, serving as a member of the Elks Club, and making many friends. He also built and sold two more homes. Bobbie passed away in 1998, and Mort moved back to Helena that same year. Mort made many friends while residing at Hunter's Pointe. They will miss him and remember his ongoing woodworking projects and lively conversations.

Mort loved his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He took great pride in the accomplishments of his family and delighted in the fact that he had raised his children well. Mort mentored numerous young people during his life, encouraging self reliance and confidence. He will always be greatly admired and missed by family and friends.

Mort was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Minnie Mortensen; two brothers, Donald and Virgil, his loving wife Roberta "Bobbie," and his grandson Matthew. He is survived by his brother, Dallas Mortensen, and his wife Marilyn of Denver; sons: Barry Mortensen, and his fiancée Rita McClain of Boulder

MT; Col. Gregg Mortensen (USA Ret), and his wife Jill of Bozeman; Jeff Mortensen, and his wife Marcie Martin of Bozeman; and daughter: Cherie Wing, and her husband Dan Wing of Helena. He also leaves behind nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation will take place for family and friends at Helena Funeral Chapel, 314 Rodney, Helena, from 2:30-4 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug 10. A private family interment will take place at a future date. Cremation has taken place. Memorials may be made to: Montana Pro Rodeo Hall & Wall of Fame, P.O. Box 930, Billings, MT 59103-0930.

Alvina Morton

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

02 2004

BAKER — Alvina Bohle Howe Morton, 95, died Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2003, at Fallon Medical Complex.

Visitation will begin Tuesday, Jan. 6, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Stevenson Funeral Home. Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 7, at Baker Community Church. Burial will be at the Howe family plot in Plevna Community Cemetery.

Alvina Morton

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 04 2004

BAKER — On Wednesday, Dec. 21, 2003, Alvina was called to her everlasting home. Alvina Bohle Howe Morton was born May 21, 1908, in Hildendorf (Guldendorf) near Odessa, Russia to Heinrich and Dorothea (Pfeifle) Bohle. At age 2, Alvina emigrated to the United States along with her parents, four brothers and two sisters. They settled in Artas, S. D., then moved to Montana after Dorothea died. The family lived northeast of Plevna in the Pleasant Valley Community where Alvina attended the Clark School. Then they moved into Plevna, where Alvina worked. Later she worked in McIntosh, S. D., an experience filled with many fond memories which she shared through the years.

In 1931, Alvina returned to Plevna and was married to Seibert Westly Howe. Most of their married life was spent at Westmore where five children were born and raised. Seibert died in January 1964. Alvina then moved to Baker where she operated the Montana State Liquor store for five years, then worked at Eilik's exclusive dress shop. Both jobs brought her immense satisfaction. In 1965, Alvina married Bob Morton. They lived in Baker. In 1989, Bob died. Alvina continued to live in her home until 2002 when she went to live

at the Quality Personal Care and lived there until her death. Alvina always felt very blessed that she had two wonderful husbands, five wonderful children and lots of grandchildren. She loved to tell of their accomplishments. Each was her "pride and joy" at the moment of sharing.

Preceding Alvina in death were her husbands, Seibert Howe and Bob Morton; her parents; brothers, Fred, Theodore, William, and Walter; sisters, Josephine and Maggie; and grandson, Seibert Lyle Howe. Surviving Alvina are her children, Leonard (Jeanette) of Tacoma, Wash.; Donald (Ruby) of Billings; Jerry (Jean) of Mission Viejo, Calif.; Audrey (Melvin) Hill of Lambert; and Stan of Helena; 14 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Also surviving are step-daughters Betty (Chuck) Hayes of Cowley, Wyo.; Joyce Scott of Albany, Calif.; Edith Bridgewater, Cowley, Wyo.; and Jean (Robert) Lutts of Carlyle; 13 step-grandchildren and two step-great-grandchildren.

Things that brought her great satisfaction were playing cards,

sewing, making quilts and refurbishing discarded dolls. She designed clothes and dressed over three hundred dolls that she proudly displayed in her home.

Mom, you have been our role model and know that you are in your chosen final home. We love you and will miss you.

Special thanks to everyone who provided so much wonderful care to Mom while she resided at Quality Personal Care. Memorials may be donated to the American Diabetes Association and/or the American Heart Foundation.

A Funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 7, at the Baker Community Church. Visitation hours will begin Tuesday, Jan. 6, from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. at Stevenson Funeral Home. A luncheon will be served immediately following the service down in the church reception hall. Burial will take place at the Howe family plot in Plevna Community Cemetery. Stevenson Funeral Homes, Inc. of Baker and Ekalaka are in charge of the arrangements.

Remembrance and condolences may be shared with the family on-line at www.stevensonfuneralhome.com.



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MORTON — Barbara, 74,
of Bozeman, formerly of
Sacramento, Calif. (mother to
John (Jeannette) Parkinson.)
Cremation has taken place. A
private family service will be
held.(11/15)

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22, of Bozeman, formerly of
Minnesota. Services pending
in Minnesota and Boze-
man.(11/15)

Elizabeth Morton

SEE BILLINGS GAZETTE

APR 27 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. —

Elizabeth "Betty" Morton, 78, of Sheridan, died Friday, April 23, 2004, at Memorial Hospital of Sheridan County.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 28, at Kane Funeral Home in Sheridan.

Ethel Juanita Michael Morton

OCT 28 2004

FORSYTH — Ethel Juanita Michael Morton, age 82, of Forsyth, passed away on Monday, Oct. 25, 2004, at the Rosebud Health Care Center.

Ethel was born Jan. 8, 1922, in Chico, Calif. She was the daughter of George Finley Michaela and Martha Adaline Shephard Michael.

Ethel lived in California until she was around 1 year old, then her parents moved north of Cohagen to the Greer place. She lived there until her family moved to the



**ETHEL
MORTON**

homestead place 26 miles north of Cohagen. At 2 or 3 years old, they moved to the Severson place. She returned to the homestead at 5 years old and lived there until they moved to the Davis place, which they purchased. Her dad passed away in 1933 at the age of 53. Ethel was 10 years old. From the Davis place, she walked six miles to school in Cohagen. Martha remarried in 1934 to Carl Wedell and Ethel went to a country school one half mile away called Red Horse. She attended school there until she started high school in Cohagen and lived in a

dormitory and worked in the kitchen for three years. Her sophomore summer, she baby-sat for the Bloom family 10 miles out of Cohagen and took care of two boys. The mother was an invalid. The summer of her junior/senior year, she was head cook at the Collins Ranch near Forsyth.

She returned to high school and on Sept. 30, 1939, she married Wilbur Dury Morton in Miles City, at the Methodist Ministers Manse. She lived in Miles City and worked at a café and did laundry. She had a daughter, Harriet, in 1940. In 1941, she moved to Thurlow Valley, where she and Wilbur raised Harriet Jean, Lenetta Lettena, Sandra Mureen and Karen Rena. Ethel, Wilbur and girls moved to Sand Creek in 1946, where they lived until 1948, when they purchased a farm at Thurlow. Pamela Vanetta was born in 1949 and Cynthia Darlene was born in 1954.

In 1960, they moved to Glasgow on a new adventure. They operated the Glasgow Airport. In 1962, they returned to the farm at Thurlow for a short time. In 1963, they moved to Jordan. In 1965, they moved to the Fairview Ranch, at Melville. In 1966, they moved to Prescott, Ariz., and bought a Bakery. In

1967, they moved back to Montana and worked for Bill Frazer at Greycliff and Ethel worked at the Post Office in Greycliff as a PTF. In 1968, they moved into Big Timber, where Ethel worked at Sawyers, Ben Franklin and the Sweetgrass Nursing Home. In 1999, Ethel and Wilbur moved into Billings.

Ethel enjoyed crafts, crocheting, reading and playing cards. She thanked God every day for her extended life. Her family always came first in her life.

Funeral service will be held on Thursday, Oct. 28, at 2 p.m., in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Burial will be in the family lot of the Forsyth Cemetery.

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

N. Dail News
3/12/1919 — 10/14/2004

Dan commented once, that as a boy, he hoped to live to see the 21st century. He fulfilled that dream and many others before passing on last week.

Born in Virginia to Edwin and Mattie Hughes Moser, he spent his early childhood in Trinidad, Colo., and nearby mining camps. As a teenager, the family moved to East Farms, Idaho, adjacent to the Washington border near Spokane. He played clarinet in a dance band with his sister Margaret while in high school. He graduated from Post Falls High School and also U. of Idaho at Moscow in Engineering, and went to work for Texaco upon graduation, where he spent his entire working career. He worked for Texaco at Beacon, N.Y.; El Paso, Texas; Long Beach, Calif.; Casper, Wyo.; and Port Arthur, Texas. He spent 19 years of his career at the Casper refinery in several capacities. He retired after 38 years to Post Falls, Idaho, and lived there until recently moving to Billings.

He was a good son and returned yearly to help his father and brother, Frank, at the chicken ranch in East Farms with building and large projects. He had a wide variety of hobbies throughout his life, and was always passionate about whichever he was doing at the time — the clarinet, figure ice skating, photography, the stock

market, bridge, gardening, tropical fish, radio control airplanes, growing African primroses, watching osprey, fishing and camping. He always enjoyed his music, and enjoyed life and the beauty of nature, a stream or deer running across a field. He always carried a bag and picked up litter in the wilderness. He had a sense of humor and could be a jokester and a tease even in his later years. He loved a good steak and never passed up dessert. He was always an engineer, figuring out how things worked up until his passing. He thoroughly enjoyed sports in his later years and was an avid fan of the students at Post Falls High School, both the boys and girls sports, particularly basketball and volleyball. He attended whenever he could. He mellowed like fine wine with age, and was gentler and kinder with time. He was adored by many and will be deeply missed.

He is survived by his sister, Jean Whitford, in Otis Orchards, Wash.; his children, Charles, of Hitchcock, Texas, Cecilia Moser Morse, of Indianapolis, Ind., and Stan of Billings. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Laurie Budlong-Morse of Berkley, Tom and Alex Morse of Indianapolis, and Jamie Lynn

Householder of Casper, and his great-grandchildren, Emma Grace, Savanna and Lauren of Casper. He also leaves behind numerous nephews, nieces, cousins and other relatives throughout the U.S.

Special thanks from the family to the dialysis staff at Deaconess Billings Clinic, and the staff at St. John's Chapel Court, both in Billings. Thanks also to all of the young adults and families of the students at Post Falls High (and the Booster Club, PO Box 40, 83877) who were so good to him during his later years of life. Contributions in his memory can be made to any of the three aforementioned organizations.

Services will be held at St. John's Chapel, Oct. 26, at 7 p.m., in Billings. Contact Stan Moser, 256-0083.

Arlene Mossman

BILLINGS GAZETTE

FEB 15 2004

Arlene Mossman was the third of eight children born to Chester and Elsie (Sauer) Nafziger in Spencer, S.D., on Feb. 8, 1924. She died peacefully in her sleep, Feb. 11, 2004, at Eagle Cliff Manor in Billings.



**ARLENE
MOSSMAN**

After graduating from college, Arlene worked at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., for the War Department during World War II. Then she worked in the legal department for the Bureau of Reclamation and later at the insurance and other departments at the Billings Clinic until 1978.

Arlene married Frank Mossman, June 11, 1949, at St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral in Billings and had celebrated 54 years together. They enjoyed traveling to 47 of the states, including Hawaii, as well as several cruises to Alaska, the Caribbean and the Mexican Rivera. She was real pleased that she was able to fulfill one of her mother's dreams by taking her to Rome and the Vatican and seeing the Pope.

Arlene enjoyed reading, crossword puzzles, pinochle, whist, bridge or any card game. She was a great cook and enjoyed prepar-

ing a good meal. She was a firm believer in the Christian way of life and was a charter member of St. Bernard's Parish. She was active in Altar Society, St. Christopher Circle and a weekly hour of devotion. Arlene was close to and liked to be with her family and was always willing to lend a helping hand if needed. There are a number of people who will miss her good deeds over the years.

Arlene is survived by her husband, Frank; her sister Nan of Billings; her brother, Frank (Eloise) of California; her brother Bill (Fran) and brother Jim of South Dakota; sister, Margaret (Don) of California. She also leaves 21 nieces and nephews that are all special to her.

Arlene, Nan and Frank would like to extend our thanks to the kitchen, dining room, housekeeping, laundry, activities, therapy and the nursing staff that made Arlene's two-year stay at Eagle Cliff Manor as comfortable as possible.

Visitation will be 3:30 to 5:30

p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, at the Dahl
Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass for
Arlene is 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 16,
at St. Bernard's Catholic Church.
Burial of ashes will be in Sunset
Memorial Gardens at a later date.
Memorials may be made to St.
Bernard's Benevolence Fund, 226
Wicks Lane, Billings, MT 59105.

Lillian L. Mott

Lillian L. Mott, 85, of Billings, passed peacefully in her home, Oct. 19, 2004, surrounded by her family and friends. She was born in Forsyth, March 5, 1919.

Lillian worked for the YMCA for many years. She and her late husband, Curtis Mott, were long-time members of the Moose Lodge.

Lillian was preceded in death by her parents, Seymour and Ruth Brown; two sisters, Sylvia Brown and Mary Ruth Brown; two brothers, Bud Brown and Anthel Brown; and a son, Alvin Lorash.

Lillian was survived by her son, Earl Lorash, Billings; her daughter, LaDonna Miller, Billings; her son, Robert Sagendorf (Linda) of Salt Lake City; 16 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Our Precious Loved One Will Be Missed By Us All.

Bernice Mount

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

DEC 15 2004

HAYS — Bernice Mount, 82, died Saturday, Dec. 11, 2004, at Fort Belknap.

Funeral mass will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 15, in St. Paul's Mission Recreation Center at Hays. Burial will follow in the Mission Cemetery. Edwards Funeral Home of Chinook is in charge.

Lela Woodgerd Mountain

THE GREAT FALLS GAZETTE

FEB 21 2004



LELA MOUNTAIN

Lela Woodgerd Mountain, 85, of Billings and formerly of Miles City, passed away Feb. 19, 2004, at Highgate Senior Living in Billings.

Lela was born in Arlee, April 30, 1918, to Anna (Rasmussen) and Orville Tecumseh Woodgerd. She attended school in Missoula, skipping the third grade and completing the fifth and sixth grade in one year. At age 16, she enrolled at the University of Montana, receiving her BA in Business Administration in 1939. In addition to her studies, she worked full time in the Registrar's Office. Lela was active in Alpha Phi Sorority, Spurs, Mortar Board, Masquers, as well as Student Body Secretary and May Queen.

After graduation, she continued working in business until she was in Seattle at the beginning of World War II. She learned that the CAA would begin allowing women to be air traffic controllers, and she was accepted into the first class. After graduating from the

training course, she worked in air traffic control in Seattle, Los Angeles, Tucson and Winslow, Ariz.

Sept. 8, 1946, in Denver, she married her college classmate, Robert Raymond Mountain, who had served the entire war in the Far East and South Pacific. They moved to Billings in 1947, and in 1950, they moved to Miles City, where Bob was associated with the Rowland Thomas & Co. CPA firm.

During her 38 years in Miles City, Bob and Lela raised three children, and Lela was very active in youth activities. She was a Girl Scout leader for hundreds of girls and was president of the Girl Scout Council and Regional Delegate. She was also a Cub Scout Den Mother and a 4-H leader. Once her children were grown, she became a travel agent and began extensive world travel. Lela loved to see new places and learn of other cultures. During her travels, she visited all 50 states and 40 other countries. But for more than 50 years, one of Lela's favorite places was the mountains of Montana, where she spent summers with her husband Bob, fishing, hiking and observing wildlife.

Lela was an active Alberta Bair Theater volunteer for 12 years, as

Sister Ann Dolores Muckenthaler

SEP 8 2004
ROLLING GAZETTE

LEAVENWORTH, Kan. — Sister Ann Dolores Muckenthaler, 101, a Sister of Charity of Leavenworth, died Monday, Sept. 6, 2004, at Ross Hall, Mother House, Leavenworth.

A vigil will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 8, in Ross Chapel of the Sisters of Charity Mother House in Leavenworth, where friends may call after 4 p.m. Mass of Resurrection will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 9. Interment will follow in Mount Olivet Cemetery on the Mother House grounds. R.L. Leintz Funeral Home is in charge.

Jetta P. Mueller

SEP 21 2004
BILLINGS GAZETTE

WORDEN — Jetta P. Mueller, 91, of Worden, died Sept. 12, 2004, at Eagle Cliff Manor in Billings.

A memorial service will be 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Worden VFW Hall. Private interment services will take place. Smith Funeral Chapel is in charge.

Patricia J. Mueller

OCT 26 2004
BILLINGS GAZETTE

WORDEN — Patricia J. Mueller, 68, of Worden, passed away Oct. 24, 2004. Pat was born in Forsyth, Feb. 5, 1936, to Jake and Margaret Alles. She attended school in Pompey's Pillar and Worden, graduating from Huntley Project High School in 1954.

Pat loved playing games and just spending time with her family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her father. She is survived by two brothers, Jack of Worden and Ron (Jackie) of Billings; and two sisters, Margie (James) Kautz of Worden and Betty Ann (Wally) Olson of Huntley; two sons, Alan of Sacramento, Calif., Craig (Betsy) of Missoula; two daughters, Maridee (Mike) Hargis of Fayetteville, N.C., and Teri (Mark) Papi of Kennewick, Wash.; and nine grandchildren.

Services will be Friday, Oct. 29, at 11 a.m., at the Worden Bethlehem Congregational Church. A luncheon will follow. Memorial suggested is Worden Ambulance and Volunteer Fire Department.

Arnold James Muhs

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Arnold James Muhs, 51, formerly of Billings, Mont., died July 26, 2004, of lung cancer.

Cremation is planned. Interment of the ashes with graveside services will be held at a later date in the Veteran's Section of Mountview Cemetery in Billings.

July 26, 2004

**James 'Scotty'
Mulholland**

BILLINGS GAZETTE

JUN 09 2004

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — James "Scotty" Mulholland passed away on June 6, 2004, in Sheridan.

He was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, on April 2, 1935. After service in the British Army, he emigrated to American in 1963. After working on ranches around Ingomar, he went to work at Decker Coal Co. for 21 years and retired in 2000. He was a member of Eagles Lodge and a member of Kalif Shrine.

He is survived by nieces and nephews in Scotland.

Champion Ferries Funeral Home is in charge.

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

Terry M. Mulholland

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Terry M. Mulholland, 61, of Sheridan, died Wednesday, May 12, 2004, at his home. At his request, cremation has taken place and no services are planned. Champion Ferries Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge.

WYOMING GAZETTE

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LUPE MULIPOLA

**Ropati 'Lupe' Mulipola
(Bubba)**

Oct. 26, 2000 — Sept. 6, 2004

To: My dearest son Lupe
Bubba)

I love you so much.

Mommy is so proud of you.

You brought joy to everyone
you came in contact with.

Mommy will cherish all the
memories forever.

Mommy's love for you will
never end.

You showed everyone what
love is.

Bubba, you're my sunshine
and my angel.

I love you, my son, you will
always be in my heart forever.

Mommy is so glad God gave
you to me. I love you.

Love

Mommy (Jessica)

Lupe is a wonderful boy, son,
grandson and nephew. Everyone
loved him so very much.
Everyone who came in contact
with him loved him. He brought
joy to all of us with so many
memories, like: the 6 a.m. wake-
ups that I would get, saying,
"Mommy, I love you," and when I
told him, "Bubba, you're my sun-
shine," and he said to me,
"Mommy, you're my angel."
When he would pretend to be a
dinosaur, bear, the Hulk, etc. He
was not a shy little boy. He would
say "hello" to anyone or just
smile. Anyone who came in con-
tact with Lupe and he smiled, I
am pretty sure that person had a
smile on their face for the rest of
the day. Lupe had nothing but
love to give all, and he was loved
by all: family, friends and
strangers. He is loved and
remembered by all.

He is loved by his mommy Jessica; father Ropati; grandpas Doug and Wally; grandmas Missy, Jenny, Masina; aunties Melissa, Jacie, Jennifer, Masina, Rolila, Christine, Vicky; uncles Thomas, Paulo, Kurene, Tama; cousins Phoenix, Junior, Quentin, Linei, Tama, Wallix; and more family and friends, Dustin and his family, Jackie, Matt, Brandy, Holly, Brix; and a whole lot of other family and friends.

Lupe loved everyone and he spread his love to all. I am so glad God gave him to me and I know I will see him again. So Lupe, Mommy loves you, and I will cherish all the memories we made together. Mommy's love for you will never end. Mommy is so proud of you.

Thank you, God, for my son, Ropati "Lupe" Mulipola (Bubba).

XOXO hugs and kisses for you, my son. Love you always.

Orin LaVern Muller

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

NOV 30 2004

RED LODGE — Orin LaVern Muller, age 69, passed away suddenly in Red Lodge, on Nov. 26, 2004.

Orin was born Aug. 17, 1935 in Frannie, Wyo., to Arthur Wilhelm and Hallie Opal (McCollum) Muller. He was a graduate of the University of Wyoming and a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity. Orin married Sherron Christensen on Aug. 20, 1956, in Cowley, Wyo. Together they had two daughters and a son.

Orin's life was devoted to family and Muller Trucking and Dirt Contracting, a company his father started in 1933. Orin was actively involved with the family business from the time he graduated from college until his retirement. An avid outdoorsman, Orin loved hunting and fishing with his family and friends. He spent many enjoyable hours fishing with his grandchildren. Orin always said that he wanted his family and friends to celebrate his life rather than be sad because his life here was finished.

Orin is survived by Sherron (Christensen) Muller, his wife of 48 years, daughter Troy Ann (Paul) Wambeke of Cowley, Wyo.; daughter Tamra DeCock, of White Sulphur Springs; son,

Reid Muller, of Denver; sister Arla Sessions of Orem, Utah; and brother Dennis Muller of Greybull, Wyo. Orin is also survived by nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents and brother, Craig Muller.

Visitation will be Tuesday, Nov. 30, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Dahl Funeral Chapel in Red Lodge. Funeral Services will be Wednesday, Dec. 1, at 1 p.m., also at Dahl Funeral Chapel, Red Lodge. Cremation will take place following the services.

Frank J Mullet**MAY 10 2004**

GOSHEN, Ind. — Frank J Mullet, 92, died Sunday, May 9, 2004, at Greencroft Terraces in Goshen, Ind., where he had been a resident since Sept. 26, 1998.

Frank was born July 29, 1911, to Jacob and Elizabeth (Kauffman) Mullet in Bloomfield, Mont., in Dawson County. While in the Bloomfield-Glendive areas, he worked as a wheat, crop and dairy farmer.

In July of 1957, Frank moved to Goshen, Ind. He first worked as a routeman for Eby Dairy for 10 years and lastly worked as a wrecker operator for Lechlitner Garage for many years before retiring in 1977.

Frank married Esther King in March 4, 1934. Esther passed away on May 27, 1956. On July 11, 1958, Frank married Maxine Smeltzer. Maxine passed away Feb. 8, 1977. Frank then married Mildred "Millie" Heistand on June 12, 1979. Millie died June 5, 2006.

Frank was a member of the Waterford Mennonite Church. He was active in the Mennonite Disaster Services, working at sites in Kentucky, Alabama, Louisiana and Minnesota for many years. He sang in a number of quartet groups and most

recently with the Evergreen Singers. He enjoyed being with his family and friends.

Frank is survived by three daughters, Betty Ann Mullet of Dunedin, Fla., Phyllis (Larry) Shriner of Goshen, and Lela (Leroy "Butch") Rohrer of Goshen; four sons, Sanford (Nancy) Mullet of Sarasota, Fla., John (Betty) Mullet of Elkhart, Ind., Philip (Pat) Mullet of Geneva, Ohio, and Ronald (Kathy) Mullet of Roanoke, Va.;

12 grandchildren; one foster grandson; 13 great-grandchildren; one step-great-granddaughter; three foster great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; and two step-great-great-grandchildren.

Frank was preceded in death by his parents; his three wives; one granddaughter, Anita K. Shriner; one sister, Lena Nofzinger; and one brother, Clarence Mullet.

Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 11 and 9 to 10 a.m. Wednesday May 12 at Yoder-Culp Funeral Home in Goshen. Funeral services will

be 10 a.m. Wednesday May 12 at Waterford Mennonite Church with Rev. John King officiating. Burial will be Monday, May 17 in the Dawson Memorial Park in Glendive. Memorials may be made to the Mennonite Disaster Services.

Tracey Ann Mullins

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAR 31 2004

Tracey Ann Mullins, 43, of Billings, formerly of Ponca City, Okla., passed away at her home on March 28, 2004. She was born in Browning, to Alfred J. Smith and Velma J. Paul on March 14, 1961, and attended schools in Browning for a time.

In 1985, Tracey met the man who would later become her

husband in Cut Bank. Tracey married Gordon "Tripp" Mullins in Ponca City on Oct. 1, 1990. They had two children, Gordon A. and Karlee Mae. The family moved to



**TRACEY
MULLINS**

Billings in August 2003.

While in Billings, she worked for the Independent School System as a cook and kitchen aid until the time of her death.

Tracey's life was full of giving. She gave wholeheartedly to her children and husband, and they will remember her for being a wonderful mother and wife. Along with her family, she gave to those in need and never knew a stranger. Tracey loved fishing, camping and truly enjoyed her garden and flower bed, which was virtually weed-free.

In Ponca City, Tracey and Tripp were members of the Grace Episcopal Church.

Survivors include her husband Tripp; children, Gordon and Karlee of Billings; mother, Velma Smith of Browning; sisters, Kathy Nevins of Blackfoot, Alfreda Stone of Bozeman, Karrie Gilham of Browning and Pia Marie Froman of Ponca City.

She was preceded in death by her father, Alfred Smith; brothers, Curtis Smith, Roger Paul, Dale Smith and James Smith; and sister, Rhonda Smith.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 31, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Additional services will take place in Ponca City and interment will be in Longwood Cemetery there on Friday, April 2.

Memorials may be made to the Montana Rescue Mission, 2822 Minnesota Ave., Billings, MT 59101, or the charity of one's choice.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in charge of local arrangements, and Trout Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements in Ponca City.

Dave Munro

BILLINGS GAZETTE
NOV 05 2004

ANTELOPE — Funeral services for Dave Munro will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6. Pastor David C. Curtright will officiate at the service at Plentywood Lutheran Church; interment, with military honors, will be in Antelope Creek Cemetery. Dave, 69, was found dead at his Antelope home Monday morning, Nov. 1, 2004, from injuries sustained in a fall.



**DAVE
MUNRO**

David Allan Munro was born in Crosby, N.D., on March 5, 1935, to Duncan and Julia (Wangen) Munro. He attended Crosby schools and graduated from Crosby High School in 1954. He served in the U.S. Army and was stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., and in Germany. His entire working career was spent in the grocery business: he worked for Red Owl stores in Crosby, then moved to Montana, where he worked for Red Owl until their Plentywood store closed and he went to work at the SuperValu store. He worked there, especially in the Frozen Foods section, first for Roy Smith, then for Bill and Berts Wilson, and for Gary and Sandra Rueb. He took great satisfaction in help-

ing Ruebs move to their new store, Rueb's SuperValu, where he worked until he retired. He married Arlene Hovet at Plentywood Lutheran Church, Nov. 22, 1977; they made their home in Antelope.

Dave was a quiet, kind-hearted, gentle man who loved to visit with people and loved to help customers find things in the store. He was devoted to Arlene, and loved to take care of household chores and maintenance, and was never happier than when he was cooking up something special on the barbecue! They often traveled to state fairs to enjoy the various country-western music shows. After Arlene's death, Feb. 13, 1998, Dave continued to live in Antelope; and since his retirement has been content to just be at home.

Dave is survived by "his kids," Arlene's children, Kevin Hovet of Maple Plain, Minn., Jim Hovet and his wife Marial of Antelope, Tim Hovet and his wife Kari of Springfield, Ore., and Karen Waller and her husband Bob of Bozeman; and by grandchildren Nicholas, Daniel and Sarah Hovet, and Hannah and Levi

Waller. He is also survived by his sister, Ina Mae Olsen, Northfield, Minn.; nephews Neil Munro, Page, N.D., Kevin Lee Olsen, Minneapolis, and Ron Johnson, Applegate, Calif.; and nieces Anita Munro, Page, Julie Fredericksen, Bismarck, N.D., and Glori Fagerland, Lincoln, N.D.; plus a number of great-nieces and nephews. Besides his wife, Dave was preceded in death by his parents; brothers William, Donald and Robert James (Scotty) Munro; sisters Myrtle Johnson and Mary Munro; and a nephew, John Johnson.

Fulkerson Funeral Home of Plentywood has charge of arrangements.

Earl Murdock

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE
APRIL 30 2004

BUFFALO, Wyo. — Earl Murdock, 89, of Buffalo, died Tuesday, April 27, 2004, at the Sheridan Manor Care Center in Sheridan.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, May 7, at the Adams Funeral Home Chapel in Buffalo. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Thursday, May 6, and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, at the funeral home chapel. Burial will be in the Willow Grove Cemetery, with graveside services to follow the funeral.

Gerald James Murphy

Gerald James Murphy was born in Mt. Harris, Colo., on Dec. 1, 1922. His parents were Joseph Henry Murphy and Margaret Duis Murphy.

Jerry met his future wife, Catherine Louise Cheney, while

he was attending college at the University of Colorado. They married on Sept. 10, 1950. Their early years in marriage were spent in the Seattle area. Jerry served his country in the Navy in World War II and the Korean War.

Jerry was proud to have worked for the Northern Pacific Railroad. The railroad moved Jerry, Louise and family to Butte in 1963. Later they moved to Missoula, and finally to Billings in 1970. Retiring from the Burlington Northern Railroad in 1982, Jerry was able to set down roots in a home and neighborhood he truly loved.

Jerry shared his joy for life with his family and friends, whether it be over a lively game of cribbage, a relaxing day on the golf course or simply in conversation. His talent in his wood shop resulted in gifts that enchanted his grandchildren and more



**JERRY
MURPHY**

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recently his great-grandchildren. In recent years, Jerry also enjoyed traveling around the country to spend time with family as well as delighting in frequent family gatherings locally.

Jerry was a loving and devoted husband, unselfishly caring for his wife in her last years, and through this he quietly showed his strength and compassion.

Jerry is survived by one daughter and three sons, Judy (Robert) Guenther, Steve (Susan) Murphy of Billings, Mike (Barb) Murphy of Waunakee, Wis., and Scott (Misako) Murphy of Astoria, Ore. He leaves two sisters, Ruth Carper and Verna Mae Nichol; 10 grandchildren, Sarah Guenther (Troy) Duvon, Brianna Guenther (Gabriel) Schofield, Sean Murphy, Katherine Guenther, Molly Murphy, Jon Murphy, Max Murphy, Patrick Murphy, Joseph Murphy and Samuel Murphy; and three great-grandchildren, Chloe Schofield, Sadie Duvon and Cameron Schofield. He was preceded in death by his wife, Louise.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 29, at Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary in Billings. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made by
Northern Rockies Cancer Center,
1041 N. 29th, Billings, MT 59101.

Michelotti-Sawyers is in
charge of arrangements.

Jeanne Murphy

ILLINOIS GAZETTE
NOV 17 2004

BUTTE — Butte resident Jeanne Murphy passed away Monday morning, Nov. 15, 2004, in St. James Healthcare.

She was born in Laurel, Oct. 16, 1926, to Henry and Winifred Knudsen. She attended schools in Billings, attended the Cadet Nursing Program at Carroll College and graduated in 1948. Jeanne worked as a registered nurse at both St. James and Silver Bow General Hospitals in Butte, as well as for Easter Seals. She was a member of the Montana Nurses Association. A perfectionist who loved working with her hands, Jeanne enjoyed woodworking as well as knitting. She was also an accomplished artist. Jeanne lived nearly all her life in Montana, with the exception of five years in Alaska, a place she fell in love with. Jeanne married John J. Murphy in Butte and were married 25 years before they divorced. He passed away in 1989.

Jeanne is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Sheila and John Symanski of Grand Junction, Colo., Kimberly Numiller of Spokane, Wash., Maggie and John Smith and Mary and Phil Dean of Butte; sons and daughters-in-law, Mark and Cathy Murphy of Port Orchard, Wash., and Matthew and Patti Murphy of Missoula. Thirteen grandchildren

and three great-grandchildren also survive. Her only brother, Robert, precedes Jeanne in death.

Cremation has taken place in Butte. Memorial services will be conducted Saturday, Nov. 20, at 12 noon, in Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home, with Father Thomas Haffey officiating. Memorials may be made to the Shrine Hospital for Children or to Highlands Hospice.

Margaret E. Murphy

SEATTLE, Wash. — Born February 4, 1916, to Elizabeth and William Murphy, in Roundup. Margaret passed away Feb. 28, 2004, at Swedish Hospital in Seattle.

She was preceded in death by one sister and three brothers. Survived by her sister and brother-in-law, Agnes and Ray Akers; her sisters-in-law, Elsie Murphy, Anne Murphy; and numerous friends and relatives; including her very dear friend Don Houghton. The Family was comforted by a beautiful bedside service, with Margaret in attendance. There will be no formal service at her request. Those who wish to make a memorial contribution should contribute to their favorite charity or Margaret's: The Union Gospel Mission at 3800 South Othello, Seattle.

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Marr M. Murphy

BILLINGS GAZETTE
NOV 10 2004

GREYBULL, Wyo. — Marr M. Murphy, 86, formerly of Greybull, died Sunday, Nov. 7, 2004, in LaQuinta, Calif.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, in the Basin-Greybull LDS Chapel. Burial will be in Hillside Cemetery, Greybull. Haskell Funeral Home of Lovell is in charge.

Alvin C. Muri

MILES CITY — Alvin C. Muri, 90, of Miles City, died Jan. 25, 2004, at the Holy Rosary Health Center Extended Care.

Visitation will be Thursday, Jan. 29, in the Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home chapel in Miles City. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, in the of Stevenson & Sons chapel. Interment will follow in the family lot of the Custer County Cemetery.

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 28 2004

Doris M. Murray

WORLAND, Wyo. — Doris M. (Ruby) Murray, 82, of Worland, died Jan. 27, 2004, at Worland Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Billings. Burial will follow at 3 p.m. in Holy Cross Cemetery in Billings. Bryant Funeral Home of Worland is in charge.

DOTTIE I. MURRAY

BILLINGS GAZETTE

MAY 29 2004

LAUREL — Dottie I. Murray, beloved mother, partner and friend, was lifted up into God's arms after a short, courageous battle with cancer on May 27, 2004. She was born March 24, 1945, in Powell, Wyo., a daughter of Cledith and Herbert Johnson.



**DOTTIE
MURRAY**

She attended school in Laurel. She loved working with her flowers and crocheting things for her family and friends, going camping and long drives with her beloved partner Ron Henry. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends.

Dottie was preceded in death by her mother, father and stepfather Ory Hedges; two children, Darryl Lee and Renae Revall.

Survivors include two brothers, Robert Johnson and Buddy Charles Hedges, both of Billings; two daughters, Ila Reed and Julie Emmett, both of Billings; and one son, Shawn (Cathy) Emmett of Plains; and nine grandchildren, who she loved very, very much.

Rest in Peace, Mom, we love you very much. We'll all miss her.

Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society.

Memorial services will be held at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 1, at the Ocee Johnson Chapel at St. John's Lutheran Home, 3940 Rimrock Road, Billings.

Viola Loretta Murray **GAZETTE**

MAR 5 2004

Viola Loretta Murray, 93, of Billings, formerly of Lewistown, died March 2, 2004, at St. Johns' Nursing Home, of natural causes.

She was born Aug. 1, 1910, in Moore, to John Martin and Ellen Wolf Martin. She attended schools in Moore and Stanford, and became a teacher. Her first teaching job was at the Mansfield School near Geysers. She later became County Superintendent of Schools for Judith Basin County.

On Sept. 12, 1942, she married Ray Alfred Murray in Stanford. They lived in Stanford, Lewistown and Great Falls, where their three children were born. The family moved to the farm north of Butte and Joplin. She also spent many hours with her own children making sure they had their spelling and reading homework done. She was a very good teacher.

The family moved to Lewistown in 1967 and Ray and Viola lived there until 1991, when they moved to Billings. While in Lewistown, Viola was active in the altar society at St. Leo's Church and the mother's booster club at St. Leo's High School. She helped Ray in his accounting business and was a proud mother and grandma.

Viola was fond of her African

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violets and her pink petunias, always planted at the front door, and her pretty gardens of phlox and peonies. She enjoyed crochets and needlework and baking cookies for her grandkids.



**VIOLA
MURRAY**

She is survived by her daughter, Karen Kenney of Billings; her son, John Murray of Great Falls; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her husband, Ray in 2000; and her son, Earl in 2003.

According to her wishes, cremation has taken place. There will be a memorial service in Lewistown at a later date. The family wishes to thank the staff at St. John's Nursing Home for the tender loving care they provided Ray and Viola since 1997.

Memorials may be directed to St. John's Lutheran Ministries, 3940 Rimrock Road, Billings, MT 59102 or the Shrine Crippled Children's Hospital, 911 W. St., Spokane, WA 99204.

Michelotti-Sawyers of Billings is in charge of arrangements.

Hugh 'Murt' Murtagh

On Feb. 11, 2004, Hugh Hunter "Murt" Murtagh left us to be with his loving wife and many friends who went before him. Hugh was a kind and humble man, devoted to his wife and family and the Catholic Church.

Hugh was born on Sept. 12, 1921, in the Flatbush section of Brooklyn, N.Y. He was an only son, raised by his soon widowed mother, grandparents and aunt. He loved to play stickball, football and every card game ever invented. Hugh Murtagh was a part of history. He worked as an usher in Ebbitt's Field and loved the Brooklyn Dodgers. He later worked in the New York shipyards and enjoyed dancing to the big bands. He served in the Army Air Corps from 1943 until the end of the war as the engineer/navigator and sometimes gunner on a B-17. He also served as a commander in the Korean War. Ever willing to serve his country when needed, he remained a peaceful man at heart.

He was the greatest example



**HUGH
MURTAGH**

any child could find in a father. Hugh lived in Fairfax, Va., from 1954 until August 2003. He coached many a Little League team and played card games several nights a week with his three sons and his daughter.

Following the death of his beloved wife Maggie, Hugh moved to Billings, Mont., to be closer to his grandchildren. He loved playing poker and bridge with his new friends at Mission Ridge and visiting with his grandchildren.

Hugh is survived by his sons, Hugh Jr., Patrick and Michael; his daughter, Elizabeth; son-in-law Ross Haine; daughters-in-law, Anne and Debbie; grandchildren, Joe, Holt, Hunter, Ariel, Meghan, and Veronica; his sisters-in-law, Edith, Dorothy, and Maggie Payne; cousins, John and Danny Hunter; nieces and nephews, Mathew, Sharon, Sean and Lindsey Payne; and Neil and Tara Condon.

We will miss him so very much but take joy in celebrating his wonderful life. A short memorial will be held at 4 p.m. at Mission Ridge in Billings on Tuesday, Feb. 17. Hugh will be laid to rest beside his fellow veterans in Arlington Cemetery on Feb. 25, 2004.

Janice (D'Hoey) Musch

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 25 2004

Jan lost her battle with COPD and lung cancer on Jan. 23, 2004, with her family by her side. She was born in Billings, the fifth of six children born to Emily and Florent D'Hoey.

Jan was joined in marriage at a young age to Glenn Pryor on Aug. 20, 1954. This union was blessed with three beautiful children, Steven Glenn, Cynthia Janice and Marc Leonard Pryor. The marriage ended in divorce. She later



**JANICE
MUSCH**

met and married James R. Musch. It was with Jim that she found the true meaning of a full and rich life.

During her lifetime she had various jobs, but her most special one was with Mutual of New York (MONY) Insurance Company. Jan took early retirement from MONY in July of 1989. She then worked a short time for Lenhardt Insurance Company, and finally took full retirement.

Jan was active in sports, tennis, bowling, water aerobics and golf until her health failed. She loved playing pinochle and Bunco and belonged to several card and Bunco clubs. She loved watching her grandsons, Cole

and Kyle play baseball for the Billings Scarlets. Jan was a member of St. Bernard Parish and The Graduates (a community service club). She loved animals, especially dogs, as apparent in the gentle loving care she gave to her dog, Tony. Her most memorable moments were spent enjoying family gatherings, especially Easter.

Her parents, sisters, Josephine and Margaret, and brothers, Joseph and Jerome, preceded her in death. Jan is survived by her husband; children, Steve (Marty) Pryor, Cindy Richards and Marc (Muriel) Pryor; stepchildren, Spencer Musch and Maria (Mark) Madigan; 10 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild with two more to be born in March; four step-grandchildren; two step great-grandchildren; two sisters, Jeanette (George) Rankin and Joyce Salvesson; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitations will begin at noon on Sunday at Smith's Downtown Chapel. A Vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Monday at St. Bernard's Catholic Church. The Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. on Tuesday at St. Bernard's with Rite of Committal to follow at Holy Cross Cemetery.

Dr. Richard E. Musser

THE HOLLAND GAZETTE

APRIL 30 2004

PLEVNA — Funeral services for Dr. Richard E. Musser, 86, of Plevna, are 11 a.m. Saturday, May 1, at the First Baptist Church, Plevna, with Rev. Stephen May officiating. Interment will follow in the Community Cemetery, Plevna.

Visitation is Friday, April 30, from 12 noon to 9 p.m. at Stevenson Funeral Home, Baker. Visitation continuing one hour prior to the service at the church.

Dr. Musser passed away on Tuesday, April 27, 2004, at his home in Plevna.

Richard E. Musser was born on Dec. 9, 1917, the son of Martin D. and Bertha (Erickson) Musser in Seattle. He grew up and attended schools in Tacoma, Wash., graduating from the Stadium High School in Tacoma. He entered pre-med school in Tacoma and after graduating, was accepted into the Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Mo. On July 17, 1943, he was married to Cara Gentry at St. Louis. Dr. Musser graduated with high honors in June of 1945. In 1946, he was drafted into the U.S. Army and served during the Korean Conflict. After his discharge in 1948, Dr. Musser started his practice in Waynesville, Mo., later moving to Salt Lake City, where he served his residency in anesthesiology. He began his lifelong practice in 1957 in Ekalaka, where he served the community until

1976. After retiring, they moved to Bozeman, where he and Cara spent the next 10 years. Due to the persistence of the Fallon County Commissioners, Dr. Musser came out of retirement and joined the staff at the Fallon Medical Complex in Baker, where he practiced again until 1989. In 1996, they



**RICHARD
MUSSER**

sold their home in Bozeman and moved to Plevna, where they have lived since.

Dr. Musser's greatest enjoyment in life was practicing medicine. He also enjoyed flying. He began flying

when he was 19 years old and, many times over the years, transferred patients from Ekalaka to Billings. His other interests were studying history and reading. His special love was shared with his wife of 60 years, his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution and the First Baptist Church of Plevna.

Survivors include, his wife, Cara, Plevna; two children, Richard Eric (Kim) Musser Jr. of Donaphin, Mo., and Suzie Musser, Story, Wyo.; five grandchildren, Joanie (Eric) Bechtel, Whitefish, Steve (Stacey) Curry, Sheridan, Wyo., Drew Tonn, Bozeman, Michele (Tim) Kata, Atlanta, and Robert Eldon (Kristin) Musser, North Mankato, Minn.; and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and four brothers.

Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at stevensonfuneralhome.com.

Bob J. Myers

BILLINGS GAZETTE
NOV 04 2004

Bob J. Myers, 74, of Billings, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2004, at Deaconess Billings Clinic.

Bob was born on Feb. 13, 1930, in Ponca City, Okla., the son of Herschel and Ruth Myers.

He moved to Billings in 1949. Bob married Irene Benner on March 17, 1951.

He was employed at the Conoco Refinery for 28 years. Bob retired from Conoco in 1992. One of his hobbies was bird watching. He especially enjoyed watching the little chickadees that inhabited his back yard. Bob also loved wintering in Yuma, Ariz., where he enjoyed spending time visiting with his many good friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his beloved dog, Kiah.

Bob is survived by his wife of 53 years, Irene; his two brothers, Bill (Dorothy) Myers of Sandpoint, Idaho, Kenneth (Sue) Myers of Tulsa, Okla.; his son, Tom (Ellen) Myers of Champlin, Minn.; and his two daughters, Debra (Rich)



**BOB
MYERS**

Weisgarber and Diane Myers, both of Billings. He is also survived by three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at Cremation or Funeral Gallery.

Darroll 'D.R.' Myers

THE BILLINGS GAZETTE

JAN 23 2004

Darroll Ray Myers, 51, of Billings passed away Tuesday evening, Jan. 20, 2004, at his home surrounded by family.



**DARROLL
MYERS**

Darroll was born in Billings on June 19, 1952, the son of John and Polly (Chavez) Schleining. He was raised and educated in Billings and entered the Army in 1971. After serving in Vietnam, D.R. returned to the U.S. and traveled throughout the country. He settled in Denver where he worked construction until 2001 when he returned to Billings and his family due to failing health.

Darroll is survived by two children, Nicole and Dustin; two grandchildren; his mother Polly; two sisters, Charmaine Ortiz and Robyn Perez; three brothers, Butch Schleining, John Myers and Rick Myers; another sibling, Vickie Cedarburg; a brother-in-law, Andy Ortiz; and numerous other aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his grandparents and his father.

A Vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at Our Lady of Guadalupe. The Funeral Mass will be at 9 a.m. on Saturday at Our Lady of Guadalupe with military honors and Rite of Committal to follow at Mountview Cemetery. Smith Downtown Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

Florence Myers

WIBAUX — Florence Lenora Myers, 88, of Wibaux, died Sunday, Sept. 12, 2004, at the Wibaux County Nursing Home.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 18, in the Chapel of the Silvernale-Silha Funeral Home in Wibaux. Interment will follow services at the Wibaux Cemetery.

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BILLINGS GAZETTE

James Nile Myers

SEP 26 2004

BILLINGS GAZETTE

LOVELL, Wyo. — James Nile Myers, 59, died Thursday, Sept. 23, 2004, at the Saveway Gas Station, west of Lovell.

Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, at the Haskell Funeral Home in Lovell. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Lovell. Interment will be in the Lovell Cemetery.

JAMES NILE MYERS

THE POWELL

TRIBUNE

SEP 30 2004

James Nile Myers, 59, died Thursday, Sept. 23 in Lovell of a heart condition due to Marfan Syndrome.

He was born Sept. 10, 1945, in Sellersville, Pa., to James Mercer and Marjorie Hardenfelt Myers. He was raised in Lansdale, Pa. and graduated from Souderton High School.

On Oct. 18, 1965 he went into the U.S. Army serving a one-year tour in Vietnam. He was honorably discharged on Oct. 17, 1967. He was an expert rifleman. He earned the National Defense Service Medal, along with his Vietnam medals. In 1982 he enlisted in the Utah National Guard and served for six years.

When he returned from Vietnam, he worked for North Penn Transfer loading trucks. In May of 1972 he came to Cody on vacation and met the love of his life, Diana Hunsaker, on a blind date. After corresponding for six months, they were married in Jarrettown, Pa., on Nov. 4, 1972. He joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints two weeks prior to their marriage. Their marriage was solemnized in the Logan Temple on Nov. 7, 1981. In 1976 he moved his small family west to Powell. Three years later, he got a job at Thiokol, an aerospace plant, in Promontory, Utah, so the family moved to Brigham City, settling eventually in East Garland. He earned the title of lead operator and over the years earned many awards for his work. After 17 1/2 years Thiokol had a Reduction in Forces lay-off, so Jim and Diana decided to move to Lovell. Once again, he went to work at the feed lot in Powell.

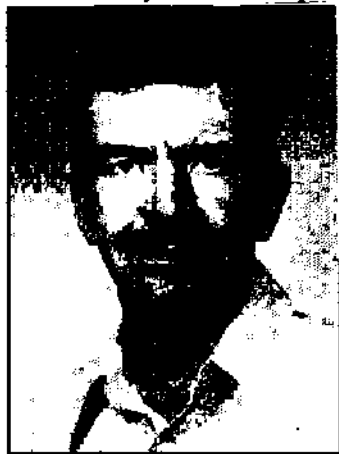
He loved to fish. It was his greatest pastime. His favorite books were the Big Sky, Good-bye Mr. Chips, and Robert Frost poems. He enjoyed his nightly game of Scrabble with his wife.

He had a strong work ethic. He worked hard

at whatever job he had. Yet, he could relax and play with his kids and grandkids. In their 31 years together, he never quit opening doors for his wife and holding her hand. Their happy empty nest time was cut short.

He was preceded in death by his father, James, and his sister, Lynn.

He is survived by his wife, Diana of Lovell; his children: Malynda (Nathan) Hanson of Fallon, Nev.; James L. Myers of Brigham City, Utah; Angela (Steven) Blanchard of USAF Academy, Colo.; Keeli (Scott) Savage of Lovell; Karri (Jeremy) Hammond of Logan, Utah; and Donald Myers of Lovell; his mother, Marjorie of Harleysville, Pa.; and grandchildren: Joseph, Hyrum and Alexis Blanchard; Zachary Hanson; Aubrey and Isaac Hammond; and Joseph Scott Savage Jr.; and sisters Dale (Dan) Souder of Schwenksville, Pa.; and Judie French of Chalfont, Pa.; a brother, Thayne (Mary) Myers of Moab, Utah; and many nieces and nephews.



James Myers

Sivert Mysse

INGOMAR — Sivert O. Mysse, age 82, of Ingomar, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 22, 2004, at the family ranch near Ingomar.

Sivert was born on May 5, 1922, in Ingomar, the son of Sivert

O. and Bertha Coltom Mysse.

He grew up on the ranch and attended elementary and high school in Ingomar and graduated from Montana State College in 1941 with a BS in

Electrical Engineering. Following graduation, he enrolled in the U.S. Army. He served in the Signal Corps and spent the majority of World War II in Italy and Switzerland. Following his Honorable Discharge in 1945, he returned to Ingomar to operate and manage the family ranch until his death.

On Aug. 29, 1964, Sivert married Janet Whitney in Forsyth. They made their home on the ranch near Ingomar. He continued to manage and operate the family sheep ranch, Cherry Creek Sheep Co, Inc., which had grown to become one of the largest sheep ranches of its time in Montana. In 1982, he and his sisters divided the ranch and he continued his lifelong ranching ambition of raising sheen under



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the name of Mysse Ranch Co. Inc. and added a few head of cattle to the business. In later years, he leased pasture out to some of the local cattle greats. He also continued to assist Janet in her sweater design and retail yarn business called Janknits until her passing in 2003.

Sivert had many interests in life. Being civic minded, after returning from WWII, he continued to serve his community and country. He served in the Montana House of Representatives for two terms in 1955 and again in 1957, he served as a trustee on the Forsyth School District Board for 12 years, he was a long time member of the Rosebud County Search and Rescue, Montana Woolgrowers Association, Sons of Norway, Notary of Public for State of Montana for over 30 years, member of the Republican Party, Honorary State FFA Degree, Local Honorary District FFA

logue from the Meistone Chapter, one of 64 surviving members that attended the 50 year Montana State College alumni reunion and a Charter member of the Ingomar Recreation Club of which he was Treasurer until his death.

His passions and knowledge in life were very diverse. He was a warm, kind hearted and easy going man who spoke softly with knowledge and determination. When asked, he eagerly shared his life experiences and knowledge. In addition to his extensive sheep ranching skills, he also did his civic duties. In the early 1960s, he and Swede Schlesinger initiated and brought telephone service into the area ranches. Additionally in the late '60s, he was one of the first locally to pioneer the installation of a livestock pipeline watering system. In 1976, the State of Montana selected him to help represent Montana in the Bi-Centennial Exhibit in Washington, D.C. He exhibited a sheep wagon at the Smithsonian Museum. He made many friends region wide in the livestock business. Many times, he was the volume ram purchaser at the Montana Ram Sale in Miles City. Over the years, he received many phone calls from petroleum engineers, local water well drillers and ranchers regarding geology formations for oil, gas and water well drilling. On a neighbor's water well that was over 2,500 feet in drilled depth, he was with-

in 15 feet of the location of the water. With his electrical engineering background, there never was a shortage of electrical gadgets — from having one of the first home computers to engine analyzing scopes and television tube testing equipment, there simply was nothing electrical that didn't fascinate him. He had a knack for cooking, especially fudge and barbecuing; for many years he and Janet hosted a lamb barbecue at the ranch that all the local ranchers and business people attended. He also was a long-time collector of weather data and a trained local weather spotter for the National Weather Service. He was active behind the scenes for many years as the official scorekeeper of the District FFA conventions held in Eastern Montana. While growing up on the ranch and in Ingomar, he learned to play the piano and while in the U.S. Army, he developed a taste for opera and classical music. He attended as many operas as possible when he was stationed in Cassrta, Italy. He also shared his musical interest with his family through his love of playing the piano. Additional interests included taking his son's bass fishing, photography, plumbing and electrical wiring of buildings; exploring the world via the Internet, staying in touch with friends and relatives via e-mail. He also enjoyed regularly attending Billings Blazer and

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Bighorn hockey games, accounting for a local business, regular trips to Ingomar, Forsyth, Miles City or Billings for parts or just to get away. In the last years, he also enjoyed the weekly card games at the Jersey Lilly in Ingomar, travel to Europe to see where he was stationed in WWII, to visit and "extended" family member from Germany, time with his grandchildren and he was looking forward to returning this fall to Europe and Norway to see distant relatives.

He is survived by his three sons, Sivert, III of Las Vegas, Richard of Havre and Jonathan of Ingomar; and two grandchildren, Kate and Jess Mysse of Roberts. Sivert was preceded in death by his wife Janet of 39 years; his parents Sivert and Bertha Mysse; his brother Merton; and sisters Bernice Milam and Marie Straw.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth. Interment will follow in the family plot at the Forsyth Cemetery. Visitation will be on Friday, Aug. 27, in the Chapel of Stevenson & Sons Funeral Home in Forsyth, from 1 until 7 p.m.

Donations, in lieu of flowers, may be made to the Rosebud County Search and Rescue Services of Forsyth.